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Term 1

Hi All,

Great to have the sunshine back! The last few weeks have seen the number of Covid cases creeping up in the Wairarapa with several schools now affected. Included with your newsletter this week are some flowcharts and information around what you should do if any of your family become ill or are deemed a close contact of a positive covid case. It's really important that you let school know if you or your child are unwell or need to isolate.

If you have any concerns or questions please contact the school office.

Its been a busy week in the classroom, todays learning included construction of our new basketball hoop and wooden kitchen playset. Students needed to read and follow the instructions and it put their skills and patience to the test with lots of screws, nuts and bolts!

Students are looking forward to swimming lessons which start next Thursday.

Have a good week and stay safe.

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What's coming up...

Thursday 3 March
Swimming Lessons begin

Tuesday 8 March
Swimming Lessons

Thursday 10 March
Swimming Lessons



Covid-19 Information

A number of schools in the Masterton area have now been touched by covid. Please be assured we will let everyone know as soon as we can if there is a positive case connected with school. In the meantime we have processes in place to help keep our school staff and students safe.

A reminder to all our parents/whanau to please drop your children at the gate. We ask that you don't enter the school grounds. The exception is if your child is a new entrant or has special needs, please bring them to the deck and drop them there.

If you would like to meet with teachers, please ring the office and make an appointment.

Social distancing, masks and signing in are required if parents/whanau are on site for a meeting.

Thank you.

Included with your newsletter are a some flowcharts to explain what to do if you or your whanau test positive for covid or are a close contact.

If your child needs to self isolate the school will provide them with work to do from home and, should the school need to close for a period we will be providing all students with home learning.

Swimming Lessons

Lessons start next Thursday 3 March. They will be twice weekly on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**. Thank you for returning your permissions for swimming, just a couple more to come in 😊.

Please ensure students have their togs towel, some warm clothes to put on afterwards and if possible goggles.

Student Masks

Students have been amazing at wearing their masks to and from school and in the classroom. Thank you to all our families for helping us with this, we do now have a supply at school.

Van Fees

The latest accounts are included with your newsletter. If you have any queries please give Brigie a call.

Sunhats

Remember that in term 1 and 4 of each year all children are expected to wear a wide brimmed hat when outside. No hat means having to sit on the deck in the shade instead of running around. All children need to bring a hat from home to wear.

2021 End Of Year Data

Below are our end of year results in Writing. Please note that our data includes all students, including those with special educational needs and new entrant students who may not have completed one full year at school.

2021 Writing Data

Writing continues to be an area of concern and it appears that students made little progress across the year in 2021, despite targeted and deliberate teaching. A Ministry of Education report suggested that in 2020 students' progress in writing appeared to have been impacted by lockdowns and we wonder if this could be a contributing factor in our results.

2020 Writing data for comparison.

	Well Below	Below	At	Above
All Students (16)	7 43.75%	2 12.5%	3 18.75%	4 26%

Data breakdown by Ethnicity and Gender

Ethnicity	Well Below	Below	At	Above
NZM	3 17.6%	2 11.7%	2 11.7%	0
NZE	5 29.4%	2 11.7%	3 17.6%	0
All Students	8 47%	4 23.4%	5 19.3%	0
Gender	Well Below	Below	At	Above
F	1 5.8%	1 5.8%	2 11.7%	0
M	7 41.3%	3 17.6%	3 17.6%	0
Total	8 47%	4 23.4%	5 19.3%	0

Strengths:

- Students have an increasing understanding of the different genres of writing
- Increased grammar knowledge which is positively impacting the structure and quality of writing
- Students have continued confidence in their ability

Next Steps:

- Focus on ways to motivate boys in writing e.g. link into passions/interests, authentic purposes for writing, use mentor texts for them to refer too.
- Continue to teach a variety of text types and have a focus on grammar and structure of writing.



Assembling our new basketball hoop

Firewood For Sale

Macrocarpa

Pick up only - no delivery

\$120/cubic metre



Fundraiser for the Mauriceville School and Community Hall

If you would like to buy a load or two please contact

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