

RURU SPECIALIST SCHOOL

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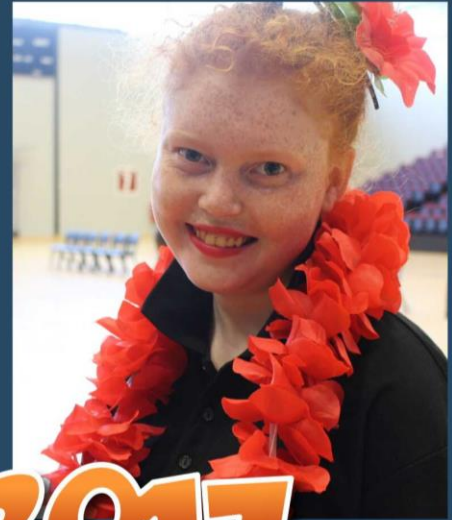
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Ruru *towards independence*
Specialist School



POLYFEST 2017



Our Motto

Towards Independence

OUR VISION 2017

*Sharing, Growing, Achieving
Together.*

Our3 B's

- Be Respectful
- Be Prepared
- Be Awesome

Our Values We
Share

- Excellence
- Respect
- Integrity
- Inclusion

Dear Families and Friends of the School



Polyfest

Talofa lava. On Tuesday_ our group Te Kura o Ruru performed brilliantly at the Murihiku Polyfest Festival, held at the Stadium Southland Invercargill. Didn't they look fabulous in our new Polyfest Lavalavas which were funded by the Community Trust of Southland Cultural Grant. Thank you

We were honoured with two Haka Tautoko after the Polyfest performance they were humbling and amazing. On Friday we thanked Matua Joe and Whaea Jo Edwards with a powhiri celebration and a morning tea.

Thank you to our families/whanau for their support. Check out the video on our school website (scroll down on the home page) www.rurued.school.nz

What pride !
What passion !
What awesomeness!

from all students and staff
Thank you to our amazing team.

The air was electric
Our families were so proud

Thank you everyone

IEP/ICP Meetings:

Thank you to the Families/Whanau who attended their child's IEP/ICP Meeting this week. This meeting gives all of us, closely involved with the education of your child, the opportunity to share information and select priority areas for learning. We will be contacting you if an IEP/ICP meeting for your child is due.

Learning Environments



Salford Satellite

We have had a wonderful week at Salford. Everyone did so well at Polyfest. It was great to see all our families there supporting us. We have been having lots of fun with exploring sensory play. We also had Constable Lohrey come and teach us about road safety. We loved him singing us the road safety song. Have a great weekend

Salford Team



Donovan Satellite

Kia ora koutou

We have had another awesome week at Donovan with our first coding session with Vanessa on Monday.

Then we performed like superstars at Murihiku Polyfest on Tuesday - it was a wonderful experience for us all.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend!

From everyone at the Donovan Satellite.



Verdon Satellite

This Week On Tuesday we had Polyfest . We performed in front of lots of people . Lots of people cheering us on for Ruru School . The songs we did for Polyfest were Haka Powhiri , Samoan Pati , God of Nations and Moana We Know The Way. Everyone had a great time doing Polyfest on Tuesday . Everyone did well .

For Tramping on Tuesday we went to YMCA it is a before and after program and it is a Oscar Holiday Program , It had A Breakfast Club , Gym , Dance Floor, Climbing Wall and a Basketball Court . On Thursday we had Vanessa help us for coding . On Friday we went to the Flat and Music Therapy. We also had a Thank You morning tea for everyone that helped us with Polyfest .

From Sam and the Verdon Team.



WVP

All the students really enjoyed participating in polyfest this week. It was great seeing all our families and friends supporting us. We have also been busy this week with all our other classroom programmes, like food technology. This we some of us made baked potatoes with bolognese sauce.

Have a great week.

WVP Team



SIT-TEC

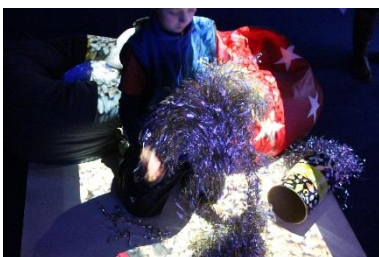
This week at SIT TEC

Apart from our amazing performance at Polyfest, Chloe, Jayden and Scott were onto their next mission and that was supporting Daffodil Day by delivering flowers and teddy's to retailers in the community. On Thursday, some students went home from their SIT Course with crafted engines, but they will still need some support to complete, as we had ran out of time.

Next week on Tuesday morning, ten students will be attending a milking shed for a Calf Feeding Experience at the Taratahi Agricultural Training Centre Farm Site. Therefore, more info to come over after the weekend.

Have a super cool weekend.

SIT Crew



Magic Room

What an amazing week with the polyfest and the fabulous performance . We have decided to thank the whole school for their wonderful performance well done you wonderful and talented people . Have a great weekend 😊

Anna and Alatini

Therapy News

Music Therapy:

Another musical week at Ruru Specialist School with students beginning to practise for the production. The Music Therapy 'Rock Star of the Week' goes to Benen for his fantastic focus during individual music therapy. Well done Benen!

Lauren Payne-Registered Music Therapist, Specialist Service Co-ordinator

Fantastic week for OT with goals being met, new goals set and good progress. 'OT star of the week' goes to Tangaroa at Donovan for actively participating, engaging in OT group sessions with his peers, and having fun. Awesome work! See you all next week for therapy.

Vic Lindsay-Occupational Therapist

'Communicator of the week' goes to Jay for your amazing progress in using your communication device. It's so great to hear you starting to use some of our target core words for wants and needs, and also to see some of that frustration disappear! I also want to give a huge pat on the back to your home and school team for their dedication and enthusiasm in supporting you to communicate!

Amy Jacobsen – Speech Language Therapist

School Purpose


To help each student achieve to their full potential according to their individual needs and abilities within a safe and supportive environment where learning is *both challenging and enjoyable.*

We have a new group that has emerged for parents/whanau of children with a disability at the loss and grief centre. A chance for parents to connect and support each other.

Events Coming Up:

- School Ball –Thursday
21st September, 6.30-9.30pm
@ The Cabbage Tree

Have a great weekend everyone.
Kind regards



**LOSS AND
GRIEF
CENTRE**

**PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH A
DISABILITY SUPPORT GROUP**

**Monday 11th September
11 - 12 pm**

**Come along and connect with other parents living
with the grief linked to having a
child with a disability.**

**At the Loss and Grief Centre,
49 Tay Street, Invercargill**

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