

Desire to Learn, Aspire to Achieve Whaia e koe te iti Kahurangi

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Newsletter

Week 2, Term 4
Thursday 26 October 2017

From our Principal....

Kia kaha, kia toa, kia manawanui – be strong, be bold, be steadfast

It has been a busy start to Term 4, which is a relatively short term of just under 9 weeks. Next week we have got 2 **WAVE (Wellbeing and Vitality Education) afternoons** coming up on Tuesday 31st October and Thursday 2nd November. These afternoons will see the children actively involved in a variety of events across the 2 days. Congratulations to our WAVE team who are co-ordinating this for the school.

Next Friday, 3rd November we are having a **Muffi Day** with the proceeds going towards the Geraldine Childrens Social Work Trust. The schools and early childhood centres in the Geraldine area are extremely fortunate to have this valuable service to support our families. Please bring a gold coin donation for this.

Later in this newsletter there is a flyer for our **New Entrant Information Afternoon**, which will be held on Wednesday 22nd November at 1.30pm. We encourage any families who have children turning 5 between December 2017 and June 2018, to come along to this afternoon to learn about starting school at Geraldine Primary.

This afternoon at assembly our **Ukulele Group** treated us to a performance, showing their talents and the progress that they have made throughout the year. Many thanks to Hugh and Fi McCafferty who have dedicated so much time to the group. We appreciate the efforts they have gone to and the work that they have done with the group.

Finally we wish everyone involved in Pet Day tomorrow all the very best with their pets – congratulations for all the work you have put into both raising your pet and completing the project. We hope the weather will be fine for this event.

Ngā mihi nui, Andrew Leverton *Principal / Tumuaki*

School notices: WAVE Challenge Day

Week 3- Tuesday 31st October, Thursday 2nd November

The WAVE team are hosting two afternoons of activities set out for the whole school to participate in to promote healthy well-being. As part of this children are able to bring their wheels (scooters, skateboards, roller blades). All children must have a helmet.

The following classes can bring their wheels in Week 3 on **Tuesday**:

Rooms: 1,2,4,5,6,7,9,13,15

The following classes can bring their wheels in Week 3 on **Thursday**:

Rooms: 3,8,10,11,12,17

Lost Library books

Thank you to everyone who has paid to replace lost books from the Library.

If you still have overdue books, please keep looking for them so they can be returned. At present there are 163 books **overdue** with an average replacement cost of \$15 which means there is \$2,445 worth of books that haven't been returned by their due date for a variety of reasons.

There has been a big increase in severely damaged and lost books this year which impacts on what is available for your children to borrow.

So please help your children be responsible for caring and returning library books so that everyone can enjoy them.

Scholastic Book Club Orders

Book club orders are due in on Friday 27 October. No exceptions.

Pet Day 2017

Friday 27th October, Woodbury Hall & Domain 10.15am

DAHM Good Coffee available, please bring cash as eftpos in the Domain is variable. This event is only for children in Years 3-6 who have returned their permission form and completed their project.

Wanted

As part of our final topic looking at the technology of communication devices over time the Tongaroa (Senior) Syndicate are wanting for term 4 the following items. We would like them to look at but we would also love some old unwanted ones we could open up and pull apart.

Record Players

Tape Decks

CD Players

Walkmans

Typewriters

If you have any of these please either contact Murray Davidson or Bronwyn Waldron or alternatively drop them into us in Room 4 or Room5.

Many thanks

Old School Desks and Chairs for Sale

We have some old school desks and chairs to sell - \$3 for a student desk, \$2 for a chair. Please see Malcolm Campbell – Property Manager.

Office Payments

In line with our new accounting system, we have now installed a locked blue dropbox in the office entry. While our preferred method of payment is by direct banking, parents who wish to pay cash or cheque can use this box to deposit payments.

Payments must be in an envelope clearly labelled with your child's name, room number and the purpose of the payment. Cash must be the correct amount as no change is able to be given. The dropbox will be cleared daily, and payments will be recorded in our online system. Receipts will be issued on request.

Reading folders and bus vests will still be sold from the school office and payment for this needs to be given direct to the office ladies. Please be aware that we do not have eftpos facilities and the correct payment amount would be much appreciated as the office does not carry change.

For those who wish to pay online, our account number is ANZ 01-0841-0024832-010

Please use your child's name as a reference and what the payment is for e.g. Activity Fee, Camp etc.

Mauri ora whānau,

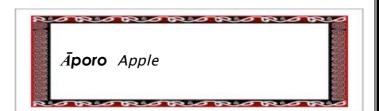
Te kupu o te wiki, the word of the week

We are excited to introduce to you Te kupu o te wiki, the word of the week To encourage our children and their families to learn new Māori words, we will have a word of the week that appears in the newsletter and in their classrooms. Give it a go and drop it into conversation when you can! Your kids will love to hear you using Te Reo Māori and so will Whaea Ange!

Mauria te pono – Believe in yourself!

