



Raglan Area School

TE KURA A ROHE O WHAINGAROA

Kia ora whanau and families of Te Kura a Rohe o Whaingaroa, Raglan Area School.

Student Leaders have been nominated for this year's team. There are ongoing opportunities for training and leadership throughout the school including the Waikato Institute of Leisure and Sports Studies run HeadzUp training for four senior leaders and later in the year the Year 9 Waikato Young Leaders Day, senior leaders may also attend Area Schools Leadership week in Akaroa for Area School Leaders. Our Senior Leaders also have a uniform for wearing when they are representing our school or speaking on behalf of our community for instance at the AN-ZAC parade.

Those nominated to the Senior Student Leadership team include Mikayla Cooper, Sean Dillon (BOT Student representative), Liam Dingle, Lexi Holmes, Ziggy Knuiman, Bella Milne, Ella McLeod-Edwards, Awhi Paekau, Frankie Reynolds, Joshua Rongo, and Joanna Tweedie.

These are all fantastic young people and we look forward to working with them to support our whole school.

This is Bike Wise Month and good luck to those who competed in the Community Cycle Challenge. This event is part of a community endeavor to raise the profile for bike safety and of course for good health and recreational enjoyment. On the school front it is pleasing for me to see that the majority of students riding bikes and skateboards to school are wearing helmets and also for me to see parents accompanying their students to school on bikes and scooters who are being great role models. Thank you!

On a related matter the council is reviewing the parking and access into the school at the end of Norrie Avenue. During the start and end of day these are hugely congested. I have mooted that they might consider the widening of footpaths on the approaches to the Kura to provide for shared pedestrian and wheeled commuters and students. The Disabled Parking space may only be used by those who present with a Disability Parking card and are themselves the disabled person getting in and out of the vehicle. Please be very considerate of our students who need access to this space.

I have been asked to remind our community that the school is not the place to exercise dogs and that we are having to deal with the tell tale signs on the grounds where our students play. Dogs may be on the walking tracks around the perimeter of the school and they do need to cross over the field from one side to the other however they may not free range on the fields or in the school grounds.

Nga mihi

Malcolm



Lost Property

Dear whanau
We're making a real effort to get our lost property items back to their owners. There is quite a pile accumulating already, please check our posts on the Raglan Notice Board Facebook page. You can pop into the office and Karen or Sue will show you through it.



Dealing with Grief...

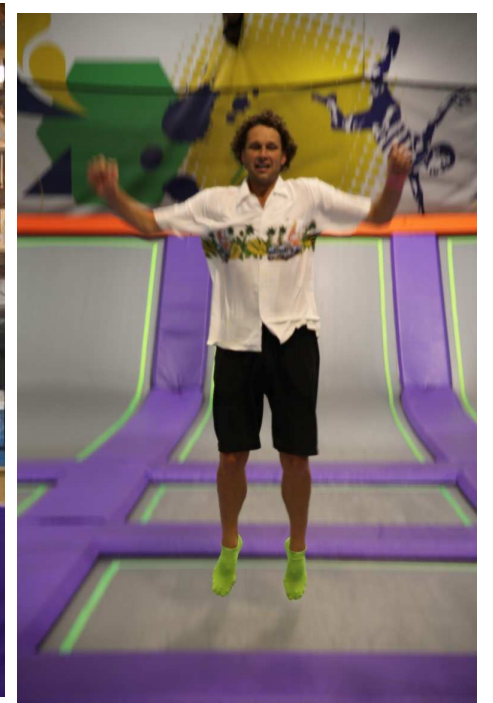
Information for Parents and Caregivers supporting children/teens through grief and after a trauma:

Many of our children and teens are coping with grief after the death of one of our students, Richard Keremeta two weeks ago. Due to how he died many are also coping with the trauma of being there when it happened. We wanted to provide whanau/families with some information on grief and trauma to support you to support them. This will be on our website <http://www.raglanarea.school.nz/> We also know there are many adults who are grieving too, so hopefully this information can support everyone with their grief journey. People can also access paper copies of the information at the school office.

If you're concerned about how intensely grief is affecting a child or teen, or would like some additional support with your own grief. The school, GP's, and the Community House can all help with accessing professional support.

Year 13 Whanau Jump Trip

20 Year 13 students embarked on a day of fun celebrating having reached their final year of high school. JUMP Hamilton is where they enjoyed a day of team building and physical exercise. Free jumping, back flipping into foam pits, honing their surfing skills on foam pits, dodge ball, volley ball and trick wall, where it's said... "Reina reigned supreme"!! It was also a great positive celebration after such an emotional couple of weeks.

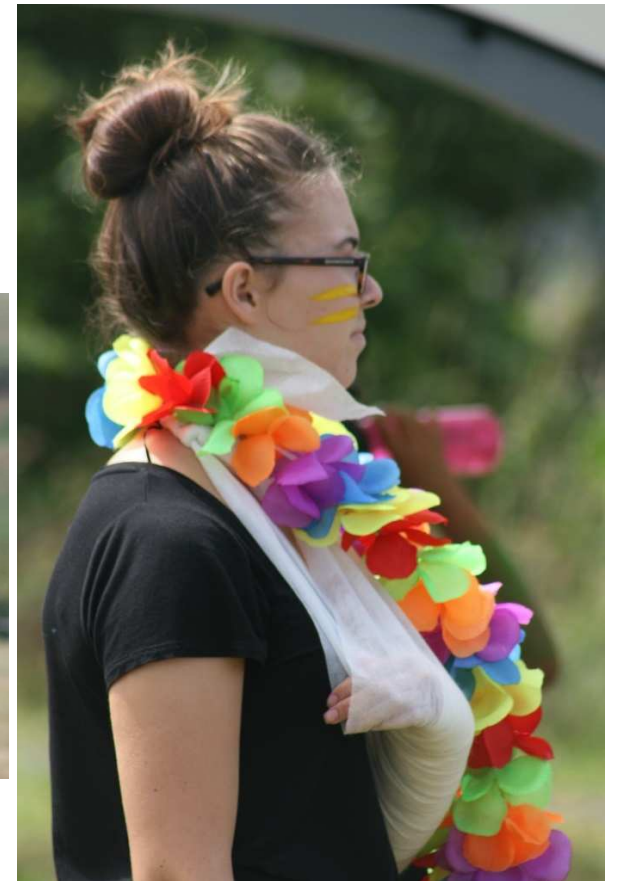


Year 7-13 Athletics Day



Winner of the House Athletics Sports Day

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LOOKING AHEAD

- 2 - 10 March - Life Ed Bus
- 4 March - Western Cluster Go - Set - Go Year 1/2
- 4 March - Billabong Grom Series Surf Comp - Piha
- 10 March - Year 9-13 Athletics at Te Awamutu
- 11 March - Rip Curl Pro Surf Comp New Plymouth
- 11 March - Year 0-6 Swimming Sports

2016 Term Dates

Term 1	2 February - 15 April
Term 2	2 May - 8 July
Term 3	25 July - 27 September
Term 4	10 October - 15 December

Bits and Bobs

Raglan Area School Junior Kapa Haka Team Hui. We will be having our first hui for the year in our school hall, afterschool (2.15pm) Wednesday 2 March. If you are between Year 4 and 8 and have a keen interest in Kapa Haka, please register. You will then receive information on when and where practices will be held, and what the requirements are. Hope to see you there

Whaea Chanel