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Thursday 18th March 2021

Week 7, Term 1 2021

Kia ora, and welcome

THANK YOU to those parents who have supported our students in the many outings of late. We appreciate the fact that you are able to do this especially when it is not possible to release teachers to attend some events.

**SWIMMING SPORTS:** It was great to see the supporters at this event, and all the students involved in one way or another. Our House leaders showed why they were chosen by their peers to lead their house groups. Competition and participation was the order of the day, with some very close races. Along with the races we were able to throw

in some fun relays and house competitions that involved all house members. The penultimate race of the day was the Parents versus Staff versus Students. Who needs 4 members in a team when you have 2 Imesons?? They smashed the relay so well done PARENTS you are the reigning champions for 2021.



**Triathlon:** Our next School event is the Triathlon on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March starting at 1 p.m. We would like to see everyone participating in one way or another, so this year we are adding a team's event where 3 individuals can compete as a team over the three events. If your child would like to compete as a team rather than an individual, get organised and enter a team. The events are SWIM; BIKE; RUN. Children may bring their own bikes or use a school bike. Please help your child complete the entry form and return to school by next Tuesday.

**Community Consultation:** Just a heads up that there will be a questionnaire coming home before the end of the term. The topic will be Reporting to Whānau / Families. We want to find out what you as parents want to know about your child's learning, how is the best way to communicate this, what other information do you require from the school, questions about email, facebook, website etc. This is to inform the Board of Trustees and for our Staff Professional development day on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. A written and on-line option will be available. More details to come.

**Chooks:** We have two chooks who have taken up residence at school. We understand they may belong to locals. They are causing havoc with our eating tables and deck area. If you know whose they are please come and get them, or we will try and dispose of them!

Our Room for Rhythm has branched out to basketballs and Chucka Chuks (Juggling Percussion Balls). Catch the free lessons at <u>www.chukachuks.com</u>). The Senior class will be making their own.

We are closing in on the end of term with an Easter break in-between, but it is Business as usual (BAS) at school with lots of learning still to happen. Some of us are wondering if we will get everything done!

Mrs J

Principal

## \*\*REMEMBER TEACHER ONLY DAY TOMORROW FRIDAY\*\* NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

**STATIONERY PAYMENTS DUE:** If you have yet to pay your child's stationery (this year \$25 per student), please can this be paid by the end of this term. This can be paid at the school office or online at 12-3115 - 0216227-000. Please use your child's name as reference. Thank you to those who have already paid.

**TROPHIES:** Please return all trophies by the end of the term. I will get them engraved and back to you in Term Two. Please bring them into the Office.

<u>WOOL:</u> In Term Two we will be running 'Clubs' on alternate weeks to Assembly (Thursday afternoon). These clubs will be linked to Yarn Bombing the Oak Trees and the front area under the trees. If you have any wool, yarn, string etc please send it into school before the end of the term. If you have any connections with places that could supply larger quantities as a donation and need a letter please let us know. We are also looking for ideas or people who have skills in 'knitting, crocheting, felting, pom pom making, fabric etc, so let us know if you are available to help.

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

TERM ONE	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	TEACHER ONLY DAY – No students that day please
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	TECH for Year 7 & 8 (Remember shoes!)
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	School Triathlon starting at 1 p.m.
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Bee Friends at 12 noon – last lesson before wintering hives
	Poroti Springs Investigation in afternoon.
Friday 2 April – Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	School starts again Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> April.
April EASTER	
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Parihaka trip – details to come



## SWIMMING SPORTS IN ACTION !!!









