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# Newsletter

**Term 1 Week 7**  
**2025**



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# SCHOOL NEWS

**Kia ora koutou katoa,  
Greetings everyone!**

Well this term really is racing by, with six weeks gone and only five to come! It has been really pleasing to see our school values being displayed by our students throughout our classrooms, and in our playgrounds for the first half of this term.

**Year 7-8 Camp creates lasting memories!**

Our Year 7-8's went on a camp that was filled with outdoor activities that tested confidence levels, and enabled students to try things they had never attempted before. Apparently the food was good, the outdoor pursuits were enjoyable and our parent support was great as well! Thanks to those parents that came along and helped Mrs Reid out, and also to Mrs Reid herself, for all of the planning she did for this camp.

**Great return rate for our parent surveys!**

We had an excellent return rate on our parent surveys this year which really does signify that our parents are really invested in our school, and care enough to take the time to give us their valuable feedback. We will now take the time to 'digest' your comments at a management level and then they will be fed back to our Board.

In case anyone hadn't heard, the 'Ellwood' family were the winners of the Warehouse voucher that was drawn out, funnily enough by Samantha Ellwood herself. Rest assured, everything was 'above board' and it was just pure luck!

**Well done Leo and Amie!**

The Manawatu Triathlon was held last week and would without a doubt be one of the most competitive regional events on the calendar! This made the feats of both Leo Ellwood and Amie King even more amazing, as both made the 'top 10' in their age groups! Leo finished 4th and Amie finished 9th. Well done to you both!

**Swimming changes to whole school fitness**

With the weather changing almost overnight last week, the pool temperature has dropped ever so slightly. As a result, we will swim tomorrow and next Tuesday as we have our tutors coming out to teach our students, and that will be the finish for school lessons.

As of today, whole school fitness which will revolve a lot around 'fun running' will begin, in an effort to get some of our students ready for a Tough Kids event to be held on the final day of this term. It would be advisable to send your child along with footwear that is suitable for running in.

**Carwyn Caffell/  
Principal**

## TERM ONE DATES

### TE KAWAU SWIMMING SPORTS

**Week 7– This Friday 14th March**

Those students that excelled at the Small Schools Swimming Sports will be chosen to compete in this event as part of the Small Schools swimming team.

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

**Week 9– Monday 24th March**

Our second Board Meeting of the year will be held on this day at 5.30 pm. As is always the case, everyone is welcome.

### TE KAWAU TRIATHLON

**Week 9– Friday 28th March**

On this day a team of our students will take part in an interschool triathlon event to be held at Sanson School.

### TE KAWAU JUNIOR TABLOIDS

**Week 10– Friday 4th April**

This will be an opportunity for our Junior students to go on an excursion to participate in a range of physical activities, with other young students from our cluster.

**Te Kawau Swimming Sports this Friday**

We have a team of 12 students that have made it into the Small Schools Swimming team, that was selected by a person based on the times recorded at the Small Schools event.

We wish these students the best of luck for their races this Friday. A notice with these details has gone out today with the students that have made it into the team.

**Duffy Assembly next Monday**

We are now beginning our third year as a 'Duffy School' and part of this programme is a school visit from an acclaimed author. This person will visit us next Monday morning and as part of the visit we will give all of our students a free book! The significance of reading books and the value it adds to children has not diminished over the years. If you can find the time, please read the book given out with your child or encourage your child to read it independently if they are older.

**Year 6's have a great time at Rangimarie Marae!**

While our Year 7-8's were away on camp, Mrs Carroll organised an excursion for our Year 6 students to Rangimarie Marae to look at our local Maori history. Integrated into this trip was the opportunity to set an eel trap in our local river. Much to the excitement of our students, the trap was absolutely packed with eels when they returned the following morning which allowed them to study them closely.

I would like to thank Mrs Carroll for arranging this excursion that I'm sure our Year 6's won't forget!

# Highlights of our last fortnight!

