

# Raglan Area School TE KURA A ROHE O WHAINGAROA

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

We extend a very warm welcome to our new 'Social Worker in Schools' (SWiS) Brianna Goodwin. Brianna started working with our kura at the beginning of term 3.

"Kia Ora, ko Brianna ahau.

I have the pleasure of being the new Social Worker in Schools here at Raglan Area School and Te Uku School. I have just recently completed my social work degree at Wintec and I'm looking forward to working alongside the staff, students and community in Raglan and Te Uku. I live in Hamilton with my husband and our four very naughty cats. In my spare time I enjoy baking, reading, working in my vegetable garden and spending time at the beach with my whanau. I am at Raglan Area School on Thursdays and Fridays, you'll find me in the small office by the Junior Playground."

Dr. Ilias (Dr and also black belt karate exponent) and Mrs. Tracey Frew began working with us this week in their rolls as Dr. and Nurse In Schools and are available to our students by appointment.

The registration forms for the 150<sup>th</sup> Jubilee and for memorabilia has gone live and can be accessed through the schools webpage.

I am finally able to confirm that the new PE shirts are available at NZ Uniforms, and if you want to look at sizes there is a range at school for students to try on. Yr 13 students are exempted from purchasing these and while the rest of the PE uniform is compulsory as at the beginning of this term we will phase the shirts in over the next month to compensate for their late arrival from the manufacturers.

I wish our senior Rugby (home game this Saturday) and the senior soccer team a very successful weekend as these games are critical to both in the championship rounds.

It is with regret that I advise that the Board of Trustees has accepted the resignation of Matua Winiata Hunia. I am saddened that he leaves us and I thank him for the years of service working in Te Roopu Aroha Ki Te Reo and in support of our kura.

Nga mihi Malcolm

# **Cyber Safety Presentation**

Raglan Area School is excited to announce that we have been able to secure John Parsons to come and work with our students, teachers and community on October 17th. The evening session will start at 7pm and will be held in the school hall.

The Students session will be about protecting and valuing identity. The philosophy within this education is help the student learn to make informed ethical decisions founded on common decency and reasonable standards of right and wrong.

Topics covered include:

- Learning how to repel and report unwanted attention when playing online games or using social media platforms.
- Empowering students to support each other in times of need
- How to communicate confidently online
- Learning to nurture and protect online identity
- Future proofing for employment.

The duration of this session will be about an hour and a half and will be for students aged 8 to 13.



## **Sports Games this Weekend**

Rugby - Home game Saturday (6th). Kick off is 9.30am against Rototuna. Come down and give our boys all the support you can as we try to make top four!

Soccer - Home game Saturday (6th) against Te Kuiti High School Boys, 11.15am start

**Netball - Karioi Lightweights are playing at Minogue Park Court 9, 10.45 am** 

Good luck to all teams and individuals competing this weekend.

I have started up a communication Facebook Group for students and parents to keep up to date with what's happening with senior sport in the school, it's called Raglan Area School Sports'. Feel free to join. If you have any questions about upcoming events, have some results you'd like to share or can lend a hand in any area of sport for our students let me know. The best way to contact me is by email sport\_coordinator@raglanarea.school.nz or contact me on my cellphone 021 051 0911

Nga mihi koutou

Sam

Raglan Sport Netball Disco - 5 August for Year 0-8. 5pm - 8pm in the School Hall. Sports Theme \$2 entry

## **School Reporting**

## Reporting to Parents in Year 0-8 mainstream

Raglan Area School is required to report to parents at least twice a year on how their child is doing in Reading, Writing and Mathematics in relation to the National Standards. The standards show what New Zealand students are expected to be able to do in reading, writing and mathematics at each year of schooling.

To work out where each child is at, the teacher will make an OTJ (Overall Teacher Judgement) using a range of assessments including:

- What they have observed in the class
- Conferencing with students about their learning
- Self and peer assessment
- Data collected from formal tests

#### Reporting for Years 1 – 3

Every school is required to report to parents of children in their first three years of schooling. Your child will receive a National Standards Anniversary Overall Teacher Judgement (OTJ) Report at the end of the school term that they celebrate their birthday (after 1 year at school, after 2 years at school, after 3 years at school). These children will also receive another written Interim Teacher Judgement (ITJ) report approximately six months after their birthday.

