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### **Newsletter**

Week 6, Term 2 Thursday 7 June 2018

#### From our Principal

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

Last week 8 members of our Moiho (Knowledge) group attended an **EPro8 Challenge** in Ashburton. Team GPS Magic (Riley Dudson-Moko, Hunter Wilson, Poppy Slater and Zoe Keane) secured 1<sup>st</sup> place and team GPS Rockets (Jody Quiambao, Cassidy Sherriff, Zac Allen and Tasman Pidgeon) 10<sup>th</sup>. We are very proud of their efforts. The Magic are now off to the semifinals on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June in Rolleston. We wish them good luck as they continue to represent Geraldine Primary.

A special Welcome to Kim Whitman and Daniel Stack who join Rob Wilson, Frances Coles, Justin O'Brien and Juliet Marsden on our Board of Trustees. These two positions have arisen due to a current vacancy. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Board for their continued governance of our school.

Thursday and Friday last week saw our Senior students visit the Timaru Library and Museum. This was part of their study on Matariki and taught our children some aspects of early Māori life. They got see some star clusters, Māori tools and games.

Next Tuesday we have twenty children representing us at the South Canterbury Primary Schools cross country. This is being held at Waihi School and will be a great challenge for our runners.

On Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> we have three teams representing us in Timaru for **Jump Jam**. This is a fun and tough competition. I would like to thank the teachers for all the time and effort they have put in over their lunch breaks. The teams are all looking very good.

The NZ Police have been working with the children on Road safety. It has covered safe walking for the younger children and safe biking for the Year 5 and 6. The police will continue to work with us for the term and also cover Keeping Ourselves Safe.

A reminder to all of our parents is that there is a teachers meeting on the afternoon of Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. All of our teaching staff will be away attending this meeting on the future of the teaching profession. This means that classes will finish on that day at 12.15pm, with buses departing shortly after. Parents of bus children will need to be at the bus stop to collect their children, or the bus will return them back to school.

For children who do not get the bus, we encourage parents to collect them at 12.15pm or the children walk home at this time.

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

*Ngā mihi nui,* Murray Davidson Deputy Principal / Tumuaki

#### Keeping Ourselves Safe 2018 - covered in Weeks 7-10 of Term 2

Each class will be taking part in the Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme this term. Keeping Ourselves Safe helps children develop safety skills when interacting with others. Your child may bring home some follow up homework for this programme. A Police educator will visit the classroom as part of this topic.

Students in Year 1-3 will cover the following modules:

- 1. I am unique- Students will learn their name, address, feelings and who they live with.
- 2. My body is my own- Students will learn body parts and touch that they like, that hurts and that is confusing.
- 3. Dealing with unwanted behaviour and touch- Students will learn about good and bad secrets and saying no to unwanted touch.
- 4. Adults who help- Students will learn about adults they can trust and who can help them.

Students in Year 4-6 will cover the following modules:

- 1. Confident me-Students will develop confidence in their decision-making and feelings.
- 2. Safe or unsafe-Students will learn to identify safe and unsafe situations.
- 3. No excuse for abuse- Students will learn about what abuse is and that it is wrong.
- 4. Why should I tell- Students will learn to stop inappropriate touch and say no.

The following New Zealand Police website has further information for parents if you are interesting in finding out more.

http://www.police.govt.nz/advice/personal-and-community-advice/school-portal/resources/successful-relationships/keeping-1

If you have any queries about the Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme, please feel free to see either myself or your child's teacher.

