

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

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3WC - 3 Way Conferences

3 Way Conferences, will take place on 12 March from 1-5.30 pm and 14 March 3.10 - 5 pm. If you have not booked a 3WC please contact the office and they will make a booking for you.

Teachers will be involved in 3WCs all afternoon on 12 March and normal classes won't be taking place. Children will attend school in the afternoon for their 3WC only.

Buses will be running at 12.30 pm for GPS children. Please make sure someone is at the bus stop early to meet children as we the buses will run early because there will be no High School students on board.

Primary Teachers and Principals strike action

You will have heard about the ongoing negotiations around primary school teacher and principal employment agreements with the Ministry of Education. These negotiations have been taking place over a number of months, with no settlement yet in place.

There will be a meeting for all primary teachers in South Canterbury to discuss the most recent offer from the MOE during school time on Thursday 21 March. Most of the teachers at GPS will be attending an early afternoon meeting, thus enabling the school to remain open for the full day.

How this will work for us is as follows:

Normal classes will operate until 12.15pm. There will be 3-4 teachers remaining at school in the afternoon until the end of the school day, along with some teacher aides. Normal classroom programmes will stop at 12.15pm, with an alternative programme in place after the lunch break. At 12.15pm, parents are welcome to collect their children from school if they don't want them to remain at school for the afternoon's alternative programme, which will occur with the above reducing staffing. Buses will still depart at the normal time of 2.45pm.

Should you wish to collect your child at 12.15pm on 21 March, please wait outside their classroom at this time. This organisation enables teachers to attend the meeting and minimise disruption for families.

Pool Closes on Monday 11 March

Please return pool keys to the office.