



Geraldine Primary

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Newsletter

Week 2, Term 4
Thursday 25 October 2018

From our Principal

Kia ora Whanau. Ka nui te mihi ki a koutou - greetings to you all.

On Tuesday 23rd October, eight of our students in Year 5 & 6 represented Geraldine Primary in the 2018 Alpine Energy SC Primary Schools Tennis Tournament in Timaru. The children had a fantastic day, played very well and did themselves proud.

Cayden Howell finished 4th for the Year 6 and under boys final.

Tahlea Bradshaw finished 1st in the Year 6 and under Girls Consolation final

Bryn Hanrahan finished 2nd in the Year 6 and under Boys Consolation final

Special thanks to Jane Slater and Lynore Bradshaw for giving up their time and managing the two teams for the day.

We have a small number of Year 5 and 6 children competing next Wednesday in the South Canterbury Primary Schools Mountain Bike Competition. This is a great annual event held at the Scenic in Timaru. A huge thank you to those parents helping out on the day.

On Tuesday 6th November we have our WAVE Challenge. This will be a fun activity time for our entire school from 1 to 2pm.

The last day for buses is Monday 17th December. They will run for the morning only. On that day we have our carols at the village green, picnic at school and our Year 6 leavers Assembly.

Our last day of term will be Tuesday 18th December, this is generally a clean up day.

We are advertising in the up coming Geraldine News for registered teachers who would be interested in relieving at our school. As you are possible aware through media that it is getting increasingly difficult to get teachers. This situation also affects our ability to get relieving teachers for our classrooms. So if you know of anybody please ask them to contact our school office.

At this stage there is a possible strike day for teachers on Thursday 15th November. It is our desire that the negotiations on the huge issues affecting the teaching profession can have some progress before then. If this strike goes ahead we will be officially closed for the day. We will keep you informed.

Congratulations to Ange Dudson-Moko who has been successful in receiving a teacher's study award for 2019. This will see Ange on leave from GPS next year to study a Te Reo Maori immersion course. Ange has been given a Teach NZ Maori Medium Study Award to study at the University of Canterbury to complete Hōaka Pounamu.

We have started advertising for a teacher to cover Ange's leave and will inform you all when an appointment has been made.

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

Ngā mihi nui,

Murray Davidson

Deputy Principal Tumuaki

School Notices

Staff Carpark

Please note that the carpark on Huffey Street on the school grounds is for staff only. Please respect this as it is a health and safety issue. There is a space that has been allocated within this carpark, to specific parents who have permission from The Board of Trustees to park here.

School Disco

Save the date: December 14th – more details to follow.

New Students

A special welcome to Arthur, India and Toby who have all started in R15 recently.

School Photo Orders

The **last day** for ordering school photos is Wednesday 31 October. When we have received all orders back from the photographer we will put a note in the newsletter.

Gotcha Draw

Congratulations to the following students who received a prize in the Gotcha draw recently: Molly, R15; Lucy, R1; Lincoln, R1; Sophia, R17; Henry, R4; Benaiah, R11.

Principal's Awards T3

R1	Finn O'Brien	R2	Zoe Keane	R3	Hayley Pidgeon
R4	Tasman Pidgeon	R5	Jack Eason	R6	Tom Avery
R7	Grace Jordan	R8	Will Pirie	R9	Hamish Grant
R10	Siobhan Stack	R11	Maddi Berry	R12	Naomi Barlow
R14	Katherine Bell	R15	Matilda England	R17	Regan Nicholls

Whanau House Points for Term 3

Kahurangi	78	Kakariki	50	Whero	79	Kowhai	82
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Online Payments

For those who wish to pay online, our account number is: ANZ 01-0841-0024832-10

Emergency Contact details

If you have had a change of address or phone number recently, please make sure that the office has up to date details.

We have had several instances recently where we have incorrect information and no back up emergency contact numbers. Please feel free to ask at the office to check the information we currently hold for you.

Wanted:

if anyone has a 20" bike that they would like to loan or donate to the school, it would be much appreciated by the students in the Perceptual Motor Programme (pmp) group.

Many Thanks, Mrs Scott, Learning Support Co-ordinator

Pet Day 2018





Pet Day 2018

At Woodbury



COFFEE HOUR

THURSDAY 8 NOVEMBER

FROM 8.50 – 10AM

Geraldine Primary School staffroom

This is an informal meet and greet.

ALL WELCOME

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE.

CRECHE AVAILABLE.