Sarah Strowger Teacher in charge of Health Education

#### Geraldine Primary School Cross Country

Congratulations to our placegetters:

1st Blake Booth, 2nd Royden Barnett, 3rd Matteo Kimura Year 6 Boys: 1st Nicole Schoneveld, 2nd Poppy Slater, 3rd Emily Geary Year 6 Girls: 1st Joe O'Kane, 2nd Max Roger, 3rd Asher Harmon\_Barnes Year 5 Boys: Year 5 Girls: 1st Tahlea Bradshaw, 2nd Keira Wynn, 3rd Rose Fletcher-Young 1st Lenny Simpson, 2nd Ryan O'Connor, 3rd Demian Gonzalez Year 4 Boys

Year 4 Girls 1st Zoe Slater, 2nd Toia Sheed, 3rd Evie Grant

Year 3 Boys: 1st Sam O'Connor, 2nd James Fitzsimons, 3rd Luca Kimura Year 3 Girls: 1st Nirvana Ruddle, 2nd Grace Worner, 3rd Olivia McLaren 1st Ollie Barnett, 2nd Myka Murphy, 3rd Jordan Rathgen 7 Year Boys:

1st Shanae Barnett, 2nd Sophia Cisneros, 3rd Neena Marsden 7 Year Girls:

1st Zak Booth, 2nd Logan Batty, 3rd Flynn Slater 6 Year Boys:

1st Paris McRae, 2nd Naomi Barlow, 3rd Justina Courage 6 Year Girls: 1st James Bell 2nd Camilo Cisneros, 3rd Hamish Grant 5 Year Boys:

1st Ashlee Bolt, 2nd Ruby Oliver, 3rd Lucy Squires 5 Year Girls:

#### Bible in Schools

This has commenced again for term 2 and will run through until the end of Term 3. Sessions take place at lunchtimes on Thursday in the library from 12.15 to 1.00. Participation is voluntary and if parents wish their children to take part they should discuss this with them and remind them each Thursday. BIS is run by volunteers who are associated with St. Andrew's Church in Geraldine.

#### Policy Review

Each term the Board of Trustees reviews policies as part of a 3 year cycle. This term we are asking parents/whanau to assist us in the process by reviewing the Reporting to Parents Policy. To access instructions for this and for any policy, please visit our school website – www.geraldine.school.nz, click on the school info tab at the top of the page and then the school policies tab in the side bar. This will then provide you with further instructions.

#### New Students

A special welcome to the following students who have all started at our school this term: Harry, R12, Monny and Maddisyn, R9.

#### Te Reo

Mauri ora whanau,

I am excited to continue our learning with Te Reo Maori. Following on from Te kupu o te wiki, the word of the week, we are going to put a phrase in the newsletter each term that you can use along with last years words. We want to encourage our tamariki and their families to learn new Maori words and phrases. Give it a go and drop it into conversation when you can! Your kids will love to hear you using Te Reo Maori and so will Whaea Ange!

Mauria te pono – Believe in yourself!

Our phrase for Term 2 is:

Homai te give me the





#### 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.

#### Dental Clinic

The Geraldine Primary School Dental Clinic is Open from Tuesday 5 June, four days a week. Please phone 0800 846 983 to make an appointment.

#### School Calendar

#### Term 2

Week 7

Monday 11 June Musical Asthma Show – whole school

Monday 11 June Road Safety Programme Y0-3 Tuesday 12 June Road Safety Programme Y0-3

SC Cross Country for those selected

Wednesday 13 June Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme starts

Week 8

Monday 18 June -

Wednesday 20 June Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme continues Wednesday 20 June SC Jump Jam competition, Theatre Royal

BOT Meeting, 5.30pm

Week 9

Monday 25 June –

Wednesday 27 June Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme continues

Week 10

Monday 2 July –

Wednesday 4 July Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme continues

Friday 6 July Open Assembly, 1.15pm

Last Day of Term 2

2018 Term Dates

Term 2 30 April – 6 July Term 3 23 July – 28 September

**Term 4** 15 October – 18 December

#### Home & School

**Fundraising**: Thank you to the following people who kindly volunteered their time over the long weekend to sell refreshments at the South Canterbury Car Club event on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June: Marissa Grant, Helen England, Anna Belsham, Paula Campbell and Juliet Marsden. Thank you also for members of the school community who donated baking for this event.

Upcoming Fundraiser: Keep an eye out for details of our **Ladies Movie Night** later this term.

