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Newsletter

Week 10, Term 3 Thursday 24 September 2020

From the Principal...

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

We are at the end of another term and we will all no doubt be looking forward to the term break and a change of pace for many of us. This term has seen us work through Covid Level 2 and now being at Level 1 means a return to some sort of normality, which will be positive.

Earlier in the week I posted on the school Facebook page about our end of term assembly which will take place tomorrow at 1.30pm. This will be the first time that we have been together as a school for some time and the assembly will be similar to our regular fortnightly assembly. Parents and whanau are all welcome to attend this if they wish.

I also noted about the new date for the cross country which will be on Wednesday 14 October at the Geraldine Domain, starting at 1pm. There will be some course changes to avoid the upgrade to the Bowling Club.

The holidays will be a good time to prepare for Term 4. A reminder that all students are required to wear a plain navy sunhat and I ask that this is ready for the first day of term. Please also make sure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform for the start of next term.

If current or future parents have children who will be starting at GPS in 2021, I ask that they make this known to the school office as soon as possible as this will assist with our class planning for next year. A reminder also that we are accepting out of zone enrolments for Years 0-2 in 2021. Please contact the office for more details.

I wish all GPS whanau a safe and enjoyable term break. Thank you for the support you provide to our school and for your child/ren's education. We look forward to seeing you all again in Term 4.

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

Andrew Leverton Principal | Tumuaki

School notices:

New Students

A special welcome to Chase, R1 and Lydia, R6. We hope you enjoy your time at Geraldine Primary.

Pink Shirt Day- Friday 16th October 2020

On Friday 16th October 2020 the school is going to take part in a nationwide 'Pink Shirt Day' to show that we are in support of schools stamping out bullying and making schools safe and enjoyable places to be. This day links closely to our school values of being respectful and caring to all. On 'Pink Shirt Day' your child is able to wear pink clothing to show they are in support of this cause (they do not have to have every single item in pink).

We will not ask for a gold coin donation on this day but if you wish to donate to this cause run by the Mental Health Foundation you can visit the website below and make a \$3 donation. <u>http://www.pinkshirtday.org.nz</u>. Pink Shirt Day t-shirts can also be purchased from this site if you are interested.

If your child does not wish to take part they should wear normal school uniform on this day.

R6 visit to Kindy

Our Room 6 children had a great time when they visited the Kindy recently. Rosealy, Sarah, KC and Elise had fun playing in the boat.



Dental Care during the School Holidays

The Community Dental Service will be providing dental care for children enrolled with our service during the upcoming school holidays. The clinics will offer treatment and relief of pain sessions by appointment only. To make an appointment please call/email our Contact Centre which operates between the hours of 8am and 4.30pm, Monday to Friday throughout the holidays.

The following Dental Clinics will be open during these school holidays:

Timaru Clinic, Level 1, 18 Woollcombe Street, Timaru

The clinics will offer appointments between 8.15am and 4.45pm for school-age and preschool children requiring treatment. If your child has dental pain because of an accident, please contact your dentist in the first instance.

To book an appointment at one of our clinics please: call 0800 846 983 Or email <u>commdental@cdhb.health.nz</u>

Calendar - Term 3

<u>Week 10</u> Friday 25 September

Term 3 ends

Term 4

<u>Week 1</u> Wednesday 14 October Friday 16 October

School Cross Country, 1pm Pink Shirt Day

<u>Week 2</u> Friday 23 October

Pet Day – joining with Woodbury School Pp Tuesday 27 October

<u>Week 3</u> Monday 26 October Tuesday 27 October Wednesday 28 October

Labour Day – school closed Staff Development Day – school closed BOT Meeting, 6pm, staffroom

Term 4

Monday 12 October – Tuesday 15 December Staff Development Day Tuesday 27 October

Community Notices

Hilton-Geraldine Tennis Club registrations now open for coaching and interclub play. Email Murray at <u>bradshaw@maxnet.co.nz</u>

Hilton Hall Fundraising Quiz Night



Q1.	When?	
ANS.	Friday 9 th October	**Come and have a fun night at
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Q2. ANS.	7pm till late	
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Q3.	Where?	***Supper Provided***
ANS.	Hilton Hall	
		BYO Drinks
Q4.	Who?	***~ • • • • ***
ANS.	YOU!!!!	***Great Prizes***
Q5.	Teams?	
ANS.	4 People or less per Table/Tea	m
Q6.	Cost?	
ANS.	\$20 per Table	
Q7.	Raffles on the night?	
ANS.	\$2 per Ticket	
So please take it that this is your personal invite.		
Ring and Book a table, ASAP		
		ald 0273247174
	Debra Allan	0273408950

Christmas Party Sunday 6th December