

NEWSLETTER

Monday 17 February 2025

Term 1, Week 3

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Term Dates:

Term 1: Monday 3 Feb - Friday 11 April Term 2: Monday 28 April - Friday 27 June Term 3: Monday 14 July - Friday 19 September Term 4: Monday 6 October -

Important Dates:

- Wednesday 19 Feb BOT meeting
- Friday 21 Feb Assembly, 10.10am
- Tuesday 25 Feb Senior Camp
- Wednesday 12 March School Swimming Sports
- Wednesday 26 March Interschool Swimming Sports

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families.

Last week we had our open night to welcome new tamariki, whanau and staff. It was a lovely relaxed informal night with the children enjoying games and activities with their whanau, some nice kai and the opportunity to meet staff. Thank you to those people that were able to support this event.

Our children are really enjoying the lovely warm swimming conditions currently with our heated pool.

Please ensure your child has a sunhat for outside activities at morning tea and lunchtime. The children have settled really well into their new classes for 2025 and are working really well in their classrooms.

This Wednesday is our first board meeting for the year with board elections coming up later in the year. If you are interested in standing for the board of trustees, please register your interest with Pam at the office or Peter. The commitment is a monthly Wednesday meeting at 6.00pm for 1 ½ - 2 hours and taking on any training that you wish to undertake.

Peter Kemp - Principal



A warm welcome to our new students, Athena and Sadie who are starting school this week as New Entrants in Room 7.



Positive Behaviour 4 Learning Focus of the Week





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

<u>Kaupapa Cards</u>

Kakapo Harper - Taha Whanau Weka Rea - Taha Tinana Takahe Teia - Taha Wairua Kiwi Sophia - Taha Hinengaro

Students of the Week:

<u>Room 1:</u>

Hunter -for Taha Whanau , being so kind to someone who was hurt

<u>Room 2</u>:

RJ for giving everything a go and cooperating with his classmates. (Taha Whanau)

<u>Room 4</u>:

Briana, for being a positive role model to others. (Taha Whanau)

<u>Room 5</u>:

Lucas, for being a great role model by starting his work quickly and quietly. (Taha Whanau)

<u>Room 6</u>:

McKay for his outstanding effort in Phonics throughout the week.

<u>Room 7</u>:

Jessie-Lee, for using her Taha Wairua. Pushing herself out of her comfort zone at our class swimming lessons and using the strength of her Hinegaro, by never giving up!

<u>Room 10</u>

Tuwhakairiora for Taha Wairua showing creativity and imagination in his art. Well done!

<u>Senior Hub</u> :

Kourtney Ketu: for taha whanau, Leading by example, showing how to be a senior student. Jaydon Webster: for using his taha hinengaro and completing all his work.



LATE TO SCHOOL ... 8.45am start

A large number of children are late to school everyday!!!! Please get your children to school on time as being late is disruptive for everyone, important notices and instructions for the day are missed and it makes it difficult for children to settle in and participate in the school day.

There is also a concern around safety when children do not turn up in the morning so please ring the office if your child is not coming to school.

<u>MORNING TEA</u>

A reminder to send morning tea and a water bottle everyday.

• HATS ON FOR TERM 1

The School operates a Sun Safe Policy. This requires children to wear sun safe hats during the summer months (Terms 1 and 4). Children are only permitted to play outside if they are wearing a sun hat. **Please bring a hat from home and name it!**

Sun block is provided in all classes.

We ask your support and assistance in encouraging children to be sun safe – i.e. to wear **sunblock and sun-hats.**

• <u>SWIMMING</u>

Swimming is a major focus this term - all children are expected to take part in class swimming programmes, <u>this is not a choice</u> 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.

• <u>SCHOOL HOURS</u>

<u>Bell times:</u> Class begins at 8.45am and finishes at 2.45pm. Interval is from 10.45 – 11.15am. Lunch Break is 12.45 – 1.30pm Finish at 2.45pm

School Notices









<u>School Absences</u> Please phone through by 9am daily Absence line (06) 363 8117 Email - <u>office@coleystreet.school.nz</u> Website - <u>www.coleystreet.school.nz</u>



Many thanks to all of the parents and whanau who made an effort to come to our open night last Wednesday evening. It was a beautiful night and there was an awesome atmosphere with our music under the canopy and families involved in picnics, games and activities. The food vans were delicious and there was an opportunity to meet with the teachers.

Community Notices



Moutoa Whirokino Catchment Community 11am 23rd February 2025 Community Family BBQ, Bouncy Castle and Ice cream Truck Lunch provided by the MRCC, BYO Drinks® Come along to catch up with the community for a family BBQ at the Moutoa Hall. All welcome

Summary Presented of the Moutoa Whirokino Catchment Groundwater Investigation by Massey University. The 1yr project funded by Manawatu River Catchments Collective to investigate the high levels of ammonia identified during the routine monthly water quality sampling. Discussion of what it means, where to next and mitigation options?



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