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# PRINCIPAL KORERO

Tēnā koutou katoa,

I want to begin this newsletter with an apology and a reminder. This morning, I had a conversation with a parent that highlighted a communication gap between what we believed we had shared and what the community had actually heard. For that, I am truly sorry. I am grateful to this parent for raising the issue, as it gives us the chance to clarify things for everyone.

At the end of last term, we were very pleased to welcome two new teachers to our staff, Vicki and Rebecca. Their appointments were made to increase our targeted outcomes in mathematics and literacy. Vicki is working closely with Aaron, Leah, and Emily to select groups of students from Tī Kōuka and Makomako. Her role is to target specific areas for development while also helping to reduce classroom numbers. In the same way, Rebecca is working with Sarah, Julian, and Kat from Rewarewa and Kōwhai. Most students in our school will spend time being taught by either Vicki or Rebecca over the course of this term and next. The make-up of these classes will change at different times throughout the morning, depending on the subject. However, I want to assure you that your child's home room teacher remains your first and main point of contact.

My sincere apologies again for not explaining this more explicitly to our whānau.

Secondly, I want to use this opportunity to remind everyone that our school doors and our emails are always open. If you feel that something is working well for your child, or if you would like more explanation about something, please come and ask. We try hard to get things right, and we want to hear when we've met the mark, as well as the times when we haven't.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Nic Walker  
Principal

# TERM 3, 2025

WEEK 10 15 - 19 SEPTEMBER		TECH			END OF TERM
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# TERM 4, 2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
06-10 OCT	TERM 4 BEGINS				SCHOOL PHOTOS
13-17 OCT		TECH		HANGI & HUI	
20-24 OCT		BOT MEETING			PET DAY
27-31 OCT	LABOUR DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED	TECH	RURAL ATHLETICS	GROUP DAY - CANVASTOWN	
03-07 NOV	MARLB ANNIVERSARY DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED			BOT MEETING	
10-14 NOV				FUN RUN	
17-21 NOV					
24-28 NOV					
01-05 DEC		BOT MEETING	PINE VALLEY CAMP	PINE VALLEY CAMP	
08-12 DEC		YEAR 6 TECH VISIT			
15-19 DEC		REPORTS OUT	WATER FIGHT	END OF TERM 4	

# Ākonga O Te Wiki

**Congratulations to our ākonga o te wiki from our last assembly!**

**Ti Kōuka** - Frankie P

**Makomako** - Gus W & Harrison W

**Rewarewa** - Chase F & Dolton H

**Kōwhai** - Arthur H, Lexie L

## Building a Positive Learning Community

**This week our most commonly shown value was Active Involvement**

## House Points

Koromiko	Rārangi	Tokomaru	Waikakaho
1116	1155	1068	1083

## MEMOS FROM THE OFFICE

\*Bus changes - please remember to notify the office with any changes to your childrens bus schedule. **Only year 7 and 8s can sign themselves on and off the bus.**

\*Scholastic Book Club - Any orders for scholastic book club need to be made through the website please. If you are unsure on how to do this, reach out to Amy and she can talk you through the process.

\*Please remember to sign your child in and out of school. This is a safety procedure. This includes early collection, late arrival, or leaving the school grounds for appointments or similar. If the office door is locked, please come to the staffroom door.

# PTA CHAT

Kia Ora Tua Marina Whānau!

We are on the final stretch of Term 3! Woo Hoo!

We trust you are surviving the many winter bugs and have taken time to rest and recover .

We would like to thank everyone for supporting our sausage sizzle this term! Thank you for supporting the Senior's Sausage sizzle for their camp and this week's Sausage Sizzle for George who is competing in the Cross Country Regionals next week!

We would like to say THANK YOU!!!! to all the parents and whānau who helped to make the Winter Wonderland Disco a huge success! From the outfits that were varied and AMAZING, the dance moves that were moving & grooving, photos with friends in the photo booth, selling items, dishing out kai, door & toilet-run minding, setting up & packing up ... the tamariki had a BLAST! If I have missed you and your role, please know that your help is very much appreciated!

