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**Term 1 Week 3**  
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# SCHOOL NEWS

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

Last week was a really busy one, and this one promises to be just as busy, with our camp and swimming sports planned and ready to go! Exciting times for our students and we look forward to the involvement of our parents in these activities as well.

## **Life Education Trust Visit**

Our students were so excited in anticipation of Tim and Harold arriving! I know that in the Junior room in particular, there was a real buzz about having them here and they certainly didn't disappoint. A great teaching focus, relevant to our classrooms, delivered in an exciting and absorbing way, is how I'd describe what transpired.

## **Top Schools Event**

Well done to our team that took part in the annual Top Schools event in Rongotea on Waitangi Day. From all accounts they worked really well together which really is the key to success. Thanks go to Mrs Reid and Mrs Peffers for organising and overseeing this event.

## **Teacher Only Day very productive!**

We generally don't have many Teacher Only Days at our school but they are becoming unavoidable now, as waves of change are being thrust upon us from those above. Schools are needing these days to try and keep up, and thankfully, the day we had of Maths learning last Friday, was really worthwhile.

In my opinion, Maths concepts and procedures haven't changed since they were conceived, but what is more evident now, is the need to make it explicitly clear as to where the 'goalposts for achievement' are. This will allow schools to be on the same page and clarifies benchmarks for teachers as well which is helpful.

## **Lots of new entrants coming in!**

It is really pleasing to see the number of lovely new students we have enrolling at our school, and what's more, the large number of new entrants we have coming in. We had one day last week where we had three new entrants visiting at the same time, which is great!

## **Summer hockey starts next week**

Next week Summer Hockey will get under way again and as such a notice has gone out with this newsletter today. Please ensure you return it promptly so we can assemble our teams quickly. We encourage new players to join the hockey family as it's great exercise and an enjoyable game to play!

**Carwyn Caffell/  
Principal**

## **TERM ONE DATES**

### **WHOLE SCHOOL CAMP**

**Week 3– This Wednesday & Thursday 12th February & 13th February**

All of our students will have the opportunity to sample a range of outdoor experiences, as we stay overnight in Paraparaumu.

### **BAINESSE SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS**

**Week 3– This Friday 14th February**

This day will see our Juniors and Middle room learner swimmers, put on an exhibition, while our competitive swimmers will race each other, at the Foxton Pool complex.

### **SMALL SCHOOLS SWIMMING SPORTS**

**Week 4– Friday 21st February**

A small team of Middle/Senior room swimmers will be selected to attend this event to be held in Rongotea.

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**Week 5– Monday 24th February**

Our first Board Meeting of the year will be held on this date at 5.30 pm and anyone wanting to come along, is welcome to attend.

### **YEAR 7-8 CAMP**

**Week 5– Wednesday 26th February to Friday 28th February**

This camp will be held at Forest Lakes and will undoubtedly be one of the best camps our students take part in. It's filled with activities that will promote confidence, leadership and excitement!

***Please remind your children to bring their swimming togs every day this term for lessons.***

### **Whole School Camp this Wednesday**

Exciting times this week as we take our whole school on a camp down the road to Paraparaumu. There will be walks, nature reserves, tram rides, beach expeditions and much more crammed into a fun 48 hours! Thanks to our parents that have volunteered to come along and to Mrs Reid and Mrs Peffers for organising this event!

### **Bainesse Swimming Sports this Friday**

This Friday sees all of our students travelling to the Foxton Pools to take part in swimming events. For some its purely about confidence, having fun and reaching the other end of the pool. For others, it will be about swimming as fast as they can in order to attempt to make the Small Schools Swimming team, that competes the following week.

# A lot has happened during the last fortnight!

