

NEWSLETTER

20th March 2017 Term one, week eight

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

A great day out at the Senior Swimming Sports on Friday. The children were awesome with everyone giving their best on the day. Great skill and enthusiasm were evident throughout the event. Once again the children have all done us proud. Thank you to all those who supported the organisation of the event. Your help, as always, is much appreciated.

THIS WEEK'S AWARDS:

Congratulations to **Eve Robin** and **George Hume** who received our **VALUES** certificates for **RESPONSIBILITY** this week. Eve received her award for always displaying responsibility at school. George received his award for being such a responsible learner by completing all tasks asked of him to his highest standard.

SCHOOL VALUE: the value at the heart of our learning community this week remains **RESPONSIBILITY.** "The moment you take responsibility for everything in your life is the moment you can change anything in your life" Hal Elrod

CONGRATULATIONS also to **Niko Rogers** who received a classroom award for showing such creative thinking when 'playing' with classroom resources. **Molly Roberts** received a classroom certificate for always being a caring class member.

SCHOOL NEWS; Outdoor classroom Update; we were successful in our application for a grant from NZCT. We received \$6,000 for the building of the bridge which would give us easy access to the classroom and to build the lookout platform. The bridge has now been completed and we are about to make a start on the lookout platform. To help keep the costs down George, the builder, will need some parent help. Anna Roberts will be in contact to see if people are available to help (don't think too much help will be needed). In Term 2 we will begin planting the native trees. We have been given a very generous donation of trees from the Woman's' Native Nursery to help us on our way. The school will be making a trip to the nursery next term to see where our trees have come from and how to care for them.

We have Matawai Year 7&8 students popping in on Friday afternoon on their way to Eastwood Hill. They are doing the same bike ride that we did last year with Motu School.

EOTC NEWS:

Please find attached to this newsletter a permission slip for the Museum trip on **Friday 31**st **March**. We will be attending workshops on the Rongowhakaata exhibition. The children will be travelling to the museum in the school buses.

We have the **Life Education Truck** here on Tuesday this week. The focus will be on Human Biology, how the body works, with a minor focus on understanding others' feelings.

We have four children, **Sophie Ewen, Georgia Roberts, George Hume and Libby Hume,** representing Rere School at the Interschool Triathlon this week. We wish them well.

BUSES: Your drivers this week are Wharekopae- Paula Reedy, phone 8673585 Taumata – Annabel Hume, phone 8687725

Regards,

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