



RIVERSDALE SCHOOL
Inspiring Excellence

Our School Values:

We are:

Respectful - Whakaute

Responsible - Kawenga

Resilient – Manawaroa

Our Well-being – Hauora, supports these.

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Riversdale School Newsletter - **Term 4 Week 3**

Tena Koutou Parents, Caregivers and Whanau.

Hello everyone,

Kia ora e hoa mā.

*Resilience
Manawaroa*

Pet Day

Last Friday we had a great day for Pet Day. The Hall entries were fantastic and children had lots of fun with their pets. A huge thank you to all of the people who volunteered their time to help judge events, this was greatly appreciated. Thank you to whanau for supporting your child/ren with their events as we know this is a big task.

A massive thank you to everyone who made a cake to be auctioned and to everyone who purchased a cake and the bike kindly donated by the Clarksons. The cake auction raised over \$4000 for the school. We appreciate your support with this fundraiser. Funds will be used to purchase more Tshirts as we don't have enough with our increased roll.

The year 7 & 8 girls baking stall raised \$500 and are donating this to the Southland Charity Hospital. Tino pai' girls! They thank everyone who supported their baking stalls.

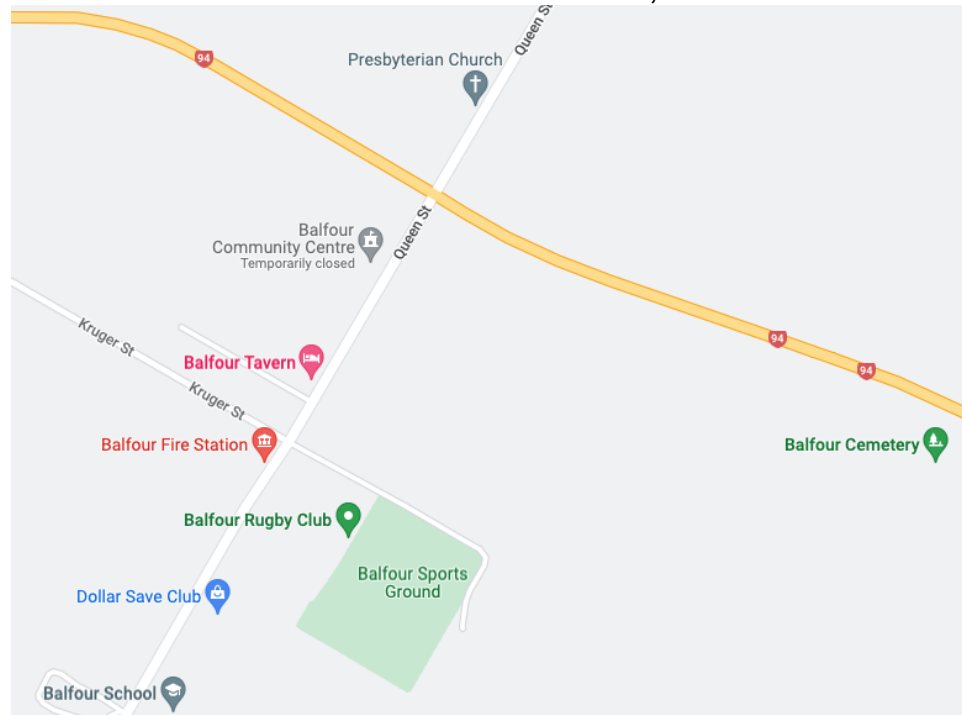
WAIMEA ATHLETICS - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This Friday (4th November) is Waimea Athletics, at the Balfour Sports Grounds. The students have been out every afternoon this week, learning the correct techniques so that they will perform well on Friday. All students are expected to participate. Parents need to ensure that their children are at the Balfour Sports Grounds by 8:45 am, for a 9:00 am start. Most Riversdale School students, seven and over, are in relay teams. Relays take place at the end of the day, so children cannot leave until after the relays are finished.

**YOUR CHILD WILL COMPETE IN THE AGE-GROUP THAT THEY WERE ON
31st DEC 2021**

WHERE: Balfour Sports Ground

Turn left down Queen Street in Balfour, then left down Kruger Street.



WHEN: Friday 4th November 2022

Please arrive at the Balfour Sports Grounds by 8.45am. Events start promptly at 9am.

