

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

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## **Newsletter**

Week 3, Term 3 12 August 2022

#### From the Principal...

Kia ora Whānau.

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

Over the past few weeks we have had Year 12 students from Geraldine High School visiting GPS to teach our Year 6's for a variety of fun games as part of their Physical Education course. It has been great to see this sort of connection occurring and there are benefits for both groups of students too. Many of the GHS students had been students at GPS and it was great to see them back here again! Well done to you all.

Schools throughout the country are currently going through the School Board election process. As of today, a new Board takes office at Geraldine Primary. We welcome new members Hamish Pirie, Chad Tozer and Jamie Ward alongside returning members Rhonda Easton and Alicia Pridham who joined the Board earlier this year. Jo Drake will continue on as the staff-elected representative.

I also would like to acknowledge the contributions of three members that we farewell from the Board who did not stand for re-election. Justin O'Brien has been on the Board for six years, with the past three as Board Chair. Juliet Marsden has been on the Board for the past six years as well, and Daniel Stack has been a member for the past four years. Together they have provided effective governance for Geraldine Primary, particularly in the key areas of student achievement, property and finance. On behalf of the school community, I thank Justin, Juliet and Daniel for their many contributions to GPS during their time on the Board and for the support that they have provided.

Please see the note below regarding 3 Way Conferences next week. Classes will stop at 12:30pm on Thursday 18 August. Please follow the link listed to book your 3WC if you haven't yet done so.

Finally, on Friday 26 August we are encouraging staff and students to dress up in yellow for Daffodil Day. We ask that a gold coin is brought to school so that we can make a donation to the Cancer Society.

Haere ora, Haere pai - Go with wellness, Go with care.

Andrew Leverton Principal / Tumuaki

#### School Notices

#### Geraldine Primary School School Board Elections

#### Parent Election Results Declaration (no voting election required)

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Rhonda Easton Hamish Pirie Alicia Pridham Chad Tozer Jamie Ward

Many thanks Louise Ward Returning Officer

#### 3 Way Conferences

Our 3 Way Conferences are scheduled from 3pm – 5.30pm on Wednesday 17 August and 18 August from 1pm – 5.30pm. Classes will end at 12.30 on Wednesday 18 August and buses will depart at this time. The booking website is now live and you can book your 3 Way Conference at www.schoolinterviews.co.nz The code is hkds3. Adults and children in Years 4-6 are strongly encouraged to wear masks at the 3WCs. Please contact the office if you are not able to book online.

#### **PB4L** Certificates

Well done to the following students who received a PB4L certificate at assembly last week:

R1	Sam	R2	Elliot	R3	Molly	R5	Thomas
R6	Bowie	R7	Jack	R8	Jackson	R9	Eoghan
R10	Lhiyhan	R11	Madison	R12	Mackenzie	R13	Michaela
R15	Caleb						

The following children received a Desire to Learn/Aspire to Achieve certificate:

R1	Macaulay	R2	Alice	R3	Blair	R5	Abigail
R6	Valentina	R7	Zane	R8	Oliver	R9	Roman
R10	Phoebe	R11	Logan	R12	Zac	R13	Sasha
R15	Jaxon						

#### Gotcha Prizes

Congratulations to the following students who won a prize in the gotcha draw last week: Johnnie, R8; Skyla, R12; Sophie, R5; Xavier, R15; Erik; Hayden, R12.

#### New Students

A special welcome to Sofia who started in R10 and Eden who started in R6 recently. We hope you enjoy your time at Geraldine Primary.

#### Student Achievement Outside School

We regularly hear about the achievements of our students in their out of school activities. We would like to be able to further recognise these achievements in our newsletters and / or on our school Facebook page. If your child or a GPS student you know of has done well in an out of school pursuit, please let us know! A written explanation of their achievement, along with a photo would be appreciated. Please send details to - principal@geraldine.school.nz.

### Daffodil Day - 26 August 2022 Non Uniform Day

Children are invited to wear yellow and bring a gold coin donation for the Cancer society to support Daffodil Day.

#### Rakaia Lily and Freesia Bulbs

The Geraldine Children Social Worker Trust are selling packets of four lily bulbs for \$11.00 and packets of 20 freesia bulbs for \$6.00. Please check out the Geraldine Primary School Website under newsletters for pictures and the order form. All profits from this fundraiser will go to the Geraldine Social Worker Trust.

#### Hand Foot and Mouth

The Public Health Nurse has let us know that Hand Foot and Mouth is out in the community at the moment. Symptoms are: fever and flu-like symptoms with a rash on soles of feet, palms of hands and in the mouth.

#### Term 3 Calendar

Week 4	
Wednesday 17 August	3 Way Conferences 3pm-5.30pm
Thursday 18 August	3 Way Conferences 1pm-5.30pm
	Classes stop at 12.30pm. Buses – 12.30pm
Week 5	
Wednesday 24 August	School Board meeting, 6pm Staffroom
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Week 6	
29 August – 2 September	Book Week
2 September	Tangaroa (Y5 & 6) Ski Trip, Roundhill
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Week 8	
Friday 16 September	postponement Tangaroa Ski Trip
Week 9	
Friday 23 September	Non Uniform day, Gold Coin donation for
	Geraldine Children Social Worker Trust
Week 10	
Monday 26 September	SC Anniversary – school closed
Wednesday 28 September	School Board meeting, 6pm
Friday 30 September	Term 3 ends, 2.45pm

