

27th – 31st May 2013

Turou, Vanakam

Happy Birthday:

The following students have either had or are going to celebrate their birthday this week. Congratulations we hope that you enjoy/ed your special day.

Tyler ING Rm10
Dhontaye LOVEY Rm22
Zahra CROZIER Rm11
Zarah COOTE Rm17
Tuna LAVULAVU Rm07
Gerry COOTE Rm18
Tanisha SAMUT Rm07
Amol Ratna MAHARAJ Rm17

Queen's Birthday:

A reminder that next Monday 3 June is the Queen's official Birthday and we all get a day off.

BRS opens again as usual on Tuesday 4 June.



2013-2016 Board of Trustees:

The BOT met on Monday 27 May and farewelled Russell Grainger, Belinda Ryan and Diane Facon as Board members.

Belinda has served on the Board since 2009.

Russell has been associated with BRS since 1998 and Diane has been a Board member for 25 years.

The staff election for the BOT closes tomorrow so I can announce Mrs Facon's successor in next week's newsletter.

Discussion:

The Board discussed changes to the school library and computer room and uniform area. This area will be changed dramatically. The Computer Suite will become a special classroom often used

as an extension to the library as a teaching space.

The Uniform Shop will become a part of a Resource Room for the teachers.

The Board granted funds to build a Music Room on to the south side of the hall.

A new toilet block will be built on to the end of Room 22.

Please talk to me and see our draft plans should you wish to know more.



Work should begin at the end of the year.

Life Education Caravan:

The Life Education Caravan arrived over the week end and will be set up at BRS for the next 3 weeks.

Parents are invited to meet Claire Bentley the Life Education Teacher before and after school. Just pop in and see Claire and she is happy to explain the things your child is learning about.

Parents are reminded the cost is \$5.00 per child for the Life Education Programme. Please send your money to the class teacher.

Music at Bailey Road School:

Jam Busters visited our school and recorded the choir and several of our students last Tuesday. Our children got to see a little about what a recording studio is like. All those recorded will receive a free CD soon.

Up Coming –Events for June

Wk	Date	Event
5	Fri 7	Rata Syndicate Assembly 2.15pm
6	Fri 14	Enviro School Waste Audit
7	Fri 21	Rimu Syndicate Assembly.
8	Mon 24	BOT Meeting 7.00pm

Raising Student Achievement:

The staff and BOT are working continually to raise Student Achievement. As a bi-cultural nation, we are designing a Te Ao Maori plan to provide actions and steps to improve and progress.

The Plan has 4 aims built around:

1. Raising Student Achievement
2. Te Ao Maori
3. Community Involvement
4. Environment / Wairua

The draft plan can be viewed on our website and copies are available from our school office should you wish to know more.

School Donations:

A reminder that school donations for Term 2 are now due unless you have paid in full for the year.

Donations are NOT compulsory but obviously help us provide programmes and resources for the children.

Donations for 2013:

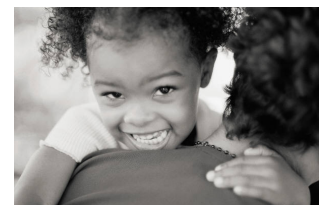
1 child = \$60.00

2 or more children = \$120.00

Student Lead Conferences (reminder)

Teachers are still available to meet with parents if you could not make the meetings a fortnight ago.

Please ring Sonnie Ward and she can make an appointment with your child's teacher.



Rata Team Snippet: (Rooms 1-2-3-4-6-7- 8)

Bryant from Room 4 was lucky enough to go and see the Harlem Globetrotters over the weekend. This is his amazing recount of his experience there. On the weekend I went to a basketball game and when I went to the basketball game I

went with my mum and dad. I saw lots of people and all of the basketball players did lots of cool tricks. One guy was on the basketball hoop and when the white guy threw the basketball in the basketball hoop then the basketball guy kicked the ball up in the sky.

Bryant Friedlich Year 1

Karaka Team Snippet: **(Rooms 9-10-21-22)**

Some activity reminders for the next few weeks: Your child will be taking part in these activities over the next few weeks.

Life Education Trust Lessons:
Cost \$5
Te Tuhi Arts Centre visit - 27 and 28 June 2013, cost \$6

Kajal Mohammed Room 9 wrote a very interesting narrative on the "The Pied Piper of Hamelin".

This is a small snippet of what she wrote:

A long time ago in Hamelin lived some people. Hamelin was a village in Germany. There was a terrible rat problem in that village. The rats came into the village to look for food. So the people went to the market place and spoke to the mayor to get rid of all the terrible rats. The mayor was too scared. So he went back into his cabin and had a long dreamy sleep. After that the Pied Piper arrived at the mayor's cabin and said "I will get rid of all the rats, if you give me ten thousand marcs". The mayor agreed to the deal..... **the narrative goes on and** ends like this.

The parents of the lost children complained to the mayor. So the mayor went to the Pied Piper and gave him the ten thousand marcs. The Pied Piper returned the children to their families and they lived happily ever after.

Kowhai Team Snippet: **Rooms 17, 18,19 & 20**

Rm 18 has been writing poems on Autumn. Here are two samples of their work.

Autumn

The sun hides behind the clouds and the temperature drops.

The leaves fall off one by one
Laying down to have a rest

The trees look bare
But the ground below looks colourful
Piles of red, orange, yellow leaves
Fly everywhere

The fog covers the horizon
And hides the mountains

The wind blows gently but gives me a chill
As it touches my skin

Written by: Kapa

Autumn

The breeze blows gently as the temperature drops and gives me goose bumps

The wind blows softly and plucks the yellow, red, brown and orange leaves off the trees leaving behind the bare branches

The Birds gather together and get louder as they prepare to migrate

The clouds float around forming patterns in the sky while the fog creates a mysterious look at the horizon

'Written by Siosifa



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Rimu Team Snippet: **(Rooms 11,12,13,15,16)**

Mother's Day Poem

Happy Mother's Day MUM!
Mothers are sweet
Just like a peach

They laugh so loud
Like a cheering crowd

Their smile is as bright as the sun
And I know they love their son

But one thing is a problem
Sometimes they look like goblins

They growl
They prowl

But it's ok
My mum is still the best
Happy Mother's Day MUM!!!

By Alex, Room 12

Worm Tea for Sale!!!

Did you know that we have 5 worm farms at our school? We have lots of happy, healthy tiger worms that live there.

We take good care of our worms and feed them fruit scraps, tea bags, coffee grounds, soft leaves, paper towels, egg shells and shredded paper.

Worms dislike citrus fruit like oranges and kiwi fruit. They also dislike spicy and oily food, bread, meat and poultry. We collect the vermiliquid (wee/worm tea) and dilute it in water (1:9). We then water our veggie gardens and enviro trail with it. That is the best fertilizer you can get. We have lots of worm tea and we are selling it. If you are interested please see Mrs. Rassool or Mr Talo.
Cost: \$1.00 a Litre.

By Katrina Li and Karlana Latu

Regards

Jim Stafford-Bush
Principal