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Inspiring learning for a lifetime ~ Little acorns to mighty oaks

#### Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 13 September 2023

Kia ora,

Last week we were very fortunate to have Ella Sidey with us helping the children develop their growth mindset. We are the first school on the North Island which Ella has worked with. She thoroughly enjoyed her time with us.

On Friday, 7 of our Year 5 - 8's are taking part in the Bush Schools Maths Quiz. Good luck to both teams.

Next Tuesday, we will be spending the day at the Pahiatua Marae. All children will need to wear their Alfredton uniform. Girls will need to bring an old pair of socks. Whanau are very welcome to spend the day with us.

Hot lunches will end next week. The last day for them is Thursday 21st September. I would encourage you to think about putting an ice-pack in your child's lunch box as some children's yogurts are liquid by lunchtime with the weather warming up.

Next week's newsletter will come out on the 22nd, our final day of term 3. Term 4 will start on October 9th. Please check the dates for your diary, as we have a few events happening in the first week back:

- Tuesday 10th EPro 8 (2 teams of Year 5 and 6) Masterton Intermediate 9.20 12.30
- Wednesday 11th School Photographs

Have a great week.

Nga mihi nui Alison

#### Dates for your Diary

19th September Whole school Marae visit 21st September Year 8 Formal Dance 6.30 - 8.30pm 10th October Year 5-6 Epro 8 Tournament 11th October School Photographs 3rd November Pets Day 9th November Bush Ag Day 23rd November Y8 Moving Forward Conference at Tararua College 24th November Rural Schools Athletics 1st December Bush Athletics 5th December Riversdale Beach Life Saving (Whole School)

#### Term Dates

Term Three: 17th July to 22nd September Term Four: 9th October to 15th December

#### Technology Dates (Year 8)

14th September
Term 4:
12th October, 2nd, 16th, 30th November
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.
(https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100069563117443)

#### Mindfulness

Last week, Ella Sidey spent four days working with the children improving their growth mindset, resilience and mindfulness. The children really enjoyed their time with Ella and there was a noticeable difference in their attitude and wellbeing during the week. Many of the children loved using the eye pillows which Ella brought with her. You can purchase these by contacting Ella directly <u>https://www.ellasidey.com/contact</u> Thank you to ASCA who enabled us to have Ella here for the week.



#### Principal Award



#### Classroom Awards



#### Readers of the Week



#### FROM TUI CLASSROOM

When I asked Tui Class at the start of the term if there was anything in particular that they would like to learn during Topic time the children expressed an interest in learning how to cook some meals. We discussed as a class the types of meals we were interested in cooking and eating and on a Friday for the last 4 weeks of term we are making a hot meal for lunch. The first meal we made was Spaghetti Bolognaise; last week we made a Japanese Chicken Curry. The children do the majority of the food preparation – learning a variety of skills along the way. We then use the experience as a starter for some writing in class. We have selected meals that would be relatively easy to replicate at home and the children have enjoyed trying new flavours (for some) and working together to create something delicious!

























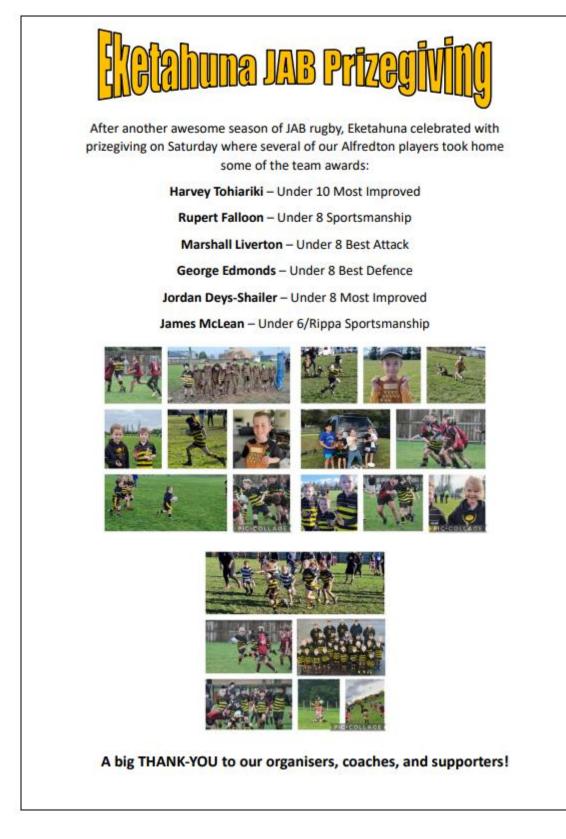








#### **SPORTS NEWS**



#### **BOT UPDATE**

NEXT MEETING DATE: Wednesday 13th September at 3:30pm

# ASCA

# (Alfredton School and community association)

## FIREWOOD FUNDRAISER

Sunday 17th September

Is your woodshed looking empty? Get organized for next winter and stock up on Macrocarpa firewood. Proceeds go towards helping Alfredton School fundraise for next year's school camp.

Bring your trailer and we will load your wood. Pick up only, no deliveries sorry.

> Location - Waimea Farm 13559 Route 52 10am - 1pm

Cost: \$100 per cube (bank deposit or cash on day)

Please register by Friday 8th September if you want to purchase wood. Angela: 021 2537657 Ginny: 027 257316

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

### Kids Fun Challenge Week

**KFC** is back with all new Activities! Crafts! Games!

For all kids 5-12 years NO CHARGE

Mon-Fri 25-29 Sept 10am-12noon

St Peter's Church Hall, Albert Street

Pahiatua. Morning tea provided Interested? Please text or ring Jill 0274184867 Or email: jillwoods@xtra.co.nz

Pre-registration essential - closes 5pm Friday 22 Sept

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#### Arrive 3pm Afternoon tea supplied by the MRCC.

**Wetlands** – The Horizons team will talk about how to recognise a wetland, the benefits of creating a wetland, and steps to identifying sites to establish natural wetlands on you farm with the aim to increase water quality. The session will cover how to design a wetland that will contribute to the natural diversity of native plants, insects and aquatic life in your wetland and a step wise enhancement process.

Facilitated by

MENTS COLLECTIVE

- Sian Cass Senior Biodiversity Advisor Community
- Ruth Fleeson Senior Biodiversity Advisor

NB Post workshop refreshments supplied courtesy of the Upper Tiraumea Ihuraua catchment group

Please RSVP by 10<sup>th</sup> September for catering to James McKay <u>mckaytekeo@gmail.com</u> Gwyn Jones: <u>Coordinatoreastmrcc@gmail.com</u>