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Alfredton School

Inspiring learning for a lifetime ~ Little acorns to mighty oaks



Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 8 March 2023

Kia ora,

A huge well done to all of the children who took part in the Rural Schools Senior Swimming last Friday. Those who organised the Senior Swimming Sports have selected a team to represent the Rural Schools at Bush Swimming this coming Friday. The children selected have been notified.

We had a great day yesterday when we hosted Junior Swimming Sports. Our Huia children were amazing running games for the younger children. Thank you to all of the parents who helped, especially Jane who spent two hours in the pool. Thank you also to ASCA for organising the BBQ. Thank you to Mrs Bond who ensured that all of the children got to their next activity on time. These events are so successful because the school and community work so well together.

Thank you to all those who have returned the Vision and Values questionnaire. It would be wonderful if every family could complete and return their form by Friday 10th March. This is the first time since 2016 that they have been reviewed. Please take this opportunity to tell us what you think. Children and staff will also be asked for their views.

On Friday 24th March we will be holding a Whanau Quiz Afternoon in the hall. Mrs Bond will once again be challenging you and your children. We will begin at 1pm with a shared lunch, please bring a plate to the hall for 12.45pm or send it to school with your child if you are unable to join us. This is a very enjoyable event and an opportunity for you to have fun as a family and a community. We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to come.

Last week we held a Black and White fundraiser to support a local school who was affected by Cyclone Gabrielle. \$297.70 will be sent to Tinui School along with some library books and junior readers. Thank you for your support.

Attendance is a focus for all schools throughout New Zealand and it is being tracked carefully. Attending school 90% or more of the time is our target. Currently 34 (83%) of our children are at school for at least 90% of the time. Eleven of our children have 100% attendance. Missing school impacts on your child's progress. If you miss one day a week, that is equivalent to missing almost one term of school over a year.

If your child is absent from school, please email or phone the school office explaining why they are absent. Telling the bus driver that they are not at school isn't enough. We have to record a reason for their absence on our school roll. If we don't hear from you, we can only assume that they are truant. If your child is sick or has an appointment that is an acceptable reason for not coming to school and will be recorded as such. If your child doesn't want to come to school, or there is another issue preventing regular attendance please come and talk to me so that we can find ways to support you.

Have a lovely week.

Nga mihi nui

Alison

Dates for your diary

Friday 10th March Bush Swimming Sports - Tararua College

Friday 24th March Family Quiz Afternoon

Wednesday 29th March Sam Strahan Ripa Tournament

Friday 31st March Tararua Ripa Tournament

Thursday 6th April, Last day of Term 1

Monday 24th April Teacher Only Day for all schools in the Tararua Kahui Ako (Staff will be spending the day at Tararua College learning about the Refreshed Curriculum) - School Closed

Tuesday 25th April ANZAC Day - School Closed

Wednesday 26th April School Starts for Term Two

Wednesday 17th May Teacher Only Day (PaCT - Reading)

Wednesday 24th May Y8 National Young Leaders Day (Palmerston North)

Tuesday 30th May Y4 - 8 Tough Guy and Gal Challenge (Palmerston North)

Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th June Parent Teacher Conversations

Thursday 29th June Cultural Festival (Pahiatua)

Friday 30th June Last day of Term 2

Term Dates

Term One: 31st January to 6th April

Term Two: 24th April to 30th June

Term Three: 17th July to 22nd September

Term Four: 9th October to 15th December

Technology Dates (Year 8) Term One

9th, 23rd March, 6th April.

Please make sure that covered footwear (not gumboots) is worn and long hair is tied back.

Bush Primary Tech has its own Facebook page where you will find more information about what the children are learning and see their successes.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

