



Rangiora New Life School

A Ministry of Gateway Life Church

Te kura oranga hou o Rangiora

23 February 2023

Term 1 Week 4 2023

What's On?

Fri 3 March	Mufit Day Whole School— funds for flood victims
Wed 8 March	Photolife
Fri 10 March	Teacher Only Day— no school
Fri 24 March	Primary and Secondary Interviews
Thurs 6 April	Last day of Term 1
Fri 7 April:	Good Friday—no school
Mon 24 Apr:	Teacher Only Day no school
Tues 25 Apr	ANZAC Day—closed
Wed 26 Apr	School begins for all students at 8.50am
Mon 5 June	King's Birthday—closed
Wed 28 June	Term 2 ends at 3.10pm
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School Docs: RNLS Policies & Procedures
including links to our Complaints Process.
For any information regarding our Policies &
Procedures please check out rnls.schools.co.nz
User name: RNLS Password: seek

Dear Parents / Caregivers

Kia ora koutou

Sports

Sport is well underway this year. My thanks to the energy and organization the Nigel De Maine is bringing in his Sports Admin role.

Allergies—peanuts specifically

We keep a register of students and staff allergies, which include allergies to foods, bee stings and other medical conditions. One of our new teachers at RNLS—Susan Kingsley, has given permission to share her very sensitive allergy to peanuts. In her school last year, she had an anaphylactic reaction to peanuts. Her sensitivity to peanuts is severe even to people who have eaten peanuts in the last 20 minutes. The peanuts cause her a severe allergic reaction. In consideration of her and a number of other students within the school with this sensitivity, I would ask that you be mindful of this when you pack student lunch boxes. As a teacher, Susan works in Secondary, although she does interact with all students at intervals and lunch times.

Secondary Teachers strike—16 March

We have been advised that the PPTA has called a strike on 16th March. As virtually all our secondary teachers are PPTA members, our school will be closed for SECODNARY students only on this day. Primary students and school buses will run as usual.

Billets

We are still looking for billets for CASAfest, see the note in the newsletter.

Prayer

Our students have a regular prayer meeting each week. Our staff pray in their devotion 3 times a week. Gateway Church has a regular prayer session every Friday. We also have a parent prayer time every Monday at 9 am, in the Church. I invite new parents and existing ones to this prayer time for the school, students and wider community. I hope to see you there, on Monday, where I will be buying coffees.

This week we remember the 12th anniversary of the Christchurch earthquake. At that time, Hastings Christian School connected with our school and community. At this time, we plan to reciprocate with their community as they recover from the floods. We will have a non-uniform day next week Friday; our students will write cards with messages. Our PTA last night donated a sum of money to their PTA. We pray for the victims of the flooding.

Ngā manaakitanga

Stephen Walters

Term Dates for 2023

Term 1

Friday 10 March Teacher Only Day Tipu Maia Hui
School closed

Thurs 16 March Secondary Teacher Strike

Friday 24 March Primary and Secondary
Interviews—School closed

Thurs 06 Apr Term 1 ends at 3.10 pm

Fri 07 Apr Good Friday—closed.

Term 2

Wed 24 April —Wed 28 June 2023

Mon 5 June King's Birthday—closed

Wed 28 June Term 2 ends at 3.10pm

Term 3

Monday 17 July—Friday 22September

Term 4

Monday 9 October—Friday 15 December

Mon 23 Oct Labour Day—closed

Fri 17 Nov Canterbury Anniversary—closed

Fri 20 Nov MoE Teacher Only Day—closed

Thurs 30 Nov Yrs 11-13 Prizegiving

Thurs 14 Dec Years 1-8 Prizegiving

Fri 15 Dec Yrs 9-10 Prizegiving
End of Term 4



Mrs Keats' class:

Aa is for apple

T is for Tent



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e: admin@rnls.school.nz

www.rnls.school.nz

"God is Peace"

Ko ia hoki tō tātou maungārongo

For He himself is our peace. Ephesians 2:14

Te kura oranga hou o

Reminder: Parents please note that school opens for **student access from 8.30 am**—ie not beforehand please. We have a duty teacher supervising the Denchs Rd netball court area from 8:30 am to 8:50 am (prior to class entry).

RNLS staff cannot supervise children prior to 8:30 am.

NB from the RNLS Proprietors: The only dogs permitted on school premises are those officially trained for sight impaired and sensory issue work. This applies to both within and outside school instructional times— ie not at any time!



Hi, my name is Maria Evans, some of you may have already seen me in the office, as I have been working here for a couple of months now. I am very blessed to be working in such a welcoming, caring and Christian community. I come from a large family and have a great love for children, so I really enjoy interacting with and helping the students and parents alike. I was born in Hong Kong, where my family lived for 13 years, but moved to Rangiora when I was five, and have lived here since. Over the years, I have been a part of various sports teams and music groups in and around the North Canterbury area. In my spare time I like to spend time with my family and look after my nieces and nephews or have a game of squash with friends. I am excited to be part of this school community, and I look forward to meeting you all at some stage.



