

# KAI IWI SCHOOL NEWSFLASH!

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**Week 8, Term 1**

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## *PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT*

Tena Koutou Katoa Hi Everyone

**Newsletter** - Every Thursday we send home a school newsletter with the oldest child from your family. It is important you read it as sometimes it has dates and information regarding events happening around the school and some of these events may involve your child/children.

We also send out a Community Newsletter which goes out to the whole community every month, not just our school community. Mrs Wakeling usually writes a blurb which informs every one of the goings-on for the month. The next one will be out next Thursday.

**Assembly** - Assembly is every second week in the Hall at 9:15am. Everyone is welcome. The next assembly is on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> of April and will be the last one for the term.

At our assembly's teachers usually have certificates for some of the children who have excelled or shined in some way or another, and it's also a time for some of the children who have been selected by their teacher to show off some of their work they have completed in class.

**Sports** - Today the juniors are attending a Tabloid Sports day at Cooks Gardens starting at 10am. The event has been organised by one of our schools in the West Cluster. It gives the year 1-3 children an opportunity to attend a large event, have fun and mix with other children their own ages from other schools.

On Tuesday six children from our school competed in the Contributing Schools swimming competition which was held at the Splash Centre.

They all swam really well giving it their best against many schools from Whanganui and came up with some great results;  
Elizabeth Terrey 4<sup>th</sup> in Heat and just missed out on

the final.

Felix Carmichael 3<sup>rd</sup> in his heat but just missed out on the final by 1 second!

Addison Jenkins 2<sup>nd</sup> in her heat and 5<sup>th</sup> in the final.

Cooper Lawrence 1<sup>st</sup> in his heat 4<sup>th</sup> in the final.

Te Rongopai Marino 1<sup>st</sup> in his heat and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the final.

*Great effort by them all!*



**Pool** - The school swimming pool is still open and we will advise everyone when we decide it is no longer warm enough to keep it open.

I would like to thank the Board for making the decision to spend the large amount of money needed to upgrade the pool last year and I am sure our school community and the wider community would agree it has been such an asset to have over the hot holiday period. Even now that we are back at school it is still being used regularly in weekends by key holders.

**Staff** - To have 5 teachers at our school, instead of the four we currently have, we need to have a certain number of children and we hope to reach that number early next term. When we do reach the magical number we will then be able to employ another teacher and the classroom sizes will be reduced.

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## INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING COMPETITION.

Tomorrow at 1pm - ALL WELCOME.



### *Principal's Comment continued -*

I must say thank you to the Board of Trustees once again for making an excellent decision to fund teacher aides to help in the classrooms, it means the students are not missing out on any learning time.

**Board of Trustees** - Don't forget we have board elections coming up soon so if you are interested in being on the school board and being part of the decision-making process, feel free to approach a board member or myself and we will advise you of what the position entails and answer any questions you may have.

Current Board Members are; Kerry Terrey (Chairperson), Bruce Jones, Carrissa Brown, Dinelle Saunders, Helen McDougal, Raylene Harris and Ross Harvey.

Have a great weekend everyone!

Ross Harvey, *Principal*

### WINTER SPORTS RETURNS

Please remember that these need to be returned by MONDAY! This is important as we need to know if we have enough for full teams or whether we need to approach other schools to combine with them. Thanks to those who have already done so.

**NETBALL** - We now have some Netball information to share with those who are interested.

Years 1-4 will play on Wednesdays and start on 8th May through to Wednesday 7th August. Fees are \$40 each.

Years 5-8 play on Saturdays starting 4th May through to 17th August. Fees are \$40 each for Yrs 5-6, and \$617.50/team for Yrs 7-8 (this will be divided by the number in the team).

Netball Whanganui have advised that players are not permitted to play up a group.

We shall advise when more information comes to hand.

### OTHER FUNDRAISERS

The Sausage Sizzle fundraiser to help Joshua get to Australia raised \$490, and the Mufti Day fundraiser for the Christchurch terror attack victims families raised \$300.

It is wonderful to see everyone getting behind these events to support others.

WELL DONE everybody.

### FOKIS PIE & HOT X BUN FUNDRAISER

Thank you to all who supported this fundraiser. We made approximately \$642 which is awesome.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Thomas family who won the Easter Goody Bag for selling the most.

Picture is of Mitchell and Lilly with their prize.

### LOST PROPERTY

There is a MOUNTAIN of uniform (+ some socks, shoes, etc) in lost property. All the uniform is not named so we cannot return it !! Please check your children's uniforms to ensure they are all clearly named. Next time you are at school please go through it all and take what belongs to you.

### LOST AND FOUND

**LOST** - Size 6 (or 8?) school Polar fleece. Named on tag with 'Hamish Coe'. Please check your child has the correct fleece and return to school office if found.

**FOUND** - In school carpark. A UE Boom. Please see Wendy in the school office if it's yours.

