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Newsletter

Week 11, Term 2
Friday 26 June 2020

From the Principal...

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

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

Many thanks to everyone who has attended a 3 Way Conference this week and for involving your child(ren) in this process. I understand that there has been quite a lot of sickness recently, which has meant that some 3WCs have had to be rescheduled, or some sick children have remained at home for their 3WC. In the case of rescheduling being needed, your child's teacher will be in touch to arrange a suitable time.

While it is some way off still, there will be a Teacher Development Day on August 20, which we will use for literacy training. In a previous newsletter this was incorrectly listed as August 6. This day was originally planned for March, before schools were in lockdown, so has been rescheduled.

Next Monday our Whanau Groups will be coming together to do a Matariki-based activity. The Whanau Groups provide a good opportunity for senior students to take on leadership roles and for older students to work alongside younger ones, which is known as tuakana teina.

We are one week out from the end of term and no doubt the students will be looking forward to the term break. It has been an interesting 12-week term with varying levels of students on site earlier in the term as we emerged from the Covid lockdown. The term break will be a good time for everyone to refresh and recharge before what we hope will be a relatively 'normal' term.

A reminder about our end of term assembly on next Friday, 3 July at 1.30pm. This will serve as a farewell to Siobhan Hayward, where we will remember her time and service at GPS. Parents, past students and whanau are most welcome to attend this assembly.

I wish you all a safe and enjoyable weekend.

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

Andrew Leverton
Principal

School News

New Students

A special welcome to Abigail, R1; and Elliot, R11. We hope you enjoy your time at Geraldine Primary.

PB4L Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who received a PB4L Certificate at assembly last week:

R1 Maddi	R2 Levi	R3 Leo	R4 Isaac
R5 Chloe	R6 Hunter	R7 Ollie	R8 Pippa
R9 Emerson	R10 Archer	R11 Ollie	R12 Molly
R13 Ruby	R14 Jacob		

Gotcha Draw

Agam, R4; Luca, R11; Flynn, R2; Zac, R2; Ruby Oliver, R13; and Eva, R2 were lucky enough to win a Gotcha prize.

Changes to Subway orders

Prices have now changed as of this term. Ham, roast beef, turkey strips all \$5.90 for a six inch and \$8.90 for a footlong. Veggie 6 inch is \$5.00, a footlong is \$8.00

Additional items that can be ordered:

Fruit squirts \$2.70

Pump \$2.90

Cookie \$ 1.30

Orders can now be done online instead of using an envelope at school. We will still continue to have children taking envelope orders in the morning for those that choose to continue this system.

Go to Subway.co.nz to order online, school lunch programme, log in (or register an email address and make a password), choose Geraldine Primary School and pay with a credit card

HOME & SCHOOL

New Members: We would love to see some new faces! We meet once a month and support the school with various fundraisers. We're a friendly bunch so please come along if you would like to find out more about what we do. Our next meeting will be Monday 27th July, 7pm in the School staff room. All our Office Bearer positions are full so we're just looking for some new committee members from our Primary School community.

You can contribute as much or as little as you can..... many hands make light work!

Pasta Fundraiser: Thank you so much to our school community for their support of this. We raised just over \$1000 to go towards swimming lessons. We may do this fundraiser again later in the year so look out for it!

Help Please: We are currently seeking a couple more volunteers to assist with our sausage sizzle on a Friday, as we have lost several helpers as their children have left GPS at the end of 2019. 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.

Sausage Sizzle: Sausages are available for our children every Friday lunchtime at a cost of \$2 each. Orders are taken on Friday mornings prior to school starting 0820 – 0850. Payment is by cash (correct

amount please) or by purchasing a card for 10 sausages (\$20.00) from the Office. Gluten free sausages are available for purchase for \$2.00. 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: Donations of second hand GPS uniform can be handed in to the School Office.

Home and School meeting Monday 27th July 7pm, School Staff Room. All welcome, we would love to see some new faces!

Calendar

Please check each newsletter for further updates.

Term 2

Week 12

Friday 3 July
Siobhan

End of Term assembly and farewell to

Hayward, 1.30pm

(all welcome)

Term 2 ends - 2.45pm

Term 3

Monday 20 July –

Friday 25 September

Teacher Development Day Thursday 20

August

Week 1

Monday 20 July

Term 3 commences

Week 2

Wednesday 29 July
Staffroom

Board of Trustees meeting, 6pm,

Week 4

Wednesday 12 August

SC Cross Country, Waihi School

Week 5

Thursday 20 August

Staff Development Day - school closed

Week 6

Wednesday 26 August Board of Trustees meeting, 6pm,
staffroom
Friday 28 August Daffodil Day Dress up - dress in yellow
and give a gold coin donation to the Cancer
Society

Term 4

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

Notices

PIANO - free to a good home, phone 693 9458