

# Raurimu Avenue School



## Information Booklet

‘School is for Learning’

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With your basket and my basket we will feed the future

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# School Profile and Structure

- ◆ 5 Classrooms
- ◆ Interactive White Boards in each class
- ◆ Computer Suite for Inquiry Learning and Self Development
- ◆ School Hall
- ◆ Swimming Pool
- ◆ Library
- ◆ School Garden
- ◆ Large Playing Field
- ◆ Bike Track

The Raurimu Avenue School Board of Trustees, in partnership with staff, parents and students strive in earnest to promote and provide an educational programme that will allow our students to develop as actively involved lifelong learners.

Our school comprises of 66% Maori students which strengthens our desire and responsibility to improve Te Reo Maori and me te ona tikanga for all students, especially Maori. This is understood in the context of believing that Maori language, customs and protocols will benefit all whanau within our school community.

Raurimu Avenue School is an inclusive school that values the individual and their whanau. We are committed to working alongside the community of which our school resides in and is prepared to maintain open dialogue and communication to bring about better education outcomes for our students.

The Board of Trustees comprises of skilled, passionate and determined members of the community who support the school as pivotal to student success.

The Board quite simply believes:

*“High achievement always takes place in the framework of high expectation”*

The Board, the staff, the parents and the students all want Raurimu Avenue School to be the very best teaching and learning can be!

We have 5 classrooms –

Room 1 – Year 1

Room 2 – Years 2 & 3

Room 3 – Year 4

Room 4 – Years 7 & 8

Room 5 – Years 5 & 6

We have school wide programmes where we learn, play and develop together such as: Te Reo Maori, school group fitness and cross curricular programmes. We participate in sport opportunities across Whangarei and when possible connect with learning opportunities outside the classroom.

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# Snapshots











In and around our school



# Starting School

Starting school is an important time as it sets the foundation for successful schooling.

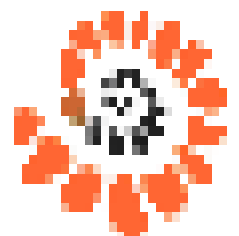
We want your child's start to be the best it can be, so we ask you to work with your child on the following...

-  Holding a pencil
-  Using scissors
-  Recognising their name
-  Packing their school bag
-  Counting to 10 and matching objects
-  Learning the alphabet with letter recognition to relevant words
-  Pointing to words in order
-  Turning book pages from front to back
-  A desire to try anything
-  Aware of their possessions including clothes worn

Your child does need a school bag, lunch box and drink bottle.  
(Naming items is really helpful to your child's recognition and value of that possession)

By supporting your child to gain mastery of the above your child will feel success early at school and this is likely to continue. What a great start you will have given your child.

It's really a piece of cake! A piece of that 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday cake!



# Graduate Profile for our Year 8 Students

**For our students to be actively involved lifelong learners that are valued members of this world, we want the education they experience to produce the following qualities.**

**Our students will graduate as...**



Confident and effective communicators



Ready, willing and able to learn



Competent self-managers



Able to relate to others with empathy and understanding



Having a sense of self: self awareness, a sense of belonging and positive self-esteem



Critical and creative thinkers



Information literate: able to locate and critique information from a range of sources, including the use of ICT tools



Able to reflect on, revise and modify own learning



Team worker: works cooperatively with others



Having a broad repertoire: understands the different languages and codes in different learning areas; has a repertoire of skills and understandings in literacy, maths, sciences and the arts



Having an understanding of who they are, their culture – particularly our Maori students growing in the knowledge of Te Ao Maori.

*Kia kaha e tamariki ma!*

# General Information

## **School Hours**

The school day starts at **8:45am** and all students are expected to be here prior to this to get settled for a good start to the day.

*Interval* – **10:20am – 10:40am**

*Lunchtime* – **12:00pm – 12:30pm**

*Afternoon Break* – **1:20pm – 1:40pm**

*School Finishes* – **3:00pm**

## **New Entrants**

Please enrol your child 3 months before they turn five and discuss options of visiting prior to their Birthday.

## **Enrolments**

Enrolment forms are available from the school office. Please bring the following along when enrolling your child/ren:

- ◆ Birth Certificate or valid passport
- ◆ Immunisation Certificate

## **Stationery**

All necessary stationery items are available throughout the year at the school office.

## **Absenteeism**

Please ensure that you notify the school if your child/ren are going to be absent from school or arriving late. It is a Ministry of Education requirement that parents/caregivers **inform the school of the reason for a child's absence** by way of a note or phone call as soon as possible. If we do not hear from you we will contact you.

## **Lunches**

We do offer a basic lunch menu from Monday – Friday, a copy of the menu is available from the school office.