Our latest Māori words are:





School Photos

The first lot of photo orders have been returned. We still have another lot to send away so if you have not yet given your order envelope to the office, please do so as soon as possible as our last lot of orders will be sent away for processing very soon.

Dogs at School

We remind everyone that dogs are not permitted on school grounds and respectfully request that dogs be tied to the school fence on Cox Street beyond Room 13 or beyond the junior playground.

Dental Clinic

To make an appointment at any time please phone 0800 846 983.

School Calendar -

2017 Term Dates

Term 4 16 October–15 December

Term 4

Week 3

Monday 30 October Pet Day postponement
Tuesday 31 October WAVE Challenge afternoon

Wednesday 1 November SC Primary Schools Mountainbiking

Thursday 2 November WAVE Challenge afternoon

Pp SC Primary Schools Mountainbiking

Friday 3 November Mufti Day for Social Work Trust

Week 4

Monday 6 November Home & School meeting, 7pm, Staffroom

Tuesday 7 November Y5/6 Top Team

Friday 10 November Hiwi the Kiwi show, afternoon

Week 5

Tuesday 14 November Y6 testing at Geraldine High School

Week 6

Wednesday 22 November Y4-6 Water Safety

New Entrant Information Afternoon, 1.30pm, R9

BOT Meeting, 5.30pm, staffroom

Friday 24 November District Athletic Sports

Week 7

Monday 27 November pp District Athletic Sports

Week 8

Tuesday 5 December SC Athletic Sports
Wednesday 6 December NE – Y3 Water Safety
Thursday 7 December pp SC Athletic Sports

School Disco – details to follow

Friday 8 December Principal's Assembly, 10am

Week 9

Tuesday 12 December Y6 Pool Party and BBQ – community pool

Board of Trustees, 5.30pm, Staffroom

Buses in morning only

Carols on the Village Green 11.15

Family Picnic at school Final Assembly 1pm School year ends

No buses running in the afternoon

2018 Term Dates

Thursday 14 December

Term 1 31 January – 13 April **Term 2** 30 April – 6 July

Term 3 23 July – 28 September Term 4 15 October – 18 December

Home & School

Geraldine Primary Home & School Form: have you returned this to the office yet? We would welcome involvement at any level.

Abacus Art: The Home & School committee will not be running this service in 2017 due to waning interest and the availability of online options.

Sausage Sizzle: Sausages are available for our children every Friday lunchtime. Orders are taken on Friday mornings prior to school starting 0820 – 0850. Sausages cost \$1.50 each. Payment is by cash (correct amount please) or by purchasing a card for 10 sausages (\$15.00) from the Office. Gluten free sausages are available for purchase for \$1.50. Please assist your children to ask for a gluten free sausage when they place their order, **and** when they collect their cooked sausage. Gluten free sausages will be served in a serviette.

Second Hand Uniform: As stated previously, this is now available from Rosie's second hand clothing on Peel Street. Rosie's is open Tuesday to Thursday 10.30am to 3.30pm. We request that donations of uniform continue to be dropped off at the School Office. Next Meeting: Mon 6 Nov, 7pm, Staff Room

Community Notices

PGG Wrightson – purchase Balance Agri-Nutrients fertiliser between 1 September and 30 November 2017 and nominate GPS. For each tonne purchased \$1 will be given to us.

Geraldine Giant Pumpkin Competition: Join in the fun this summer and grow a giant pumpkin! Seeds can be purchased from Robbies Cafe and Milkbar, Geraldine, for \$2 until end of October or feel free to use your own! Judging will be held in conjunction with Anzac in Action 2018. Find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/Geraldine-Giant-Pumpkin-Competition to post updates and pictures of your growing success!



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New Entrant Information Afternoon

Would you like to find out more about our school?

Pre enrolment information for parents of children turning 5 between December 2017 and June 2018, or any other interested parents.



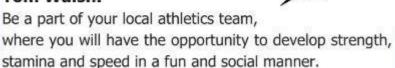
We are holding an information meeting on Wednesday 22 November, 1.30 pm in Room 9.

You are cordially invited to come and find out what Geraldine Primary School has to offer and ask any questions you may have.



Geraldine Athletics Registrations Open

Wanted; the next Usain Bolt & Tom Walsh!



Coaches will be on hand to support your development and give tips and advice to further your skills.

The Geraldine Athletics Club operates at the Geraldine Oval every Wednesday at 5.45pm from 11 October 2017 to March 2018.

Register online

(https://memberdesq.onesporttechnology.com/3197/org)

For more information visit:

W:http://www.sporty.co.nz/geraldineathletics F: https://www.facebook.com/geraldineathletics



Our season commences in the Geraldine Pool in mid-November. This year we have two levels of registration - competitive swimmer and club swimmer. Swimmers must have completed GASC Learn to Swim Level 5 or similar prior to joining.

Registrations are required by Monday November 6th. For more information and to register please contact the Secretary, Meg Catherwood, secretarygasc@gmail.com, or phone 021 2015227.

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- *Newsletters





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