



Newsletter
Week 6
Term 1 2025
Leading Our Learning - Whai Akoranga

**Let's stay
on...
Together
Respectful
Adaptable
Creative
Kind**

Thursday 13 March 2025

Kia Ora Parents, Caregivers, and Ward School Whānau,

We have had an extremely busy couple of weeks with loads of opportunities for our tamariki. Rippa rugby started last week, we have had cricket fun days this week, as well as visits from Tasman rugby, Marlborough Netball and Marlborough Hockey tomorrow. We also had our Wave Pool celebration assembly last Friday. Thank you to all the whānau members who came along to support.

Swimming Sports

Next Friday (21st) we will be sending a small team to the Marlborough district Swimming sports. Congratulations to Tia Hickman, Ashley Shadbolt, Paddy Millton, William Vavasour, Lucy Murray, Ted Millton, Mason Lloyd and Margot Murray. These students have excelled in our recent swimming sports and I know will represent the school proudly. We wish you the best of luck!

Golf Fundraiser

Ward School would like to offer a huge thank you to all the wonderful volunteers and supporters who made the Golf Fundraising day such a wonderful success! We are very lucky and privileged to have such a dedicated team of parent helpers. All the feedback we have received has been overwhelmingly glowing and I know a significant amount of money was raised. Thank you for all of your hard work!

Pool Closing

Please note the Pool will be closing tomorrow (Friday the 14th of March). We have had a good season but with the weather changing it is getting to cold to have the children in the water. From next week, children will not be required to bring their togs. If you have rented a pool key, we ask that you return this to the office. After Friday, we will not be testing and treating the water so it will be unsuitable for swimming.

A request from Wave Pool

Wave Pool is looking for a few CD players. If you have an old CD player that still works but is unused lying around, Wave Pool would love to use it as part of their reading programme. It would be great if you could drop it into Miss Benseman

Farewell

Wave Pool will be holding a shared lunch next Tuesday (18th) to farewell the Cranswick Family. Miss Benseman would like to invite anyone wishing to attend to come along on Tuesday at Lunchtime. We wish the Cranswicks the best of luck in their new endeavour!

Flaxbourne Show

I am sure you are all aware that the Flaxbourne show will be held next weekend (Sunday March 23rd). As well as our traditional Ward show art our Senior Reef Class has been very busy preparing a variety of entries such as art, lollycake, crafts, iced cakes, fudge, origami, recycled jars just to name a few. It is always a fantastic day. I look forward to seeing you there. Thanks in advance to the wonderful volunteers running our BBQ station too!

Uniform

Just a friendly reminder that as it is getting colder, it is important that children look after all of their layers. We have been getting a large number of fleeces left out on the field and put into lost property. Please make sure things like fleeces and track pants are named so we can return them to their

owners. Also a reminder that even though it is getting colder, term 1 is still a hat term and children are expected to wear hats when they are outside.



Just for Laughs! (aka Mr Sangster's Dad Joke of the week!)

What is a snake's favourite subject at school?

Hissssstory!

Ngā mihi nui,
Aaron Sangster - Principal/Tumuaki

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Important Term 1 Dates

Date	Event
Mar 21	Marlborough Swimming Championship
Mar 23	Flaxbourne Show
Mar 28	Reef Assembly
Apr 4	Athletics with Seddon School
Apr 9/10	Parent Interviews
Apr 7	Teacher Only Day - Staff Development
Apr 11	Principal Assembly - End of Term
Apr 11	Ward Heritage Center Grand Opening!

TRANSITION DAY
4TH APRIL 2025

YEAR 7
LANSDOWNE SPORTS HUB

4.00 PM - 5.00PM.

All welcome
A chance to learn the 7 a-side game
Registrations:
[//www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/344885](http://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/344885)

MORE INFO EMAIL
junior@marlboroughnetball.org.nz

GIVE IT A GO DAY
5TH APRIL 2025

YEARS 3 TO 6
LANSDOWNE SPORTS HUB

YR 3 & 4 - 11.00AM - 12PM
YR 5 & 6 - 12.00PM - 1.00PM

All welcome
Skills and fun games

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Lions Club of Seddon 4x4 Trek

***A Unique Opportunity to Explore the Stunning
Country Around Kekerengu and the Clarence –
Travelling Through 9 Different Properties.***

Good Ground Clearance Required.

SUNDAY 16th of March 2025 (Postponement date 30th March)

**Meeting at the Benmore Station Stockyards (RAPID
No 6445) approx 30 minutes South of Seddon /
approx 5 Minutes North of Kekerengu SH1
8.00 am Registration.**

**COST \$60.00 FOR VEHICLE & DRIVER – PLUS \$15.00 FOR EACH
ADULT PASSENGER (UNDER 12YRS FREE)**

EFTPOS AVAILABLE ON THE DAY.

**Sorry NO DOGS or OTHER PETS
BRING PACKED LUNCH & CAMERA**

**Proceeds will be donated to several local community groups, causes
& Lions Club Charities.**

Enquires – Mike Watson Ph 0276 097386

FREE
ENTRY

Supporting Aotearoa
'Love to Ride' Month



Biking Treasure Hunt



Taylor River Reserve
Runs until 31 March 2025

Find the clues and go
into the draw for one
of 3 treasure baskets.

Plus find one of 5 kiwis
to win some treasure.



To register and for more information,
go to: www.marlborough.govt.nz



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Visit the Leptospirosis Roadshow near you!

What is Leptospirosis?

Hear how this common notifiable disease can affect you, your animals and pets.

- Featuring a presentation from Professor Jackie Benschop, Researcher of Massey University
- Nelson Marlborough District Health Speaker on Leptospirosis in humans
- A local vet or presentation from Vet Marlborough on Leptospirosis in your pet or farm animals
- A Speaker on contracting Leptospirosis

February	:	Tuesday 25 th	Ward Hall (Ward) Awatere Hall (Seddon)	9.30am to 12 noon 1.30pm to 4.30pm
	:	Friday 28 th	Wairau Valley Hall Woodbourne Tavern (backroom)	9.30am to 12 noon 1.30pm to 4.30pm
March	:	Wednesday 19 th	Havelock Town Hall The Millars Rest Rai Valley	9.30am to 12noon 1.30pm to 4.30pm
	:	Thursday 20 th	Tua Marina Hall	1.30pm to 4.30pm
April	:	Tuesday 8 th	Waitaria Bay Hall	12 noon to 4.30pm

Everyone welcome including children

Refreshments will be served

A raffle will be run as fundraising for Leptospirosis Research at Massey

Roadshow run by Marlborough RWNZ



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