

## Week 3, Term 2

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

Room 1 students, teachers and parent helpers had an amazing camp experience last week. El and I give a huge shout out to; Nina, Colin, Rowan and Tracy who came for the week. You were an awesome group of camp parents, thank you all for your help. We were joined by Andy Hunt and Willie White for our cycling day. Thank you both. Robbie Hunt joined us near the end of the week, thanks Robbie.

We all stayed at Kennedy Park and we had a very full itinerary that saw us out and about every day. We visited; Pakowhai School, Omarunui Landfill, Ahuriri Estuary, the Faraday Centre, the Museum, the National Aquarium, Ocean Spa, Bay Skate, the Botanic Gardens and Bluff Hill. We learnt how to play Pickleball and we cycled from The Aquarium to Haumoana - 18 kms. It is a beautiful ride. A group of students and adults cycled all the way back to the Aquarium, what a tremendous effort!

Below is some students' writing about their camp highlights and challenges.

My Napier camp highlight was Bay Skate because I liked to drop in off the drop walls. It was such fun because I have not been on a scooter for 3 years.

My fave part about Bay Skate was trying out at the skateboards, roller blades, skates and the scooters. When I tried the roller blades I fell over so many times and when I tried the skateboard I also fell over.

The most challenging part about camp was biking because my legs hurt for two days, but after that we went to Ocean Spa which felt very nice after a long bike ride. It was very challenging on the way there, but I was fine after a couple of breaks. On the way back time went a lot faster than it did on the way there. We stopped for lunch, morning tea and brain food. Our first stop was Waitangi Park and our second stop was Clive. Finally we stopped at Haumoana, some people stopped biking but me and four others biked back to the Aquarium which meant we did 36kms. We started at 9.30am and finished at 3.30pm. Some parts of the track were extremely bumpy. Some bridges that we biked over had a clip on bridge just for bikes and walkers. There were lime tracks and concrete tracks. It was fun but challenging.

Declan Wood

My Napier camp highlight was the aquarium because of all the creatures, the coolest creature was the kiwi. Every time I went to the kiwi enclosure it was dark because they are nocturnal. The kiwis looked so cute, I just wanted to hug them. It looked like they were always trying to find food.

I also loved going through the water tunnel because there were so many types of fish, especially king fish, they were very big. The penguins were cute as ever.

The most challenging thing about camp was being away from home and when one of the other neighbour cabins were having a party. It's quite hard for me to get to sleep in a place that is not my house and



because there are five people in my cabin, it got very hot. It's also very hard to go back to sleep when people are having a party at 1.30 in the morning till 3.30 in the morning. That's the time I heard them before I went back to sleep.

Johnny White.

My camp highlight was biking 16km from the Aquarium to Haumoana. The biking was so tiring. It went perfectly, some of the people wanted to get close to Andy (Annabelle's Dad) they were racing for the spot. The places we stopped at to take a break were, the first stop was Waitangi Park. We had morning tea and there were lots of toilets and some of us went to the loo and drank water. We continued biking to the second stop - Clive, because everyone was tired and even the adults, so we drank water and talked. Then we all continued biking to the next stop - Haumoana, the last stop. We had lunch and I had a sausage bun with butter and ham. Rowan called Colin to bring the van and the baking.

Declan, Evie, Charlie, Ricky and Annabelle decided to bike back to the Aquarium. The rest of the class went to the playground close to the Bay Skate. It was a fun day.

Ian Jolito



## Hockey

**All students in Room 1** will be involved in a hockey skills session on Monday afternoon from now on. They will need a mouthguard and shin pads, please have these by next Monday. We have hockey sticks at school which they can use. Students who are playing in the competition will have their first game this week. The Year 7/8s will play on Wednesday nights on the turf in Waipukurau, this week's game is at 4.35. Players need to be at the turf by 4.15. Jaynie (Declan and Julia's Mum) is coaching/managing this team. Thank you Jaynie. We have four players from Terrace and one from St Josephs joining us to make up the numbers in this senior team.

The year 5/6 team play on a Thursday nights on the turf, this week's game is at 5.10, please be there by 4.45. We have Bethany, a homeschooled student and Jimmy Anderson (from Porangahau) joining our Year 5/6 team. Nina will manage this team most weeks. Thank you Nina.

## Gymnastics

Students in both classes have started preparing for the Gymnastics Festivals which will be held in Week 6 - 5th June in Waipukurau for Room 1s and 6th June at Tikokino Hall for Room 2s. All Room 2s will go to Tikokino and we encourage as many Room 1 students as possible to attend the festival in Waipukurau, it is about participation.

## Friday Lunches

There will not be Friday lunches again this week. Hopefully we will be sorted by next Friday.

## Kindling and Crumbles for Sale

We still have kindling for sale, it's \$10 a bag. This is very good value, I saw bags that were much smaller than ours for sale in the supermarket for \$15 a bag. Please ring to organise.

We also have crumbles for sale; apple or apple and rhubarb. They are \$15. Please ring to order.

Have a great week everyone.

Christine

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### Term 2 2025

Tuesday 20th May - BOT Meeting  
Wednesday 21st May - A'Deane's Bush Visit  
Monday 2nd June - Kings Birthday - School Closed  
Thursday 5th June - Gym Festival (Seniors)  
Friday 6th June - Gym Festival (Juniors)  
Tuesday 17th June - BOT Meeting  
Friday 20th June - Matariki  
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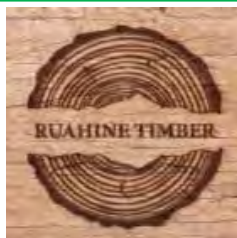


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