

## PRINCIPAL'S PĀNUI

Tālofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Talofa, Noa'ia, Ni sa bula vinaka, Mālo ni, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kia orāna, Tēnā koutou katoa

Welcome to 2025

We would like to Welcome our new Whānau to Rānui School, we hope that your tamariki enjoy their learning here.

We would also like to welcome 3 new kaiako at Rānui School.



Matua Mauri Te Whakatipu Kākano 5



Whaea Jamie Kāhu 2



Mrs B Tūī 3

#### **Ako Pakirehua**

This year, our students are inquiring about Ko Tātou Ao of 'Our World'— focusing on building knowledge in our Environment, Sustainability, Protection and Future Aspirations. As a part of this inquiry, the tamariki will also examine practices and traditions of the past (tangata whenua), the customs within their own families (whānau), contemporary methods, and even envisioning potential future approaches. Occasionally, your child may come home with inquiries or insights to share. We encourage you to engage in meaningful discussions.

## **Staff Only Day**

Thank you for your patience with our Staff Only Day on Monday the 10th February. On this day our staff were able to focus on the new Maths and Pangarau Curriculum.

## Whānau Fun Night

Whānau Fun Night is always a good way to mix and mingle and meet your child's teacher. It was really nice to see our whānau enjoying themselves.



#### **Swimming Pool**

Our School Pool is up and running, we are fortunate to have a swimming pool and provides a valuable opportunity for our students. Please ensure that your child brings their swimsuit and towel on the days they are swimming.



#### Whānau Conversations

At the end of the term in week 10 we have set aside two days for whānau to come in and talk with their child's classroom teacher. This is a great opportunity to re-engage and have a genuine discussion without being rushed. The Whānau Conversations will be up to 30 minutes long and will be a place for:

- your child to share their learning
- you to ask questions and talk about your thoughts
- teachers to show you learning activities you can try at home
- you all to set goals for the rest of the year

#### Whanau Conversations are on:

- Wednesday 9th April 9am to 6:15pm
- Thursday 10th April 9am to 3:50pm

Please mark these days on your calendar because on these two days the whānau conversations are scheduled throughout the school day. Rānui Primary School will only be open for you and your own child/ren at the confirmed scheduled time during these days.

#### Attendance at Rānui School

This year all schools will have a focus on improving attendance. The Government's target is for 80% of students to attend regularly, that is to attend school more than 90% of the time. There will be changes in this area and we will be required to be stricter on attendance.

# If your child is away please let the office know. You can do this by:

- Replying to the school text
- Phoning the school on 833 6286
- Sending a note to school with another family member or when your child returns to school



#### **New Path to Marinich**

Rānui School has 3 entrances: Rānui Station Road, Greenock Road and Marinich Drive. We are promoting the use of Marinich Drive as it is ideal for whānau to drop off and pick up with the least amount of congestion.

#### <u>Hats</u>

Please make sure you tamaiti brings a hat to school. This is really important as our sun is really harsh and we are wanting our tamariki to develop lifelong safety practices.





### No parking on the yellow lines

Please respect our neighbours and park in the proper places when picking your tamariki up from kura. Our neighbours that live on Greenock have asked us to remind you not to block their driveways.

## PIHA CAMP

Our year 6 tamariki were again blessed to be hosted by the Piha community for this years camp. Children had the opportunity to learn valuable skills from local emergency services. They went on a bush walk with rangers learning about the flora and fauna in the Waitakere Rangers.

Thank you to our camp mother, Fiona for organising this unforgettable experience for our students and staff. Ngā mihi aroha ki a koe!

















