



Rangiora New Life School

A Ministry of Gateway Life Church

Te kura Ora Hou o Rangiora

14 December 2023

Term 4 Week 10 2023

What's On?

Thu 14 Dec

Yr 1-8 Primary Prizegiving at

1.00pm and last day for Primary.

Fri 15 Dec

Yr 9-10 Prizegiving at 11.00am and

End of Term 4.

The link for the prizegiving live stream is found below:

<https://rnls.school.nz/live>



Dear Parents / Caregivers - Kia ora koutou

Staffing update:

We have farewelled our staff who are retiring/leaving and have completed our appointments for 2024.

Congratulations to Lyn McEwan, who is our new Careers Advisor, James Dean, our Yr 9 Dean. We welcome Nick de Roo back full time to continue teaching Food and also as our new teacher of Digital Technologies. We thank Nigel Dodge for continuing in 2024 teaching technology. We welcome a past student, Emily Osborne teaching English in Secondary, and Ruthie Ward teaching in Room 2, while Bronwyn Webster moves to teach new entrants in Room 3. We also welcome Sharon Sanders for Term 1 teaching Social Studies. We thank God for His provision of high quality staff at Rangiora New Life School.

Cellphones are not to be seen, heard or used in 2024.

At the start of Term 1 next year, we will consult with the school community on the details of the cellphone policy, the new government is mandating in all NZ schools next year. The message I have received this week from the government, is that cellphones are expected to be "away for the day" at schools—which extends our current policy "away for classes". Please discuss/prepare your children for this change in 2024.

I wish our school community a blessed Christmas and a peaceful new year, as we are reminded of the reason for the season.

Ngā manaakitanga

Stephen Walters

Term Dates for 2023 / 2024

Term 4 2023

Monday 9 October—Friday 15 December

Mon 9 Oct School opens for all students at 8.50am

Mon 23 Oct Labour Day—closed

Fri 17 Nov Canterbury Anniversary—closed

Mon 20 Nov MoE Teacher Only Day—closed

Thurs 30 Nov Yrs 11-13 Prizegiving

Fri 1 Dec Primary Teacher Conferences

Thurs 14 Dec Years 1-8 Prizegiving

Fri 15 Dec Yrs 9-10 Prizegiving

End of Term 4

Term 1 2024

Mon 29 Jan TOD

Tues 30 Jan Yr 11-13 Course Confirmation & Peer Support Training

Wednesday 31 Jan School opens for all students

At 8.50am and 9-9.30am

Mini Whakatau welcome—Events Centre

Thur 01–02 Feb 8.50—3.10 pm Regular school days

Mon 5 Feb TOD—school closed

Tues 6 Feb Waitangi Day—school closed

Mar 05 + 06 Photolife—school photos

Fri 29 Mar Good Friday—school closed

Mon 01 Apr Easter Monday—school closed

Tues 02 Apr Easter Tuesday—school closed

Fri 12 Apr Term 1 ends at 3.10pm

Term 2 2024

Mon 29 Apr School opens for all students at 8.50am

Fri 31 May Teacher Only Day - school closed

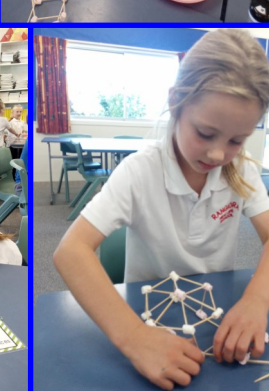
Mon 3 Jun King's Birthday observed—school closed

Fri 28 Jun Marariki—school closed

Please see our website: rnls.school.nz for a detailed calender (found under enrolments)



Room2
Maths
with
Miss Gibbs



Room 2
Marshmallow Structures

A Community That Cares

Students Who Achieve

Denchs Rd, Rangiora 7400 t: (03) 313 6332

e: admin@rnls.school.nz www.rnls.school.nz

Mākohakoha rawa atu e te Atua.

God is generous.

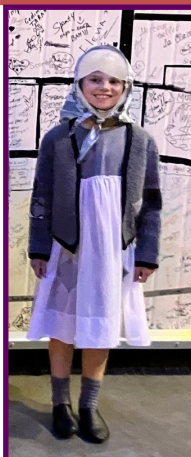
Te kura ora hou o Rangiora

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: 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. reception@rnls.school.nz or 03 313 6332.

