

Week 4 Term 3 - 2020

Kia Ora Ramarama School whanau,

Welcome to James who started school last week. We are very happy to have you here as part of our Ramarama School whanau.

Thank you to everyone who has been helping out with the walking school buses, it is really appreciated. Can we please ask that all the adults walking wear a high-vis vest (we have these at school for you to wear) so you are easily identifiable. Do not be afraid to speak to the students if their behaviour is putting others at risk or they need a reminder about the walking rules. Also let the teacher on walking duty know if something happens that needs their attention.

Today Mr Dennis and the Travelwise students will be running "walking safely on rural roads" workshops with our Year 0-4 students. This will be set up and run from the hall due to the weather, but it will be a good reminder about safe walking habits and road awareness.



Last week we competed in a very successful ECCS Cross Country event at Te Puru Park. Our students did very well and a huge congratulations to the following students who placed in the top 5 of their age group:

- Kyran 1st Year 8 Boys
- Lachlan 5th Year 8 Boys
- Mitchell 2nd Year 6 Boys
- Kourtney 3rd Year 5 Girls
- Max B 2nd Year 5 Boys
- Kaylee 3rd Year 7 Girls
- Danielle 4th Year 7 Girls

The placings also helped us to win the overall Year 8 Boys and Year 7 Girls teams. These students will now go on to the Counties Zone to be held at the AMP Showgrounds in Pukekohe on Thursday this week. Congratulations to all our students who ran and competed with determination and pride. Thanks to all our parent/grandparent helpers on the day- we couldn't do this without you all.



Thank you to everyone who attended the 3 way conferences. This is always a great way to reconnect with your child's teacher and hear about their goals and learning. Home & School partnership is important to us, it keeps us connected and working towards a common goal.

With the walking school buses and the traffic situation outside school we are aware that this is being diminished as the opportunities to call in are limited. Please feel free to park safely and come into school in the mornings if you would like to. We have our Quad Assemblies every Monday, Wednesday and Friday- so you are always welcome to stay for those as well. The staffroom is always open after assembly on Friday for parents to catch up, chat and have a coffee. Let's stay connected!

Birthday reminders:

At Ramarama School we celebrate birthdays by allowing the students to wear “mufti” on their birthday or the Monday closest to their birthday. This is a long standing tradition that was started by Jarred Patel - who is now Year 13 at Rosehill College.



Please do not send cakes, lollies, ice blocks or food of any kind to school to celebrate your child's birthday. We have an increasing number of children with food allergies and it also creates an expectation that is not achievable for all our families. Please assist us in this and save these treats for the celebrations at home please.

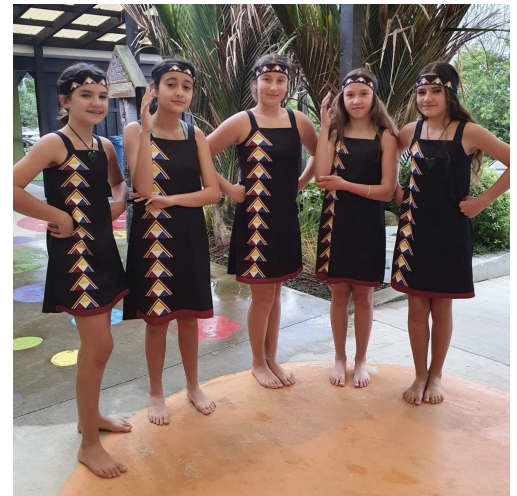
Have a great week!

Tania Campbell- PRINCIPAL



Thank you to One Foundation who recently approved two grants for Ramarama School. One for new Kapa Haka uniforms which will complement the existing uniforms we have. These new uniforms will be utilised by our Senior girls and boys ropu.

Our second grant will be used for new reading resources. Thank you One Foundation!



Thanks to the Armstrong family who attended Ramarama School many years ago, they recently donated a Gazebo to the school. It's very much appreciated!

Reminders:

- Please return **school pool keys** to the school office as soon as possible.
- **Calf club cups** - emails were sent home to those who received trophies last year, please send the trophies back to the school office.

Dates to be aware of in Term 3- Download Skool Loop for notices and our school Google Calendar.

Date	What	Who
Wednesday 12 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● BOT Meeting- 6pm in the School Library ● PTA Pizza Lunch 	All welcome Student Orders
Tuesday 18 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sir Peter Blake Virtual Reality Experience 	Year 5-8 students
Friday 21 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Calf Club Mufti Day- bring a grocery item as your donation 	All students



SAMOSA FUNDRAISER

REMINDER: Samosa Fundraiser These samosa are the best around – please spread the word to your neighbours, friends, family and work colleagues! They are made fresh on the morning of pickup and can be frozen. They are fully cooked – just heat in the oven or microwave and enjoy! All orders must be in by Tuesday 18th August. **Order forms are available at the office!**

Orders will need to be collected on Monday 24th August at the School Hall from 2.30pm to 3.15pm



PAYMENT FOR TICKETS IS TO THE PTA BANK ACCOUNT

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Hi everyone

Wednesday is PTA Pizza lunch, with funds going towards play equipment for Year 0 and 1. Thanks to everyone who has supported this event. We will be looking at hosting another pizza lunch in term 4.

Bingo But Not As Your Nana Would Know It – Saturday 22nd August

Less than 2 weeks to go! Last day to get tickets Wed 19th. Order from Dearnna at the office. You can pay online. PTA bank account is: 12-3023-0050231-00

Taxi. We are working with a taxi company to put on some transport home from the event. Pre book your taxi home to guarantee a seat. Contact Frances 021 529 033.



Bingo Night – Sat 22nd Aug @ School Hall

Mufti Day Grocery Raffle– 21st Aug and 11th Sept (see below)

Don't forget to follow our facebook page **Friends of Ramarama School**



Calf Club planning is moving ahead in earnest. We still need a team to help with equipment pickups (Fri 18th) or returns (Mon 21st) and overseeing marquee setup (Fri 18th).

Mufti Days – 21st Aug and 11th Sept

This year's grocery hampers will be a selection of "Family Basics" and "Saturday Night Treat" baskets. We all need the basics and after the year that has been we all also need a treat or two. On mufti day an item for either of these would be appreciated.

- Family Basics – eg. Pantry staples, packets, jars, tins and bottles.
- Saturday Night Treats – Eg. Chocolates, crackers, popcorn, desserts, bikkies.

Jolly Jars – Jars needed

Teachers will be organising the Jolly jars to be done as a school project, with goodies purchased with the money donated at the gold coin mufti days. They need jars to fill! Can you save empty jars that you have? Moccona, large jam or peanut butter size is perfect. **You can start sending them into school now.**

Cake Competition - THEME: Rural / Calf Club / Farm

Open to children and caregivers of school.

- Judged: Best Decorated – Cakes to be sold afterwards.
- Flavour: Any – but clearly labelled and any if dairy/gluten free
- Age Categories: Junior, Middle, Senior, Adult
- Prizes: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Outstanding Effort

If you have any questions please contact Rachel Reader or Wendy Powell, who will also gratefully accept baking donations for the café too.

2nd Hand Stall – Kids books, toys or clothing.

If you would like to donate to the second hand kids items stall, the drop off point is the PTA room behind Ruru and Kakapo between 8.20am-8.55am Mondays and Fridays. Thanks Steph Townsend.

Cheers

Frances Hayes

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