



Te Mata School Newsletter

NEWSLETTER #7 - Week 8, TERM 1 2018

Kia ora te whanau,



Last week the teachers were talking about our students amazing achievements that occur over the weekends and after school. We would love to celebrate these achievements on our school Facebook page, so if you have anything to share please let us know; it might be motoX, horse riding, Weetbix triathlons, you name it; we want photos to share!

Passion Wednesday - maybe you think that you have nothing to offer? Hold that thought! Can you speak another language? Are you a skilled gardener? Can you paint nails beautifully? Do you love to sing or dance? You all have skills and talents and if you have the time, we would love to have you join us. You can decide on the group size you are comfortable working with. Let

us know if you would like to join the party! Thank you to those parents who are already on board! We will be in touch soon.

Trina Regnier - Deputy Principal

THIS WEEK'S TOP NEWS

Success stories from Te Mata School & beyond



With connections and relationships being high on the agenda at Te Mata School, it is with great pleasure to feed back to the community how our new high school students are going.....

Cooper Woolston: Accepted into the arts academy at HBHS. Taking all the learning from Te Mata School onto high school!

Jahzara Waitere: Selected into a dance academy. Topping her maths class.

Maureen George: Selected into a top stream class!!!! Maureen has also joined a club to help fundraise for underprivileged girls to attend school.

Griffin Pohutukawa: Working on the school magazine & doing really well with her learning.

Cassidy Hanna: Topping her maths class & discovering her love of Science & Social Sciences.

Danielle Macdonald: Working hard & using all the skills she learnt at Te Mata School.

Poppy Campbell-Briant: RAS u14 athletics champ & surfing every Wednesday.

Braedan Rossiter: Being his awesome self, working hard to get great results. Braedan has received a Poutama and competed in inter school athletics since starting at Raglan.

Brooke Ahern: Being such an amazing mathematician, helping Year 10's with their learning.

Sophie Higgins: 3rd RAS u14 athletics & sharing her awesome maths skills.

I have loved catching up with these students since they have left. It makes us all here at Te Mata School feel so proud!!! Congratulations & keep the successes rolling guys!
Kathy Briant (Year 7 & 8 Teacher).

Whooping Cough (Pertussis) On the advice of Richard Vipond, Medical Officer of Health (Waikato DHB) we need to advise our school community that there are currently confirmed cases of whooping cough in the wider community. **There are no confirmed cases at Te Mata School,** however a staff members children have confirmed whooping cough. We ask that you are aware of the symptoms and present to the GP early if your child shows any signs.

The symptoms of the initial stage (the first 1 - 2 weeks) that you are looking for are;

- **Runny nose**
- **Sneezing**
- **Slight fever**
- **A mild irritating cough**
- **Feeling generally unwell**

The next stage is more obvious in symptoms;

- **Intense bouts of coughing, which may bring up thick phlegm**
- **A 'whoop' sound with each sharp intake of breath after coughing**
- **Vomiting after coughing, especially infants and young children**
- **Tiredness and redness in the face from the effort of coughing**

Further information can be found at;

<https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/whooping-cough>

Classroom Blogs Have you checked out our latest classroom blogs on our website? Just head to www.temataraglan.school.nz and scroll down to the end of the HOME page.

Raglan Taxi Bus Parent Meeting We are holding a Raglan Taxi Bus Parent Meeting on **Tuesday 20th March at 6.30pm, at the Raglan Fire Station**. All users will be receiving a letter before this meeting regarding some changes to this service.

Easter on our doorstep Please note school will be closed for Easter Friday (30th March), Easter Monday (2nd April) and Easter Tuesday (3rd April). We will see everyone back at school on **Wednesday 4th April 2018**. Enjoy your break!

Caretaker Position We have a position available for a school caretaker, this is 12-15 hours per month. Flexible hours and paid via timesheet. A job description is available at the school office. Please send your letter of application and CV to admin@temataraglan.school.nz. The successful applicant will be police vetted. **Applications close Monday 26th March 2018**

Gott Family at the Horse of the Year Show Fiona and whanau attended the annual Horse of the Year show in Hastings last week. This show is New Zealand's premier equestrian competition where Fiona's ponies competed. Their ponies did really well. Congratulations!



Interschool Swimming Sports

On Thursday March 15, a team of 27 students represented Te Mata School at the annual swimming sports at Ngaruawahia. All students had put in a lot of hard work, training with their classes throughout the term, and this certainly showed in the results.

Students qualifying for finals

Breaststroke

Isla Limbert
Sophia Kanellis
Hendrix Knox
Abi Meyer
Jonty Smith
Maria Grilli
Isaac Limbert
Ocean Burke
Milla Taggart

Backstroke

Olivia Gaustad
Rotuma George
Ava Bower
Nina George
Abi Meyer
Emma Higgins
Sunny Hosking

Freestyle

Sophia Kanellis
Milla Taggart
Abi Meyer



Champions

Breaststroke

Isla Limbert - **1st**
Milla Taggart - **1st**
Abi Meyer - **3rd**
Jonty Smith - **3rd**
Maria Grilli - **3rd**

Backstroke

Olivia Gaustad - **1st**
Abi Meyer - **2nd**

Freestyle

Sophia Kanellis - **1st**
Abi Meyer - **2nd**



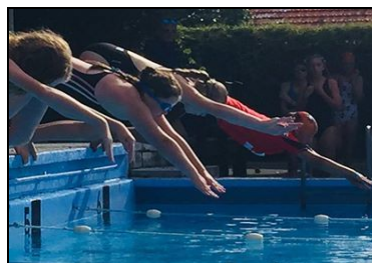
Relay Teams:

Year 4-6 - **1st in heats**


Year 7 - 8 - **2nd in heats**

In typical Te Mata School style, every student demonstrated exceptional sportsmanship & gave their all in each race.

Congratulations on an exceptional day. Kathy Briant.



Important Upcoming Dates

Tuesday, 20th March	Raglan Taxi Bus Parent Meeting 6.30pm (Raglan Fire Station)	
Tuesday 27th March	Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm	
School Closed	30th March Good Friday 2nd April Easter Monday 3rd April Easter Tuesday	
Wednesday 28th March	Free Ear Clinic - Raglan Area School (all day)	
Friday, 6th April	Softball / T Ball - Kopua Domain hosted by Raglan Area School. T-ball for years 5 & 6; Softball for years 7 & 8	
Sunday, 8th April	Top Schools Competition - Te Kowhai School	
Friday, 13th April	Last day of Term 1	



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