



## Wheelie bins – the countdown is on

All eligible households in Marlborough's new kerbside collection zone should now have their wheelie bins, ready for the new service which begins 1 July.

If you haven't received yours, please contact Council's customer service team on 03 520 7400. You should also ring if you are within the kerbside collection area but do not have a maroon crate.

The new service includes Blenheim, Picton, Grovetown, Havelock, Rarangi, Rai Valley, Renwick, Seddon, Spring Creek, Fairhall, parts of Rapuara (Hammerichs Road) and Tua Marina.

Waste and recycling will be collected alternate weeks, and collection days depend on the area you live in. Check the white label on your wheelie bin for your collection day and group or go to the calendar on our website <https://www.marlborough.govt.nz/services/recycling-and-waste/kerbside-collections>

Black bags will no longer be picked up from the kerbside after 1 July, however they will still be accepted at transfer stations, the Waste

Sorting Centre and the Resource Recovery Centre.

Wheelie bins should be placed on the kerb by 7am, facing the road and away from obstacles and overhanging trees. They must be half a metre apart to allow trucks to lift them.

On your waste collection day, place only your red top bin on the kerb.

On your recycling collection day, place your yellow top bin and maroon crate on the kerb. Your yellow top bin can be used for plastic displaying recycling symbols 1, 2 and 5, metal cans and tins, paper including glossies, and cardboard. Your maroon crate is for bottles and jars only with lids removed.

To keep up to date with collection days and other specific information, download the Antenno app. If you have the app you will receive a reminder of what bin is to be put out the day before.

Any households still holding Council bag vouchers can redeem them at Council offices or get a rebate up until 30 June.

## Marlborough teachers gain introduction to rongoā

Twenty Marlborough teachers had a taster in rongoā, or traditional Māori healing recently.

It was the second rongoā workshop, organised by Council's Environmental Education team as part of their Enviroschools focus on 'place' for this year.

Attendees, ranging from early childhood through to secondary teachers, were taken on a journey by Kōkā Lovey Walsh, Whaea Tricia Hook and Whaea Ripeka Hook from Manaaki Ngahere Trust.

The trio shared their knowledge of rongoā plant identification. The first workshop was held in the gardens of Mayfield Kindergarten, the second at Monkey Bay in Rārangi.

The introductory workshop took the kaiako, or teachers, on a guided walk into the surrounding bush to find a variety of plants with rongoā properties, such as kawakawa, harakeke, korimiko,

ngaio, angi angi and whauwhaupaku.

While only intended to be an introduction to rongoā, the workshops were put on due to demand from Enviroschools teachers.

"They wanted to know more about it, so we reached out to a provider," Enviroschools facilitator Ramona Millen said.

"Part of our role is networking. It's about supporting local people to be able to deliver their own knowledge. We weren't in a position to provide that knowledge, so we thought we'd bring in those who are experienced in this area."

Manaaki Ngahere Trust offers a one year rongoā course to those interested in taking their learning journey further. Contact Ripeka for more details at [ripeka82@gmail.com](mailto:ripeka82@gmail.com) or have a look on the Manaaki Ngahere Trust Facebook page.



Ripeka Hook, from Manaaki Ngahere Trust, shares her knowledge of Rongoā with teachers at a recent Rongoā workshop in Rārangi.

## Council services on Matariki - Friday 28 June

Council's Blenheim office will be closed from 4.30pm on Thursday 27 June and will reopen on Monday 1 July at 8.30am.

Opening times for the transfer stations, Resource Recovery Centre, Greenwaste Acceptance Facility and the landfill are:

### Transfer stations on Friday 28 June

**Blenheim**  
8am to 4.30pm

**Picton**  
8am to 4pm

**Havelock**  
8am to 2pm

**Rai Valley**  
9am to 12pm

**Seddon and Wairau Valley** transfer stations will be closed on Friday 28 June.

### Resource Recovery Centre and Greenwaste Acceptance Facility

8am to 4.30pm  
The landfill will be closed on Friday 28 June.

### Kerbside rubbish bag and recycling collection

Rubbish bags and recycling crates normally collected on Fridays will be collected on Thursday 27 June. Please make sure your bag and crate are on the kerbside by 7am.

### Libraries

Marlborough Library/Te Kahu o Waipuna and Picton Library and Service Centre/Waitohi Whare Mātauranga will be closed on Friday 28 June. Both reopen at 10am on Saturday 29 June.

### Bus services

Bus services will not operate on Friday 28 June. Weekend services will operate on Saturday 29 June and normal weekday services resume on Monday 1 July.

## New citizens welcomed

Twenty-four people from 10 different countries have become Marlborough citizens.

The new citizens - from the Netherlands, India, Philippines, Germany, Fiji, South Africa, UK, Nigeria, Czech Republic and China - were welcomed at a special

ceremony in Council Chambers.

Mayor Nadine Taylor told the group the day was an important milestone in their new lives as citizens of this province and country. In future they would all enjoy the rights and freedoms of native-born New Zealanders.



Mayor Nadine Taylor with Marlborough's newest citizens

### Opening Hours

Mon to Fri: 8.30 am - 4.30 pm  
Closed Wed 12.30 pm - 1.30 pm  
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