

# RICHMOND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

9<sup>th</sup> March 2023



From the Tumuaki desk this week ...

## SENIOR SYNDICATE CAMPS AT LAKE ROTOITI

It has been wonderful to have senior syndicate camps back at Lake Rotoiti this year. The last camps we had there were in 2016. Unfortunately the planned 2019 Lake Rotoiti camps were cancelled due to concerns related to the fires in the region. 6 of the 7 senior classes have been on camp already. One more early next week. They have all been very successful. The main reason for going being to establish quality class cultures where our school AROHA values are to the fore. We also want the children to have high quality learning experiences not only on camp but as part of their 'Flora and fauna' unit including the Lake's 'Mainland Island' project. There have been many learnings from their experiences. The learnings can be very different for each individual child. No more so than the massive increase in self-confidence and independence some children experience. I was fortunate enough to witness this on the camp I went on two weeks ago. For some children it was the first time staying away from home and it was a massive challenge in a supportive, encouraging environment.

Yesterday one of the children came down to me with her camp reflections. The children had completed a personal review document about camp that included:

- My top 3 favourite things about camp
- 2 memories from my cabin
- 4 science facts I learned
- My review about the camp food
- Something that surprised me
- My favourite activity I experienced
- My favourite part of the tramp
- If I could change one thing about camp it would be
- My WOW moment I will never forget
- And, like the Dr Seuss book – 'Oh the places you'll go' statement.

Here is her statement that summed up the wonderful experiences she had (including being on a speed boat for the first time ever but not mentioned in this statement):

*"Camp helped me staying away from mum and facing my fear of jumping off the jetty and walking up the big mountain that I didn't want to do but I did it! I was so proud of myself. And also with the jetty jump...I did it! I am so proud of myself. Camp helped me so much."*

What was so impressive was the encouragement the other children and adults provided this child and others to try things for the first time in a controlled supportive outdoor setting. This child was still beaming about her successes and from my point of view such experiences can be life-changing! They are priceless. It is difficult to quantify the many benefits for each and every child.

As seen from the photo here, on return from camp the children are more than happy to play with each other at lunchtimes – playing with children they would not have played with prior to camp. Another awesome outcome from camp experiences.

I would like to thank all the parents of children in the senior syndicate who have paid the suggested \$100 donation (that is tax deductible) for their children who have been on camp. This is greatly appreciated as it is costly funding the camps for 7 classes. Many thanks.



## PARKING IN THE CHURCH CARPARK AND THE STAFF CARPARK

We are extremely fortunate to be allowed to have up to 33 cars parking in the church's carpark every day around 3:00pm. It is awesome to report how wonderful parents are adhering to this. Thank you!

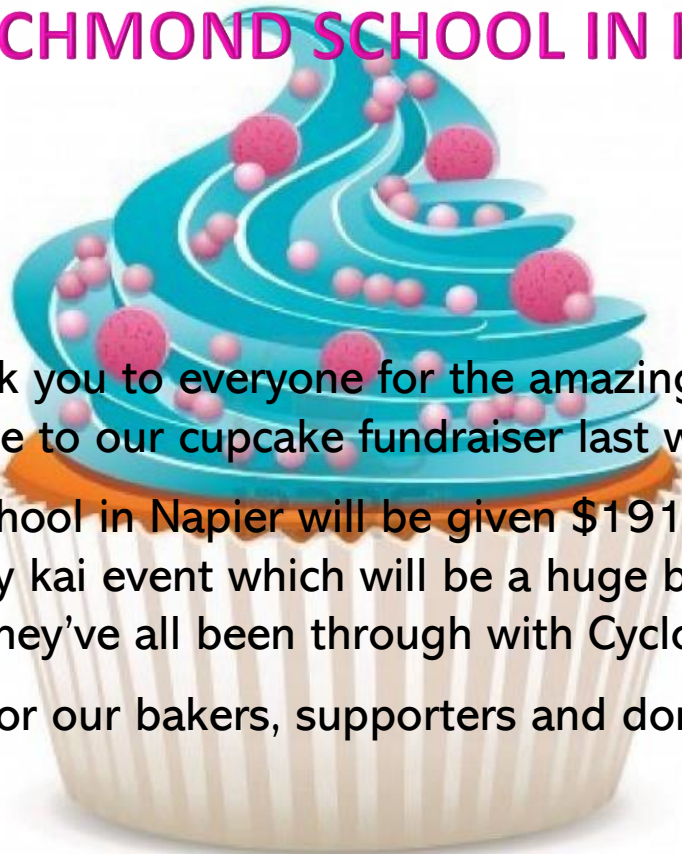
Recently we have noticed a number of parents coming into the staff carpark especially at the end of the day. The carpark is for the staff and also the after-school care buses only please.