Any attendance related queries should also be sent to reception@rnls.school.nz



Violet Routledge was invited to audition for the Royal New Zealand Ballet's show of Hansel and Gretel.

She was successful in gaining a part as a bird and recently performed 2 shows at Christchurch's iconic Isaac Theatre Royal.

Ka mau te wehi, Violet!

Rooms 5 and 6 Project Term 4 Knitting blankets and catnip toys for the SPCA



Congratulations to Room 5 and Mrs Doney for completing their Digital Technology trial programme this year.



Room 5 have been participating in a Computational Thinking Pilot program with ByteEd's learning kit - Play Code Learn, Dinosaur Steps. On completion they had a Zoom meeting with Product Development Lead, Sarah Washbrooke. They were super excited to give her feedback on Dinosaur Steps. They also learnt about the company, their other kits and what they are planning for future resources.

They were thrilled to hear from Sarah that they are only 1 of 2 classes in New Zealand piloting this resource and that Mrs Doney is the only Ambassador in New Zealand for this company.

ByteEd are privileged to work alongside the wonderful students and teacher of Room 5. It has been fantastic to see and hear about their learning experiences. We look forward to continuing this collaboration next year with Dinosaur Loops!

Te kino kē hoki, ByteEd Team.

News and notices

The RNLS Coffee Team would like to thank the School Family for their support this year. It's been another successful year and the funds raised have gone to purchase new basketballs for the primary students, support the art trail fundraiser, contribute to the house flags being created and supported the primary teachers with some financial aid.

Thank you to all the students who have volunteered their time to help out and a special thanks to our Year 13 students Mia, Kate and Vik who sadly leave our team.

The coffee team will be making hot drinks till Wednesday the 13th of December and at \$3 for students and \$4 for parents for a large drink this is still great value.

Office Max Stationery supplies for 2024—paste the below links and go to:

Yr 0-8 <https://www.myschool.co.nz/rnlsprimary>

Y9-13 <https://www.myschool.co.nz/rnls>

Year 9 service day in Primary
making marshmallow structures.



Miss Collins at Year 9 activity
day at Waikuku Beach

Sports fun !!



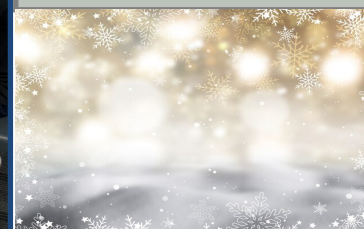
News and notices



Above:
Primary Christmas Concert



Left:
Year 8 Formal



The **"ACCESS & CHOICE"** programme is part of a wider system of mental wellbeing support. If there's no Access and Choice provider near you, talk to your GP or find additional services through [Healthpoint](https://www.healthpoint.org.nz/) or the [Mental Health Foundation](https://www.mentalhealthfoundation.org.nz/). <https://www.wellbeingsupport.health.nz/>

Waimakariri Parenting Support and Information for Families/Whanau

For updates or additions contact: Social Services Waimakariri Phone: 022 317 7660 or Email: facilitator@sswaimak.nz

www.nextsteps.org.nz

Support for Families <https://www.wellbeingnc.org.nz/support-for-families/info@wellbeingnc.org.nz>

Focus on the Family <https://www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting> Explore our practical and research-based **parenting** advice from a Christian worldview covering every age and stage for your **family**. **Focus on Parenting Podcast** · **We've Got Your Kids Covered** · **Ages 13-18 (Teen)**

The link below contains more information.

<https://rnls.careerwise.school/>

To discuss your child's career future and in-school opportunities, please call Mrs McEwan 313 6332 Ext 252 or email

Lynmcewan@rnls.school.nz -Careers Advisor

CAREERS CORNER

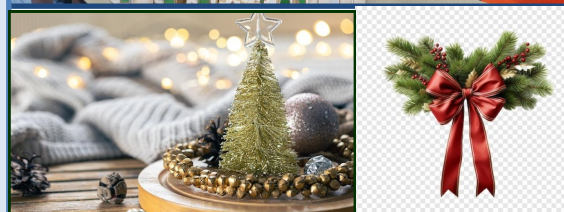
1. Southern Institute of Technology—Hornby Book a tour.
2. MAINZ Christchurch—worth a visit—has enhanced its studio engineering and music production programmes with the purchase of a new Sequential Circuits Prophet 5 Synthesizer from long-term industry partner Rockshop.
3. University of Canterbury—open day on Friday 30 August **2024**.