Thank you also for supporting our Seedling Fundraiser! This is becoming a hugely successful fundraiser for our school! We sold 1.5 times what we did last year! Congratulations all! We will let you know when these will be ready for collecting and handing out to your buyers.

Have a fantastic weekend, Week 10, and School Break!  
TMS PTA

## CONGRATULATIONS



to Wallace  
H. Wallace  
won MVP  
for his 9th  
grade  
football  
team,  
Blenheim  
Valley



Year 0-1 Netball Team - Gus W, Frankie P, Elka B, Lucah D & Amelia H. Absent - Cara Duthie



# FESTIVAL OF HOCKEY





Term 3 Week 8

by Roz Mundy

## Kids Edible Gardens Term 3

In week 8 we didn't spend a lot of time in the KEGs garden area but after some checks, and more mulching, we got into the job of moving some of the big piles of chipped wood!

Due to the strong Spring winds and some rotting wood, part of a big tree had blown over on the edge of the playground. This, and some other branches had been chopped up, some for future firewood and other parts for mulching the garden. We also got some extra mulch added in so there was quite a bit to move.

Rewarewa made great progress moving this with buckets and barrows, rakes and shovels but there is still more to spread out and weeds are appearing. This is a job that is still to be continued but at least we have made a start and it will slow the weeds a little.

In week 9, while the year 7/8s were away, we had some special relievers. We didn't have KEGs but spent some of the Wednesday afternoon doing a scavenger hunt. Our KEGs students knew just where to find a slug or a snail and some beautiful slugs were rescued from the worm farm to contribute to the collections!!

Thank you Rewarewa for your enthusiasm this term. Do keep checking on the garden to see how the plants are growing as hopefully we will have more to share in coming months.





These were part of the plan for this week. Hopefully we will get to make them soon but if not why not make them or something similar at home as there are plenty of lemons around at the moment just not on the school trees (as me if you would like some)!

### **Crunchy Lemon Muffins** ( by Dame Alison Holst)

10 minutes to prepare, 10 minutes to cook, 12 servings



#### **Ingredients**

- 2 cups self-raising flour
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 75g butter, melted (or, 50g butter + 2 Tbsp canola oil, or 5 Tbsp oil)
- 1 cup milk
- 1 egg, preferably size 7
- Grated rind of 2 lemons, or 1 lemon and 1 other citrus fruit (save the juice)
- 1/4 cup sugar, for coating the muffins

#### **Instructions**

1. Turn the oven to 200 C with a rack in the middle of the oven.
2. Put the flour and first measure of sugar in a large bowl and stir to combine.
3. Put the butter, milk, egg and citrus zest in a small bowl and mix well.
4. Tip the liquid mixture into the dry ingredients and fold them together, preferably with a flat-bladed stirrer. Mix just until the flour is dampened but NOT until the mixture is smooth.
5. Using two spoons, put spoons of mixture into 12 regular muffin pans or 24 mini-muffin pans coated with non-stick spray or rubbed with soft butter.
6. Bake for about 10 minutes, until lightly browned. While muffins cook, put about 1/4 cup lemon juice (or lemon and other juice) in a small bowl.
7. Add the sugar to the lemon juice.
8. Brush or drizzle the sugar and lemon juice over the warm muffins
9. If the muffins do not come out of the tins easily while they are very hot, leave them to stand for a minute or two, then twist gently and lift them out.



