



## Week 7, Term 4

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

It's taking a little longer than I anticipated to get the pool 'right' for swimming, Alastair from Pool Solutions is helping us. Students should bring their togs every day from now on in anticipation of being able to swim. Thanks.

## Cricket Coaching



We had our first cricket skills coaching sessions last Wednesday with Matt Butcher - the HB Cricket Development Officer. All students were involved and I know that they all had lots of fun. Matt was impressed with the way all our students participated.



## Inter-School Athletics

Our team of 5 students who represented us at the Interschool Athletics last Thursday did really well even though we didn't make any finals. The competition was pretty stiff.



## Top School Event

We have a team participating in this event on Friday afternoon. It will be held at Waipawa primary in conjunction with their Twilight Gala. It starts at 3.45 and will finish around 5.00pm.

## Splash Planet Visit

Thanks to those who have already ordered and paid for tickets for our visit to Splash Planet on Tuesday 16th December. For those families who are new to our school this is an annual end-of-year fun day out. Families are welcome to join us and will be able to access the discounted rates for schools. Please note - Splash Planet has changed the method of booking and paying this year, we will need your ticket requests and money prior to us going and we will have the arm bands here which we will give out on the morning that we go. Tickets may not be put on your account. Please come and see either Linda or I if there are any problems.

## Cups

We need all of the cups that were given out at last year's prizegiving returned as soon as possible so they can be engraved for this year. Thanks.

## Friday Lunches

A big thank you to Sarah Collie for donating meat patties for our Friday burger lunches. Your generosity is very much appreciated and it means we can keep the cost down to \$5 and still make a profit to go to next year's Room 1 camp.

## School Sports Tops

Please can we ask you to check for the following numbered tops: 16,19,25,31,34 and 37. It would be great if we could have these at school before the end of the term.

Nga mihi mahana,  
Warm greetings Christine

**Prizegiving practice well under way - they sound amazing.**



**Prizegiving - Monday 15th December @ 1.30pm**

## GET ACTIVE IN CHB



### Keeping Our Tamariki Safe Around Water

In Aotearoa New Zealand, we are surrounded by water – from beaches and rivers to backyard pools and lakes. While this brings endless opportunities for fun and connection with nature, it also reminds us how important water safety is. Sadly, we see too many drownings during the summer months, many of which could be prevented through active supervision and water confidence. Parents and whānau play a vital role in keeping tamariki safe. Always keep a close eye on children near water, no matter their swimming ability. Make sure they learn key water safety skills – our local pool offers swimming and water safety lessons for all ages, providing a safe and supportive environment for children to build confidence.

Water (wāi) is viewed as a taonga – a treasure that sustains life and connects us spiritually and physically to the environment. By teaching our children to respect and understand wāi, we not only protect them but also nurture their connection to our natural world.

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## IMPORTANT DATES

Term 4 2025

Friday 21st November - Top School Event

Wednesday 26th November - A'Deane's Bush Visit

Tuesday 9th December - BOT Meeting

Thursday 11th December - **End-of-Year Summaries of Achievement will be posted onto Seesaw. If you need a hard copy as well please let us know.**

Monday 15th December - Prizegiving @ 1.30pm. This will be followed by afternoon tea.

Tuesday 16th December - Splash Planet - families welcome

Wednesday 17th December - Last day of Term 4 - finish 12.30

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Wednesday 4th February - First day of Term 1

Friday 6th February - Waitangi Day

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