

### **TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER**

# RANUI PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Tālofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Talofa, Noa'ia, Ni sa bula vinaka, Mālo ni, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kia orāna, Tēnā koutou katoa

### Safety on the Road

We have been in discussions with A.T to hopefully change our Kea Crossing to a Zebra Crossing and having more signage on Rānui Station Road.

We need to work together to keep our kids safe.

- Keep our Cul de sac free
- Use the gate on Marinich (At the end of the field)
- Teach our tamariki to get in and out of the car on the footpath side

### **Riding Bikes to School**



Only children in years 5 and 6 may ride their bikes to school. Other children may ride their bike to school if they are accompanied by a parent. Please make sure your child is wearing a helmet when they are riding their bike.

### Attendance at Rānui School

Our average attendance since the beginning of Term 3 is 79%. We work alongside attendance west to improve attendance. If your child is away it is important that you let us know why.

If your child is away please let the office know. You can do this by...

- Replying to the school text
- Phoning the school on 833-6286
- Sending a note to school with another family member or when your child returns to school.

### **Structured Literacy Approaches**

Rānui School has started professional development with Structured Literacy Approaches. Our kaiako from each area will let you know more about it at later dates. So far we have had Kererū and Te Whakatipu Kākano start their journey. Toloa Ao'ao'ina will be starting their journey in term 4 and Kāhu in 2025.



### Busy week at Rānui School

### **Duffy Theatre**

Last Monday we had the Duffy Theatre show come to our school. This show was throughly enjoyed by all of our tamariki.

Here are a few photographs from the show.







**With Miss Naidoo** 







TE RINA HOW-MENDES



RANGIMARIE MAKOARE-GOLDING



TE HUIA JOHNSTON-TAMAINU





TIAKI MARUPO







### Talofa lava,

On Thursday 2nd September, three students from Toloa A'oa'oina Vasega 2 took part in the Auckland Principals Association Speech Competition at Otahuhu Primary School. This was their first time to enter this competition and there were some nerves on the day. They were lucky enough to perform

in front of Te Whakatipu Kākano and Kāhu whanau to boost their confidence before going. We didn't place this year, but our students made us proud, gaining a lot of experience ready for next year. We look forward to their future achievements!

Malo le taumafai!





## NGĀ PŪ KĀKĀ Maori Speech Competition

On Wednesday the 11 September, we had our very first Maori Speech Competition. There were 3 other schools that participated, Henderson North, Prospect School and Birdwood School. There was such a high standard of speeches from our tamariki, ranging from 6 - 11 years old. Well done to all that competed!! We look forward to next years speech competition. Thank you to Matua Ernest who carved the trophies and to everyone who helped on the day, special thanks goes out to our judges. Cogratulations goes out to Evie Lord-How, Hans Muller and Jax Willan who won this years Ngā Pū KāKā competition. Here are few photos from the day.





Te Toi o ngā Rangi



Manatawa Manapou



**Poutama** 



**Junior Participants** 

Middle School Participants

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**Senior School Participants** 



Winners on the day!
Jax Willan, Hans Muller and Evie Lord How

# MINISTER OF EDUCATION VISIT STRUCTURED LITERACY

On Friday 20 September we had a visit from the Minister of Education Erica Stanford.

What a priviledge it was for us to have her at our school. She came to look at all the new literacy material that will be used for Te Reo Maori and also for Mainstream classes.

Our tamariki represented us with pride, we are so proud of our school.













### TE REO MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK

During Maori Language week, Whaea Monica put out balloons with Maori whakatauki on them for the children to say at lunchtime and morning tea, if they got the saying right they were given a lolly. We also had karakia every morning and after school over the loud speaker to every classroom. On Friday morning we all met in the hall for a kapa haka extravaganza, with all syndicates performing 2 items each. Well done to all of our whanau it was a wonderful morning, enjoyed by everyone.









DATE	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
25 September	TWK going to movies	9.00	Albany Westfiel d
27 September	Last day of Term 3	3pm	Rānui School
29 September	Daylight savings starts		NZ
14 October	First day of Term 4	8.55am	Rānui School





# BILINGUAL FONO/HUI RĀNUI SCHOOL

Special Speaker: Dr Rae Si'ilata (Blingual Expert and Academic) Cultural performances by Te Whakatipu Kākano & Toloa A'oa'oina

WHEN: Thursday 14th November 2024
TIME: 5.30 -6.15 pm (Presentation/Q&A)
6.15-7.15 pm (Cultural Performances)
WHERE: Rānui School Hall
WHY: To understand the importance of bilingual education for our students.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME



### The Zoos Best Animal

Did you know that a group of spider monkeys are called troops? The reason they're called troops is because they primarily live in a large group.