TRANSPORT: You need to arrange transportation to and from Athletics Day in Balfour for your child. Please let your child's teacher know by Thursday 3rd November if you cannot transport your child or arrange transport with a friend so we can organise a staff member to transport your child. Teachers will be setting up for the events on Friday Morning and will not be at school after 8.30am. Remember to let the bus driver know if your child is **off** the bus.

School Houses – usually we would have a House competition on athletics day, but this will take place in 2023, so do not worry about your child having house colours this year.

WHAT TO TAKE:

- Please wear our Riversdale School Tshirt which will be sent home on Thursday, and black bottoms.
- Sneakers (your child will not be able to compete in throwing events without covered in footwear)
- Water Bottle
- Lunch and snacks for the day. (plus money if purchasing food)
- Sunscreen/sunhat

Balfour Home and School are doing a BBQ/Burger stall and will have other treats available to purchase. Items are limited so please also bring your own kai and drinks just in case.

Athletics Day programme

Time	5 and 6 Year Olds	7 Year Olds	8 Year Olds	9 Year Olds	10 Year Olds	11/12 Year Olds
8.55am	Assemble at the Sports Pavilion in your age group lines. Welcome by Mrs Stevenson then to events.					
8.55am	Assemble with S Unwin, M Thomas, S Campbell, Z Roy, G Callander and V Roy.	Assemble with Ms Knight and Mrs King	Assemble with Marion Frei, Katie Blatch	Assemble M Houghton	Assemble with Kim Allan and T Przewieda	Assemble with at start line for*1500m J Stevenson
9am	1500 metres (final)					
	<i>All other ages may watch 1500 metres from the 1st event.</i>					
Children move to each new event as a group. They move once they have all completed the event. (There will NOT be a bell to indicate when to move)	Participating in Junior Programme	Discus	Long jump	100/200 m	High Jump	Shot put
		Long jump	Shot put	Discus	100/200 m	High Jump
		Shot put	High Jump	Long jump	Discus	100/200 m
		High Jump	60/100 m	Shot put	Long Jump	Discus
		60/100 m	Discus	High Jump	Shot put	Long jump
	800 metres (final)					
	Lunch Break The length of this break is dependent on weather. Food will be available to purchase.					
	All Sprint Finals (this includes 5 and 6 year olds)					
	Age group relays.					

Hand Foot and Mouth

Hand, Foot, and Mouth is going around school. If your child has any spots please seek medical advice and keep your child home until they are no longer contagious. This may mean your child cannot attend Athletics Day tomorrow.

School Photos:

Our school photos are being taken by Geoff Horrell again this year, next **Monday 7th November**. **Please note the change of date.** Family/Sibling photos will be at 8.15-9.00am. If you would like a family or sibling photo please come to school at this time then all children will get an individual photo taken and a class photo, from 9.00am on.

Coming Up....

04 November	Waimea Athletics – Balfour hosting (Postponement day Monday 7 Nov)
07 November	School Photos
10 November	BOT Meeting - in the staffroom.
11 November	Northern Athletics at Northern Southland College
19 November	Southland Athletics, Surrey Park, Invercargill
21 November	Teacher Registration Ceremony – congratulations Mrs King ☺
22 November	Community Assembly 1.30pm in the School Hall. All welcome.
2 December	Teacher Only Day for teachers to write school reports.
5 December	BOT Meeting – in the staffroom.
15 December	‘Christmas in the Park’ at school starting at 6pm – picnic and carols
16 December	Reports are sent home. 2pm The Great School Water Fight.
19 December	Year 8 Graduation in the school hall 7pm. Everyone is very welcome
20 December	Last day for 2022. School finishes at 12.45 and school buses run then.

2023 Term 1

Monday 6 February Waitangi Day. School closed

7 February First day for Term 1, 2023. We will welcome all our tamariki back at 9am.

ABSENT

Please phone or text the school phone 0275553534 if your child is absent from school. **We do need to know why for reporting purposes to the Ministry of Education.**

Our bus drivers contacts are:

Michael Lobb – 027 3725785 – Wendon route

Jan Robertson – 027 6088203 – Kaweku Waimea route

Robin Skerratt – 021 2930631 – Wendonside Waipounamu route

Paul Eason – 021 474580 – Mandeville route

Please text or phone them if your child is off the bus in the morning so that they do not wait at the pickup point.

Stock up now as these are great value and last ages!

