



Matariki

Lantern Festival

Thursday 21st June

31 May 2018

Kia ora koutou

We'd love to invite all our school families and whanau to join us again for our annual Matariki Celebration on Thursday 21st June from 5.30pm to 7.30pm

The time of Matariki is to bring together whanau (family) to share & learn the stories and knowledge that the stars hold. A time to celebrate the unique place in which we live and give respect to the land in which we live on.

New this year will be our walk of "Story Stars" to discover with your whanau. Each star will prompt a new story or memory or poem to share. Bring a torch!

Matariki Lanterns

All of our classes are involved in making lanterns for the Matariki Celebrations, which we light on the night in our quad area. It is really special for the children to be able to show you their lantern which they are able to take home at the end of the night. We will also have additional lanterns available if you would like to place one in memory of a loved one.

Please bring any donations of glass jars into your child's class to make our special lanterns and to have some extras available.

Performances, Food, and Activities

Many of our school groups will be performing on the night and we will also be joined by our Kaumatua Kapahaka group.

Entertainment Line-up:

5.30 RBS Kapahaka
6.00 Kaumatua Kapahaka
6.30 Percussion band
7.00 **More to be confirmed!**

Performances will be held on the stage in the Quad area if fine, or in the School Hall if wet. We'll have bean bags and seating out so please feel free to bring along a blanket to keep warm.

The night will include a range of free craft activities such as poi making, weaving crafts, and lantern making, taught by our Team Kapiti students. All craft activities will be in the Learning Street.

For purchase, the Glo Stand will be back, bigger and better than ever! We'll also have hot drinks for our awesome Sausage Sizzle. Money raised will support our school Kapa Haka programme, such as uniforms and funds for hosting the regional Hui. Team Kapiti's efforts will also earn a share for their camp fundraising. *Ka mau te wehi! Awesome!*

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 21st June.

If you are available to help at all, please email carnival@raumatibeach.school.nz

Regards,

MATARIKI TEAM