

## Week 6, Term 1

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

### Swimming Sports

What a fabulous day we had at the Swimming Sports last Thursday. Our students gave it their best and were great participants.

I want to give a huge shout out to all of the FOSS members who did an amazing job of organising the food stall and selling food for a good part of the day, this is the first time we have fundraised at Swimming Sports.

An equally big shout out goes to all those incredibly supportive community members who donated sausages and/or baked for the stall. We really appreciate your generosity. Finally, a big shout out to BeL group for lending us their trailer BBQ for the day, I hear that it made short work of cooking the sausages.

I feel very humbled to work in this place surrounded by people who happily go the extra mile to help to provide for our kids. I thank you all sincerely..

### Agri - Kids

Please see Ethan's account of the AgriKids competition that we went down to Masterton to participate in last Saturday. The team (Declan, Julia and Ethan) had an awesome day even though they didn't make it through to the second round. There were 35 teams competing and only the top 7 went through to the second round. Thank you parents for your support.



### Staff Professional Development

EI, Anke and I are away today and tomorrow at Structured Literacy PD in Napier. Mrs Meredith (Dawn) is in Room 1 and Mrs Jackett, Monique (a new reliever) is in Room 2.

### School Triathlon

I sent a separate notice about the Sherwood/Kereru triathlon to all school families on Monday. Please let us know if you are available to help out on the day.

Children will need a bike, it will be possible to share bikes if they are in different age/gender group races. Please let us know if there is a problem. Five and six year olds may use a scooter if they do not have a bike.

### Thrive Information Evening

I also sent out a notice about a Thrive information evening for parents that you are invited to attend on Monday 24th March. We do need to know numbers beforehand so we can plan the best place at school to hold it.

### Room 1 Camp Fundraisers

**Movie Night** - Room 1 students will be organising a Movie night at school on Friday 4th April. It will start at

5.30 with tea which will be followed by the movies; there'll be two movies on offer, titles are yet to be decided. Watch this space for more details.

**Grocery Raffle** - A grocery raffle will be running, tickets should be available next week.

### Cyber Safety - Keeping Your Kids Safe Online

Don't forget to register for this evening, it's on Tuesday 8th April at CHB College.

### Friday Lunches

Burgers are available for lunch on Friday. The meat will again be chicken. The cost is \$5.50.

Have a great week everyone.

Mihi mahana, warm greetings.

Christine

### A Big Thank You to our Wonderful Community

We all thank the community members for providing baking to sell at the Swimming Sports. I think FOSS made \$1,200, for Sherwood School from selling food. I hope it goes to new sports gear. The swimming sports were so great, Sherwood School is the organizer of the swimming sports. There were length and width events in the big pool and events for juniors in the small pool. I think there were 250 students from 5 schools; Argyll East, Tikokino, OngaOnga, Kereru and Sherwood of course.

I had a great day.

Rane Parlane

Dear Community Members,

Thank you for the baking for the Swimming Sports. It helped the FOSS group from school very much. I liked the lolly cake and I liked the juicy. We raised lots of money for the school! It was fun.

From Ricky de Malmance

### Agri Kids

On Saturday Declan, Julia and I went to Masterton for Agri Kids. We were going in the school van so we had to get to school by 8.00am.

After the 2 hour trip we got out of the van, we saw that there were 35 teams competing. We had to wait a while. The organiser put the number 2 on our hand, that told us that we started at the number 2 activity. After that we started the activities. We had 6 minutes for each activity, there were seven activities.

First we had to put plants set in resin back together then we had to figure out pet feelings. After that we had to do a motorbike check then we had to figure out where different kinds of honey came from.

Next, we had to put the parts of a beehive together, we got it mostly right.

Finally, in the last activity they put blind folds on but we could see through them. We had to go through some cones.

After that we waited 2 hours to find out we didn't go to the finals. We went back to the school. My favourite part was the packout, that's where we had to attach tool holders onto a wall. It was a fun day.

By Ethan Parlane





**Ongaonga School Fundraising Trail Ride**

900 BLACKBURN RD  
ONGAONGA, CHB  
Clearly signposted from SH50

**Sunday, 6 April**

**CLASS OF BIKE**  
TWO WHEELERS BOCC & UP  
QUADS AND FARM SIDE BY SIDE  
(NO PILLION PASSENGERS)  
(NO BAJA STYLE SIDE BY SIDE)

**RIDING GEAR**  
• Helmets  
• Goggles  
• Boots (No Gumboots)  
• Long Pants

**GATES OPEN 9.00AM**  
**BRIEFING 10.00AM**  
**RIDE STARTS 10.30AM**  
No Brief - No Ride

**\$50 - ADULTS**  
**\$30 - UNDER 14**  
**BBQ LUNCH INCL @ 12:15**  
**CASH ONLY AT GATE**

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### Term 1 2025

Friday 14th March - Inter-School Swim  
Friday 14th March - Assembly  
Friday 21st March - Triathlon  
Friday 28th March - **Teacher Only Day**  
Tuesday 1st April - BOT Meeting  
Thursday 3rd April - Room 2 Camp Overnight  
Friday 4th April - Assembly  
Friday 11th April - Last Day of Term 1

**Friday 18th April - Good Friday**  
**Monday 21st April - Easter Monday**  
**Friday 25th April - ANZAC Day**



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### MISSION STATEMENT

**EDUCATE, CHALLENGE, ACHIEVE**

**AIM HIGH**

### VISION STATEMENT

**PASSION FOR LEARNING IN A  
RURAL ENVIRONMENT**

# Community Resilience FIRST AID TRAINING

## PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID



We are delighted to offer a  
**FREE Psychological First Aid (PFA) course** run by New Zealand Red Cross.

**Help us build a more resilient community!**

Psychological First Aid is a simple, yet powerful way of helping someone in distress, so they feel calm and supported in coping with their challenges, whether it's personal, work related or affecting the whole community.

### **DATE:**

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2025**

### **COURSE DURATION:**

**8.30am – 4pm (7 Hours)**

**Morning tea and lunch  
provided**

### **VENUE:**

**Ongaonga Hall**  
34 Bridge Street, Ongaonga

### **COST:**

**Funded**

### **RSVP (limited spaces)**

- [recovery@chbdc.govt.nz](mailto:recovery@chbdc.govt.nz)
- 06 857 8060

## **CONTENT**

- Understand what Psychological First Aid is and isn't.
- Become familiar with distress reactions
- Learn how to look after yourself while providing support to others
- Provide PFA using "The Five Elements" and the action principles Look, Listen Link.
- What to do if you have concerns about someone at risk of suicide.
- Practice providing Psychological First Aid





# THE BIG MUSTER

## TUKITUKI LAND CARE

THUR 27 MARCH

3.00PM - 5.30PM

TEA & COFFEE AVAILABLE FROM 2.30PM

CHB MUNICIPAL THEATRE

18 KENILWORTH STREET, WAIPAWA

Catch up with local farmers and see how Tukituki Land Care's Big Picture Project is delivering practical, affordable solutions to the issues that matter.

Farming leaders have been working to tackle key challenges and prepare for the future. While regulatory pressures have eased for now, we know they'll be back. Let's get ahead of the game by showcasing the great work happening on the ground. It's not just about water quality - river management, erosion control, and other priority issues are all part of the discussion.

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