

RICHMOND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

11th May 2023



From the Tumuaki desk this week ...

OUR SCHOOL BOARD

On our school Board we have 5 parent elected representatives, a co-opted parent member, a staff representative and the principal.

The elected parent representatives and the staff representative are elected every three years (for a 3 year term). Earlier in the year, **Coral Smith** was co-opted onto the Board for the year for her expertise in policy development and review, and her outstanding knowledge of the school including her involvement as a member of the school's Parent-Teacher Committee. The other parent representatives being **Paul Suisted**, **Tina Harper**, **Chris Finch**, **Jesse Clements** and **Christine Irvine**. **Suzie Halligan** is the staff representative.

The Board members combine to form a very professional group, who govern the school extremely well and ensure the school is functioning as well as possible. The members are very knowledgeable about their role. The Board deals with the 'governance' (setting policies and ratifying documentation/happenings /finances once they are assured they are completed) of the school, whereas the management (day-to-day running of the school) is the domain of the school's management team.

At the beginning of the year Paul Suisted was re-elected as the Board Chairperson (now known as the 'Presiding Member').



Paul Suisted

What also impresses me about the Richmond School Board, is their focus is on making sure the school just gets better and better – the promotion of continuous improvement.



Jesse Clements



Tina Harper



Christine Irvine



Coral Smith



Chris Finch



Suzie Halligan

OUR PARENT-TEACHER COMMITTEE

Another very important group in our school is our 'Parent-Teacher Committee' which as the name suggests is a combination of parents and staff. The group meets about twice a term and they help plan events and also fundraise for the school for 'extras' around the school. This year they are fundraising \$14,000 for a new sound system for the hall. Soon they will be providing and cooking sausages for our annual cross-country event at Rabbit Island. Their meetings also play an important role in when providing social opportunities for parents to come along and met other parents in our school community. My belief being when parents are actively involvement in their school then it shows their children that their parents value their education. At last Monday night's 7:00pm meeting there were 17 people present (with 3 new members) – the largest group we have had for a number of years. We have 3 parents co-chair the committee. They are Vanessa Jones, Amy Henley and Christine Irvine. If you would like more information about the committee please have a chat with one of the chairpersons or Tim Brenton (Principal). We certainly welcome new members!

ROOM 17



Next Monday we are opening Room 17 – a new 'Start-up' New Entrant classroom. Rooms 18 and 20 are New Entrant classes that begin at the start of the year. Once they build in number to around 20 we start Room 17 and then later in Term 3 we will start another New Entrant class – Room 21 (with Jess O'Connor, one of our wonderful part-time teachers).

Jenny Ydgren will be Room 17's class teacher. Jenny is a very experienced New Entrant teacher who has taught recently at Roydvale Primary in Christchurch. Her family moved to live in Mapua a few months ago. Jenny is absolutely delightful and has been working here in a relieving capacity recently and preparing her classroom in readiness for her new pupils next week. Welcome Jenny!



PINK SHIRT DAY is coming up on Friday 19th May. Try to remember to wear a pink shirt so you can help support anti-bullying.

What does it mean: Pink Shirt Day means to stand up to bullying and make the community a better place for everyone that includes our school, other schools, intermediate and colleges, and many other places.

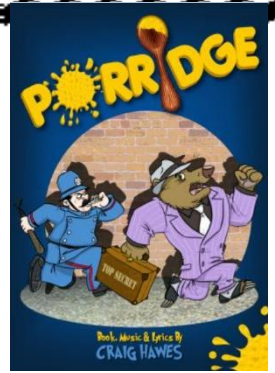
So speak up, stand together and stop bullying.

Written by Matilda Harvey, Room 5.

SENIOR SYNDICATE PRODUCTION

June 21st & 22nd

Hope Community Church



We require the following props/costumes if anyone at all can help us. Please name your item so we can return it to you. We will also keep a record.

- Air horn
- Old empty large picture frame 70cm-50cm (or bigger) x4
- Old suitcases
- Police hats
- Detective coat
- Large soft toy pig
- Old style egg beater/whisk
- Old style phone with round dial
- Giant hotdog
- Tractor – Monday 19th June from 3pm (to Hope Community Church)
- Tractor – Friday 23rd June from 8am (return to school)

IMPORTANT: Each class requires a parent costume co-ordinator. You don't need to sew costumes, just tick off as costumes are sorted.

Please let us know if your child will be away over the performance time – week 9.

Thanks

Glenna and Grant Senior Production 2023

RICHMOND SCHOOL CULTURAL DAY

Wednesday 17th May

This term we are studying the Māori concept of Āhuareka, which focuses on art, celebrations and entertainment.

We would love children to come on Wednesday 17th May dressed in clothes that show their culture — traditional clothes, colours of their flag, or something to show where their family comes from.

21 different cultures are represented in our school and this is a chance to celebrate this diversity.

We will be holding a short parade from 11am on Wednesday 17th to celebrate the cultures amongst our school.



WET WEATHER

If children are walking to school in the rain, please provide a rain jacket as there are a lot of children arriving wet.

It would be appreciated if children, especially juniors, could have spare clothes in their bags.