## SWIMMING POOL KEYS

Most of the classes have finished swimming for the 2022/2023 swimming season and all will have after tomorrow.

Key holders will still be able to use the pool until Thursday 16<sup>TH</sup> March (one week from today). We would like the keys to be returned to the office as soon as possible after that please (or earlier if you wish).

## CUPCAKE FUNDRAISER FOR RICHMOND SCHOOL IN NAPIER



A huge thank you to everyone for the amazing support you gave to our cupcake fundraiser last week.

Richmond School in Napier will be given \$1919 to spend on a community kai event which will be a huge boost to them after what they've all been through with Cyclone Gabrielle.

Thank you for our bakers, supporters and donation givers.

We have a pair of prescription glasses with a clear frame, and also a hearing aid at the office.



**GOOD LUCK to our WEETBIX  
TRYATHLETES for Sunday.**

**Have a fun day.**

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# COMMUNITY NOTICES

Nelson Youth Theatre Company's  
production of  
**LIONEL BART'S**  
**Oliver!**  
**JR!**

Book, Music and Lyrics by  
Lionel Bart

Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia). All  
performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia.

**Theatre Royal**

8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> April 2pm & 6pm

[www.theatreroyalnelson.co.nz](http://www.theatreroyalnelson.co.nz)

03 548 3840

Donate a non-perishable food item & get Wave Rave entry for just \$5!  
All food will be donated to local charity Kai with Love

JOIN US LET  
THE FUN  
BEGIN!

8-14 year olds  
welcome





**FOOD  
BANK  
WAVE RAVE**

FRIDAY | 10TH MARCH 2023  
7PM - 9PM


**\$8 PER ENTRY OR  
\$5 WITH ANY NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEM DONATED**

Aqua-run, Bombing, Inflatables, Games, Competitions, Prizes & Music

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161 Salisbury Road, Richmond  
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[www.rcs.co.nz/richmond](http://www.rcs.co.nz/richmond)

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**TABLE  
TENNIS NELSON**

COME TRY IT  
OUT TODAY!

**MONDAY & FRIDAY AFTER  
SCHOOL PLAY IS BACK!**

**Monday 3:30pm - 5pm** is an introduction to table tennis, with  
coaching followed by fun games.

**Friday 3:30pm to 4:30pm** - warm up and coaching  
**4:30pm - 6pm** is for more advanced Juniors, two player teams made  
up each week with whoever turns up.

**Great opportunity for all players to put some  
skills into play**

Find us at Saxton Stadium, Stoke



<https://www.sporty.co.nz/ttnelson>

## MINISTRY OF INSPIRATION

Don't forget to sign up for the really fun, highly engaging MOI  
Holiday Workshops! All workshops are from 9 am to 3 pm

**17-19 and 20-21 APRIL Cooking and Engineering**

**17-19 and 20-21 APRIL Art and Engineering**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/holiday-programmes-april-2023-at-garin-tickets-567229758477>

## NELSON NETBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

When: Tuesday 18th April and Wednesday 19th April  
Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm  
Where: Saxton Stadium, inside.

For more information and how to register, please click  
here - [Nelson Netball Centre - PROGRAMMES](#)

**SPORT TASMAN**

**MUDDY BUDDY**  
Adventure Fun Run

**2nd April 2023**  
Tasman School  
417 Aporo Road, Tasman

ENTER ONLINE: \$15 per person | \$40 family  
ENTER ON THE DAY: \$20 per person | \$50 family  
SIGN IN BETWEEN: 10.00am - 11.30am  
RACE STARTS: 12 noon...and we're off!

**PRIZES FOR THE BEST ECO DRESS-UP!**  
GREAT SPOT PRIZES! Including...  
2 x BIKES FROM "MY RIDE" RICHMOND.

FOOD, COFFEE, SILENT AUCTION, WHITE ELEPHANT STALL AND MORE.

[www.tasman.school.nz](http://www.tasman.school.nz)

EACH LAP OF THE COURSE IS APPROXIMATELY 1KM

1 LAP	2 LAP	3 LAP
Kids - Family Fun - Open	Open	Open

