



Good afternoon Big Rock families/whānau.

What a fantastic week we have had!

Assembly on Wednesday showed us what amazing students we have and the creative work that they are doing in the classrooms.

Brighton Beach Day was a big hit with the students. When asked what they liked the most, a lot of them said “everything!” It was fantastic to see the children giving everything a go and the smiles on the faces were proof that the day was a success.

Thank you again to the parent helpers. Your enthusiasm and encouragement towards our kids was amazing to see.

The senior class had their first surfing outing of the year after the rest of the school headed back up the hill for an iceblock and a rest. 3 of our Yr 6 students are lucky enough to have been invited to participate with the senior class during surfing. These children have all had experience surfing and show great promise in the water.

### **Pet Day Homework Challenge**

This year the Pet Day Homework Challenge is to build a bird house.

Specific details will come home on Monday.

### **Upcoming Events**

Pet Day – 17th March

PTA Working Bee – 21st March

Greater Green Island Triathlon – 24th March

Board of Trustees Meeting – 25th March @ 3.30pm.

Little Rock Pre-school Fundraiser – Bingo - 25th March @ 6.30pm at the Green Island Rugby Club

Pool Parties – 30th and 31st March

Pool Closed – 1st April

Last day of the term – 2nd April

***Listening      Laughing      Learning      Looking After Others***

Some Big Rock students who were ‘caught’ displaying our school values this week were –

Braxton Parata – outstanding work looking after our younger students during our beach trip.

Kaylyn Te Ngahue – outstanding work looking after our younger students during our beach trip.

Greyson Farqyhar – Listening and Learning – fantastic work in Room 3.

## Sports Roundup

### Players of the Day

Big Rock Stingrays



Millie Scoullar

Big Rock Orcas



Alex Judd

Big Rock Dolphins



Kendrick Keki

Big Rock Sharks



Quinn Hollands

### Weebix Tryathlon

Well done to all of the Big Rock children who took part in the Weebix Tryathlon last Sunday.

Look at the smiles on those faces! Well done!!



### Surf Lifesaving

Jaxon and Leon Skerratt represented Brighton SLSC on Saturday in the Otago/ Southland Junior Championships at Warrington.

It was a huge day - starting at 8.00am and finishing at 2.00pm.

The boys competed in every event for the Under 11s, including beach sprints, swim relays and won several of them, including the board relay, where Leon and Jaxon made up the team.

They were outstanding with their team spirit and commitment to the whole event.

Brighton came 3rd overall.

Fantastic work!





## **A Big Rock Welcome**

We had two new students start at Big Rock last week.



Liliana Heberd - Room 3.



Timothy (Timmy) Williams - Room 1

## **Reminders**

### **After School Care**

Bookings or cancellations for After School Care can be made by texting 021 082 50863 or by emailing [asc@bigrock.school.nz](mailto:asc@bigrock.school.nz).

### **Absences**

Thank you for getting your absences and late notifications in before 8.50am on Skool Loop. It saves us a lot of time if we don't have to chase these up.

### **Office Hours**

Monday and Wednesday – 8.45am – 3.15pm

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 8.45am – 12.15pm

*Please note that if your call goes to the answer phone, leave us a message. Staff may not be able to answer the phone at that time but will check the machine as soon as they can.*

## Sushi

Sushi is available for lunch on a Wednesday. You can order this by using the Kindo/Ezlunch app.

## Lunch Orders

These can be made at the shop on a Friday or dropped at the school office before 9.00am.

## Lost Property

This can be located in the library.

## The new Stepped Attendance Response Regulations from the Ministry of Education and what they mean.



An automatic email will be sent from EDGE, as per Ministry requirements, when unjustified absences reach 4.5 half days in a term.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

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Acting Principal