



Geraldine Primary

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Newsletter

Week 2, Term 4
22 October 2020

From the Principal...

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

It was great to be able to attend the South Canterbury Primary Schools Cross Country this week. Well done to the 18 students who represented Geraldine Primary School at this year's event. They ran exceptionally well and should be very proud of themselves. The Year 5 girls, boys and the Year 6 girls all placed first in the team points and we had ten placings in the top ten. Full results are listed below.

Congratulations to two students from Room 4 have won their categories in the Geraldine News Really, Really Short Story Competition. It is wonderful to see our students engaging in their writing and doing well in this competition.

Elise Coster - JUNIOR + OVERALL WINNER
Ryan O'Connor – INTERMEDIATE

The final full school day of the year is Tuesday 15th December. Buses will only run in the morning. We will be having our final assembly for the year at 9am. This is a change from the timing of past years to enable full attendance at this assembly. We will be singing Christmas songs on the Village Green around 11.15. This will be followed by a family picnic lunch back at school. The school year will finish at 2.45pm but parents will be able to take their children home at the conclusion of the picnic if they wish.

There will be some staffing changes for 2021. Debbie Scott, who has given GPS 17 years of dedicated service, with the last 14 years as our Learning Support Co-ordinator will retire from her role at the end of this year. I would like to acknowledge the valuable contributions that Debbie has made to our school, especially in the area of Learning Support and for her oversight of our team of Teacher Aides. I wish her all the best for the remainder of the term.

Sarah Dunckley will take up the Learning Support Co-ordinator for 2021. She will be teaching part time in R15 alongside Leonie Chapman after Labour Weekend for the remainder of this year. Earlier in the year Sarah taught part-time in R9 prior to going on maternity leave.

A final reminder that school will be closed on Monday 26 October for Labour Day and on Tuesday 27 October for a Teacher Only day. I wish all Geraldine Primary families a safe and relaxing long weekend.

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

Andrew Leverton
Principal | Tumuaki

School notices:

WAVE and Whanau Group Afternoons

Week 4 - 3rd November, Week 5 - 10th November

The WAVE team alongside our Whanau Group Leaders 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. If siblings are sharing a scooter please let their teacher know so they can be put in different groups. Each whanau group will be split in half.

The following Whanau Groups can bring their wheels in **Week 4** on **Tuesday 3 November**: Whero and Kakariki (Red and Green)

The following Whanau Groups can bring their wheels in **Week 5** on **Tuesday 10 November**: Kowhai and Kahurangi (Yellow and Blue).

Children can wear their school t-shirt to school and bring along their Whanau Group colour t-shirt to get changed into at lunchtime.

South Canterbury Cross Country

Results:

Year 5 Girls

Nirvana Ruddle (1st), Grace Worner (2nd), Charlie Nichol (3rd), Elin Beertsen (16th) and Addison Campbell (25th)

Year 5 Boys

Sam O'Connor (1st), Wilbur Talbot (8th), Ben Morton (9th), Beniah Courage (10th)

Year 6 Girls

Sophia Rusbridge (3rd), Toia Sheed (5th), Zoe Slater (16th), Evie Grant (22nd), and Hailee Cookson (32nd)

Year 6 Boys

Louis Aulicino (10th), Ivan Orbase (44th), Ryan O'Connor (58th) and Lenny Simpson (59th)

New Students

A special welcome to Lydia, Johnny, Mila and Harry who have all started in Room 6 recently. We hope you enjoy your time at Geraldine Primary.

Gotcha Draw

Congratulations to the following students who received a prize in the recent Gotcha draw: Addy, R1; Skyla, T9; Eve, R11; Gemma, R1; Ollie, R7; Shelby, R12; Harry, R5; Henry, R12; Katie, R2; Kevin, R7; Sophia, R11; Justina, R10.

PB4L Certificates - Week 8 Term 3

R1	Daisha	R2	Kase	R3	Zana	R4	Anthony
R5	Portia	R6	Rosealy	R7	Caio	R8	Flynn
R9	Lachlan	R10	Jayden	R11	Travis	R12	Ollie
R13	Flynn	R14	Shayden	R15	Anaia		

PB4L Certificates - Week 10 Term 3

R1	Eli	R2	Eva	R3	Grace	R4	Darwin
R5	Manaia	R6	Sarah	R7	Vincent	R8	Theo
R9	Maisie	R10	Sophia	R11	Myke	R12	Hamish
R13	Nikau	R14	Beau	R15	Fletcher		

Wanted

I am after metal scraps like bolts, washers etc for my art exhibition art projects. If any one has anything lying around I would be so grateful. Rustier the better.

