

Te Karere

Rai Valley Area School News



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**If you have questions,
concerns or compliments please let us
know - we value your feedback.**

Please note that all up to date
information on events etc. is
available on our school app and on
our website.

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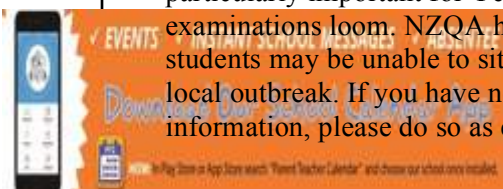
A huge congratulations to Alec Swan, who has been selected in the New Zealand Team to compete in the 2019 New South Wales Open Water Championships. This is an outstanding achievement and reflects Alec's talent, commitment and dedication. Alec is now frantically fundraising to enable him to attend this event. Recently, Alec was also nominated for the ASB Nelson Junior Sportsman of the year which will take place in Nelson on 21st November. We wish Alec well for this event.

This week have celebrated our annual Pet Day. The standard of entries was high and a real credit to our students and their families. I want to acknowledge the work of judges and community members in this event. Without your generous support it would be very difficult to run these days. I would also like to thank the sponsors and businesses for your support. Finally I would like to acknowledge huge effort made by our staff in particular, Mr Wilson, Renee, Bonnie and Pauline for your hard work that contributed to a very successful two days.

This term we welcomed Haley Kiddey to our staff. Hayley will have a variety of tasks but she will mainly be working with individuals or small groups of children between Year 3 and Year 10.

Eight school days to go! For our Year 11-13 students the NCEA external examinations are looming. Students are working hard with their teachers, attending extra tutorials and working to complete outstanding assessments. We wish them every success in the upcoming weeks.

We have been recently notified that there have been measles cases in Nelson and Blenheim. At the end of last term we followed up with you about ensuring the office has accurate records of your child's vaccination status. This is particularly important for Year 11-13 students as external examinations loom. NZQA has warned that non vaccinated students may be unable to sit examinations if there is a local outbreak. If you have not given Pauline the updated information, please do so as early as possible.



On Friday 25th October the primary school have been fortunate to begin athletics coaching with Ian Carter. It is hoped that each primary class will have 3 sessions with Ian prior to the Pelorus Cluster Athletics on the 13th November at Havelock.

Recently we have had a few near misses with cars as younger children are dashing out into the car park or across the road at the end of the day. Could parents please pick children up from inside the gate so that they can get to the cars safely.

I hope everyone is planning to have some relaxing time over Labour Weekend and Marlborough Anniversary weekends.

Ngā mihi nui

Maree Furness
Tumuaki

TERM 4 – EVENTS Calendar

Thursday 25 th October	Whole School Assembly
Monday 28th October	Labour Day
Thursday 24 th October	Trades Academy Awards - Nelson
Thursday 31 st October	Careers Day - Secondary
Monday 4th November	Marlborough Anniversary
Wednesday 6 th November	Strategic Planning
Thursday 7 th November	Whole School Assembly
Friday 8 th November	Years 11, 12, 13 students – last day
Tuesday 12 th November	Room 15 – Art visit to Nelson
Wednesday 13 th November	Pelorus Cluster Athletics at Havelock
Monday 18th November	Teacher Only Day – School Closed
Tuesday 19 th November	BOT Meeting – 6.30pm
Monday 25 th November	Jenny Tebbutt – Learning abilities – Parents Evening 6.00 – 8.00pm in the library. Playground structure begins. Rooms 13 & 15 – Tuia 250 (Endeavour Trip) at Picton
Wednesday 27 th – Friday 29 th November	Year 9 & 10 School Camp -Whenua Iti
Saturday 7 th December	LEO trip to Natureland - Nelson
Monday 9 th December	Reports given out.
Tuesday 10th December	Prizegiving
Wednesday 11th December	Last day of School

URGENT - School Photos

A reminder that the school photos and money with the supplied envelope, need to be **returned to school by Tuesday 29th October**, as the orders are required to be **collected by courier, in the morning on Wednesday 30th October.**

Secondary News

Y9 & 10 Camp: 27th - 29th November

The Year 9 and 10s are looking forward to their camp to Whenua Iti Outdoor Education Centre in week 7 of this term (27th-29th November).

The cost per student is \$130.00. Fundraising efforts by students and staff has resulted in us raising over half of the camp costs (\$2,500.00). We shall organise donations of food items from families, this has also helped to keep costs to a minimum.

Activities will include caving, kayaking and high ropes.



NCEA Exam Tutorials

Here are details of tutorials on offer to support students best prepare for their external exams. We encourage students to attend these sessions.

As students prepare for their external exams, encourage them to talk about their workload and which exams they will be sitting. We encourage students to make mature, sensible decisions as learners, and this may mean that they choose not to sit all of the exams for which they have been entered. Students track their credits and are aware of what they need in order to pass their respective qualifications.

We are very proud of the efforts our students put into their work. They are motivated, hard-working and, as a result, achieving great results.