#### Term Dates 2022

School is open for instruction on the following dates in 2022:

#### Term 3

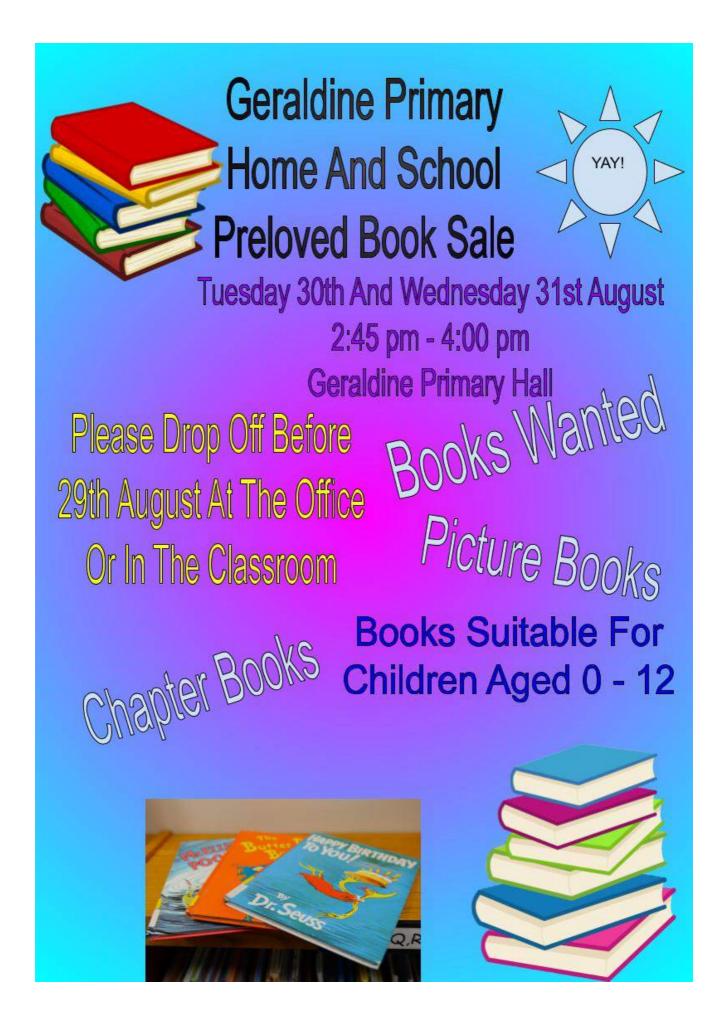
Monday 25 July - Friday 30 September

School closed: South Canterbury Anniversary - Monday 26 September

#### Term 4

Monday 17 October - Wednesday 14 December

School closed:	Labour Day - Monday 24 October		
	Staff Development Day – Friday 11 November		



#### Home & School

#### **Our Committee**

We always welcome new members and 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. If you have any questions prior please feel free to email us at <u>gpshomeandschool@gmail.com</u>

#### Sausage Sizzle

A reminder about the weekly Sausage Sizzle. Sausages are available for our children every Friday lunchtime at a cost of \$2 each. **Orders and payment are through the Kindo app**. Gluten free sausages are available for purchase for \$2.00. Please assist your children to ask for a gluten free sausage when they collect their cooked sausage.

If you are keen to help with the cooking one Friday please email us and we can put your name on the list of helpers.

#### **Uniform Store**

Did you know we have a second hand uniform store at the school? Donations of second hand GPS uniforms can be handed in to the School Office and if you are looking for uniform options you are able to purchase items with a donation to the Home & School Committee (so the funds stay within our school).

#### **Follow us on Facebook**

Did you know we have a Facebook page? Find us at Geraldine Primary Home & School Committee.

#### Community Notices



### Before School/Breakfast Club and After School Programme

Now that we are in Orange Alert Level all programmes are running as normal. The Before School Programme starts at 7.00 am till school starts. The After School programme runs from 2.45 pm (we meet the children at school) till 5.30 pm at the Pavilion. We request that all parents wear masks when they drop their children off and also on pick up.

For more information please contact Scotty Nelson on 027 2413226 or go to kidsalive.aimyplus.com to register

## **KIDS ALIVE**

On the **18<sup>th</sup> of August, Geraldine Primary are holding 3-way Conferences** and the school will be closing at **12.30** on the day.

## Kids Alive will be running a special programme in the afternoon for those that are interested.

The details are as follows:

We will have 3 sessions running.

-12.30 till 3pm. -12.30 till 5.30pm and -3pm till 5.30pm (for High School students).

This will be an afternoon of fun and games. Afternoon tea will be provided for those booked until 5.30pm.

Due to venue bookings, the program will start at the Primary School hall at 12.30 pm. We will then move to the Geraldine Pavilion at 2.30pm. If you are picking your child up <u>before</u> 2.30pm it will need to be from the Primary School hall. If you are picking up <u>after</u> 2.30pm, it will be from the Pavilion.

Bookings for the 18th of August can be made on the website **<u>kidsalive.aimyplus.com</u>**. Once signed in the 3-way conference day can be found under the "special day" category.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Scotty Nelson

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#### Influenza Vaccines

Did you know flu vaccines are available free this year to children aged 5 years up to 12 years.

We still have flu vaccines available and are happy to vaccinate children even if they are not a registered patient with us. Just phone us at Four Peak Health, 16 Cox Street, Geraldine 03 693 8880 to make an appointment if you would like to take up this offer.

