



## Week 7, Term 1

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

### Triathlon

We are looking forward to hosting Kereru school on Friday for our triathlon.

The order of events and **approximate times** is as follows.

#### Order of Events

- 11.00** Five year old girls
- 11.10** Five year boys
- 11.20** Six year old girls & boys
- 11.35** Seven year old girls & boys
- 11.50** Eight year old girls
- 12.05** Eight year old boys
- 12.15** Nine year old girls & boys
- 12.30** Ten year old girls & boys
- 12.45** Eleven year old girls & boys
- 1.00** 12+ girls & boys
- 1.15** Lunch
- 1.45** Prize Giving



We still need helpers on the day, thanks to those who have contacted me already, please make contact asap if you can help on the day. There will be a briefing for helpers at about 10.45 on Friday morning. We are providing morning tea for the adults.

**Please let us know if your child does not have access to a bike. Some children have indicated that they have spare bikes that they might be able to lend, that would be awesome. Please confirm as soon as possible.**

5 and 6 year olds may use a scooter for the biking part of their course as it will be around the netball court. All other groups are biking on the grass.

The triathlon is our first house event for the year. Children are encouraged to come dressed in house colours; **Tiraha is yellow**, **Tukituki is blue** and **Totara is green**. Linda will email the house lists home along with the newsletter.

### Strategic Plan 2025

I am sending home our 2025 Strategic Plan. This plan is our overall plan for the year with two big aspirational goals that are broken down into Initiatives. Sitting underneath this is the Annual Plan which contains the detail in terms of achieving our goals. You are welcome to read the Annual Plan if you wish to, please just ask for a copy.

### Thrive Information Evening

I sent out a notice about a Thrive information evening for parents that will be held next Monday - 24th March. Please contact me if you intend attending. We do need to know numbers beforehand so we can plan the best place at school to hold it.

I have completed my Sabbatical Report with my reflections on the Thrive approach following my visits to schools in the UK last year. It's not too long, you are welcome to have a copy to read if you wish.

### 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 towards the end of this 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 not available this Friday. Instead, sausages (from Waipawa Butchery) in bread will be available for everyone.. Mihi mahana, warm greetings.  
Christine

Mrs Benson worked with Room 2 students yesterday. Students created these beautiful artworks.





**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**

**ANY QUESTIONS?**  
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## IMPORTANT DATES Term 1 2025

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

## WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO ATTEND SCHOOL

Regular attendance at school is key to your child's success! Attending school every day helps to:

- build good learning and working habits
- learn social skills with their peers
- learn responsibility
- develop routines

Your child will use these skills well into their working life! It ensures they don't miss out on important lessons, friendships and opportunities that will help to shape their future.



EVERY DAY COUNTS



What's on top?

**Kāhui Ako**  
Ruahine • Te Angiangi



## Sherwood Playgroup Ashley Clinton/Makaretu Hall

Join our friendly bunch every Friday from 9 to 12  
During term time.

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

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## MISSION STATEMENT

**EDUCATE, CHALLENGE, ACHIEVE**

**AIM HIGH**

## VISION STATEMENT

**PASSION FOR LEARNING IN A  
RURAL ENVIRONMENT**



# Sherwood School Strategic Plan 2025

## Vision - Passion for Learning in a Rural Environment

(Students will fully embrace learning in our rural setting; they will be present, participating and enjoying success)

Goal 1	Initiative	Initiative	Initiative	Success Statement
Grow confident, empowered students	Begin to engage with the revised English and Maths curriculums.	Support all families so that at least 80% of our students attend school regularly - for at least 90% of the time.	Create a learning environment where students develop knowledge and skills in order to confidently take action for sustainability.	Students are positively engaged in learning. They have the knowledge, confidence, skills and ability to make decisions about their learning and to take action to achieve their goals.
NELPS alignment (National Education and Learning Priorities)	Barrier free access. Quality teaching and leadership.	Learners at the centre. Quality teaching and leadership. Barrier free access.	Learners at the centre.	
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Goal 2	Initiative	Initiative	Initiative	Success Statement
<b>Respond to the uniqueness and diversity of all students</b>	Bring all staff on board so that a whole school approach to Thrive can be implemented.	Recognise the needs of our neuro-diverse students and fully implement reparative Thrive sessions to address these needs and enhance their social and emotional wellbeing.	Implement right - time activities in classrooms to support our neuro - typical students..	<p>All students' learning is supported, they are reaching their full potential.</p> <p>Social and emotional wellbeing has improved.</p>
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