

Velkommen / Kia Ora Koutou / Welcome

The **Country School Swimming** team were great on Monday and gave all races their best. Congratulations to Amelia and Qearah who qualified for the Interschool Team. The Country Schools' Swimming Sports is a great opportunity to race against other schools of similar size for some friendly competition and comradeship.

Our first **School Support Group** meeting is on **Thursday 27th March at 3.15pm**. This will be in the school staffroom. Please come and support our school. The School Support Group helps provide amazing opportunities for our tamariki.

On Thursday, our students will have the experience of watching **Vas the magician**. Vas has visited our school before and his show revolves around eating healthy, mixed in with magic tricks and entertainment.

PB4L is working well within our school. Our **Behaviour Plan** is being followed and this has helped with clarity around dealing with behaviour. If you have any questions, please ask. It is important that our tamariki feel safe at school.

The **School Attendance Plan** is also in place and working. We have quite a few students who are sitting on 90% or above for their attendance this term. This is fantastic and cannot be done without parent support. Thank you for your help with this.

Winter sports groups are starting to send out registration forms. Please keep an eye on your emails from the office for information on registering your child into a sport.

Ka Kite,
Angela McQuarrie,
Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues 1st	Interschool Swimming Sports
7—9th	Life Education caravan visits
Friday 11th	Last day of Term 1
Friday 18th	Good Friday
Mon 21st	Easter Monday
Friday 25th	ANZAC Day
Mon 27th	Start of Term 2

REMINDER—SCHOOL SUPPORT GROUP

Our School Support Group is having a meeting tomorrow (**Thursday 27th March**) starting at **3.15pm**. This is just a short get together to touch base and set our goals for the year. All welcome

Norsewood and Districts' School

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"Caught being good cards" - SHOWING OUR SCHOOL VALUES

GIVE IT A GO / ATTITUDE - LOKI — for a "Give it a Go" attitude to illustrate his text using drawing techniques from a book - **this week's Duffy Book award**.

ATTITUDE — JEANETTE - for an engaged literacy learning attitude with a growth mindset to keep improving and growing her sound knowledge

ATTITUDE / GIVE IT A GO – BEAUDEN - for a "Give it a Go" attitude with his reading.

EXCELLENCE / ATTITUDE — RICHIE— for having a consistent great attitude to his learning





LOCAL WATER DONE WELL IN TARARUA

Have your say before
Tuesday 22 April 2025

Councils all over New Zealand are responding to new legislation and Central Government's "Local Water Done Well" policy. This policy sets out that all councils must consult with their communities on how they will manage and deliver their water services in the future.

The previous government first mandated the 3 Waters Reform with 4 entities across New Zealand. This approach promised better efficiency and affordability but removed our voice in the process which is why we stood against it. Having a say in what matters is important to us.

The options we are consulting on include joining a Council Controlled Organisation (CCO) "water organisation" with Wairarapa councils (South Wairarapa, Carterton, and Masterton), or continuing to operate alone.

Together, we need to consider important factors such as the financial impact on water users, and the pros and cons of collaborating with neighbouring councils.

The final decision on forming any new water entity must be made by 30 June 2025, and the sustainable water services delivery plan must be approved by Central Government by 3 September 2025.

This decision will shape the future of water services in our district for generations to come, and now more than ever, please share your thoughts, ask questions, and be part of this conversation.

Noho ora mai - All the best.

Tracey Collis - Mayor.

REMINDERS

- ⇒ Drop in session tomorrow evening (Thursday 27th March) from 7.00 to 8.30pm at the Norsewood War Memorial Hall to ask any questions about the new water reforms
- ⇒ Please call the school office on **374 0870**, text our school cell phone **021 0885 9015** or use the absentees section on our Skool Loop app if your child is going to be away from school for the day. If they are sick for more than 3 days, we need a medical certificate.
- ⇒ School Support meeting tomorrow at 3.15pm in the staffroom.



Robotics combines science, engineering, and technology to design, build, operate and use robots. Our school has invested in a couple of sets of Robotics to introduce and extend our students. They have two sessions a week with Rob for a six week period.

"Robotics with Rob"



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