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Family Support Person

Calendar

Term 4

Week 3

Wednesday 31 October SC Mountainbike Competition for Y5 & 6
BOT Meeting, 5.30 pm

Week 4

Tuesday 6 November WAVE challenge afternoon
Wednesday 7 November Top Team Competition at Geraldine Domain Y5 & 6
Thursday 8 November Coffee Morning 8.50am, Staffroom
Friday 9 November Muffi Day for Geraldine Children Social Worker Trust
Saturday 10 November Car Boot Sale, 8.30am – 1pm

Week 5

Tuesday 13 November WAVE Challenge afternoon

Week 6

Friday 23 November District Athletics

Week 7

Monday 26 November pp District Athletics
Friday 30 November Home & School Fun Run, 1pm

Week 8

Tuesday 4 December SC Athletics for those selected
Thursday 6 December Coffee Morning

Week 9

Thursday 13 December Reports home
Friday 14 December GPS Disco

Week 10

Monday 17 December Last school bus (am only)
Carols on the Village Green, 11am
Final Assembly, 1.15pm
Tuesday 17 December Y5 & 6 children invited to help clean up

2018 Term Dates

Term 4 15 October – 18 December

2019 Term Dates

Term 1	31 January – 12 April	Term 2	29 April – 5 July
Term 3	22 July – 27 September	Term 4	14 October – 18 December

Queen's Birthday	Monday 3 June
Teacher Only Day	Tuesday 4 June
South Canterbury Anniversary	Monday 23 September
Labour Day	Monday 28 October

Home & School

Geraldine Primary Home & School Facebook Page: have you liked us yet?

Michael Van de Elzen Good from Scratch Kids Cookbook Tour: Geraldine Primary School has been fortunate to be selected to host Michael on his nationwide tour. Join him for a cooking demonstration, Q & A session and book signing with a focus on tasty and easy to make healthy dishes. This event takes place this Saturday 27 Oct at 10.30 am at the GPS School Hall. Entry tickets cost \$10 per person and are available at the school office or door sales will be available on the day. All of the proceeds of the ticket sales will go to the GPS Home & School Committee for the benefit of GPS children.

Car Boot Sale: Please support this fundraiser which will assist the Social Workers' Trust which provides such a valuable service to our community. See flyer attached.

Baking Donations: We are asking school families to please support the Car Boot Sale event by providing donations of baking for sale at the Car Boot Sale. Baking can be dropped off either at the School Hall on the Friday morning of 9th Nov or to Debbie Oliver at 86 McKenzie St.

Sausage Sizzle: Sausages are available for our children every Friday lunchtime. Orders are taken on Friday mornings on the hall veranda 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: This will continue to be 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 15 Oct 7pm, Staff Room. New members most welcome.

Community Notices

Art Exhibition New plein air artworks of Timaru and South Canterbury, same night as the Arcade Market, Friday 26 October 10am – 8.30pm. Wayne Patrick, 11A Royal Arcade, Timaru

Justice of the Peace Services - Geraldine

Each Saturday a Justice of the Peace (JP) will be on duty at a desk in the Geraldine Library/Service Centre, 78 Talbot Street, Geraldine. Hours 10am – 12pm. The location of this JP signing desk is in the Plunket Rooms within the Library, so offers a private area for consultation.



**GERALDINE
SWIMMING CLUB**

Our club's swimming season commences in the Geraldine Pool in mid-November. We invite new members to join our friendly group of swimmers. We have two levels of registration - competitive swimmer and club swimmer. Swimmers must have reached an acceptable standard to enter our programme (mastered strokes over 25-50m). For more information about joining and prerequisite skills please get in touch. Pre-season training starts after the school holidays so earlier enquiries are welcome. For more information and to register please contact the Secretary, Meg Catherwood, secretarygasc@gmail.com, or phone 021 2015227.

Rob Martin Productions

presents

for one night only

NOT STRICTLY BROADWAY

Matt Deavoll takes you on his own personal musical journey...

An evening of Broadway songs both old and new!

@

Kingsdown Manor on Saturday October 27

Matt would love you to come along and support his new show.
As the evening is catered with yummy finger food please make your booking
by Thursday October 25.
Full bar facilities.

Pre-book your tickets

Email: rob@robmartinproductions.com



GERALDINE PRIMARY SCHOOL

SATURDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

8.30AM TILL 1.30PM

LOADS OF STALLS WITH LOTS OF BARGINS

MR WHIPPY & LIL' ORBIT DONUTS ATTENDING

(weather permitting)

CAKE STALL, SAUSAGE SIZZLE, RAFFLES, FOODBANK

COLLECTION POINT, THE UKELELE PEOPLE

PERFORMING (HUGH & FI)

PROCEEDS TO THE GERALDINE CHILDREN'S SOCIAL

WORK TRUST

BOOK AND PAY YOUR SITE FEE \$20 IN AT GERALDINE

PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICE

Michael Van de Elzen Tickets \$10 each, available from the GPS office.



**MICHAEL VAN DE ELZEN'S
GOOD FROM SCRATCH
KIDS COOKBOOK TOUR**

Proudly supported by ecostore

Group: GERALDINE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Date: SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER 2018, 10.30AM

Venue: GPS HALL - 73 WILSON STREET

Michael is super excited to be visiting us! He will talk about the importance of eating well, and how to make sure healthy dishes are also tasty and easy to make!

Join us for a cooking demonstration, Q+A session and book signing with New Zealand's much loved healthy chef.

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BY ZALANI

GOOD! FROM SCRATCH
MICHAEL VAN DE ELZEN