

# Greetings from Weber School!

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## Good morning...Morena.... Hello!

Half a term completed... and it is flying! Last week was a week of news and I want to thank you for your kind messages about my move to Colyton School. The BOT, as always, are on to it. Please do fill out the google form [here](#) asking for the qualities you are looking for in our next Principal. The middle room parents and students also have some changes. Mrs Phelps is on leave and will be returning in term two. Mrs Arnold will be sharing the class with me. The transition has been smooth and already Mrs Arnold is a valuable part of our team.



We had another wonderful week finished off with another fabulous Friday! Our reading focus in well underway and there is real excitement amongst the teachers about the development of the programme. This week is another busy one with swimming sports slap bang in the middle. The robot has been named and the children find out today.... its official and oh so serious the name is... wavebanger! Well done Cooper for the great idea.

**COVID update** With a move back to level one, we welcome everyone back on site but ask that you continue scanning the QR code on the gates and signing in as normal. Behind the scenes the staff have developed an updated 'distance learning response', so should we move to level three we can move swiftly to online learning. I want to acknowledge those in Auckland who have done this four times now, we are so very lucky to live where we do!

**SCHOOL GROUNDS** While we are happy that our grounds are open to the community, it seems we have some children who have found a way to enter one of our buildings. We ask that all community members remind all children in the grounds that they are not to enter any buildings out of school hours, and please can they keep all gates closed.

## KEEPING OURSELVES SAFE

Next week we will begin a unit on Keeping Ourselves safe. This is a child abuse prevention programme, run in conjunction with the police. Constable Max will be delivering some lessons while teachers will deliver the others. This is a unit around children keeping themselves safe from abuse and how they can ask for help. This is a serious topic, and as such I would encourage you to go online [here](#) to look at the lesson outlines. There are likely questions or conversations that may flow out at home.

I am able to run a meeting at school Thursday if I parents would like to. Please let me know and I will confirm a time. I would go over the programme and answer any further questions. Also feel free to email/ phone with questions as well.

## IMPORTANT DATES Term One

10 March  
Weber  
Swimming –  
at Wai Splash

15 March  
Country  
School  
Swimming

23 March –  
Weet-bix  
Tryathlon

25 March  
Interschool  
Swimming

2-6 April  
Easter Break

16 April – End  
of term



## PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

We will be running these in the next few weeks, dates to be finalised. These will be a short check in about how your child has started the year, what we have noticed academically and socially and what our next steps are.

Have a wonderful week everyone!



**S**triving for success



**T**eam Player



**A**ctive Learner



**R**espectful

## SWIMMING SPORTS

We made the decision last week to plan a level two event. With the move to level one we will stick to this plan. All information is in the [google form](#) sent out last week – I would appreciate your responses asap.

Remember:

- Held at Dannevirke WaiSplash
- No buses running Wednesday and no school back at Weber following the end of swimming sports
- Small pool demonstrations are at 9.30am.
- Laned competitive events is at 10.30am

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### Attendance

Today we have 20% of our school away. This impacts on the children's learning and teacher's planning. When a child misses a day, they are a day behind in their learning and everyone else in the group needs to go on. They have also missed out on the news of the day and spend a lot of the next day trying to 're-find' their place in the group.

When children are sick – of course they must stay at home but please send your children to school.

### Hockey in Palmerston North

The opportunity to play 11 a-side hockey on a full-size turf is a huge step in the development of our young hockey players, building confidence and skills. Dannevirke Junior Hockey is looking to send a combined team of Yr 7 & 8 players to compete in the Manawatu Hockey competition.

We seek expressions of interest for the Manawatu Hockey 2021 competition to play 11 a-side game on the full turf in Palmerston North on Friday nights term 2 and running into term 3.

If your child is interested in playing hockey in Palmerston North please let us know via email to [dscjuniorhockey@gmail.com](mailto:dscjuniorhockey@gmail.com)

All other players in years 0 – 8 will have the opportunity to play in our local inter-school Dannevirke competition on Friday nights in Term 2, more details to register coming soon.