#### Reporting for Years 4 – 8

These students receive ITJ reports at the end of Term 2 and full school reports at the end of the year.

#### **Home-School Conferences**

Raglan Area School is offering an opportunity for parents /whanau of students from Year 3 - 6 to meet and discuss their child's learning. You are welcome to bring your child/ren to take part in these discussions. We believe that it is important for all parents to attend these meetings so that we can work together to support your child(ren)'s learning.

## Year 3 - 6 Home-School Conferences - Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th August 2015

Please complete the notice that has gone home with your child this week and return as soon as possible.

Please note: On Wednesday, 17 August all the Year 3 - 6 students will finish at 12:30pm (lunchtime) to allow time for teachers to conference with families and students.

#### Year 7 - 8 Home-School Conferences - Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th August 2015

If you have missed the notice please contact your child's class teacher.

#### Term 3 Reporting to Parents for Year 9 - 13 and TRAKTR students

There are no formal Home-School Conferences or reports for the Year 9 -13 students and TRAKTR students this term. If you have any concerns please feel free to contact the specific teacher.

# **Sports News**

#### Sevens

Taking registrations of interest for seniors wanting to take part in the Condor Sevens, the regionals for Waikato are held 19 October in Cambridge, we're hoping to take 1 girls and 1 boys team. We have a special guest John McKittrick who is running an intensive coaching clinic on Thursday 8 September, for the build up to the condors.

John has coached 15-a-side rugby at development and age-group level and sevens at provincial level. In 2002 he was invited to coach the Cook Islands sevens team in the Commonwealth Games. From 2001- 2005 he was coach of the USA sevens team in the IRB World Series and two sevens Rugby World Cups. He is also a guest coach of Penguins International. We are very privileged to have John come and share his extensive knowledge with us.

There is also an opportunity for us to enter an Under 15 sevens team for the U15 National Tournament in December.

## 12 Week Challenge

We are participating in **Sport Waikato's, Active & Well: '12 Week Challenge'** Looking to start mid Term 3, register your interest with me, this is open to students, teachers & parents who want some everyday tips for healthy living. This group challenge is based on 12 weekly emails and 4 workshops facilitated by Sport Waikato. I reckon its a pretty awesome platform for individual and whanau ora. We're all at different stages of our wellness journey, but there's always something to learn.

"It is what you do everyday that impacts on your health, not what you do sometimes". ~ Dr. Libby

## Area Schools

Massive shout out and congrats to Reiki Ruawai, Harry-John Crake, Amy-Mei Putaranui, Tainui Rossi and Sean Dillon for their commitment and performance at the National Area Schools Tournament. We're very proud to have you all represent yourselves and Raglan Area School so well. Ka mau te wehi! Here is a run down of the event from QB:

"Last holidays four students travelled to Dunedin to National Area schools tournament held at the Edgar centre. We stayed at Dunedin's finest top 10 holiday park and was accompanied by Whaea Margret Matua Ratu (CNI rugby manager) Whaea Sue Ellen and QB.

About 700 students were involved in this tournament from as far as Lawrence in the deep south to the top of the north island Tolaga bay on the east coast to Whaingaroa on the west.

After 3 days of round robin tournament students were selected to represent North island teams to play South Island. Harry was selected for soccer, Tainui for basketball and Sean for volleyball.

Students were also selected independently for New Zealand area schools teams and this year Harry and Amy made NZAS soccer teams, Sean made NZAS Volleyball team and Reiki made NZAS rugby team.

"I would like to thank whanau and community for their financial support in particular Whaea Margaret and Whaea Hinemoa for fundraising efforts and the swim club for a koha that supported Area Schools. I would like to congratulate the students on their fine performances on and off the field and look forward to next years tournament in Whangarei." Matua Q

## **Fittest Teen**

Fittest Teen CrossFit Comp 10 Sept Year 10 - 13:

There's still time to train, let me know, we can hook you up with a programme.

# **Agricultural Club**

The AGM for the above group will be held this year at Te Uku School, Tuesday 9 August at 6:30 pm.

Dates will be set for this years' events.

Everyone welcome who has an interest or has children who would like to take part.

Any inquiries re Raglan Area School children contact Sue Brown through the school.

# **EnviroSchools**

Raglan Area School has replaced our old wooden recycling bins with nice new recycling stations. Please use them with consideration for the environment and also the drive for zero waste to land fill that our community is working towards.

