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# NEWSLETTER/PANUI

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## **A MESSAGE FROM MR EVANS - TUMUAKI / PRINCIPAL**

### **Tena koutou katoa o Te Atatu Intermediate whanau.**

It was great to finally have our Family Zone and Music information evening last week - 3rd time lucky. Being at level 1 allows for all the opportunities to take place, many of which we missed last year due to Covid. I would also like to take this opportunity to wish Rutherford Primary and Rutherford College all the best as they do final preparation towards their 60th anniversary celebrations.

### **Class / Individual photos**

Class and individual photographs will be taken next **Tuesday 30 March** in the school hall. Students have brought home a Photolife Studios envelope from school. If you have misplaced your envelope, the office has spares, you can send your child to collect one from them. Prices and instructions for payment are on the envelope. Photos are to be paid for before photo day (pre-paid). Money or credit card details to be enclosed into the envelope and returned to the school office (***Eftpos or KINDO payments are NOT available for this service***). There are online payments available with Photolife (please see envelope). ***Sibling photo envelopes are available at the office.***

**Last day for handing orders to the office is Monday 29 March.**

### **Music**

Thanks to all the families that came to the Give it a Go night last Thursday. At this stage we have closed the applications and we are making our best effort to allocate the students to the instruments they want to play. Concert band sessions will officially start next week. *Senor Barros and Mr Davenport.*

### **Fundraising**

We have collected just over \$9000 so far from the fundraising to date. Currently, Room 4 is the class who has raised the most. Our top individual seller thus far is from Room 7 and has sold 8 boxes. There is just over a week to go. Well done and many thanks for your support. *Mr Collins.*

### **Easter break 2021**

We are heading towards our Easter break next week, which you are all, no doubt, looking forward to. Easter normally falls within the term 1 holidays, however, depending on the dates, it sometimes falls during term time, which it does this year. ***When this occurs, please note that all schools throughout New Zealand have the holidays of Good Friday 2nd April, Easter Monday, 5th April and also Easter Tuesday,***

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**6th April as a holiday.** Therefore, we will finish school for the Easter break at 3pm on Thursday 1st April and return to school on Wednesday 7th April.

### Sport

Intermediate school is a great time to try new opportunities. If anyone is interested in Water Polo, and can swim up to 50m competitively, this could be the sport for you.

#### **What - Year 7/8 Western League - Water Polo**

Where - West Wave, in the Dive Well

When - Friday afternoons and evenings, Terms 2, 3 and 4

What do you need to be able to do? Swim 50m competently

What equipment do you need? Swimming togs - jammers or speedos for boys, plain swimming togs for girls

Costs: shared between a squad of up to 12 in a team, approximately \$120 per child including life guard and pool hire.

We would need 10 to enter a team, otherwise we can look at options for composite or joining Waitakere to play as an Invitational team.

**If you wish to register your child or children's interest in joining the sport, or the league this year, please contact Theresa Donnelly ([Theresa.donnelly.solicitor@gmail.com](mailto:Theresa.donnelly.solicitor@gmail.com)) or Mr Felix ([ian.f@teatatu.school.nz](mailto:ian.f@teatatu.school.nz))**

### School Mascot

Introducing Mana, Whaea Ngaire's poodle and new school mascot. Mana comes into school one day a week to visit students.

Mana is very chilled and friendly, loves students and it is great to see the connection and delight he brings to staff and students alike.



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### What's coming up this Fortnight?

March 25/26	Cricket Zone days
March 25	Tough Kid challenge
March 25	Rugby Girls 'Have a Go' session with Auckland Rugby
March 29	Kokohaha sailing experience day
March 30	Class and Individual photos at TAI
March 30	Y7 Road Patrol training
April 2	Good Friday
April 5/6	Easter Monday / Easter Tuesday holiday
April 7-9	World of Maths at TAI

### Community Notices

**Football** -if any 11-13 year old girls are interested in playing football this season at the Waitemata Football Club in McLeod Road, Te Atatu South, please contact the club either via their website or by contacting Barry on: 0272990691.

### **Massey Pony Club**

Massey Pony Club is hosting an Easter themed Community Open Day on **Sunday March 28th from 11am-3pm.**

It's going to be a great family fun event, with free entry, an Easter Egg Hunt and plenty of free Easter games and activities as well as a costume contest. There is also fundraising with pony rides and food and drink sales - Eftpos will be available.

**Kia pai te wiki, Have a fantastic rest of the week!**

*Nga mihi nui*

*Lloyd Evans*

*Principal/Tumuaki Te Atatu Intermediate*

(Please see below information around Rutherford College's 60th anniversary celebrations. )

**A MESSAGE FROM MR GARY MOORE, PRINCIPAL - RUTHERFORD COLLEGE 60TH JUBILEE**

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It gives me great pleasure to share with you that Rutherford College has been serving families in Te Atatu Peninsula and surrounding areas for the past 60 years.

As part of our 60<sup>th</sup> year celebrations, Rutherford would like to welcome you and your whanau to our community open day. The Saturday 10th April event is a free event and is an opportunity for the community to come and see our wonderful campus and the huge range of subjects and activities on offer at the school. There will be guided tours, from 10:30am-12:30pm where you can see our students in action in the classrooms. For those interested in Community Education Programmes a number of these courses will also be showcased on this day.

Throughout the day we also have planned a wide range of entertainment. Our cultural groups have a stunning line up prepared, starting at 11:30am. This will be hosted on the batter/school fields with our Te Kotuku Kapa Haka group first up, followed by our Samoan Group, Indian Dance Group, Tuvaluan Group and African Dance Groups. Our music, dance and drama students will also be performing starting at 12:30pm in the hall.

There will be a variety of food trucks onsite between 10:00am and 3.00pm, bouncy castles and the opportunity to join in many different sports games starting from midday. . As this is a special celebration and many of our foundation students will be joining us, we have also dedicated a special lounge for those ex-pupils to korero with each other.

Please click [here](#) for further information.

Rutherford is proud to have always had a strong and active relationship with families, local schools and the community and we warmly welcome you to come and spend the day with us.

On Friday, 9 April there is a mix and mingle in the school hall commencing at 5pm with a short powhiri and the celebrations continuing through until 11pm. Tickets can be purchased for this event [here](#).

Nga mihi nui  
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