RNLS Library has a new Careers Inzone Kiosk for you all year levels to use. It only gives you NZ careers information and starts with some Canterbury

News and notices



9WGB Social Studies class worked together over the last two weeks to make 75 bags of treats to bless people in our community. The students worked together to design the bags, make the treats and bag them up. The treats were given to people living in emergency housing and staff at Burwood Hospital and Charles Upham Resthome.





Jan Holiday Programme

Southbrook School Holidays
January 2024
26 Marshall Street, Rangiora, New Zealand

Full Day 7:30-6:00	07:30 a.m.-06:00 p.m.	\$69.00 (All Inclusive - No Extra Fees)
Full Day 8:30-6:00	08:30 a.m.-06:00 p.m.	\$59.00 (All Inclusive - No Extra Fees)
Half Day 7:30-3:00	07:30 a.m.-03:00 p.m.	\$59.00 (All Inclusive - No Extra Fees)
Half Day 8:30-3:00	08:30 a.m.-03:00 p.m.	\$49.00 (All Inclusive - No Extra Fees)

Walk Like a Egyptian
Mon 15 Jan

Make your own ancient Egyptian mask, find the hidden treasure and uncover the mummies secrets are just a few of the awesome activities today at Kidsbase.

TRIP: Spencer Park
Tue 16 Jan

An absolute Kidsbase Favourite! Sandcastle competitions, lots of active challenges and don't forget PIZZA for lunch.

Magic of Space
Wed 17 Jan

"Out of this world fun", let's get ready for intergalactic challenges, blastoff with space adventure crafts and hyper cool games.

TRIP: Water fun
Thu 18 Jan

It just wouldn't be summer without Kidsbase famous "Waterfun" day! Water slides, Swimming, Water games & lots more. At Kidsbase Southbrook.

Lego Masters
Fri 19 Jan

Become a master of lego with super cool games, challenges and fun activities you never thought you could play with lego.

Superheroes
Mon 22 Jan

Come dressed as your favourite Superheroes today as we create our own superpowers and challenge the villains.

TRIP: Pedalmania
Tue 23 Jan

Clive and his amazing crazy bikes are at Kidsbase today. Try the awesome 6 seater or the crazy opposite steering bike @ Kidsbase Southbrook.

The Wild West
Wed 24 Jan

Saddle up Partners. It's time to tame the wild west and wrangle up the outlaws.

TRIP: Inflatarun
Thu 25 Jan

IT'S BACK! Awesome fun on the biggest inflatable obstacle course in NZ. Held in Rangiora.

Beach Vibes
Fri 26 Jan

It's Friday so let's bring the Beach Vibes to Kidsbase and chill with some cool games and funny beach crafts.

Rock Star
Mon 29 Jan

It's a time to rock! Who wants to be treated like a rock star today? Sing, dance, play and have lots of fun to your favourite tunes. Rock on!

Wheels Day
Tue 30 Jan

Bring your bike, scooter, skateboard, roller skates today for some action-packed Wheels challenges and games. Don't forget your helmet!

Summer Fun
Wed 31 Jan

Summer Fun School starts back soon so let's have an awesome Summer Party Day.

Camping
Thu 01 Feb

We bring all of the cool fun and excitement of Summer Camping to Kidsbase today. Games, yummy treats and new adventures await!

Pyjama Party
Fri 02 Feb

The best way to end our Holiday Programme. Come dressed in your PJ'S and enjoy a super chilled party with all the fun games and yummy treats.

**** WINZ SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE **** All Programmes are MSD approved. Children from ALL schools welcome
For more information, call 027 687 0001 Or 027 239 7690
or email info@kidsbase.co.nz

Book now at [Kidsbase.aimyplus.com](https://kidsbase.aimyplus.com)

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Summer Reading Challenge 2023/24



Waimakariri Libraries' Summer Reading Challenge is designed to keep kids reading over the summer holidays. Participants complete fun, achievable challenges, and upon completion are eligible to be in the draw to win some amazing prizes.

