



# NEWSLETTER

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Term 1, Week 3

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<p><b>Important Dates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Thursday 29 Feb</b> - consultation night, school hall, 6pm</li><li>● <b>Monday 4 March</b> - School Swimming Sports Foxton Pool</li><li>● <b>Wednesday 20 March</b> - Interschool Swimming Sports Levin Pool</li><li>● <b>Friday 29 March</b> - Good Friday</li><li>● <b>Monday 1 April</b> - Easter Monday</li><li>● <b>Tuesday 2 April</b> - School Easter holiday</li></ul>	

## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families,

We hope you have found our two short weeks a good transition for your children after the Christmas holidays.

In general we have had a smooth start to the school year, with a big group of new students welcomed to our school in our school powhiri on Friday.

Our students did themselves proud, with their waiata and welcome to new students, whanau and staff.

As normal, at this stage of the year in every school, **head lice** can be a problem and in our school policy, we reserve the right to send children home if they are infested with head lice.

We always provide solution for treating head lice and pamphlet advice for parents / whanau.

Children need to be clear of head lice before returning to school.

Our first important event on Thursday 29th February, is a '**consultation night**', starting with kai followed by a presentation on our draft ideas around our curriculum refresh and the New Zealand Curriculum refresh. We will also walk you through our powhiri pathway and explain the significance of whare tapa wha concept and our new vision, values and pou.

If you have any queries regarding your children at school, please contact us in a professional manner and we are happy to accommodate you.

Today we are lucky to have 'fruit in schools' available again, so please take this into account when preparing your child's snacks for school

*Peter Kemp* - Principal

## Welcome to ...

*A warm welcome to our new student and her family : Dyzjana Emery*

## Students of the Week:

**Room 1** - Blake for showing **taha hinengaro** and always getting on with his work and striving to do his best.

**Room 2** - Estelle for an excellent start to the year and showing **taha whanau** by being an amazing friend and helper to all her classmates.

**Room 10** - Hunter- for **Taha Wairua** making great choices to stay calm.

## Positive Behaviour 4 Learning Focus of the Week

### PB4L Focus of the Week ...



- *Making our new students welcome*
- *Enjoying being back with our classmates*
- *Including everyone in our games and activities*

## School Notices

### ● **'CONSULTATION NIGHT'**

*On Thursday 29th February, from 6.00pm - 8.00pm, we have a whanau consultation night in our hall, where the community can have input into our refreshed school curriculum and learn about changes to the New Zealand Curriculum. This is an important night and you are welcome to attend this evening with supper provided.*

### ● **SIGNING IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL**

*If your child needs to leave during the school day for any reason they must be signed out **at the office** by a parent or caregiver.*

*Please do not just arrive at the classroom or playground to collect them. For safety reasons we need to know what children are on site at all times.*

Sign out

### ● **SWIMMING**

***Swimming** is a major focus this term - all children are expected to take part in class swimming programmes, this is not a choice as it is part of the curriculum like reading and maths. Children must learn water safety skills. Please ensure your child has their **togs and towel every day for class swimming no matter what the weather**, and please name them and provide a swim bag.*



*Our pool is **heated** and we are looking forward to a great term, enjoying the pool, and building confidence and safety in the water. Children can also have supervised fun in the pool at lunchtimes.*

### ● **BLITZ THE NITS** - **Head lice are back!**

***Free** head-lice treatment and information is available at the school office.*

*Anyone can 'catch' head lice, they spread very quickly throughout the family and everyone at school is at risk (including staff). We ask parents to do regular hair checks to effectively manage the problem. If identified at school we ask parents to collect their child and treat their child before returning, we really appreciate this as a duty of care to all children. Remember one treatment is not enough, the eggs hatch in cycles and treatment should be repeated in 7 days. Daily wet fine-tooth combing with conditioner is key.*

