



Levin School Values: Respect, Excellence, Attitude, Co-operation and Honesty.

Term 1

Newsletter

4th February 2021



Principal's Message

Kia Ora Koutou, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Ni Hao, Chao & Namaste.
A very warm welcome back to Term 1, 2021.

A special welcome to Ms Nikki McLean who is teaching in Kowhai class, Mr James McMullan who is teaching in Rimu class and

Mr Innes Jephson who is teaching in Manuka class, and all our new

students and their whanau to Levin School Community.

Some important notes:

- **School Lunches:** A successful start to the Free and Healthy School lunch programme this week. It's great to see our tamariki tasting new foods – we will encourage those reluctant eaters to at least try it, you never know you may like it. You may like to add a few little healthy snacks to your child's lunch box for the next week or so until Fruit in Schools resume. The weekly menu can be found on our school website, the notice board in the entrance way to school and on the Skool Loop.
- **Fruit in Schools:** Our first fruit delivery will be Monday 15th February.
- **Lunch hour times:** School lunchtime will now be at 12.50 pm through to 1.40 pm. This makes an allowance for eating our delicious school lunches.
- **Water only:** With this warm weather, we are having to keep hydrated. Please remember we are a 'Water Only' school. Children can re fill their water bottles from the water station outside the staff room door.
- **Swimming:** Swimming for the Junior team (Hinaiu, Totara, Kauri and Manuka) is on the following dates – Wednesday 10th February, Friday 12th February
Wednesday 17th February, Friday 19th February
Wednesday 24th February, Friday 26th February
Wednesday 3rd March, Friday 5th March

Time 1-2 pm at the Levin Aquatic Centre. Children will walk to the pools, leaving school at 12.30 and return at the end of their swimming lessons.

It would be much appreciated, if you have the time, to help walking the children to and from the pools. Please let your child's teacher know.

Students will need – named togs, named towel and named tog bag. Please practice at home getting changed into their togs and putting clothes into named tog bag, drying themselves and changing back into their dry clothes.

Swimming for the Senior team (Kohwai, Tarata, Matai and Rimu) will be in Term 2.

- **Whana Fun Night:** Please keep Wednesday 24th February (4.30-6.00 pm) free for a Whanau Fun Night and picnic tea. A separate note will come out with more information.
- **Lunch time Water Slide:** Starting next week it is planned to have a water slide out for a lunch time activity on hot days. We will be using dishwashing detergent and

water to make it slippery and fun. Students will need to bring named togs, towel and a tog bag if they wish to use the water slide. Seniors days for using the water slide will be – Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, weather permitting and the Juniors days for using the water slide will be – Tuesdays and Thursdays, weather permitting.

Nga Mihi
Paddy Sannazzaro



Dates to remember:

Wednesday 10th February – Junior swimming
Friday 12th February - Junior swimming
Wednesday 17th February - Junior swimming
Friday 19th February - Junior swimming
Wednesday 24th February - Junior swimming
Wednesday 24th February- **Whanau fun night**
Friday 26th February - Junior swimming
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Friday 5th March - Junior swimming

Community News: Picnic in the Park Waitangi Day 2021, 6th February from 11am to 2 pm. Make Waitangi Day a fun holiday out for the family. There's plenty to do and see in Te Awahou Riverside Cultural Park, including a Classic Car show with the glitzy vintage cars on Wharf Street, Windmill De Molen will bring out some traditional wooden games, get the kids excited with a Teddy Bears picnic in the park, with a Fox Hunt and prizes to be won for 'Best Dressed Bear' and 'Bear in Cutest Toy Car'. So pack a picnic and come and enjoy some music, games and much more.

