

## IMPORTANT DATES TERM 1 2016

11/3/16	Basin Athletics
16/3/16	Child/Parent/Teacher Interviews
18/3/16	Northern Athletics pp date 21/3/16
22/3/16	Child/Parent/Teacher Interviews
25-29/3/16	Easter – Return to school Wednesday 30/3/16
1/4/16	Clubs Day
11-15/4/16	Yr 7 & 8 Routeburn Track Tramp
15/4/16	Term 1 Concludes

Last Tuesday our Year 4-8 students participated in the combined Te Anau & Mararoa Schools Swimming Sports at the Fiordland Pool. In true Te Anau Basin tradition we were treated to a display of outstanding swimming skills along with excellent sportsmanship, fairplay and good natured rivalry between the competitors from both schools.

Not to be outdone, the Kiwi class had their own junior swimming sports in the Mararoa pool on the same day and, judging by the number of certificates I presented at Friday assembly, these young students will be setting the bar rather high for their Te Anau counterparts in a couple of years' time.

Our focus is now on athletics as the students complete their final days of training in preparation for the athletic sports at Te Anau School next Friday.

### Welcome to our School

**Cassius Thomson**

We hope you enjoy your time in Kiwi Class.

### Mararoa School PTA

AGM - 22 March, 7.30pm in the School Library. All parents welcome. All new officers are required, so if you are interested please come along to the meeting.

**Mararoa School Swimming Pool** is now **closed** for the season. All pool keys must be returned to the school office immediately. Thank you.

### Class Awards

**Friday 5 February 2016**

**Room Kiwi** – Leah Johnston – for great focus on your reading.

**Room Tui** – Natalie Spence – designing an interesting bird kite.

**Friday 12 February 2016**

**Room Kiwi** – Iris Spence – has amazing number knowledge.

**Room Hoiho** – Logan Salter for showing great determination during maths working out population percentages.

**Room Tui** – Charlie Ruddenklau – has completed all his literacy and numeracy tasks in a positive & competent manner.

**Friday 19 February 2016**

**Room Kiwi** – Ianthe MacMillan Armstrong – Awesome, writes words and sounds by herself.

**Room HoiHo** – Charlie Carran – For showing great concentration while learning how to draw graphs.

**Friday 26 February 2016**

**Room Kiwi** – Benjamin Zamora-Dorador – has great number knowledge.

***PGG Wrightson Cash for Communities have donated \$92 to our school. Thank you to those people who are registered with this scheme.***

### **Northern Southland Swimming Results**

Our Mararoa children shone at the Northern Southland Swimming Sports last Friday.

Congratulations to:

**Max Kempthorne** 1<sup>st</sup> 9yr boys backstroke

**Lucy Holmes Crombie** 1<sup>st</sup> 10yr girls backstroke,  
2<sup>nd</sup> medley

**Natalie Spence** 1<sup>st</sup> 8yr girls breaststroke

**Sid Spence** 2<sup>nd</sup> 10yr boys breaststroke, 2<sup>nd</sup> medley

**Ivan Temple** 2<sup>nd</sup> 9yr boys freestyle

**Sophie Willans** 3<sup>rd</sup> 10yr girls freestyle

### **Athletics**

#### **800m and 1500m**

These events will take place at Te Anau Primary School for 9 and 10 year old children.

**Monday 7 March 1.30pm 800m**

**Wednesday 9 March 1.30pm 1500m**

You will be contacted tomorrow, if your child has entered this event.

**Netball trials for year 5 and over players** who wish to play in Winton this year will be held on Tuesday 8 March 3.30 until 5pm at the Event Centre.

Contact: Linda Pawsey 249 7877

### **Athletics Programme – 11 March 2015**

#### **For 5 & 6 year olds**

11.00 11.15am morning tea. Mararoa children to gather near/on the fire engine.

Children given cards (yellow 5 year olds, blue 6 year olds, hats on and shoes off). There are the drinking fountains nearby to allow children time to have a drink. Walk assemble outside Room 7 & 8 to get organised into the 5 teams ready for 11.15am start.

- Team 1 – 5 year olds (approx. 16)
- Team 2 – 5 year olds (approx. 16)
- Team 3 – 5 year olds (approx.16)
- Team 4 – 6 year olds (approx.20)
- Team 5 – 6 year olds (approx. 20)

### **Te Anau Basin Athletics**

As you are aware next Friday (11 March) we are holding our Basin Athletics Day at Te Anau Primary School. These sports will begin at the slightly earlier time of **8.55am** for 7-10 year olds up and 11.15am for the 5 and 6 year olds.

Relays begin at 9am

Lunchtime 12.35-12.55pm

Please ensure your child has:

- their school uniform on
- food
- a drink
- sunhat
- sensible footwear
- a safety pin to attach athletics card to clothing  
**(juniors only)**

The Te Anau PTA will be having a BBQ at lunchtime with sausages and bread and the Sandfly Mobile Coffee Truck will be there from 10-1pm.

The postponement day for our athletics is Monday 14 March

The buses will not be running on this day, so you will need to transport your child to Te Anau for the athletics. They **do not** come to Mararoa School.

If you have any trouble getting your child to this event, please phone the school and we'll try to help you out.

**When finished all Mararoa children may leave with their parents. Please let your class teacher know before you leave.**

Station 1: 11.20 – 11.35

Station 2: 11.35 – 11.50

Station 3: 11.50 – 12.10

Station 4: 12.10 – 12.25

Stop for lunch 12.30 – 1.15pm

Station 5 1.5 – 1.30pm

Sprint Age races

Te Anau children to meet in their own classes & Mararoa to meet by the fire engine on the concrete area. When class registers completed walk children over to the starting point by Room 7 & 8 to begin afternoon session to complete station 5 and age sprints.

**When finished all Mararoa children may leave with their parents. Please let Mrs Ibbotson know before you leave.**