



Week 3, Term 1

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

I am currently in Christchurch at a Leadership conference. Today was full-on but very, very engaging. The Year 4s moved through to Room 1 on Monday of this week, they are learning the Room 1 routines and having a great week.

The Meet and Greet last Thursday was lovely, there were so many new faces! There are quite a few 4 year olds who will turn 5 in the next few months, this is very positive for our projected roll. It was also neat to have some community members come along, thank you. Are there any more orders for **merino jerseys**?

William pike Activity Day

Our Yr 7 and 8s will join their peers from Flemington and Omakere schools at Lindsay Bush next Monday (24th February) for a day of outdoor activities which are part of the William Pike Challenge programme. They'll be learning how to do river crossing, make bivouacs and cook on a wee gas stove.

MoE Attendance Information

I think that it is important to share the following information with you from the MoE about attendance. There is currently a real push to improve attendance. Attendance at Sherwood School is generally good - 79% of our students attended school regularly in term 4 2024. We can always strive to do better.

The Ministry of Education emphasizes the critical importance of regular school attendance for students aged 6 to 16, defining "regular attendance" as being present for more than 90% of the term. To address declining attendance rates, the government's target is that by 2030 at least 80% of students will meet this regular attendance benchmark. Regular attendance is crucial, as missing even a week each term can equate to a full year of lost learning by age 16.

Recognizing the link between regular attendance and improved learning outcomes, the Ministry has implemented an action plan that includes public awareness campaigns and clear guidelines to support schools in promoting consistent attendance. From Term 1, 2025, we have been recording student attendance twice daily in our Student Management System (SMS) and submitting this information to the Ministry. They provide a report, data from this is reported to the Board of Trustees each term.

Fern Fuels

We'd like to thank those families who support Fern Fuels who then support our school. We had a lovely surprise last week when a load of sports gear was delivered. We whole heartedly thank Fern Fuels for the support they give our small rural school.



Friday Lunches

The cost of a burger for lunch on Friday will stay at \$5.50.

Have a great week everyone.

Mihi mahana, warm greetings.

Christine

Room 2 - Mathematics.

Our focus is Numbers and the Number System.

Equipment gives juniors a hands on approach to number.



Using technology for rapid recall of timetables



Number rods are also fun to create pictures with.



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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.

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IMPORTANT DATES -Term 1 2025

Tuesday 25th February - BOT Meeting
Wednesday 26th February - A'Deane's Bush Visit
Friday 28th February - Assembly
Thursday 6th March - SH50 Swim Sports
Friday 14th March - Inter-School Swim
Friday 14th March - Assembly
Friday 21st March - Triathlon
Friday 28th March - **Teacher Only Day**
Friday 4th April - Assembly
Friday 11th April - Last Day of Term 1

Please come join us for our FOSS AGM

We will reflect on the past year, plan some awesome
fundraising events for 2025 and take nominations for our
committee roles.

Date: Wednesday 26th February Time: 7.30pm

Location: Ashley Clinton Hall

Also if anyone in the community has any fundraising ideas
please contact Nina de Malmarche on 0276004868

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