

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK / WHAKATAUKI "Many hands make light work"

Proverb

TERM ONE DATES TO NOTE

27 February	Technology Years 7 & 8
28 February	Inter-school Lawn Bowls Year 6
	Scholastic orders due
5 March	Mountain Swimming Sports Y1-8
6 March	Mobile Library
12 March	Technology Years 7 & 8
	Deep Water Pool Trip Years 5-8
19 March	Inter-school Swimming Sports
22 March	Working Bee
27 March	Harvest Festival
2 April	Mobile Library
	Board meeting 7pm
3 April	Inter-school Softball
6-9 April	Footsteps Dance Lessons Y 1-8
9 April	Technology Years 7 & 8
	End of Term Assembly- Dance
	Performance
	Last Day of Term One
28 April	First Day of Term Two

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It was a wonderful surprise to come to school on Sunday to do some work to find Konna Moss and his sister and parents, hard at work weeding and mulching the school garden. They had been there for about three hours!

This year we are organising the garden differently: each of the three house groups have a third of the garden that is theirs. The year 8 students are taking the leadership role, meeting with Charmaine every fortnight to plan what needs to be done to their section. The kids in their house support them with the weeding, planting, watering, mulching etc. Each house can win up to 50 points per term for their efforts in the garden. Konna has certainly helped his house towards that goal.



Konna Moss and Evie after their hard mahi in the garden on Sunday

CLASSROOM KORERO- Junior Class

The afternoon juniors (year 1-4) are making excellent progress in their learn-to-swim lessons. We have a group of eight who are even learning to breathe in freestyle. They have completed a pastel and dye self portrait of themselves in the pool (see photos). We are also looking into the science of floating and sinking. On Monday we explored surface tension. We managed to make some paper clips float on water but realised that the round clips floated but the triangle ones did not. When we added soap to break down the surface tension, they all sank. Please remember to return school library books on Fridays as this is our library day Nga mihi, Ewan Starkey and Emma Tylee

MOBILE LIBRARY VISIT- return books now

Please return your Taumarunui mobile library books next week in preparation for their visit on the 6th March.



Paper clips floating and sinking with surface tension

WORKING BEE

It has been two years since we had a working bee at school. The last time we had a wonderful response from the school community with many people turning up and lots of jobs getting done. This saved us a lot of money so that we can put this money towards our student's learning. Please put this date into your diary: **Sunday 22nd March 9am.** We have a list of jobs at school and at the schoolhouse. Many hands make light work.



Soren Hosking in the pool

INTERSCHOOL BOWLS

Here is the transport list for the year 6 interschool bowls competition on this Friday, 28th February:

Driver	Students
Theresa Owen (teacher)	Cailin, Shiah, Aaliyah, Lewis, Lane,
Regan Hoban	Libby, Jessica, Ashlyn, Tia
Diane Payton	spare

YEAR 7 & 8 CULTURAL TOUR ON THE WHANGANUI RIVER- postponed

I emailed to year 7 & 8 parents on Monday to notify you that Owhango Adventures have had to postpone our trip down the Whanganui River due to low river levels. They need a couple of days of good rain for the river to be safe to navigate by their rafts. We will let you know as soon as possible of the new date. Sorry for the inconvenience this causes, but it is really pleasing that the children's safety is their priority.



Juan Dutra's self-portrait in the pool

REMINDER OF SENIOR CLASS CAMP HUI

This is an open invitation to all parents and whanau members of current year 5, 6 and 7 students (they will be Year 6, 7 and 8 in 2021).

There will be a hui / meeting on **Tuesday 3rd March at 3:15** in the staffroom. Please come and share your positive suggestions regarding possible fundraising ideas and venues for the camp.

This is just an initial idea sharing forum. It should not take longer than half an hour. I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Nga mihi

Jessie Smith

YUMMY STICKERS

We are sending home a sheet for you to collect yummy stickers and bag coupons for the school. We can use these to get free sports gear.

GOLF TRANSPORT

This was emailed out yesterday.

SCHOLASTIC #1- a reminder

Please have your orders returned to school office by 28 February or order online at bookclub.scholastic.co.nz

SENIOR CLASS GOLF

Each week a student is chosen as the Player of the Day at our golf lessons with Roy Frampton. Last Friday 21st of February the winner was Emily Owen for excellent putting and most improved player. She won a certificate and a golf ball. Thank you to Aaron Owen for providing transport. As always, a huge thank you to Roy Frampton, Margaret Nelson and Aaron Owen for their leadership and golf skills.



Emily Owen- Player of the Day

NETBALL

We have registered two teams for Netball this year with two girls from National Park joining us. The subs this year are higher than previous years, because we don't have the amount of girls playing. Association Team Fees are \$350 plus we charge a \$15 Umpire fee, because we don't have an umpire parent to do this. Therefore, fees will be set at \$59.00 per player, but we are seeking sponsorship to subsidise. Fees are to be paid in full by 8th April 2020.

Grading Day is on Saturday 7th March, first competition game 14th March.

First practice will be next week 3pm Date to be confirmed.

2020 TERM DATES & TEACHER ONLY DAYS

Term 1 Tues 4th Feb to Fri 9th Apr **Term Two** Tues 28th April to Fri 3rd July **Term Three** Mon 20th July to Fri 25 Sept **Term Four** Mon 12th Oct to Wed 16th Dec (Teacher Only Day- Fri 23rd Oct giving you a long weekend with Labour Day

PROJECT ENERGIZE



PAYING BY INTERNET BANKING DETAILS:

<u>Stationery/sports/trip fees:</u> 03 0426 0141783 00 <u>Uniform purchases</u>: 03 0426 0141783 03 <u>PTA:</u> 030 426 0156205 00

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