My name is Maree Turner and I'm so excited to be working in the RNLS office on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. I have a background in human resources advisory and in the last 11 years since being a mum, I've worked a short-term part-time a few years ago and more recently I've been working as an HR contractor for a Rangiora based charity. I have two boys aged 9 and 11 at RNLS and along with them, my husband Jason and I attend St Barnabas church in Woodend. We live on 10 acres in Ashley, and on days when I'm not working I spend time in our orchard of 30 fruit trees, some berries and 20 olive trees. We have 6 cows, a cat called Tiggy and a very lovely 12 month old black Labrador called Zoey. I am blessed to have found a role in a Christian environment with such a friendly and welcoming team and look to be here for many years and getting to know more of you.



The Y9 and 10 learning languages celebrated "Mardi Gras" by making crepes and masks.

Anna Jooron



Rangiora

Access to free period products

Thanks to the Ministry of Education's '[access to period products initiative](#)', RNLS has a supply of free period products for children and young people at the school to conveniently access from the school office.. To request, please email nancywu@rnl.school.nz or contact the School Office.

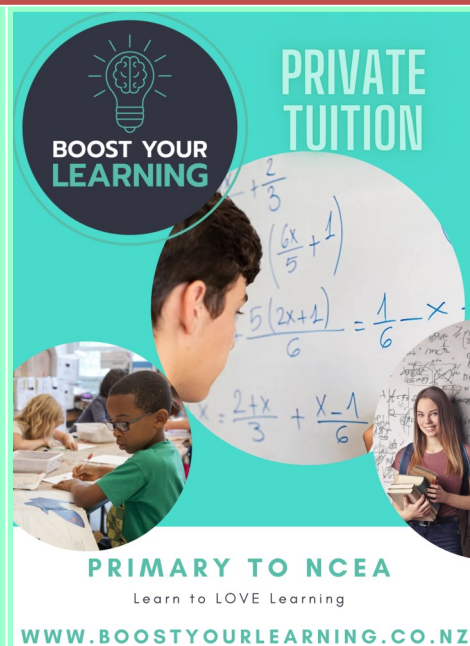
NB: If your emails, caregiver details, address, phone numbers, circumstances, etc have changed over the last few months please let the school office staff know asap. admin@rnl.school.nz or 03 313 6332.

2023's first PTA meeting was yesterday at 3:30pm. We are a group that fundraise during the year to raise funds for different projects that benefit the kids at RNLS. Last year we were thrilled to donate six class sets of lego to the junior classes as well as treat the year 0-10's to a sausage and ice block as an end of year treat. If you are interested in being a part of the group please come along to a meeting or email rnlpta@gmail.com with any questions. Even if you can't do meetings but are able to help at one off events, please let us know, many hands make light work.

Jo Thornburrow & Suzy McCracken PTA Chairpersons

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Rachel's House Trust (RHT) is a Rangiora based Christian non-profit organization that is committed to the holistic support of new parents. RHT is currently recruiting for two positions; **Social Worker** – part time permanent, hours to suit **Funding Administrator** – contractor, 100hrs p.a

Applications to: admin@rachelshouse.org.nz

We look forward to receiving your application.

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If you are still unsure which career may suit you and want to try WORK experience through the school this is a good time of the year to plan this with Mr. Lamb

To discuss your child's career future and in-school opportunities, please call Mr Lamb 313 6332 Ext 293 or email grahamlamb@rnl.school.nz

CASAFest 2023 Billets needed On Monday 3rd of April through to Wednesday 5th of April RNLS will be hosting 140 students, mostly Year 8 - 13, from the other Canterbury Area Schools for a sporting and cultural festival. As the host school this year, we are required to billet these students. We are in need of host families to provide them with a bed for 2 nights, dinner for one night, and breakfast for 2 mornings. All other meals will be provided by the school. Host families transport the billets to school each morning and pick them up at the end of the day. School buses are available to transport students to school on Tuesday and Wednesday morning, and home from school on Tuesday. The students will also need to be picked up at school at two later times: 9pm on the Monday night when they arrive, and there is a disco on Tuesday night finishing at 9.30pm. For further details, and if you are able to billet a student(s) could you please contact Sandy Watson, sandywatson@rnl.school.nz.

Gateway Life Church has recommenced **Youth Group**—Friday nights 7-9 pm for ages 12-18. All young people are welcome!

Further additional information (if required):

Sharon Eloff 021 030 4781.

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Athlete's Foot - School Rewards: Just nominate our school at the time of purchase... ie Rangiora New Life School!
Eligible: RNLS staff, students or members of their families.
\$15 worth of sports equipment or \$10 cash from every pair of shoes purchased from our Northlands Athlete's Foot store, will be donated to RNLS.



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