May 30 Newsletter 2017

Welcome to week 5 already. It's incredible how quickly the weeks fly by. Next week we welcome Miss Grant to school and she will be working in Mahi Tahi. Miss Grant (Bridget) joins us from Tinwald School and is replacing Mrs Scott in a permanent role. I am sure Bridget will be welcomed appropriately by all members of our community and she will value her time at Rakaia.

I am sure you are all aware Mrs Paul's baby will be arriving towards the end of the School holidays and she has applied for parental leave and it has been granted by the BOT. Mrs Young will be the acting DP while Anita is away and this will mean that Anna will be out of Room 1 on a Monday and Friday completing DP tasks and Principal support. Anna will be replaced on those days by Mrs Libby Chambers who has been working in Mahi Tahi.

The BOT has also extended Mrs Adams leave until the end of the year. She has asked for this to spend important time with her baby girl and we are very happy that Mrs Crowe has accepted an offer to stay in Mahi Tahi until the end of the year.

It has certainly been a year of changes and I am very happy we have had some very good support by Mrs Crowe and also Mrs Stapleton and the relieving has been managed well by Mrs Paul. As anyone in business knows staff challenges can arise and the strength of a business is measured on the continuity and its ability to meet expectations.

Book week a great success:

Thank you also to Mrs Crowe and her helpers for a great Book week. It was tremendous to see so many of you take advantage of the books on sale and a huge thank you to the sponsors who came to read as well as parents who popped in.

Full School assembly this week at 9.15am (morning because of swim week for team Ako) on Friday June 2 and a reminder that this weekend coming is Queen's birthday weekend and there is no school on Monday.

Cross Country:

Thank you to all who came and supported the children in their run. Many have now qualified for the County Cross Country on June 6. Details will be sent home.

Here are the CONFIRMED entrants into the County Cross Country. To be eligible runners had to place in the top 6 AND be close to the





required time frame. This was discussed and passed at the last meeting of the Mid Canterbury Sports Association (minutes sent out to all schools 11 May).

Year 8 Boys

2nd - Christopher Angus, Rakaia

Year 8 Girls

3rd Molly Jones, Rakaia 4th Zaviah Tuinier, Rakaia 5th Sarah Mattson, Rakaia

Year 7 Boys

2nd Tyson Richardson, Rakaia 4th Etueni Langi, Rakaia

Year 7 Girls

4th Hani Hurst-Evangelista Rakaia 5th Abby Dennett, Rakaia

Year 6 boys

4th Zak Haydon-Gliddon, Rakaia 6th Flynn Ford Rakaia

Year 6 Girls

1st Tayla Davidson, Rakaia 4th Allelie-Rose Anday, Rakaia 6th Meg Ford, Rakaia

Year 5 Boys

4th Austin Ford, Rakaia 5th Lachie Jones, Rakaia 6th Riccardo Hurst-Evangelista Rakaia

Year 5 Girls

1st Mikayla Marshall, Rakaia 3rd Faith Tait, Rakaia 5th Melissa Mattson, Rakaia





