



# Raumati Beach School

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## NEWS

Term 1

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Dear Parents and Guardians

Thank you for supporting Green Day 2017. It is always a wonderful sight to see hundreds of staff and students dressed in green. This year was no different! Although my "greenliness," was a little muted this year as I was also attending the opening of the new Our Lady of Kapiti School official opening and felt that a frog costume was probably not appropriate for this occasion! Your generosity on the day raised approximately \$1400 for the local hospice.

Congratulations also go out to Martin Elms and the staff of Our Lady of Kapiti on the opening of the new school. It was lovely to be part of the opening with other principals in the area and see their wonderful purpose built facilities.

### **NEW MESSAGING SYSTEM**

We will shortly be implementing a new messaging system which we hope will be extremely useful and provide you with the opportunity to receive instant alerts.

MessageMyWay is the messaging system we are introducing for our school community. It instantly sends you an alert in a format that you choose.

Different people like to communicate in different ways. Some check their emails regularly; others Facebook or Twitter. Some prefer a phone call, others like texting, or Facebook Messenger.

MessageMyWay will allow us to send you both **urgent and non-urgent messages**. For example, in the event of an emergency we can immediately notify parents who have

signed up to the system about what is happening. Schools have found this to be extremely useful, especially in the event of such things as Police Lock Downs, fire, evacuations etc.

As well as these "urgent" notifications we have the ability to send you non-urgent notifications, depending on what you sign up to receive. If a Year 3 & 4 trip is cancelled or netball practice is off due to weather, you can be notified.

Separate information will be provided to you on how to sign up. There is no cost to you, except if your mobile provider charges you to receive texts / call etc.

The sign up process is relatively easy and takes about two minutes. You will receive a code to log into the MessageMyWay website, which prompts you to select what way you would like to receive your alerts and which alerts you would like to subscribe to.

I would encourage you to use this system.

### **DRAINAGE UPDATE**

I have met with the Drainage Engineer and our Property Consultant to look at the options / solutions for the ongoing issues with our storm water. The process moving forward will be;

- Finalised plans presented for approval
- Engagement with the MOE to confirm funding
- Tender (this takes 3 months as per the MOE rules)
- Signing of contract
- Work starts

In an ideal world this would all be completed before winter. However given the timeframes associated with the MOE and tenders, it is likely we would be looking at the project getting underway around July. There will be some disruption as areas around the school are dug up and new drainage systems are constructed. We will certainly keep you up to date.

**Ka kite ano**

Mike Farrelly  
**PRINCIPAL**

## ***SCHOOL NOTICES***

### **HELMETS**

If your child chooses to use their skateboard or scooter during morning tea or lunch time at school, it is recommended in the interests of safety that they wear a helmet.

### **YEAR 1 AND 2 REPORTING**

This year there will be changes to reporting for year 1 and 2 students. Please refer to the school website for more information or see your child's teacher.

### **WAREHOUSE STATIONERY**

When you make any purchase at Warehouse Stationery, just mention Raumati Beach School before you complete the transaction and 5% of your purchase comes back to school! Thank you for your support.

### **PITA PIT LUNCHES**

Pita Pit lunches are available every week on Fridays. Choose from Chicken, Ham, Beef or super veg. Pick any 2 fillings, and a sauce for \$4.50. Pick another 2 fillings for \$1, or add a Pit Pack (apple and juice pouch) for \$2.50. Cookies or Gluten Free bread are also available for \$1.50 each. Order envelopes are available anytime from the office.

### **SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB**

Lucky Book Club orders need to be handed to the office before 9am, Friday, 24 March. Payment is by cheque (written out to Scholastic Book Club), correct cash or credit

card placed in a sealed envelope please. You can also order books online: [www.mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz](http://www.mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz), however, this option is only available for payment by credit card. If your purchase is a gift please write on the order for it to be held at the office and we will phone you when it arrives. Thank you for your support.

### **MOVIN'MARCH 2017**

Movin'March is a month long celebration of active travel to school run by the Greater Wellington Regional Council. As a participating school we are encouraging our students to take part in the WOW (Walk or Wheel) Passport Challenge and the WOW (walk or wheels) fun day on Friday 31 March (weather permitting).

The WoW fun day provides an opportunity for students to get creative and have some fun...so decorate your feet, your bike or your scooter and walk or wheel your way to school on Friday 31 March. There will be spot prizes and fun activities.

### **2017 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

The 2017 Entertainment Book will soon be on sale through the office. Once again you can choose either a hard copy book or a digital copy. Pre-order your Entertainment Book or Digital Membership online before 26 April 2017 and you'll receive six printed Early Bird Offers or order an Entertainment Digital Membership and your Early Bird Offers will be loaded straight to your phone that you can use right away.

You can pre-order your book on <http://www.entbook.co.nz/10512h4> - 20% of the purchase price will go to our fundraising for items students have identified.

Books are \$65 each and will be sent home with Years 3-8 students early in Term 2. If you would like to opt out of receiving a book please complete the letter which goes home or email Katie in the office - [katiescott@raumati-beach.school.nz](mailto:katiescott@raumati-beach.school.nz).

## ***UPCOMING EVENTS***

24 March	Lucky Book Club orders close 9am
30 March	Whanau Fun Night 5.30-7.30
31 March	Netball Fees due
31 March	Movin March WOW Fun Day
6 April	Te Moana VC Sleepover
13 April	Term 1 Finishes 3pm

# SPORTS, MUSIC, COMMUNITY NOTICES



## El Rancho Holiday Camps

**Our Autumn Horse Camp is on 18 & 19 April 9am – 4pm each day.** \$160 gets you both days. Come and experience the magic of El Rancho and learn all there is to know about Horse Riding and Care. This is a day camp, so no overnight stay, just turn up each morning ready for action! Apply online at: <http://elrancho.co.nz/Camps+and+Events/Horse+Camp.html>

## Our Autumn Kids Camp is selling out fast!

For 8 - 12 year olds, kids stay over from 4pm, Mon 24th - 11am, Fri 28th April. Join us for an awesome week as we unravel a whole world of MYSTERIES! Activity Streams to choose from include: \* PUZZLES, TRICKS & ILLUSIONS\* HORSE RIDING & CARE\* PERFORMING ARTS\* OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES & GAMES OSCAR/WINZ subsidies available. To book head to: <http://elrancho.co.nz/Camps+and+Events/Kids+Camps.html>

## Cook Island Dance Lessons

Cook Island dance lessons held at Kapiti Uniting Parish fortnightly on Tuesdays 6.30-7.30pm. Please contact Mrs Makaiiti Taom at [taom.makaiiti@gmail.com](mailto:taom.makaiiti@gmail.com) or 02108476754. for more information

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## Easter Explained! An event for everyone!

For families, couples, or individuals of any age  
Exploring the story of Easter through games, story, creativity,  
imagination, song, reflection, and a light meal.

@ Messy Church  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March

4-6pm

St Paul's Church

1 Langdale Ave Paraparaumu

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