### **Habitat**

First of all spider monkeys come from the tropical rainforest. Their natural habitat is currently in the South America jungle and manrose. But in the Auckland Zoo you will find them in the South American rainforest track.

### Diet

Some zoos require food that is native to their natural environment such as fruit, leaves, and flowers. But over time they will digest seeds, insects, and eggs.

### **Appearance**

A spider monkey has a slender body with long thin limbs and are usually all black, but occasionally there are flesh colored rings around their eyes and also with white chin whiskers.

### Conclusion

Therefore in my opionion spider monkeys are the most absorbing species in the zoo. Their habitat is defensible, their appetite is never ending and their rare features are furry and cute. That is why spider monkeys are the best creature that's in the Auckland Zoo.

### **Alaynah Sale**

Kāhu 1

### **Baboons**

Did you know that baboons are a rare type of apes that are barely seen by humans around the world and a certain amount of their population is kept in zoos. Most of their kind hunt with their survival skills.

### Diet

A baboon's diet is unique. With them eating grass, seed, pods, blossoms, leaves, roots, bark, saps from a variety of plants they even eat insects and other kinds of things. Baboons also have powerful hands that crack open hard shells. With their powerful jaws they use to access the nutritional contents of seeds and nuts.

### **APPEARANCE**

Most of all baboons have white fur that covers their reddish skin. Depending on their gender

Males have a thick coat of fur especially around their chest, and head where they have thick manes. Baboons have long snouts, sharp canines and red or black backsides. Female baboons on the other hand lack this mane, and have much shorter hair, and do not have fur on their hind quarters. Baboons are large bodied monkeys with a strong build and a dog-like muzzle; they also have a distinctive mantle, and a bright pink face.

### **HABITAT**

Where baboons live are in dry semi deserts

And rocky surfaces. But in the zoo of auckland

Their habitat is concluded with trees, bamboo, grass, and sections of bark. Just like a few of their population they live in tropical forests so in my opinion baboons are the best animal in the auckland zoo.

### **Marven Meteka**

Kāhu 1



### The Beautiful Peacock

Did you know that if you meet a peacock, good luck is coming your way or that you need to embrace self love and acceptance in your life so your good luck will flourish? Therefore peacocks will have your eyes for days.

### **HABITAT**

Moreover peacocks live in lowland forests but you will mostly see peacocks in India. Peacocks also live in the fields to make them feel safe and calm in the wide space. They mostly live in rainforests and in wetlands. Sometimes they live in farm lands and are provided food by the farmer..

### **DIET**

Some zoos and parks sell pellets and cracked corn, so that you can safely feed them. The birds are usually used to being around people, so that you can take photos and enjoy without feeding them junk food and potentially making them sick. Further on, peacocks are omniverse, which means they will eat almost anything, both meat and vegetation! In the wild peacocks eat fruits, berries, grains and many more. They Like to eat snakes and scorpions. It is widely known that peacocks do not like snakes. A peacock will not let snakes leave their territory, even if it's poisonous they will fight and eventually eat them.

### **APPEARANCE**

Peacocks are eye-catching and colorful. They are very popular because of their flawless feathers. Peacocks are colossal when they open their feathers. Usually males are bigger than females. Peacocks have colorful feathers like white, purple, green , and blue colors. They have unique and wonderful patterns.

Therefore in my opinion Peacocks are the most idiosyncratic species ever. They have a very exquisite appearance and an interesting habitat and fascinating diet. And that is why peacocks are

the most entertaining animal in the world.

Rhyne Quimzon Kāhu 1



# The Best Animal in the Auckland Zoo are the Crocodiles

When you go to the zoo what animal do you think is the most rare and exotic? In my opinion, I think it is a crocodile known as a float.

### **Habitat**

Imagine walking on a bridge and you see the water beneath you moving then a long shadowed beast comes out of the water and you realise it's a crocodile. Crocodiles can only be spotted in their natural habitat which is freshwater lakes and rivers.

### Diet

Fun fact: did you know that in the first weeks of life crocodiles consume and devour insects, crustaceans and snails? Their native appetite is also small fishes and frogs and tadpoles. Mature crocodiles mainly demolish fish and prey upon waterfowls and mammals.

### **Appearance**

Have you ever seen a dark grey green vicious predator with powerful jaws, conical teeth and clawed webbed toes with short legs? Their tails are long and massive, so is their body. Their skin is thick and plated also rough.

### Conclusion

I am convinced that crocodiles are the best animals, because a crocodile's bite force can reach up to 3700 psi. That's why I am confident the most fierce species to ever swim in the Tamaki Makaurau zoo.

Tama Moevao Kāhu 1

