Level 1

Maths Monday 18th November, P3 & 4
Tuesday 19th November, P3 & 4

Media Friday 11th November, P1 & 2
Monday 25th November, P1 & 2

Science Thursday 24th November, 3.00 - 4.00pm
Thursday 31st November, 3.00 - 4.00pm
Sunday either 3rd November, 2.00 - 4.00pm Or 10th November

Level 2

Maths Thursday 14th November, P3 & 4
Wednesday 20th November, P3 & 4

Level 3

Maths Thursday 21st November, P2 & 3
Monday 25th November, P3 & 4



Jenny Tebbutt Visit - Date for your diary



Jenny Tebbutt is the Managing Director of Raising Achievement Ltd. Since 2000 Jenny has worked alongside primary, secondary and post-secondary schools and organisations in both New Zealand and Australia to raise achievement for students.

Jenny is working with RVAS staff, teachers and teacher aides, to provide training around identifying and catering for specific learning needs of students in the school.

Jenny has spent one day with us already and is coming back again on Monday the 25th of November. She has kindly offered to run a session for parents and whānau in the evening from 6pm-8pm. We warmly invite everyone to attend. Jenny is very experienced in helping family members support students with learning difficulties, such as dyslexia, dyspraxia, ADHD and Autistic Spectrum Disorder.

Siobhan Skinner
Head of Secondary Syndicate

Primary School News

Welcome back to Term 4.

In the Primary area of our school, we welcome Van Bidios and Ivy Kiddey, who have just started school this term.

It is always a busy time of the year and we have started with a great Annual Pet Day to kick things off. Today we have included some photos and writing about this event from Room 13.

The sun is beginning to shine so hats for everyone in the primary syndicate are required. Sunblock in the morning at home would be helpful also. If children do not bring a hat they will be required to spend their break times in a shady spot.

At this time of the year, teachers are busy with plenty of learning opportunities for our students along with conducting different assessments in preparation for writing reports. Please encourage your children to keep up their good work, so even over the holidays they are reading, for enjoyment, and being curious about what is going on about them as this will also encourage a great learning mindset.

Our first event outside of school will be the Pelorus Cluster Athletics day, in Havelock, on Wednesday 13th November. Please write that on your calendar and watch this space for a transport and parental help notice soon.

Regards,

Karen Davies
Head of Primary Syndicate.

Rai Valley Playgroup Fundraiser



Rai Valley Playgroup are holding a small fundraiser on Friday 15th November at 6:30pm in the Library.

\$5 entry fee on the night would be greatly appreciated.

The plan is that everyone who comes can bring along clothes or shoes they don't need or want anymore. This can range from adults to small children of all sizes. Supper will be provided on the night by Playgroup Mums.

RAI VALLEY COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS

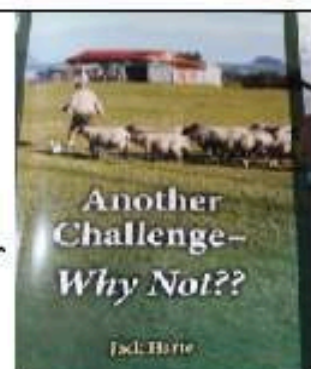
The Library has been open for 20 years come the 4th of November, so to celebrate the Community Library Committee are holding a morning tea on Saturday 16th of November from 10:30am in the library. Any community members are welcome to come along and have a cuppa to celebrate this fantastic building built by the community and opened 20 years ago.



We have been kindly donated the book Another Challenge – Why Not? by Jack Harte.

Jack grew up in local Rai Valley and Marlborough Sounds regions – particularly McLaren's Bay. Only 200 copies have been printed, and we are very lucky to have 2 copies in our library.

Come along and borrow a copy if you would like to read it.



Pet Day 2019

The weather was amazing. The indoor exhibits were amazing. The animals were amazing. What a great day! A big thank you to all involved. I will let some of these photos taken by Ms McKinley do the talking.



Young Farmers Competition

Team 5 – Cyrus Jope, Ella Jenner, Cody Rollo, Anton Cory.



The Young Farmers Competition was keenly fought contested again this year.

Congratulations to team 7: Mrs Taylor, Kaden Lawrence, Alicia Moss, Zach Hickson and Alec Swan for taking out 1st place.

A big "thank you" to: ANZ, Fonterra, Havelock Lions, Farm Source, Rural Fire, REM, Alabama Vets, and in addition The Brick Oven, Hendersons, and REPCO for some sponsorship.

Pet Day 2019 Trophy Winners

Here is a list of the winners of the Pet Day trophies this year. There is one correction to make from the results read out on the day at prize-giving. The trophy for most points for pets or poultry was a tie between Danny Roeske and Paige Couper, not Danny Roeske and Bayley Fenton. Apologies to both Paige and Bayley for the error.

Right: Archie Nightingale takes out the shield for most points in the floral section.