There are many benefits to participating in the programme. Children who keep up with their reading skills over the six-week break from school, start the new school year at a level similar to, or even above, the level they finished at the year before.

The challenges are designed to encourage a love of reading, and reinforce the reading, listening, and participation skills gained throughout the year. Research shows that Summer Reading Programmes have a positive long-term impact on student achievement. This year the Waimakariri Libraries Summer Reading Challenge 2023/24 starts on 1 December 2023 and runs until 31 January 2024.

Children, and youth can come into any Waimakariri Library after 1 December, and pick up a booklet filled with fun activities, and challenges to help stop the reading 'slide'.

Adults can also participate in the challenge and enjoy reading together as a family.

For more info, please go to: <https://waimakaririlibraries.com/home>

Free Coding Holiday Activity



SIGN UP NOW:
codingnz.com/freeactivity
Limited spots available

Summer 2023/24

Educational? Yes!
Fun? Yes!
Affordable? Yes! (it's free!)

Suitable for beginner to advanced coders.

Ages 9 & 10, 11 & 12, 13 & 14, 15 to adult.

News and notices

When parking before and after school please be respectful of our Southbrook Road neighbours and their right for access to their private driveways.

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!

Looking for support in North Canterbury?

General Practices

A good first step is to see your GP. You and your whānau can use a number of health and wellbeing services when you are enrolled with a GP team.

You can call your GP to ask what services they offer. Some GP practices offer the free services of:

Health Improvement Practitioners are qualified, registered health professionals who help people of all ages take positive steps in improving their physical and mental wellbeing.

Health Coaches, can support people with understanding healthy choices, goal setting, managing medication, and chronic conditions.

Support Workers, help people to lead healthy lifestyles, and assist with social engagement, paid work, housing and money matters.

Mental Health Brief Intervention Service

Your GP may be able to refer you to have free sessions with a mental health clinician, who can help with mild to moderate health needs, including stress, anxiety, low mood and depression.



Community support groups

You can access free mental health support through community support groups, including peer support, whānau support and specialised support. You can visit this website to find a support group in the Canterbury region. www.mentalhealth.org.nz/groups

Phone and text services

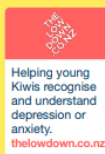
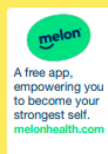
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Free phone or text 1737, for support from trained counsellors 24/7. Interpreter services are available in more than 40 languages.

Youthline counselling services, free phone 0800 376 633 or text 234 or webchat youthline.co.nz

Apps and online learning

There are lots of great free wellbeing apps and online learning to support you.



Thanks to Te Hau Toka Southern Lakes Wellbeing Group for use of the Traffic Light design.

Traffic Light Guide

Looking after your mental wellbeing

Manaakitia i tō oraka

Keeping well Kia piki te ora

Extra support He taupua ano

Immediate crisis Mōrearea ināianei tonu



Keeping well Kia piki te ora

Maintaining your wellbeing is important. It's a bit like keeping physically fit—something you work on throughout life. These tips are designed to get you thinking about what will help your mental wellbeing:

WELLBEING TIPS

THESE TIPS ARE DESIGNED TO HELP GET YOU THINKING ABOUT WHAT WILL HELP YOUR MENTAL WELLBEING AT THE MOMENT. THESE SIMPLE ACTIONS ARE BIG MOOD BOOSTERS – FIND WHAT WORKS FOR YOU AND KEEP AT IT!



GETTING TOGETHER
WHAI E OROKA I TE HAU TOKA

ALL RIGHT?

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When you need some extra support

So you're not feeling great?

It's been a tough time and some of us who may not have needed support previously could do with a helping hand. There's support out there if you need it.

You can access free support through:

- **Your GP team** - they can help you to connect with support that's right for you.
- **Your school** - some schools offer counselling services for students.
- **Your workplace** - some workplaces offer support through Employee Assistance Programmes.

