

Manawaru School

Newsletter



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Our focus this term
is being a
recogniser of
structure and norms

19 March 2021

**Empowering learners
for their future**

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Kia ora whanau

As I'm writing this newsletter there is a buzz of excitement outside the room as the Junior school are preparing to leave for Waihi on their second day of Junior Camp. This follows a very successful day yesterday at Marshall's Animal Park where I'm told the flying foxes proved to be very popular. It is great to see so many parents pitching in, and enjoying the company of children and adults. Thank you to all of you who supported in all sorts of ways, from providing transport, to sending your children to camp days with a positive attitude, to coping with tired children at the end of the camp.

Camp learning is huge in terms of our harakeke. Whilst this camp doesn't involve an overnight stay, children still need to manage themselves and for some this is the first time having to do it to this extent. You would be impressed with how well they do. Each time they just get better and better. Camp also gives everyone a chance to get to know each other better, and appreciate dimensions that may not be obvious at school. I'm sure the junior teachers will agree with me, that this was an amazing bunch of children to share the camp experience with.

Congratulations to all of our swimmers who represented the school so well at the District Swimming Sports, and to Katy, Elayna and Piper who will represent Te Aroha at the Thames Valley Swimming Sports next Wednesday.

School swimming is still happening - Currently the senior room is swimming lengths as they prepare themselves to meet their next swimming challenge – the 200 metre swim. Swimming 200 metres is Manawaru School's benchmark for swimmers to reach before they leave us at the end of Year 8. It is the distance that has been determined that will allow people to swim to survive. The swimming progressions throughout the school have been built around reaching this target. Getting our children there is a team effort. The swimmers clearly need to have the commitment to strive to reach this goal. With this goal in mind we find swimmers are pushing themselves further than we might otherwise expect. Parents are the third part of the puzzle, and thank you for supporting our endeavours to keep your children learning this vital skill. Thank you for showing your children that you value this part of their learning as well, and keep sending those togs to school.

What a fun day of cricket 26 students had on Tuesday at the Super Smash Tournament... and such perfect weather for this event! (not too hot, not too cold). We really appreciated the help from parents as transporters and team managers - if you were one of these amazing helpers a big thanks for helping to make the day a success. There were 194 participants in total on the day and the Te Aroha College field was all a buzz. It made me realise just how lovely it is to be at Alert Level 1 and to have parents/caregivers and families/whānau in schools for such occasions again.

Mel Sargent

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."

- Edward Everett Hale



COMING EVENTS

March

24 Thames Valley Swimming Sports.

April

2 Good Friday - holiday.
5 Easter Monday - holiday.
6 Easter Tuesday - holiday.
16 Last day of term one.

May

3 First day of term two

REMINDERS

If you would like to pay by internet banking for **stationery (e.g. Prime Maths books) or T shirts, etc.** our school bank account number is:

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TE AROHA NETBALL FUN DAY

Saturday, 27 March 2021

10 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Registration at 9.45 a.m.

Te Aroha Netball Courts

Sausage sizzle and Spot Prizes

TE AROHA DISTRICT SWIMMING SPORTS

Congratulations to our students who participated in the Te Aroha District Swimming Sports last week. Results were as follows:

Breaststroke

10 Year Girls	Piper Nelson	3rd
10 Year Boys	Rylan Foote	3rd
11 Year Girls	Therese Robinson	3rd
12 Year Girls	Elayna van Marrewijk	1st
12 Year Girls	Katy-June Loomans	2nd

Backstroke

8-9 Year Girls	Kaitlyn van Marrewijk	1st
8-9 Year Boys	Tamahou Waititi-Moana	4th
11 Year Girls	Therese Robinson	3rd
11 Year Boys	Felix Burri	3rd

Freestyle

8-9 Year Girls	Kaitlyn van Marrewijk	1st
8-9 Year Boys	Leo van Marrewijk	4th
10 Year Girls	Piper Nelson	3rd
11 Year Girls	Therese Robinson	3rd
11 Year Boys	Matthew van Marrewijk	3rd
12 Year Girls	Elayna van Marrewijk	3rd



CREDIT UNION SCHOOL BANKING

Please see the notice directly opposite

The Credit Union want to start the school banking year off with an awesome giveaway.

Every deposit made through their school banking programme between 16 February and 9 April 2021 puts them in the draw to win 1 of 3 bikes. Prizes will be drawn on 12 April.

If you want to do school banking, see Adele in our School Office and she will give you a start up pack.

Banking needs to be placed in the red box in the Office on Thursday mornings.



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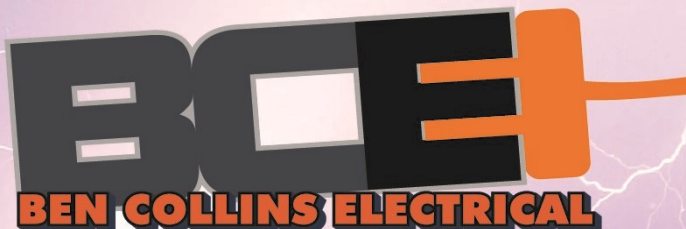
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