SCHOOL CROSSINGS

Please use the school crossings provided. We have noticed many parents and children crossing the road, especially Oxford Street, not using the patrolled crossing. This is dangerous.



QUIZ NIGHT & SILENT AUCTION

How can you help?

- **Save the date now.**
- **We are setting up a Quiz Committee and would love members of the school community to be involved.**
- **Could you donate any goods or services for our silent auction? Small or large, we would love to hear from you.**
- **Get a team together – start asking friends and family now.**

Please contact the school office or Vanessa on 021 234 9185 if you can help with either of these.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Please return completed order forms to your child's classroom moneybox or to the office.

Order forms need to be at the office by THURSDAY 18th MAY

DISCLAIMER These are notices we include on request of organisations and individuals.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Nelson College for Girls PFA presents


Emma Wright
Raising Body
Confident Kids

A *must see* for
parents of
toddlers to teens

Thursday
18 May, 7 pm
\$20

Nelson Girls College
Hall

Book your ticket
<https://emma-wright-nelson.eventbrite.com/>



hands *up* if you're
ready to sign with us!

NEW ZEALAND
SIGN LANGUAGE WEEK
15 MAY 6 TO 20 MAY

8 to 14 MAY 2023

JON TAI-RAKENA
OUR 2023 NEW ZEALAND
SIGN LANGUAGE WEEK HERO
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@LEARNNZWITHJON

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WAIMEA RURAL
CONNECTIONS

PRIMARY
INDUSTRIES
FAMILY

Happening
Rain
or shine

**FUN
AVO**

1pm
14TH MAY
2023

FREE REGISTRATION

Awesome activities for
kids - zip lining, maze,
rock climbing & more

Special afternoon tea
for everyone & anyone,
in celebration of Mothers
Day

TEAPOT VALLEY CAMP, BRIGHTWATER

TO REGISTER EMAIL : WAIMEARURALCONNECTIONS@GMAIL.COM



YIKES

LOCAL, CARING CHILDCARE

(7AM) BEFORE SCHOOL
AFTER SCHOOL
HOLIDAYS



SEMI-RURAL IN RICHMOND
LOCATED ON RICHMOND PARK SHOWGROUNDS
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ANIMATION WORKSHOPS
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ACTIONCENTRE | WINTER

CRICKET

JUNIOR LEAGUES

Wednesday Primary League
Cost: \$120 per season per player or \$12 per game

- School Years 5/6
- Games 5pm Wednesday
- 6 Players per side
- 12 Rounds
- 8 Teams Max
- Develop all round Cricket skills while having fun!
- All sides need a parent supervisor.
- Registrations close May 8
- Starts May 10

**All competitions run concurrently
with school terms 2 & 3.**

Sign up your team today!
Email cpt.cricket.nz@gmail.com to register

Individuals also welcome

Celtic PB

**Enrol for bagpipe or drumming
lessons starting term 2**


Nayland Primary School.
Thursdays 5-6pm weekly.
To enrol, visit: celticpipeband-nelson.nz
Group lessons are available for school
kids aged around 9-11 years. Lessons
cost \$50 per term which includes the
rental hire of equipment.

Learners enjoy challenging and
rewarding music instruction, hone their
theory in music games, learn basic
marching skills, and meet new friends.


This is a low cost entry point for pipe
banding, give it a go and see if it's right
for you.

Our team of voluntary tutors are
dedicated to giving learners a well
rounded and rewarding music journey.
Throughout their first year, kids will
play on practise instruments and have
fun learning the technical
movements required to
graduate on to full
instruments.

Find out more at:
celticpipeband-nelson.nz



CARE
the Children's Anti-inflammatory REliever Study



**CHILDREN'S
ASTHMA STUDY
CAN YOU HELP?**

We are looking for children with asthma to take part in a study
comparing two different asthma inhalers

To take part in this study you must:

- ✓ Have been diagnosed with asthma by a doctor
- ✓ Be aged between 5 and 15 years
- ✓ Only use a reliever inhaler


For more information contact either:

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Name: Dr Richard Fuller
Email: richard.fuller@mrinz.ac.nz
Phone: (03) 526 9860

SCT Tasman (Nelson)
Name: Stephanie Stephens
Email: sct.tasman@scrtasman.co.nz
Phone: (021) 027 23271

What does it
involve?

- 1 year
- 3 in person +
2 phone calls
- Inhalers provided
free of charge
- Asthma education
- Reimbursement
for travel
expenses



SCAN ME

hrc nz

RESEARCH INSTITUTE
OF NEW ZEALAND

cure kids

This study has been approved by Northern U Health and Human Ethics Committee (2019/102201)

NELSON
baby
on the move
where little things matter

The five-step test
A child can ride safely without a booster
seat when you can say YES to ALL 5.

- 1 Back against the vehicle seat
- 2 Knees bend at edge of seat
- 3 Lap belt low on tops of thighs
- 4 Shoulder belt between neck and shoulder
- 5 Sit properly, no slouching leaning over, etc

To ride safely,
most kids
need a booster
until age
10 - 12 years.
It's best to wait
till 145cm.