

22 July 2024



## **Team Māhuri (Years 4-6) - Term 3 Newsletter**

Dear Parents and Caregivers

As the days get longer and the weather improves, we have another action-packed term coming up in Team Māhuri. This term's learning includes swimming lessons, winter sport, cycle safety (Year 6), and speech competitions.

### **Classroom programme:**

The classroom focus will be on effective numeracy and literacy learning; other curriculum focuses this term:

Science: Human Systems

Oral Language: Persuasive speeches

Sport: Winter sport, swimming lessons, athletics training

Literacy: Persuasive speech writing

Numeracy: multiplication/division, fractions/decimals/percentages/ratios, problem-solving, measurement, geometry

### **Winter Sport:**

Team Māhuri's and Team Kōhure's winter sports season will be held every Friday afternoon for 6 weeks of the term. Teams will travel by bus with games starting at 1:15pm. Rugby/netball teams will play at Hagley Park, football/hockey teams will play at Nunweek Park. Sports draws and locations are posted on the Primary Sports Canterbury website: <http://drawsresults.sportsrunner.net/?org=PSC>. A multisport programme will run at school and cover a range of sports. The hockey, football, rugby, and netball teams will also compete in the **North West Zone Winter Tournament** in Week 4, on Friday 16 August.

### **Cycle Safety (Y6 only):**

The Cycle Safe team from the Christchurch City Council is coming to work with Year 6 students in weeks 2 & 3 this term. The qualified instructors take health & safety very seriously. There is no cost for this programme. We encourage students to use their own cycle and helmet, however, for those who do not have their own, the Cycle Safe team has ten cycles and helmets available to use.

**Rooms 5/6 - Wed 31 July, Thurs 1 August**

**Rooms 7/8 - Fri 2 August, Mon 5 August**

### **Swimming:**

Team Māhuri has swimming lessons on these weekdays in Term 3:

**Week 7: Mon 2 to Fri 6 September**

**Week 8: Mon 9 to Fri 13 September**

Lessons will be held at Canterbury Swim School. The cost of this programme is fully covered by Russley School through Ministry of Education funding. The expectation is that every student participates in swimming to help them acquire a survival skill which often builds to fun and involvement across many water activities in New Zealand.



On a sadder note, New Zealand has a very high proportion of deaths around water. In the past, we have had a number of students who have chosen to not participate for various reasons. Swimming is part of the school curriculum, and with the school covering the cost of swimming lessons and transport, we don't anticipate any barriers to participation. We ask all parents to support this. Please note that all students must wear a swimming cap.

**Important dates:**

Week 1 – Winter sport Fri 26 July

Week 2 – Year 6 Cycle Safety Wed-Thur = Rooms 5/6 , Fri Rooms 7/8, winter sport Fri

Week 3 – Year 6 Cycle Safety Mon Rooms 7/8, winter sport Fri

Week 4 – Year 4 sports day Tue 13 Aug, Zone Winter Sports Tournament Fri 16 Aug

Week 5 – Winter sport Fri

Week 6 – Final winter sport Fri

Week 7 – Māhuri swimming lessons@Canterbury Swim School,

Week 8 – Māhuri swimming lessons @ Canterbury Swim School

Week 10 – PTA Colour Run Fri 27 Sept, Last day of term Fri 27 Sept

**Questions / Queries:**

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries.

All the best

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