Trophy for	Winner
Outdoor	
Best Dog - Junior	Meika O'Donnell
Best Dog - Middle	Elin Kiddey
Best Dog - Secondary	Alec Swan
Best Goat	Katie Roeske
Best Rabbit	Summer Taylor
Champion Horse	Olivia Polkinghorne
Most Points for Lamb	Archie Nightingale & Danny Roeske
Payton Cup for Birds	Lincoln Fisher
Most Points for Pets /Poultry	Paige Couper & Danny Roeske
Pre-school Cup	Cara Harrison
Indoor	
Photography	Madalyn Sharpe, Katie Roeske, Rose Stuart
Most Points in Floral	Archie Nightingale
Secondary: Most Indoor Points	Rose Stuart

PET DAY – writing from Room 13

On Pet Day I played with Darcy and his lamb. The policemen came and let us wear their police stuff. I didn't bring a pet but I got six certificates.

Bayley Fenton

On Tuesday it was Pet Day. There were policemen and they let us put on their police stuff. Oliver and Bayley chased my lamb because it got away. A goat head-butted me and Oliver. After that, we went to go get our certificates. I got two blue ones and one yellow one and two green ones.

Darcy Thompson

On Tuesday 22nd October it was Pet Day. I brought my dog Ziggy. Ziggy was worried. It was her first time. A few minutes later a course opened for dogs. Ziggy and I lined up to do the course. Ziggy and I ran through the course. Ziggy had to go over the hurdles but she went under them. Ziggy and I got two highly commended.

Cody Aldridge

On Tuesday it was Pet Day and it was cold. When my friends arrived we went and looked at the pets. There were heaps of different kinds of cool animals. I saw this lizard that breathed underwater because it had gills. There were police officers and you could dress up like them. Bayley bought some lollies and shared them with me.

Oliver Hope

On Tuesday it was Pet Day. In the morning we got up and got ready. Then we drove to school with my chickens and we put them by the art room. My sister bought a pony and she got five ribbons. The policeman came and we got to try his gear on and there was a bullet proof vest. We got to hop into the police car which was fun. Bayley, Oliver, Darcy and I got to throw sponges at Leah. After that we got a handful of jelly beans.

Josh Todd

On Tuesday 22.10.19 it was Pet Day. There was a police officer and his name was Josh. My favourite animal was the lambs. I didn't bring a pet to pet day. Maybe next year? I love pet day. There were lollies, sausages and burgers, certificates and prize giving.

Gareth Woodley

On Tuesday I took my pet goat, George, to Pet Day.

It took a while for the judging to start but I was not very happy about it because George was not following me. I won a green ribbon for talking about him. A few minutes later the police came. There were lots of animals that won trophies. My sister and Brook and I found a lolly store for only 1 dollar. At prize giving there was a lucky dip and in the indoor section I won four certificates.

Samara Partridge

On Tuesday it was Pet Day. I took Fidget my dog. I took my dog around the obstacle course. She got lots of ribbons. First for obedience, second for obstacle course and highly commended for the talking. I got reserve champion dog. The police were there. I got hand cuffed. It was fun. I did an obstacle course with the fire truck and I raced Eva and I came first.

During the fire truck obstacle course you have to go over the ladder and under a tarp, then around some cones as well as you spray the hose at a sign.

At last it was prizegiving. I got a trophy but when I got a photo I didn't like it.

Elin Kiddey

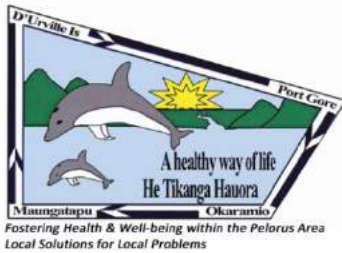
Cleaner Wanted



Havelock Holiday Park is looking for a cleaner to work 4 days on, 4 days off cleaning our facilities. We are looking for someone who is reliable, has an eye for detail, great time management, has initiative and is able to work unsupervised. It is for the summer season. The cleaning takes between 2-3 hours per day, starting at 10am. Hourly rate is \$20 plus 8% holiday pay.

Please email Brigitte with a covering letter outlining your skills and a referee contact to info@havelockholidaypark.kiwi

Pelorus Area Health Trust



Health Education Grants

Did you realise that PAHT has a grant available for people who would like to continue their education in the field of health and well-being? If you are planning on taking a course that will enable you to contribute to the health of our community, we may be able to help with your funding.

Get in touch with the Administrator of PAHT for an application form and submit it to us. We will consider your application at any time of the year.

secretary@pelorusareahealth.co.nz

www.pelorusareahealth.co.nz

Havelock Charity Shop **Needs more volunteers**

We need fun, friendly, enthusiastic volunteers to give just a few hours of their time to support a local Trust that promotes health care in the Pelorus Area.

If you are a people-person, organised, and would like to work with a lovely group of ladies as a volunteer, then we would love to hear from you!

Please give your contact details to a shop volunteer to pass on to our Manager.

