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Term 4
Week 4
6th November 2024

# SHERWOOD ARROW SHERWOOD SCHOOL



Week 4, Term 4 Principal's Panui - Principal's News Kia ora Koutou Katoa, greetings to all school and community families.

PJ White came in last week to show Room 1 students the finer points of cheese making. Students are doing a mini inquiry on cheese to tie in with NZ Cheese month (it was October). Thanks PJ, it was lovely to have you back in the













We are looking forward to welcoming a group of students and some adults from Omakere School tomorrow. They are coming to see our beautiful environment and all of the action projects that we have developed over the years as part of our Enviroschools work. Sherwood students will be their guides, I know that they will do a great job.

#### **Interschool Athletics**

The Interschool Athletics will be held on Tuesday 19th November (postponement Thursday 21st November) at CHB College. The format is different this year in that they will be run during the school day instead of after school. The field events (high jump, long jump and shot put) start at 9.30. There are three age groups; Year 4 and under, Year 5 & 6 and Year 7 & 8. Boys and girls in each age group will compete separately. There are qualification requirements for some events.

We will talk with the students about this event, if you would like all of the information sent home please let me know, I can forward you the email. I have to enter our students by 14th November.

#### Merino Jerseys

Are there any more orders for merino jerseys? Linda will be placing the order next week. We will probably not be ordering again until the middle of next year.

#### **Splash Planet**

For the past few years we have had a whole-school/family trip to Splash Planet at the end of the year, it's always been a lovely day. We have just received the information in readiness for making a booking and I'm concerned about the increase in price of all tickets. We always subsidise the entry fee for our students using the profits from selling steak sandwiches and home baking on Pet Day.

Because we are a group, the costs are lower than for the general public, however the prices for this year would be; Students \$15 (subsidised price), Adults \$35, Spectators \$15, under 5s are free. Please let me know as soon as possible if these figures are acceptable to you.

#### Ukulele Festival

We will be asking you next week to indicate whether your child/children will be participating in the Ukulele Festival on Friday 22nd of November. We would love to take a big group of Sherwoodians. Their practices with Gine are going really well, I walked past Room 2 when they were practising this week, it sounded good!

#### Friday Lunches

Room 1 students will be preparing lunches for sale; this term there will be nachos or mince mixture on pasta. Students chose these options. Cost; \$6 for a large serving and \$4 for a smaller serving.

#### Wood Chip Needed

Does anyone have wood chip that is surplus to requirements? The BFA badly needs rechipping. Please give us a call if you can help. Thanks.

Have a great week everyone.

Christine

Room 1 - Creating super sentences by adding adjectives and adverbs.

Mrs Hanks drove her **freshly washed** ute down the **single-lane** road. **Harry Baker** 

Many hungry children patiently lined up beside the tiny table for delicious nachos. Scarlett Tyler

The **glistening** sun is shining **brightly** here at Sherwood School. **Declan Wood** 

Many ravenous children lined up unevenly at the old table for delicious nachos. Cooper Sigvertsen

#### BOT Meeting summary

Schooldocs are being reviewed regularly and this terms policies will be reviewed before the next meeting. Policies this term are mostly financial, and property/asset related. Staff and student wellbeing – Christine thanked board for approving her sabbatical for last term. Things are going well in the school this term.

Alison Marshall has been working with students on Literacy and seeing good progress. Unfortunately a lack of funding may mean this will end at the end of this term.

We are nearing the start of a new 10year property plan and a consultant has been engaged to assist with this. He will be doing a property walk-around this term. This plan includes essential funding for lighting, heating, water and septic systems as well as other property related maintenance.

A review of the Strategic Plan for 2024 is underway. The Thrive programme was discussed and this has been a fantastic programme for our school. It would be great if there was some way this could be funded by the Ministry of Education rather than board funded. The Thrive programme has a big role in helping achieve one of our schools two main goals, and the initiative to, "recognise the needs of our neuro-diverse students and fully implement a programme to address these needs and enhance their social and emotional wellbeing".

Kathryn Sigvertsen



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## Sherwood Playgroup Ashley Clinton/Makaretu Hall

Join our friendly bunch every Friday from 9 to 12

During term time.

All pre-schoolers, parents & caregivers welcome.

Morning tea provided—bring a piece of fruit to share.

Ph: Shelzy White Ph. 02102377594

#### **IMPORTANT DATES** Term4 2024

Wednesday 13th November - School Photos
Friday 15th November - Teacher Only Day
Friday 22nd November - Ukulele Festival
Thursday 12th December - Bus Monitor Training
Thursday 12th December - Prize Giving 1.30pm
Monday 16th December - Splash Planet TBC
Tuesday 17th December - Last day of Term 4 (12.30pm)

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