



Week 6, Term 3

Kia ora Koutou Katoa, greetings to all Sherwood school and community families.

Inter school Cross Country

We have eight students attending the Interschool Cross Country at Flemington on Thursday. Good luck to them all. Results will be in next week's newsletter.

I've been advised by Hamish at Tikokino that we can expect the certificates from the Highway 50 Cross Country next week.

Students' Speeches

Students will present their speeches today - Wednesday 20th August. We'll start at 1.15 with the juniors. There'll be a short break and then the seniors will present. We are all looking forward to hearing what students have to say, there are a huge range of topics. You are all very welcome to come along and be in the audience. Angela Severinsen is judging our senior speeches this year.

Sir David Hattenscarf - our musical

Rehearsals are well underway for our production, there will be two performances; a matinee at 1.30 on Thursday 11th September and an evening performance at 5.30 on the same day. I hope you have marked the date on your calendar. We've had help (or offers) from a couple of parents already. However we are still looking for help, with costumes, props, sound and lighting. If there is anyone out there (either in the parent or wider community) who could help out please contact us asap. Tracy White has been helping with mask making, thank you.



Paid Union Meetings

Paid Union meetings took place this week for teachers and principals. Our Collective Agreements are up for renewal and there are a number of very important issues on the table. All staff had the opportunity to attend, some did but we were able to keep the school open thanks to staff willing to cover. There are some very important issues on the table; the need to have a full time Teacher Aid in every classroom being one of them and honouring The Treaty of Waitangi in education another. We would appreciate your support, parents and members of the wider community can have a big influence on our ability to negotiate change to ensure that all children are getting the best possible deal. Please be assured that for most teachers and principals pay is not the focus, contrary to what was announced this week, teachers do **NOT** earn on average \$145,000. We are far more concerned with improving schools' resourcing, specifically funding for Teacher Aids and the need to be treated as valued professionals who are consulted about educational changes.

Friday Lunches

There will be nachos available for lunch on Friday, The cost is \$5.00 per serving.

Trees for Sale

We still have flaxes (\$2 each), pittosporiums (\$2.50 each) and totara (\$3 each) trees for sale. Please give us a ring or come in and have a look if you are at all interested. This will be the last time we will advertise them this season.

Have a great week everyone.

Mihi mahana, warm greetings,

Christine

BoT Community Updates

24th June 2025 Meeting

Discussion points:

- The management of the school house and required repairs.
- It has been a great term for students and staff, a few winter illnesses.
- Review ERO's School Evaluation Indicator 5 - Professional Capability and Collective Capacity
- School Docs - Policy Reviews for Term Two: Emergencies, Disasters and Crises

Principal's report:

- Bus run
- Possibility of Solar Power
- School Survey - to be put out again
- Property
- Financials
- Audit report

Next Meeting: 5th of August, 5.30pm

Anke Poulton

5th August 2025 Meeting

Craig Anderson is acting as the Returning Officer for the upcoming Board of Trustees elections. Robbie and Kathryn will be stepping down at this election. Nominations for new members closed on the 6th August and the following nominations have been received; Nina de Malmanche and Charlotte Pedersen.

The school's new 10-year plan has been received, with the water system identified as the largest planned investment. Funding for this project has been secured, and a project manager assigned. The school was also approved for a funded fire alarm upgrade, which will be scheduled in the near future.

The board have appointed a property manager for the schoolhouse to ensure ongoing compliance with healthy Homes Standards and manage future maintenance requirements.

Congratulations to FOSS on behalf of the BoT for hosting an extremely successful quiz night, we are sincerely grateful to the community for the support you provide FOSS and ultimately Sherwood School.

Thanks

Sarah Bird



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IMPORTANT DATES Term 3 2025

Thursday 21st August Interschool Cross Country
Friday 22nd August - Interschool Cross Country (PPMT)
Wednesday 27th August A'Deane's planting day
Wednesday 10th September - Year 5/6 Mathletics
Thursday 11th September - School Production
Friday 12th September - Teacher Only Day

CHB Miniball If your child would like to play miniball please send us a message TODAY. Yrs 1-4 & Yrs 7-8 games will start on Friday 5th September. Yrs 5-6 will be played on Thursday starting 4th September. Yrs 1-4 games are played in the Memorial Hall. Yrs 5-8 games are played in the Stadium. We will register players from school.

The Lost Library - Spring Reading Challenge

We have a really exciting Spring Reading Challenge happening at Central Hawke's Bay District Libraries called "**The Lost Library**". Kids can visit the library any time to collect their challenge packs - and for every challenge they complete, they'll earn special trading cards! A poster is displayed at school. The challenge runs from now until the end of the school holidays in early October.

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