

5 September 2017



# Riverina School

Vision: "Every Child, Every Opportunity."

## Wonderful Weeks!

Last week our students embraced many different opportunities and this week, we have another wonderful week on the horizon. Highlights last week were an amazing survival lesson at our community swim where everyone got to wear life jackets and learn about staying safe in an emergency, a fantastic musical show at Edgewater College and a brilliant performance from our kapa haka group on Saturday at the Koanga Festival. Thank you to all of our parents and families who supported us on Saturday at the festival. Thank you to Livia's dad for the tautoko post performance, it was very special for our students. Thank you to our students and to Mrs Goundar for all the hard work in preparing for the festival.

This week is packed with just as much excitement and opportunity. We are looking forward to hearing our speech finalists. We have our write-a-thon and photos on Thursday, but most exciting on Thursday we will have a visit from THE WARRIORS! Please come and join us in the school hall at 11.30am if you are free.

We also look forward to and invite you to join us in the hall at 11.00am on Friday for a musical and cultural performance. Thank you to Mrs Ravi for organising an Indian Musical Group, The Riverina Pasifika Group and a group from St. Kentigern College to perform for us.

We are certainly living our vision of 'Every Child, Every Opportunity' with some action packed weeks.

### EVENTS

Tuesday the 5 <sup>th</sup> of September	School Speech Competition
Wednesday the 6 <sup>th</sup> of September	Community Swim
Thursday the 7 <sup>th</sup> of September	Class and Portrait Photographs
Thursday the 7 <sup>th</sup> of September	Write-a-thon
Thursday the 7 <sup>th</sup> of September	11.30am Warriors Visit in Hall – Families Welcome
Friday the 8 <sup>th</sup> of September	Musical and Cultural Performance in the Hall at 11.00am
Tuesday the 19 <sup>th</sup> of September	Matinee of School Production
Thursday the 21 <sup>st</sup> of September	Evening Performance of School Production





## sKids Riverina School Team

### Dear Parents/ Caregivers

We are the Immaculate Concepts Limited team at sKids Riverina School. RELAX, have a "ME TIME", \_DON'T RUSH, and REFRESH YOURSELF while we look after your kids. We reinforce family values, make sure they are safe, they

learn and have fun during their time with us.

*For the Holiday Programme, we are open to kids from other schools. Tell your friends!*

### Becca de la Vega - Owner & Operator

Becca has a background in Marketing and Communications. A mother of two teenagers, she is passionate about making a difference in the lives of not only the children, but the sKids families too. Her nurturing and empowering nature brings out the best amongst the children.

Becca is a community leader in East Auckland, not only in the Filipino Community. For two years she was previously the Choir Manager of a leading Auckland choir, composed of 40-50 schoolgirls aged 9-16. Becca jumped at the opportunity to be inspired daily by working with children and the dynamic sKids team at Riverina School.

### Larry Abreno - Programme Manager

Larry has a background in Education, Communication, Human Resource Management, counselling and Arts. He has had extensive experience as a teacher/lecturer, a counsellor, and a writer/editor.

Larry has worked as coffee arts teacher and facilitator at a number of sKids programmes before becoming a Programme Manager at sKids, and does volunteer work for rest homes, youth programs, camps and workshops. He believes working with children is more than a profession but a call for a greater purpose.

### Gloria Mandingiado – Assistant Programme Manager

Gloria has a background in Management and previously worked in various fields like accounting, customer service, and a volunteer at the Philippine consulate. A loving mum and grandmother who is passionate about children.



*-sKids Riverina Team*

## *The very last chance for feedback!*

**Win a \$20 Warehouse Voucher:** Cut off and return this slip to school to enter the draw to win one of 5 \$20 Warehouse vouchers.

NAME:

ROOM:

**What can we do to improve our Health Curriculum or Practices?**

**Please write any suggestions or comments below:**

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Thank you for your help and support. Please return by 11<sup>th</sup> September.

### Board of Trustees News

A warm welcome to our new board members ...

**Co-opted Member:** Daniel Nevalagi

**Selected Member:** Shelley Besley

**Selected Member:** Milena Cavor

We look forward to working together with our new board members to serve our school community and continue to accelerate student success at Riverina School.

