



Kia ora Whānau

Over the past few weeks, our NSS whānau has faced some very difficult moments as several staff members have experienced the loss of loved ones. On behalf of our entire school community, we extend our deepest aroha and heartfelt condolences to you all. Please know that we stand beside you, united in support during this time of grief.

As a school, we continue to uphold and model the values we teach our tamariki—kindness, compassion, and care for one another. This spirit of *manaakitanga* is at the heart of who we are, and it guides us as we support those in our community who are hurting.

To our staff who are grieving, may you find comfort in the strength of our collective aroha. We are here for you.

It has been a busy and exciting week for sport at NSS. We began with the return of Max and the Footsteps Physical Education programme. This innovative programme blends technology with fitness, encouraging students to be active while developing key fundamental movement skills. Through each session, our tamariki strengthened their catching, passing, acceleration and deceleration, hand–eye coordination, and concentration.

Touch and swimming sessions have kept the good times rolling this week! It's fantastic to see the kids showing so much enthusiasm and real improvement. Having our own school pool is such a bonus, we are really lucky and grateful to have this amazing asset!

On Tuesday, our Year 7–8 students attended Elite Athletics—and returned as champions, proudly winning the banner. What an outstanding group of athletes we have! They represented NSS with excellence across all events, demonstrating determination, sportsmanship, and skill. We are incredibly proud that this marks the fourth banner NSS has earned this year out of a possible seven. Ka mau te wehi, team NSS!

Ngā mihi nui  
Jo Reiri-Tatana – Principal



Thanks for supporting Crazy Hair Day last Friday for Youthline- "Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourou ka ora ai te iwi."