## RICHMOND SCHOOL

# **NEWSLETTER**



30th November 2023



From the Tumuaki desk this week ...

#### **TUI SYNDICATE - QUINNEY'S BUSH CAMP**



On Tuesday I had the pleasure of attending the Tui syndicate 'One-day' camp at Quinney's Bush. It is a fantastic site for a one-day camp for little ones. No wonder so many Richmond School families make use of the site over weekends as it is a relaxing place to have family holidays.



I have been highly appreciative of our staff being willing to take to the syndicate there especially during a very busy time of the year for them. Today I showed one of the boys, photos of him on one of the flying foxes – he was simply buzzing about his achievements. He also told me he was a bit scared about one of the challenges but thought he might try it next time – 'Growth mindset' in action!



It is incredibly difficult to quantify the value of outdoor experiences such as the Quinney's Bush camp for the Tui syndicate. Observations and individual satisfaction are major measures at this time. Teachers and Support Staff observe the improvements in individual pupils' confidence, resiliency, growth mind-sets and their willingness to try new things. Camp parents spoke fondly of the day and the improvements they noticed. At the start of the day (and before that even) the majority of children were a mixture of buzzing excitement and a little concerned about what the camp would be all about.



Most came back very tired but proud of their achievements/successes and a desire to do it all again! I am delighted that our teachers and Support Staff are willing to provide the children with these experiences and it is widely known this is an excellent stepping-stone (foundation) for our Middles and Senior camping experiences.

Many thanks to all the parents who went along as 'camp parents' – I've heard a few collapsed on the couch and had a 'nana nap' shortly after

returning at 7:00pm. Well-deserved I say!

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#### **GRADUATION**

This evening there is a GRADUATION CEREMONY for all the Provisionally Registered teachers in the region who are now fully qualified teachers. After completing their university training programme, teachers are involved in a two year Provisionally Registered programme.

I am delighted to inform our community that we have three teachers graduating tonight. A massive milestone for them. They are:

- Nicole Andrews (Room 5)
- Torrey Gilchrist (Room 9)
- Morgan Eggers (Room 14)

All 3 were trainee teachers on placement here whilst they were undertaking their university studies on our local campus. We knew they would be outstanding teachers and this has proven to be the case.

I would like to thank their tutor teachers during the past two years who have been fully involved in guiding them – Suzie Halligan and Raewyn Brenton (Nicole), Jo Canning (Torrey) and Tracey Krammer (Morgan).

We are incredibly proud of them graduating tonight! **CONGRATULATIONS**!!











#### **MORE ACCOLADES**

Every year we rely heavily on parents to coach and manage our numerous sports teams. At times this can be challenging as well as very rewarding. We greatly appreciate parents doing this for us and our students. It was terrific to receive this delightful email the other day (I've deleted some of it, such as names).

As the parent volunteer of one of the school's volleyball teams, I wanted to share how well the team are doing. Out of seven team members, four have turned up consistently (names deleted).

Each week they have grown in confidence and always demonstrate great team work with a 'can do' attitude. They are into the finals next week and I couldn't be more proud. They've earned their spot, playing each week to the best of their growing abilities and winning two out of three games this afternoon with no subs against a challenging team with subs. Next week is bound to be another nail biting challenge... I can't wait!

#### **END OF YEAR TREATS**

This time last year, many children chose to write Christmas cards and give to their friends. Then, we noticed a huge amount of candy sticks, chocolates and lollies being exchanged. We would like this year for the children to **ONLY** exchange Christmas cards and wishes. No lollies, chocolates and candy sticks please.

#### **A&P SHOW ART RESULTS**

The Senior (Karearea) syndicate children were encouraged to complete one and up to 3 pieces of Art work for the A&P Show art exhibition (last weekend). This was all part of our Hauora well-being and community engagement topic by expressing themselves through art.

Here is a list of those who received ribbons/awards. My apologies if some have been missed out as they were all in a pile together when we picked them up late Sunday afternoon.

