



Friday 2nd December 2022



‘Growing, Inspiring and Achieving Together’
‘Ma te tipu, Ma te aweawe Ka angitu tatou’

Newsletter Week 7 Term 4

2022

Principal's Message



Tēnā koutou katoa e te whānau and warm Pacific greetings,

Once again, the last two weeks have flown by. Our students are still working hard in the classroom. This week we have had the added bonus of having the Life Education Caravan on-site. All of our students have visited and met with Harold. The main focus for our Junior School has been 'Healthy Relationships and Keeping Ourselves Safe'. The Senior and Intermediate students were learning about 'Healthy Me and Healthy Minds'. Talk to your children about the key messages from Harold. Here is a helpful website that has links to resources you can access. (<https://www.lifeeducation.org.nz/resources>).

Principal's message continued

CAMP 2022

I have had the opportunity to visit the camper's numerous times this week. The weather has not dampened their spirits. Your children are making you proud by showing Resilience, Respect and Responsibility whilst on camp. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the wonderful parent helpers on the camp; Whaea Sarah, Whaea Sandy and Whaea Ina. I would also like to thank Matua Kevin and Whaea Simone for their wonderful organization. I look forward to hearing all the stories when they return on Friday.





JUST SOME OF THE MANY ACTIVITIES WE DID
AT CAMP 2022

Principal's message continued

On Thursday of this week we had a visit from Whaea Darlene and her beautiful tamariki from Rānui School. Birdwood School and our neighbours across the road at Rānui are very interested in building stronger connections between students, our teachers and their whānau. Watch this space!



Principal's Message continued

We still have two weeks left of school ... and it's a busy two weeks ahead. During Week 8 (beginning Monday 5th December), we have our Year 8 graduation. You should have received information about this. If you haven't, please email vickya@birdwood.school.nz

On Thursday, we have our 'Whole School Prize-Giving' in the morning. Time TBC. We welcome you to join us as we celebrate a full year of school!

During the last week of school, your child will be meeting their teacher for 2023. They will bring home a slip of paper with their email address on it. I encourage you to make contact early in the year to begin the home-school partnership. Home-school partnerships involve collaborative working relationships between families and schools for the best outcomes for our children.

Let's enjoy the last two weeks of school ... hopefully the sun will start shining again, it is summer after all!

Ngā manaakitanga,

Vikki Rihari
Tumuaki/Principal



Prize giving ceremony



You are all warmly invited to the end of year prizegiving on Thursday 8th December, 9.30am in the school hall.

	Birdwood School
Name:	_____
2023 Class:	_____
Teacher:	_____
Email:	_____
Principal Email:	vikkir@birdwood.school.nz

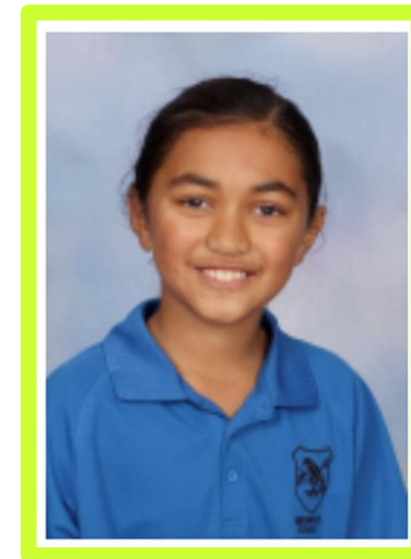
Congratulations to



Week 6

Preiz Hawea

Showing Respect to everyone he meets. Being an exceptional role model. We are very proud of you.

