

# SPS Year 7-8 Newsletter

## Term four, 2024



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome to Term 4. It is looking like it will be a busy end to the year! We have our senior school production, tech week, school social, and the Big Day Out. Add all of this into transition to High School for Year 8 students, triathlon, and the end of the school year, we are going to be all go!

This term we have swimming each Wednesday at the town pools. Students will need goggles, togs, and a towel. We will not be contacting families if gear has been forgotten so please check on Tuesday nights.

Our sporting opportunities this term include touch rugby, swimming sports, and the senior school triathlon.

The inquiry units this term focus on the school production, and film studies. More information about film studies will come out early in the term.

The senior social is always a popular event in the calendar. This year we have social in Week 7. We will start practising for this early in the term so everyone is ready to waltz the night away!

In the last week of term we have our Big Day Out. Using money raised during Build a Business the senior syndicate will bus into New Plymouth, spend the day at the aquatic centre, and enjoy pizza for lunch!

This can be a very testing term for tired students, teachers, and parents alike. Please keep in touch with your child's teacher if there are any concerns or questions.

Our teaching team remains:

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### School Lunches this term

Please contact your child's teacher if they do not want to have the school lunches for the rest of the year. We can remove students names from our school lunch list, this means they will not be supplied a prepared meal from KDJ catering.

If your child chooses not to have a meal they are allowed to skip a day, and will need their own lunch from home.



### Important Dates

#### Week 1

14-18 October:

- Powhiri for new students, Monday 14
- Swimming starts, Wednesday 16.
- Year 7/8 netball and rugby finals: Friday 18

#### Week 2

21-25 October

- Swimming, Wednesday 23
- National shakeout day, Thursday 24

#### Week 3

28-1 November

- Labour day, Monday 28
- Pre-Camp meeting, 8:30, 3:00, and 5:30, Tuesday 29
- Swimming, Wednesday 30

#### Week 4

4-8 November

- Pre-Camp meeting, 8:30, 3:00, and 5:30, Tuesday 5
- Swimming, Wednesday 6
- Year 7-8 production , dress rehearsal and evening performance, Wednesday 6
- Year 7-8 production, Matinee and evening

#### Week 5

11-15 November

- Tech week: Monday and Tuesday
- Swimming, Wednesday 13
- Year 8 orientation day to SHS, Friday 15

#### Week 6

18-23 November

- Tech week: Monday and Tuesday
- Swimming, Wednesday 20
- Year 7-8 triathlon

#### Week 7

25-29 November

- Swimming, Wednesday 27
- School social, Thursday 28

#### Week 8

2-6 December

- Reports sent home, Tuesday 3
- Swimming, Wednesday 4
- Swimming sports, Friday 6
- Christmas parade, Friday 6

#### Week 9

9-13 December

- Big day out, Tuesday 10
- Swimming, Wednesday 11
- Leavers assembly, Thursday 12
- Final assembly, last day of school, 13 December