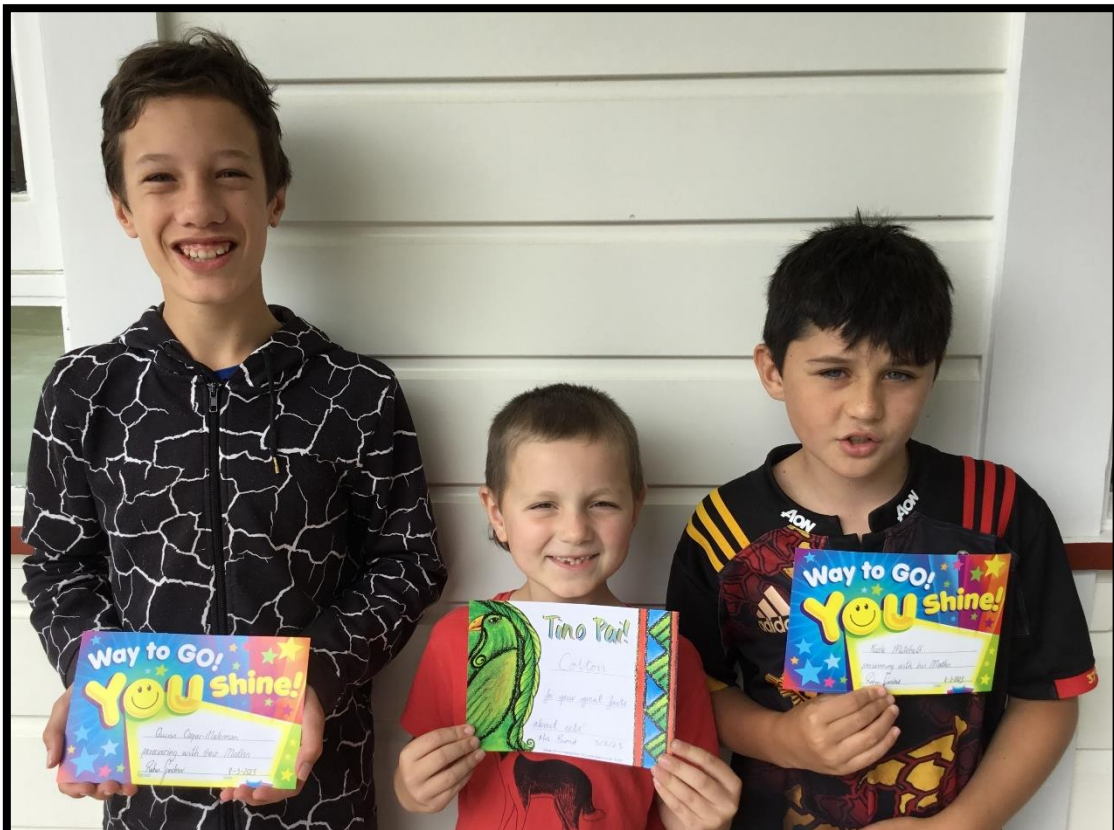
Could we please have all orders in for Edition 2 by Monday 13th March.

If you are ordering online via **LOOP**, can you please use **ALL CLASSES** (not Tui or Huia)

Principal Awards



Class Certificates



BOT UPDATE

Following our first meeting of the year the Board are pleased to let the community know that Tomas Maggio has been elected into the role of Presiding Member.

Other Board members include:

Katie Falloon

Kate McKay

Jacelyn Heynes

Daniel Edmonds

Willie Forbes

Robin Gardner (Staff rep)

Alison Hill (Principal)

Contact details for all BOT members can be found on the school website.

Next meeting 15th March 2022 @ 5.30pm in the Huia Room.



NATIVE TREE ORDER FORM – Return by Friday 10th March

Name: _____ Contact phone number: _____

** The following prices include the cost of a personalised iodised aluminium tag and staking materials that will stand up to the Alfredton winds!

Please tick which tree you would like to order.

	Pot size	Price incl GST	Current Height (m)	✓	Name for tag
<i>Metrosideros robusta</i>	15L	\$114	0.5-1.2		
<i>Northern Rata</i>	25L	\$155	1.3-1.5		
<i>Alectryon excelsus</i>	15L	\$103	1.2-1.7		
<i>Titoki</i>	25L	\$134	1.5-2		
<i>Knightia excelsa</i>	15L	-	-		
<i>Rewarewa</i>	25L	\$124	1.2-1.4		
<i>Beilschmiedia</i>	15L	-	-		
<i>Tawa</i>	25L	\$134	1.2		
<i>Prumnopitys taxifolia</i>	15L	\$124	1		
<i>Matai</i>	25L	\$176	1-1.2		
<i>Fuscopora fusca</i>	15L	-	-		
<i>Red Beech, Tāwhairauriki</i>	45L	\$214	2.5		

Please deposit payment with the following details into:

Alfredton School BOT – BNZ - 02-0724-0093396-000

Particulars: Tree

Reference: Family name

A receipt for you donation is available on request.