Sara Jamieson, R13



Calendar - Term 4

Week 2

Friday 23 October

Pet Day – Woodbury Domain

Pp Tuesday 27 October

Week 3

Monday 26 October

Labour Day – school closed

Tuesday 27 October

Staff Development Day – school closed

Wednesday 28 October

SC Primary Schools Mountain Biking competition

BOT Meeting, 6pm, staffroom

Week 4

Tuesday 3 November

WAVE activity day 1 (pm)

Pp Thursday 5 November

Wednesday 4 November

2021 Y4 Chromebook information session 2.30-3.30pm

Week 5

Tuesday 10 November

WAVE activity day 2 (pm)

Pp Thursday 12 November

Week 6

Thursday 19 November

GPS Athletics day

Home & School

The Home and School have a busy Term 4 ahead. Look out for our new Kindo app for ordering your Friday sausages.

Also keep an eye out for our Fairlie Pies fundraiser as well as tea towels and tote bags featuring GPS student art. These would make great Christmas presents!

Sausage Sizzle: Thank you to all those families that tried our new Kindo app to order your sausages on Friday. We hope it went smoothly for you all.

The Home and School appreciate the support and encourage all parents to give it a try! You can order for 1 week or multiple weeks to save you time and no more searching for coins on Friday morning. We still be taking cash sales this term.

Just a reminder that orders through Kindo close at 8.30am on Friday morning.

We would also appreciate more volunteers to assist with our sausage sizzle on Fridays. If we have sufficient volunteers, this only involves helping once per term.

So if you are able to spare a little time on a Friday every few months, please contact our Sausage Sizzle Coordinator, Emma Burnside on 027 635-7012.

Second Hand Uniform: Donations of second hand GPS uniform can be handed in to the School Office.

Next Home and School meeting Monday 23 Nov in the Staff room. Any enquiries to gphomeandschool@gmail.com. All welcome, we would love to see some new faces!

ONLINE KINDO SCHOOL SHOP

Say goodbye to paper forms and having to find cash, and hello to online purchases and payments!

We are very excited to introduce our new online Kindo school shop where you can support fundraisers easily.

[Click here](#) to go to the registration / login page of our Kindo school shop and create your **myKindo** family account.

myKindo app is also available to download for both android and iPhone.



Need assistance? Our Kindo helpdesk is open 8am to 4pm Monday to Friday.

Freephone: 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636) **Email:** hello@myKindo.co.nz

Online support: support.myKindo.co.nz

SAVE TIME - PAY ONLINE

School payments online

Introducing our Kindo School Shop!!

We will be using Kindo for all our fundraising events, starting with our weekly Sausage sizzle

No more having to find cash! It's easy, convenient and open 24/7!

Setting up an account

Creating an account is easy!

[Click here](#) for the login and registration page for our Kindo school shop, OR visit www.mykindo.co.nz.

New users can click or [Create an account](#) and complete the online form with your contact details and your child/ren's names.

If you already have an ezlunch or myKindo account, you can simply log in.

Payment

There are a number of ways you can choose to top-up your account, and this can be done at the checkout, or by selecting the 'top up account' icon.



POLi	No fees. Instant transfer. **RECOMMENDED**
Credit/Debit Card	50 cent charge + 2.5% fee. Instant transfer. Visa / MasterCard / American Express and China UnionPay available.
Bank Transfer	No fees. Allow 2 days for processing.

Shopping

Items can be added to your shopping cart, by clicking on your child's initial next to an item.



Click on the calendar icon to order the item for more than one lunch day.
(Orders close 9am on the lunch day).

Once you have made all your purchases click on the **Checkout** option to complete your transaction.
If you have sufficient funds, then simply click **Place Order** at the checkout and you're done!

Your order will automatically go through to the PTA, and you will receive an email receipt confirming your top-up and/or purchase!

myKindo App

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