

# Newsletter

13 March 2023

Number 06/23

**Kia Ora Koutou  
Greetings**



## Whakawhanaungatanga

"establishing extended family like relationships"



Formal notice has been received by the Board Chairman that NZEI employees (Primary Teachers' unions) whose work is covered by the Primary Principals' Collective and the Primary Teachers' Collective will be on strike from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Thursday 16 March 2023.

Our school will be affected by the proposed strike as our teaching staff are covered by the above Collective Agreement.

As the school will not have the teaching staff available for classrooms on that day, the Board Chairman, in considering that the health and safety of students and staff is paramount, has determined that it is not feasible to have the school open for instruction.

Therefore our school will be closed for instruction on Thursday 16 March 2023.

Brett Johnstone  
Board Chairman.

### Childsplay Afterschool Programme

Please note our Childsplay after school programme will not be running on Thursday.

## Term 1 Upcoming Events

**Tues 14 Mar**  
- Year 4 Trip to Pukemokemoke  
**Thurs 23 Mar**  
- Junior Trip to Rotopiko  
**Mon 27 Mar**  
- Parent Teacher Meetings  
**Tues 28 Mar**  
Parent Teacher Meetings  
**Weds 29 Mar**  
- BOT Meeting 5:30pm  
**Thurs 6 Apr**  
- Last day Term 1  
**Fri 7 Apr**  
- Good Friday - School closed  
**Mon 24 Apr**  
- Teacher Only Day  
**Tues 25 Apr**  
- Anzac Day  
**Weds 26 Apr**  
- Term 2 commences for children

## 2023 Netball Season

### Dates for Junior Season 2023

Start: Term 2 - Week 2  
Year 3 & 4 - Wednesday 3rd May  
Year 5-8 - Thursday 4th May

Notices for players, coaches, managers and umpires will be sent home this week.

## YEAR 4 PUKEMOKEMOKE BUSH WALK

Our Year 4 students from Room 1 and 2 are heading to Pukemokemoke tomorrow, Tuesday 14th March. They depart at 9am. They will be sketching leaves and studying kawakawa leaves and insects. They will have the challenge of walking to the summit! Many thanks to our parent helpers who are: Penny McHardy, Danielle Hotene, Peter Cameron, Trish Harding and Sarah Brenchley . Children need to wear shorts, a t-shirt, closed sneakers, a hat, and bring a warm sweatshirt in their bags. They also need a packed morning tea and lunch and a drink bottle. Staff for the trip are: Tray Whiu, Rosé Hodgetts and Vicki Todd.

### Swimming Sports

I was excited to see who would win. My heart was pounding every minute. I felt nervous when I was in my first race. I felt cold and happy! Everyone's eyes were on me I had goose bumps. When I hit the water I push myself in to the water. The bang was so loud I got scared.

By Ryder Christy, Year 4, Room 2

By Ryder

### Swimming Sports

My heart was pounding my head was screaming  
"get ready,set,go"!Bang!  
Off I went diving into the pool,splash.  
It felt like all eyes were on me.  
The rush of excitement in my body!  
My arms going over my my head .  
Drips of water fall on my face.  
A big breath of air back to the intense game!  
My legs and arms were aching .  
Next up - unexpected relays.

By Alyssa Marsh, Year 5, Room 2

By Alyssa

### Swimming Sports

I was really excited as I walked down to the pool. After all the big kids races I had my flutter board race! I came in first. There were more big kids races then I had my backstroke! I came in third. Finally I had my freestyle race, I came in second. I was in Tainui. We cheered on everybody. At the end we had to run back to class because it was going to rain.

By Mackenna Lett, Room 11,  
Year 3.

### Swimming Sports

Yesterday I was excited for the Swimming Sports because I got to swim and race a group of my friends. My favourite bit was when the big kids and the parents did a relay. I saw the big kids do backstroke, they were good. I heard Luke say "On your marks, get set, GO!"

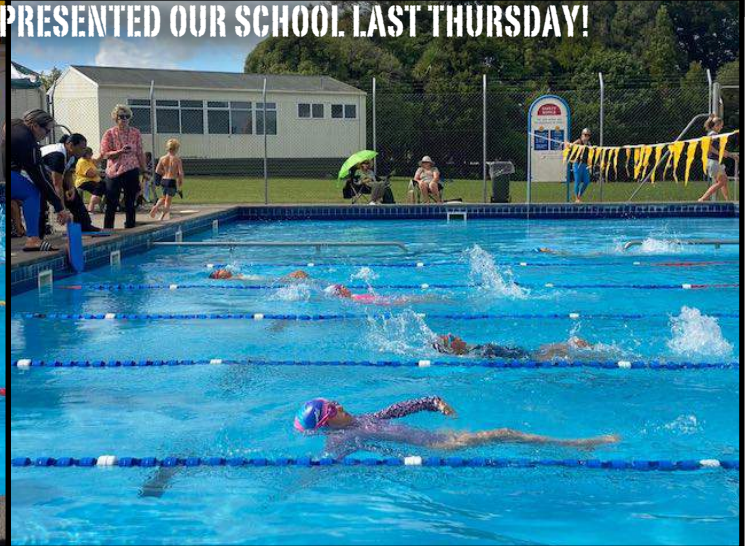
By Briar Walker, Room 11,  
Year 3.





## INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS

WELL DONE TO OUR SWIMMERS WHO REPRESENTED OUR SCHOOL LAST THURSDAY!



# CAR BOOT

## SALE

SUNDAY 26TH MARCH | 10AM - 2PM  
MORRINSVILLE SCHOOL FIELD



## \$10 ENTRY | PER VEHICLE OR TABLE

\*You do not require a vehicle, B.Y.O tables are welcome\*

A VARIETY OF FOOD AND  
BEVERAGES WILL BE  
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE  
ON THE DAY

TO BOOK YOUR SPOT OR TO  
RECEIVE MORE INFORMATION  
PLEASE CONTACT OUR  
'FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL'

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## FOTS POOL PARTY DISCO

**MANY THANKS TO OUR FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL (FOTS) AND STAFF WHO HOSTED A POOL PARTY DISCO LAST THURSDAY!**



**ROOM 4 HAVE BEEN BUSY CREATING THEIR VISUAL PEPEHA TO DISPLAY ALONG SIDE THEIR WRITTEN PEPEHA IN OUR CLASSROOM. THE SHAPE OF OUR VISUAL PEPEHA SIGNIFIES A WAKA. INSIDE THESE WAKA YOU WILL SEE EACH CHILD'S MAUNGA, AWA, MARAE, WHAANAU MEMBERS, INGOA (NAME) AND SOMETHING THAT IS SPECIAL OR IMPORTANT TO THEM.**

