

# NEWSLETTER

#### Monday 24th March 2025

Term 1, Week 8

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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:**

- Tuesday 25 March Junior Swimming Sports, 11.30am at the town pool
- Wednesday 26 March Interschool Swimming Sports

# From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families,

This week is extremely busy with the Ki o Rahi tournament which was set down for last week at Foxton Primary and has been rescheduled for today.

Tuesday morning at 11.30am we have the **Junior Swimming Sports** at Foxton's toddler pool in town. The children have been sorted into age and ability groups starting with the year 1-3's.

Wednesday we host the middle / senior **Interschool Swimming Sports** at Levin Aquatic Centre starting at 10.00am.

Friday we have a visit from Winchester School staff from Palmerston North who will observe our teaching of 'No Problem Maths' maths programme that we are being recognised as a leading school.

Last week there was an email sent out to all families, that **I have resigned from the role of Principal** at Coley Street School, with my last day being Friday 16th May.

I am relocating to Taupo with my wife Cheryl, as I have been appointed as General Manager / Principal of REAP Central Plateau, based in Taupo.

There are 13 REAP's across New Zealand and are based in rural areas, where people are disadvantaged by not having access to education providers. REAP provides education programmes to early childhood, primary, secondary, rangatahi (youth) and adult learners.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my 15 years at Coley Street School and I am proud of the many achievements the school has made over the years and I am leaving it in a strong place for future years.

I wish to thank the many Board of Trustee members I have worked with, the staff, community and most importantly the children.

There is a spirit and pride in being a member of the Coley Street Community that is hard to beat. I would like to wish my successor the very best wishes, whoever that may be.

Peter Kemp - Principal

**Maverick** who joins our Senior Hub today. We hope you have a successful and enjoyable time here at Coley Street School.

# Positive Behaviour 4 Learning Focus of the Week



- Competing hard but fairly in Ki o Rahi, junior and middle / senior interschool swimming sports
- Making the most of the nice weather to stay active
- Enjoying games with our schoolmates

<u>Kaupapa Cards</u>

Kakapo Lucas - Taha Hinengaro Weka Leighton - Taha Whanau Takahe Sapphire - Taha Whanau Kiwi Tyla - Taha Wairua

# Students of the Week:

<u>Room 1:</u> Samuel Harvey- Taha Whanau for always being so so kind to others

<u>Room 2</u>: Tyla-Jade- Taha Hinengaro for all the effort she puts into her learning.

<u>Room 3</u>: Esther for always being kind, caring and polite, Taha Whanau.

<u>Room 4</u>: Thomas Zimmerman for outstanding literacy learning. Taha Hinengaro.

<u>Room 5</u>: Asher Wilson for making a fantastic effort in all his learning this week, Taha Wairua.

<u>Room 6</u>: Bailee for Taha Wairua and having a positive and friendly attitude at school.



#### Room 7: Levi

**Room 10 ART:** Jay Te Tau for using Taha Hinengaro and understanding how to use the art element of value in his self-portrait. Well done!

<u>Senior Hub</u>: Aria Kiriona-Brooks, Taha Whanau - Taking pride in learning her Pepeha. Jayden Sweeney, Taha Whanau - Being a positive member of the Senior Hub



**Coley Swimmers** 

### Weetbix Tryathlon participants



# DUFFY BOOK ASSEMBLY

Last week we had Alistair McIntyre who is a Role Model/Guest Speaker for the Duffy Book Assemblies for schools in this area.

CV: Affectionately known as 'Mr Mac' Alistair is a civil engineer/heavy machinery operator who suffered an injury and then went on to write a popular children's book 'Doug the Digger'. Alistair has visited



almost every Duffy School around the motu talking about writing and the importance of studying hard at school. Alistair set up a programme called 'Youth into Industry' to specifically assist youth who are interested in civil infrastructure and the extraction industry as professional career paths. Alistair loves to help children of all ages to step up and achieve things. He is the Patron of Special Olympics Whangarei and has been involved in the NEOC nationwide looking after the mini digger side of things and judges the competitors for their public relations skills. In 2019 he received a national Service Award for his work with youth in Northland.



# School Notices

## • JUNIOR SWIMMING SPORTS - Tuesday 25th March at the Foxton Pools

You will be aware we postponed our junior swimming sports last week and now our school pool temperature has dropped considerably.

Hence, we have booked the Foxton town toddlers pool for the swimming sports to be held at 11.30am, on Tuesday 25th March.

We will walk the children to and from the pools but they will need shoes, warm clothing, drink bottle, snack food and togs and towels.

The children will swim in ability groups starting from years 1-3 Parents are welcome to attend.

# • INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING - Wednesday 26th March at the Levin Aquatic Centre

A team of swimmers will be selected to represent Coley Street at this event. Start time is 10am and will finish approx 1.30am. The children will be travelling by bus to and from the event and will need warm clothing, 2 towels, togs, snack food, a packed lunch and drink bottle. Parents are welcome to attend.

#### LOST PROPERTY

This is located in the Administration block. We have a huge collection !!

### • 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.

#### 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.

#### • SCHOOL HOURS

**Bell times:** 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

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