Manu Ka Rere

Offer free mental health and addiction support for young people aged 13-24 years in Canterbury. Referrals can be made through their website: www.manukare.org.nz | 03 281 7616

Community Wellbeing North Canterbury Trust

Provides a range of free community and social services aimed at improving the lives of people in Waimakariri and the Hurunui. 03 281 7616

Comcare Trust

Offer free community based mental health and addiction services to people aged 18+ towards wellbeing. They offer peer support services and physical activity based ActiveLinks support service. www.comcare.org.nz | 03 377 7020

Hope Community Trust

Provides community services in Rangiora including counselling, a community garden, a food bank and activities. 03 928 3066

North Canterbury Rural Support Trust

Supports farmers and their families through tough times. They can help people navigate financial and personal challenges or assist during climatic adverse events. 0800 787 254

When you need immediate mental health help

In an immediate and serious situation when you are concerned for your safety or the safety of those around you, call the Police on 111.

If the situation does not require an immediate urgent response, contact **Crisis Resolution** on 0800 920 092 (24 hours, 7 days a week). If you are calling on behalf of someone, you will need their consent to access this service.

For children and young people up to the age of 18, call **Child, Adolescent & Family Emergency (CAFEm)** on 0800 218 219 and press option 2 (weekdays, 8:30am-5pm). For afterhours support, please contact Crisis Resolution on 0800 920 092.

Vacancy

Position – Business Manager – Rangiora New Life Fellowship Trust – Proprietors

Rangiora New Life Fellowship Trust seeks to appoint a Business Manager to support the Proprietors. This role requires expert finance and business operations experience.

The Business Manager will manage the business operations Rangiora New Life Fellowship Trust and support the proprietors in its vision and responsibility to uphold the Christian Character of Rangiora New Life School.

Presenting with outstanding interpersonal skills the successful candidate will foster a positive and dynamic working environment and promote excellent working relationships the Proprietors, school, community, etc.

This role will be for initially be for 16 hours a week to get the new Business Manager familiarised with the role, the role will be for 8 hours a week afterwards.

Key Responsibilities

General Administration

- Collaborate with the proprietors, school staff, contractors, ministry of education and other external parties to efficiently manage the proprietors and property operations.

Financial Planning and Management.

- Manage financial operations, processes, accounts, reporting, audits, annual budget, payroll etc.
- Provide communication of financial risks to proprietors.
- Prepare funding submissions and grant applications.

Risk and Compliance

- Keep up to date with current compliance requirements for the Proprietors.
- Oversee the audit and risk management processes.

Buildings and Grounds

- Coordinate with the Property Manager the use and maintenance of school buildings and equipment.
- Prepare and manage contractor agreements / contracts.

Support Proprietors Board

Prepare operational and financial reports for the proprietor board meetings.
Minute taking of proprietor board meetings.

Qualifications & Skills

- Relevant qualification experience
- Excellent analytical and financial data interpretation skills.
- Excellent written and verbal communication and interpersonal skills.
- Strong time management
- Superior organisational skills

Experience with Xero software would be an advantage.

Email dustylloff@rnls.school.nz with your CV and covering letter.

Extra News and Notices

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The Ottoman
Authentic Turkish Cuisine

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Rangiora New Life School 01 0877 0072756 02

<https://mentalhealth.org.nz/five-ways-to-wellbeing>

FIVE WAYS TO WELLBEING

- CONNECT**
TALK & LISTEN, BE THERE, FEEL CONNECTED
- Give**
Your time, your words, your presence
- TAKE NOTICE**
REMEMBER THE SIMPLE THINGS THAT GIVE YOU JOY
- KEEP LEARNING**
EMBRACE NEW EXPERIENCES, SEE OPPORTUNITIES, SURPRISE YOURSELF
- BE ACTIVE**
DO WHAT YOU CAN, ENJOY WHAT YOU DO, MOVE YOUR BODY

INTRODUCE THESE FIVE SIMPLE STRATEGIES INTO YOUR LIFE AND YOU WILL FEEL THE BENEFITS.

Mental Health Foundation
mauri tū, mauri ora
www.mentalhealth.org.nz

Gateway Stadium / Events Centre Bookings
Please contact bookings@rnls.school.nz for information on availability for **public bookings** outside school hours.

HOPE OP SHOP
SCHOOL UNIFORM & CURTAIN BANK

HOPE SHOP

hope
community trust

Rangiora New Life School Second Hand Uniform Shop in conjunction with the Hope Op Shop
113 East Belt Rangiora
Open Monday to Friday 9am- 4pm



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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Newsletters | Permission slips
Instant notifications | Absentees
Parent Teacher Interviews

Simple free download:
In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our organisation once installed.



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