



## **NEWSLETTER TERM 1-02**

Thursday 23 February 2023

Kia Ora rā, e te whānau ō Otamarakau School

### **TRYATHLON / MEET THE TEACHER**

It was great to see so many whanau come to the Tryathlon / Meet the Teacher event yesterday. What a wonderful day. All the students gave it their best and enjoyed the swim, bike and run. Also, the ice block at the end. Our thanks to Mrs Adams for her hard work in organising the event.

We will announce the winners and placegetters at assembly on Monday.

### **HOUSES**

Our students have voted and the new Otamarakau houses are Pascoe, Taika and Adams. The existing houses have been renamed through a draw.

- Hillary is now Pascoe
- McCaw is now Adams
- Blake is now Taika

### **RELIEF FOR HAWKES BAY**

A huge thank you to everyone in the community who supported the collection for our friends and relatives in the Hawkes Bay. The clothing, food and other items will be appreciated by the recipients. Thanks to Miss Rowan for arranging this.

### **HPV IMMUNISATION**

The nurse has been into school to share information about the immunisation programme with our Year 8 students. There is some useful information for parents at:

[www.health.govt.nz/immunisation-older-children](http://www.health.govt.nz/immunisation-older-children)

The third video is particularly relevant.

## **BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS (BBBS)**

Big Brothers Big Sisters EBOP believes all young people should have the chance to reach their full potential - we help achieve this by providing one on one mentoring through two core programs; school based and community based. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer mentor, we would love to hear from you. Contact Matt at: 027 226 8354, [matt.turner@bbbs.nz](mailto:matt.turner@bbbs.nz).

*ONE HOUR - ONCE A WEEK - ONE LIFE*

## **DANCE CLASSES**

Celeste Dance Classes provide instruction in performance, hip hop and contemporary dance for all ages. If you are interested contact Amanda on 021 0841 0697 or [dancer.amanda11@gmail.com](mailto:dancer.amanda11@gmail.com)

## **WHAKATAUKI OF THE WEEK**

*He rau ringa e oti ai*  
Many hands make light work



## **COMING EVENTS**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>
Monday 27 Feb	House of Science in school
Tuesday 28 Feb	GRIP Leadership - Y.7 & 8
Wednesday 1 Mar	MOW's field trip
Thursday 2 Mar	Y.7 & 8 Leadership - Pongakawa