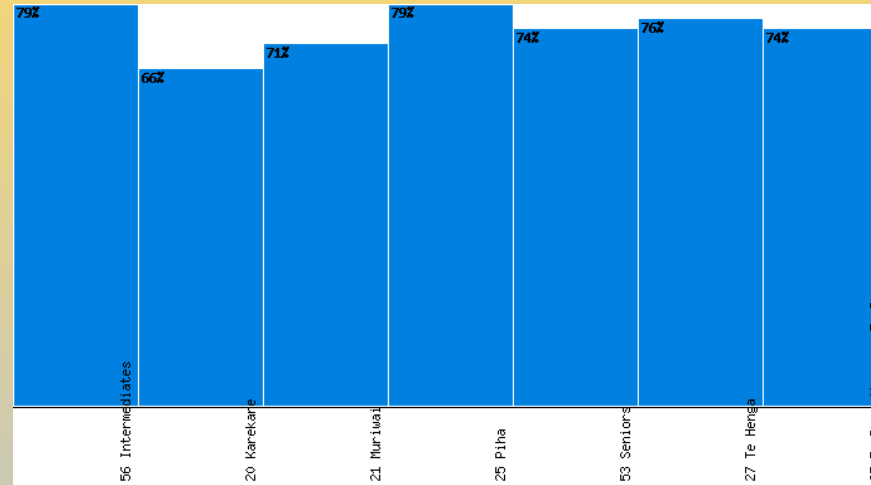
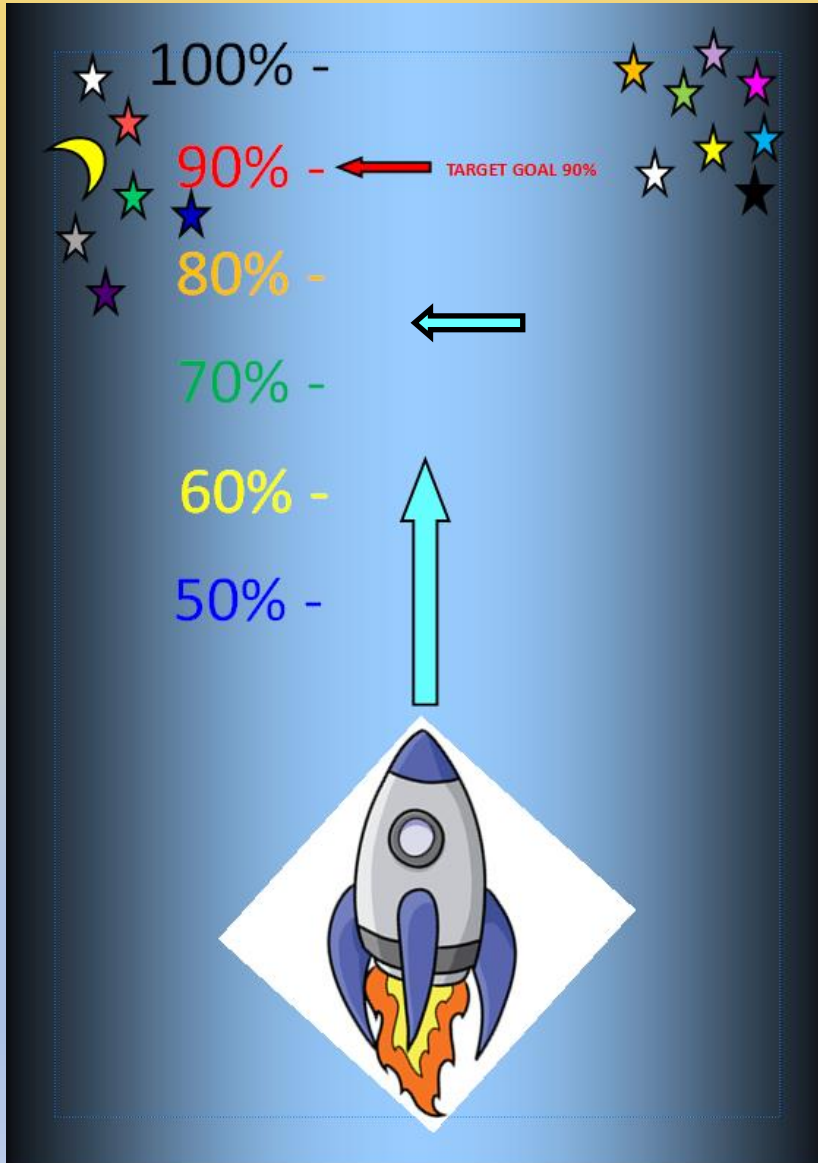


Week 7

Rangimarie Alapaki.

For consistently showing the school values in all areas of school life – Rangatira!

Attendance



Previous
fortnight
75.5%

This
fortnight's
attendance
is 75.1%

Can I please reiterate that if your child is sick can you please keep them at home. This will keep us all safe. Please continue to phone in if your child/ren are unwell, we appreciate the communication.

ATTENDANCE

At School
On Time
All Day
Everyday

THIS FORTNIGHT'S
ATTENDANCE

75.1%

TARGET – 90%

If your child is absent, please remember to call 833 8479/ text 0275694305 or website: www.birdwood.school.nz or Skoolloop

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SHOUT OUTS TO:

Ocean-Carol, Filipo, Sam, Raakus-J, Isaac, Georgina, Auala, Wilton, Harlem, Daniela, Saphyre, Alatina, Lacoda-Rose, Monique & Tai.



COMMUNITY NOTICES



SEEKING APPLICATIONS
FOR

HOMESTAY FAMILIES!

Waitakere College has students arriving from all over the world! The students need a caring home life during their stay in order for them to make the most out of this amazing opportunity!

We are seeking applications from families living in West Auckland who are interested in hosting students in Term 1 and 2.

You will receive fortnightly reimbursement as well as ongoing training and support.

**CONTACT OUR
HOMESTAY COORDINATOR**

☎ 021 0272 9184

✉ studenthomes@waitakerecollege.school.nz

INTERESTED IN HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS?

Hosting international students can be a very rewarding experience and is a great opportunity to meet new people and learn about other cultures.

Homestay families are to provide accommodation and meals for their international students during their enrolment.

Create shared memorable NZ experiences that have benefits for your own family and form long lasting relationships!



**BARFOOT
THOMPSON &**

Thinking of Selling or Buying

It's never an easy decision – to sell or buy a property – and there's a lot to think about. But having the right person on your side makes it all so much easier. If you're thinking about selling a property, please give me a call. I'll prepare a comprehensive (and confidential) appraisal and marketing plan for you at no obligation or cost. From there, I'll guide you through the stages of marketing, and help you achieve the best possible result.

A name you can trust

Rishi Maharaj

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The immunisation team will be coming to Birdwood School on Monday, Dec 5 for the 2nd dose of HPV vaccine and some Boostrix catch-ups.

The team will be at school around 9 am on Monday. If there is any issues please let us know.

Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

- Open the Skool Loop App - you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 7 th December	Graduation Evening 5.30pm
Thursday 8 th December	Prizegiving – 9.30am in school hall. ALL WELCOME
Friday 9 th December	End of year school trip to Pt Erin Pools (Permission is needed)
Wednesday 14th December	School Reports to go home
Thursday 15 th December	Last day of term 4