Pool fundraiser price list: (these are held at the school so just text a message or pop in)

Food wrap	300m x 33cm = \$23 600m x 33cm = \$35
Roll foil	90m x 44cm = \$22 150m x 30cm = \$22
Baking paper	100m x 30cm = \$30

Swimming Pool now open

Keys are \$100 (flat rate) for the season, and are available from the Challenge Service Station, from Wednesday 19th October.

We need pool volunteers to support the running (chemicals, daily open and close up, vacuuming etc) of the pool. It is not hard and there are very detailed instructions for every element of the pool operation.

If you can take a turn please contact Janine Marshall on 0275489785.

Before and After School Carer Required

I need someone for one child for some school pick up/drop offs and also on occasional nights.

Hours could be depending on my roster 4.30am till 8.30am and 3pm till 5pm happy to have responsible high school student.

Contact Paula on 0279326631

Home & School

Baking Mixes

Order forms for Baking mixes have been sent home - please contact the committee in person or on Facebook or email riversdalehas@gmail.com if you didn't get one. Order forms and money must be returned by Friday 11th November please.

We will need volunteers to help with packing early December, dates to be confirmed.

Silver Fern Farms

Riversdale Home & School now have an account set up, please get in touch with a committee member if you would like to make a donation to the school this way.



Open days

NOVEMBER

✿ 3.11.22
2.45pm–3.45pm

✿ 20.11.22
11.00am–Onwards
Community Celebration Day

✿ 27.11.22
1.00pm–2.00pm

For more details please find us on Facebook @MNS Toy Library

PRIMARY SCHOOL GOLF

Our “School Pupils” Golf Club will begin again on Friday 11 November. For the benefit of any new players, I have outlined some of the details about this activity below.

This “Club” is open to all pupils from year 3 and above, and will meet at the Riversdale Golf Course each Friday during the summer terms.

Sessions times will be 3:30 pm – 4:45 pm for years 3 – 6, and 4:45 – 6:00 for older players

There is no cost for these Friday sessions, but pupils who wish to use the facilities at other times may join the Golf Club as a “Primary School Pupil Member” at a cost of \$25:00 for the summer.

If your child is interested in being part of this activity, or if you have any questions about this club, please do not hesitate to phone me at 0212037547.

**Kind regards
Stuart Riordan**



TWILIGHT GOLF

RIVERSDALE GOLF COURSE

9 holes, 2 person fun ambrose

Every Wednesday night

High School age and above

6pm tee off

\$5 entry

Everyone wins a prize

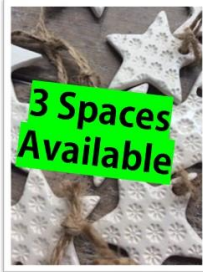
Come for a night of social golf

Queries: Debbie Schriek 0210462596

Let's get... Festive!



Riversdale Arts Festive Workshops – Weekend 12th-13th November



3 Spaces Available

Saturday 12th November
Clay Xmas Decorations- Kerryn Miller
Two half day workshops
9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm
 Make some serious funky clay Xmas tree decorations. Kerryn has a variety of cool options for you to create using clay techniques
\$75 per person



14 Spaces Available

Saturday 12th November
Driftwood Santas – Christine O'Connor
Two half day workshops
9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm
 Get ready to brighten your garden or house with funky painted driftwood Santas. All materials supplied. Decorate as many Santas as you wish during our half day class.
\$75 per person



1 Space Available

Saturday 12th October
Paverpol Sculpture – Theresa H Art
Full Day workshop - 9am-4pm
 Get immersed in the art of paverpol sculpture, Theresa will guide you through the skills involved in creating your very own sculpture suitable for garden or home.
\$135 per person



1 Space Available
Sat evening

Sat 12th/Sun 13th November
Wire Xmas Trees – Lee van der Geest
Half Day workshops – x3
 Make your own large (600mm high) wire Xmas tree. All trees come complete with a star and fairy lights. Lee's workshops are always popular – get in quick!
\$180 per person Sat evening \$200 per person



16 Spaces Available

Sunday 13th November
Watercolour Greeting Cards – Jo Jago
Two half day workshops
9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm
 Returning after her popular exhibition workshops. Jo is back with a festive spin on card making this time.
\$75 per person



1 Space Available

Sunday 13th November
Dried Flower Hoops – Zoe Dale
Full Day workshop – 10am-4pm
 Spend the day creating a gorgeous floral loop with talented tutor Zoe Dale. Dried flowers are very on trend at the moment – so make one for yourself or as a Xmas gift for someone else.
\$90 per person

Photos from Pet day