#### Any style Year 5&6

- Uleigh White Outstanding award
- Leevon Nicholson First
- Sophie Tyler Second
- Hayden Everett Third
- Luke Nascimento Fourth
- Xylah Keir Fifth
- Jenna Heal Sixth
- Jethro Reynolds Highly commended
- Nevaan Auld Commended

#### **Graphic Design**

- Luke Nascimento First
- Amelia Connolly Third
- Amber Naughton Fourth
- Leevon Nicholson Fifth
- Skylah Bensemann Very highly commended
- Lopini Bilo Highly commended
- Grace Woodmass Commended

#### **Sand saucer:**

- Elizabeth Watson Third
- Thea Ferris-Robins Third
- Sophie Johnstone Fifth
- Della Pearless Fifth

#### Any other craft

• Grace Harper – Very Highly commended



#### **Nature Scene**

- Rakaia Rae Second
- Uleigh White Third
- Isabelle Rooney Fifth
- Xylah Keir Sixth
- Room 4 Sixth
- Aylah Lampard Very highly commended
- Grace Harper Highly commended
- Lopini Bilo Highly commended
- Jaxon Williams Commended
- Paige Moore Commended

#### Painted Rock/stone:

- Isabella Clayworth First
- Eve Lelo First
- Ashley Moar Second
- Aiden Hensley Second
- Dante Taigel-Pierce Third
- Saira Jis Third
- Olivia Woods Fourth
- Scarlett Dodd Fifth
- Kayden Harvey Fifth
- Flynn Staufer Sixth
- Quinn Smith Commended

#### **Photography**

- Irie Gylstra Second
- Jacques Moore Third
- Anche Meiring Third
- Theo Smith Fourth
- Jayden Ludemann Fourth
- Cailey McLean Fifth
- Maddy Rooney Sixth
- Kayden Harvey Very highly commended
- Skylah Keene Highly commended
- Ky Wycliff Highly commended

## SCHOOL POOL KEYS

Pool keys are now available from the school office. \$20 for the season.

Pool is shut Friday 15th December 2023 to Tuesday 24th January 2024 inclusive.

Shut Friday, Saturday & Sunday all season.

## SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS

All school library books to be returned by 1<sup>st</sup> December please.

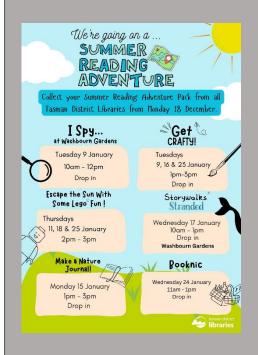
Check your bags, bedrooms, under the couch.

# SPORTS UNIFORMS

Please return any sports uniforms that aren't being used.

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

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



### Eithans Xmas Trees



NELSON SUBURBS FOOTBALL
DECEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Registrations for our next School Holiday
Program are now open.

We are delighted to be running a girls only group with the amazing female coaches from Nelson Suburbs and the recent Fantails program.

WHEN: Wednesday 20th - Friday 22nd December 2023 WHERE: Saxton Fields TIME: 9.00am-12.00pm

AGE: 7-14 year olds (Boys & Girls) COST: \$35.00 per day

To register and for the full details visit <a href="https://www.nelsonsuburbs.co.nz/program">https://www.nelsonsuburbs.co.nz/program</a>
<a href="mailto:.../holidav-programme">.../holidav-programme</a>



#### HELPING FAMILIES BIG GIVE

We are having a Toy Giveaway!!!
For families NEEDING help with Christmas (or Birthday) Presents this year

2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 10am - 12pm

Waimea Bar Area Richmond Showgrounds Queen Street, Richmond (In the main gate, down through the trees, past the Scout Hall, look for our flag)

Please bring bags/boxes to take your items home in





STEAMS Holiday Programmes in January at Garin and Nelson Intermediate! MOI STEAMS Holiday Programmes are an integrated approach to experimenting and learning. Tamariki in these courses will be taught how to properly use appropriate equipment and be exposed to a variety of science and engineering topics.

Courses are designed for Tamariki aged 7+ (up to year 8) except for jewellery making which is 12+ and Science which is 8+. Courses are Mon-Wed and/or Thurs-Fri. Please make sure you sign up for the right location and programme. Courses are designed by mentored college students and led by registered teachers.

All courses cost \$60 per day except jewellery making which is a bit more.

#### Nelson Intermediate- 8-12 January

Course available: Art and Engineering, Cooking and Science, Jewellery Making. <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/holiday-programmes-jan-2024-nelson-tickets-764877748937?aff=oddtdtcreator">https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/holiday-programmes-jan-2024-nelson-tickets-764877748937?aff=oddtdtcreator</a>

Garin- 15-19 January

Courses available: Art and Engineering, Cooking and Science, Science and Engineering, and Harry Potter Day Trippers.

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