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**FREE ENTRY**  
kids under 14 must  
be accompanied  
by an adult (\$15)

**10am- 2pm**  
**22 - 24 September**

*Dress like  
a pirate*

*Arts &  
crafts*

*Talk like  
a pirate*

*Eat & drink  
like a pirate*

edwin.fox@marlborough.govt.nz

**LIFE  
EDUCATION**  
Learning with Harold

# QUIZ NIGHT FOR HAROLD



Get ready for a night of trivia and fun!  
Gather your team and put your knowledge  
to the test with our entertaining quiz night  
with Quizmaster Tasha Knox & special  
guest Harold the Giraffe



- \$200 PER TABLE (UP TO 8 PER TABLE)
- CORPORATE TABLES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST
- PRIZES | SPOT PRIZES | SILENT AUCTION
- BRING CASH FOR MYSTERY BALLOONS & RAFFLES

**FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER**

**WOODBOURNE TAVERN 7PM START**

Help us raise much needed funds to continue our  
Healthy Harold programme in local schools -  
empowering young people to make positive choices

**REGISTER YOUR TEAM!**

EMAIL: ADMIN.MARLBOROUGH@LIFEEDTRUST.ORG.NZ

OR MESSAGE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE:

LIFE EDUCATION TRUST MARLBOROUGH



A REDWOODTOWN PARENT GROUP FUNDRAISER

## 1950'S MOVIE NIGHT

**WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

At Event Cinemas, Kinross Street. Doors open 6.30pm, movie starts 7.30pm

A big screen showing of:

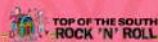


**Tickets only**  
**\$30\***

\*includes glass of wine

**RAFFLES | SPOT PRIZES**

**TOP OF THE SOUTH ROCK N ROLL  
CLUB DANCE DEMO**



All proceeds to Redwoodtown  
School to upgrade their netball &  
basketball courts.



## ENTRIES NOW OPEN FOR:



Equestrian



Livestock



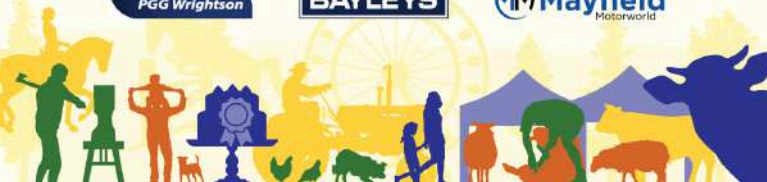
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& Student



**Marlborough  
A&P Show**

**Saturday 8 November 2025**

MAIN SHOW SPONSORS 2025



Enter online at [www.marlboroughshow.co.nz](http://www.marlboroughshow.co.nz)

TICKETS FROM: Tabletop Cafe Blenheim  
and Redwoodtown School Office: CASH ONLY





# Children's Art Classes

## Exploring Different Mediums through Character Illustration

Aimed at children aged 7-14 years, students will learn a range of character illustration techniques including creating personalities and capturing emotion, whilst exploring a range of mediums to make their illustrations come to life!

### When

Tuesday, 3:30 - 4:30pm: Starting on Tuesday 7th October  
or  
Wednesday, 4 - 5pm: Starting on Wednesday 8th October

### Where

The Marlborough Art Society,  
204 High Street  
Blenheim

### Cost

\$200 for 9 weekly lessons

### About the Teacher

Debbie Godsiff is an experienced primary school teacher with a background in art. She has worked on numerous commissions, murals and has more recently become a published children's book illustrator.

 @debbiegodsiff\_artnz

Please note, class numbers are limited to 10 students

For more information or to enrol your child, please email:  
themakespace101@gmail.com

QUEEN CHARLOTTE YC

# LEARN TO SAIL

YNZ LEVEL 1

START...

SAILING!

3 DAY COURSE  
FOR AGES 8-14

24th - 26th September  
1st - 3rd October

MORE INFO & REGISTER AT  
[QCYC.ORG.NZ/LEARNTO SAIL](http://QCYC.ORG.NZ/LEARNTO SAIL)

QUEEN CHARLOTTE YACHT CLUB, SHELLEY BEACH, PICTON

Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>  
9am - 1pm

# Broadway Blitz

Sing, dance and act your way through  
these school holidays!

Build confidence, learn new skills &  
shine your way through Broadway hits!

Jr. Yrs 1 - 6 Snr years 7 - 11



SIGN UP HERE:   
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