SPORTS UPDATE

Our netball teams continue to give their best every Tuesday in Masterton. Each week they grow in confidence and skills. People step in to help other teams if numbers are tight. Thanks again to all those friends and family who come to support us.

Week 2 Results:

Alfredton Acorns won 1-0 to Eketahuna

Alfredton Oaks Green won 3-0 against Lakeview

Alfredton Oaks Yellow drew 1-1 against Solway

Week 3 Results:

Alfredton Acorns won 5-3 against Lakeview

Alfredton Oaks Green drew 1-1 against Carterton

Alfredton Oaks Yellow won 7-1 against Opaki

Eketahuna JAB Rugby

Does your child want to give rugby a go? **Eketahuna JAB Rugby registrations are now open for the 2023 Wairarapa bush season.** Ages 4—12yrs.

Rugby season kicks off Saturday May 13. We will aim to have a training at Eketahuna rugby grounds on Wednesday March 29, from 3pm, before the end of term 1! Please come along.

You can register here:

New players to Eketahuna JAB club – please go to www.sporty.co.nz. Click on Find Your Club or School. Type Eketahuna Rugby Football Club into the search box at top right and click Search. Click on Eketahuna Rugby Football Club. Click on Online Registrations, then Junior Form. Complete this form and submit.

Eketahuna JAB AGM: Wed 5th April @ Eketahuna Inn, 7pm. All Welcome.

For more info please contact Kirby: lanceandkirby@inspire.nz.nz

BUSH MULTISPORT TRUST - JUNIOR RUGBY

🌟 Registrations for 2023 are open 🌟

(link for registrations is below)

- Fees are \$35 or \$80 for family of 3

(all payments this season will be online)

- Registrations need to be completed by April 1st so we have enough time to finalise teams

- Season is 14 weeks this year with first competition game 29th April

- Grades are U6, U7, U8, U9, U10, U11, U12/13

We will have 2 pre-season trainings prior to school holidays

on Thursday March 30th and Tuesday 4th April

<https://sporty.co.nz/viewform/141613>

ASCA

Thank you to all the parents who made delicious food for the ASCA BBQ and a big shout out to those fabulous people who helped out yesterday, especially Ginny, Jo, Becks, Willie, Kate, Hannah, and Kendra. And we also had some amazing helpers from Huia class, Kiera, Amy T and Taylor.

We made an unofficial profit of \$310 (yet to be finalised)

COMMUNITY NEWS

Alfredton Social Club presents:

Fun'raiser BBQ and games

Raising money for the Tinui Floods

Thursday 9th March, 5pm onwards

Alfredton Domain (Hall in bad weather)

Alfredton Playgroup will be selling BBQ items, as well as treats and non-alcoholic drinks.

Games – gold coin to play

- Tug of war – enter a mixed team of 5.
- Gumboot throw
- Wood and nail competition
- Raffle
- Silent auction

Bring CASH to buy some yummy BBQ dinner, raffle tickets, and play the games so we can help the Tinui community out.

BYO alcoholic drinks

ALFREDTON PLAYGROUP

The Menu

Venison Burger	\$10
Sausage in Bread	\$2
Ice Block	\$1
Lolly Bag	\$2
Fizzy Drink	\$2
Water Bottle	\$2

Hey Folks

We are having this ball to raise money for our awesome Health Centre.

They require our help with funding, every little bit helps to keep them afloat.

Come along and have a fabulous night

Live band, cash bar, lots of enjoyment.

Get behind us and have a ball!

Contact me at the Information Centre for tickets.

Thank you for your support!



The Great Eketāhuna Pre-loved Ball

*Dust off your finest pre-loved outfit and dance the night away
with live music by local band The Renegades!*

Proceeds go to the wonderful Eketāhuna Medical Centre

When: 11th March 2023

Where: Community Centre

Time: 7 pm - Midnight

Doors open at 6:30 pm

Cash Bar: Beer & Wine Available

On going Grazing Table

Tickets: \$60 Single \$100 Double

V.I.P: \$100 Per Ticket

*This includes: V.I.P Area with
Grazing Table & Complimentary
bottle of Wine*

*Contact: Eketāhuna Information Centre
eketahunakiwicountry@xtra.co.nz*