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

**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 11 June, 7pm, Staff Room. New members most welcome.

#### Community Notices

After School @ Kids Alive on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June are looking at extending the time from 12.15pm on that day due to the Union meeting for the teachers. At this stage we are just seeing what interest there will be before we confirm costings etc. If you are interested in booking your child in please email <a href="mailto:lorraine@kidsalive.co.nz">lorraine@kidsalive.co.nz</a> as soon as possible so we can start planning.

**Four Peaks Seido Karate Club** are starting their beginners class on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June at the Geraldine Bowling club rooms from 5-6 pm. The class is open to all ages and we encourage parents to get involved too. Karate develops self discipline, confidence, fitness and it is a great martial art to learn. Come along and get involved. Any questions please ring Liz Glasier on 03 693 7212 or 0272321316

**Food Bank** Winter is the busiest time for the food bank. Any donations of non perishable items would be appreciated. Donations can be made to the Geraldine Primary School office and will be delivered to the Food Bank by the Family Support Worker.

# It's a School Holiday

**Sportacular** 

Held at Geraldine High School Gym 16<sup>th</sup> July – 20<sup>th</sup> July

Time 9am – 3pm Age – 7 -13yrs Cost - \$20 per child per day for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Child \$15 per child per day for 3<sup>rd</sup> or more

Monday –Volleyball, Tball and Badminton
Tuesday – Dodgeball, Ultimate Frisbee and Basketball
Wednesday – Bench ball, Cricket and Gymnastics
Thursday –Athletics, Football and Netball
Friday –Ki O Rahi, Hockey and Dodgeball

Bookings Essential – Contact us NOW

Payment is required before bookings can be confirmed.

<a href="mailto:k.andrews@geraldinehs.school.nz">k.andrews@geraldinehs.school.nz</a>

03 693 0017 Ext 7215

**Run By Geraldine High Schools Sports Coordinator** 





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# Winter 2018 School Holiday Programme

Our Junior Chef at Home programme provides children, aged 8-16, with an insight into the culinary world, developing many of the cooking, baking and technical skills they will need if they decide to turn their passion into a career.

Your student will move through this self-paced programme in around 20 hours, and enjoy regular online interaction with our Chef Instructors.

#### No need for Fancy Equipment or Expensive Ingredients

Learn about Health, Safety, & Hygiene in the Kitchen
Receive Feedback from our Chef Instructors
Interactive Recipes and Videos
Choose from Cooking or Baking or do both
Enter the Mystery Basket challenge and you could win a prize!

#### Enrol your Junior Chef today!

International Culinary Studio is offering your students a chance to enrol this school holiday at a discounted rate of \$20 per student per course. The school with the most enrolments will receive a culinary hamper worth \$500, which will be donated to their school for fundraising, a raffle or whatever purpose they choose.\*

- 1) **JAZZ WORKSHOP and Concert with the CMNZ Jazz Trio Ole King** . This is local's musicians' chance to learn from the best! June 12th 3.30- 5.30 workshop and 7.30 Concert.
- . As we have received some support from Creative Communities, we can offer this workshop at only \$20 for the two hours! See poster attached.

In preparation for Matariki and Winterlights, we are offering two other workshops:

- 2) **LANTERN MAKING** with Sarah Johnston: **June 10th and 24th.1-4pm**. The idea is to prepare as many star lanterns as possible in the month of Matariki, to be then used during the Winterlights Lantern Walk (free community event on July 13th) and then to decorate your home.
- 3) MASK MAKING with Oamaru Artist Donna Demente! Donna, who owns a large gallery in the Victorian precinct, which is filled with her beautiful, colourful and fantastical art, is coming to Geraldine for two separate days to teach us how to make beautiful procession masks and face mask, to be used at the lantern walk and later to brighten up your home or school. **June 30th and July 7th**, **10 am to 5pm**.

Places are limited on all courses, so we encourage you to email us as soon as possible . **Email Jill Roberts on academygeraldine@gmail.com for enrollments and enquiries**.