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The advertisement shows the exterior of a Bisset Honda store. A large red sign with the Honda logo and the word 'HONDA' in white is mounted above the entrance. Several red Honda ATVs are parked in a row in front of the store. To the left, there are signs for 'STIHL' and 'SHOP'. The store's name 'Bisset Honda' is visible on the upper right part of the building facade.

Thank you for your continued support.



Art by Olive

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## Alfredton School

*Inspiring learning for a lifetime ~ Little acorns to mighty oaks*

**Newsletter ~ Tuesday, 12 December 2023**

**Tēnā te ngaru whati, tēnā te ngaru puka**  
**There is a wave that breaks, there is a wave that swells**

Kia ora,

It really doesn't seem like a whole year has passed. On Thursday we will gather to celebrate successes and to farewell our Year 8's as they move on to the next chapter in their lives.

Christmas Tree Night (Prizegiving) will begin at 6pm. All children need to be at school no later than 5.40pm. Boys should meet in Huia Class and girls in Tui Class. We ask that every child comes to Christmas Tree Night as it is one of our most special occasions.

At the end of the term we will farewell Robin Gardner and Sue McKenzie. Robin has been a teacher at Alfredton for the past five years. He has supported the children in many ways during his time here. Sue McKenzie has worked both as a librarian and gardener during her ten years at Alfredton. We wish her a wonderful retirement and hope she will still call in to see us.

This term 14 children achieved 100% attendance and were rewarded with \$30 Paper Plus vouchers. One child received an extra award as he has achieved 99.4% attendance over the whole school year. Well done Quinn Cooper-Mateman. Sid Blundell and Emily McClean achieved 98% attendance and George Edmonds and Rupert Falloon 96% over the whole school year.



In 2024 we have an attendance target of 90% regular attendance (each fortnight) for all students. This means that children need to be at school 9 out of every 10 days. This target has been set by the Ministry for all schools. Research has shown that when children attend school regularly they achieve more.

The pool will be open to the community over the holiday. If you would like a code to get in (it has been changed) please call in at school to sign the pool use form and obtain the code tomorrow or Friday. The cost remains at \$30. The pool will not be open for use until Monday 19th December.

New bus times for all runs, except Tiraumea, will be sent home before the end of Term. Lisa will be driving Castlehill and Eketahuna runs. Rebecca will drive Pa Valley and Route 52. Shona will continue to drive the Tiraumea run.

Friday will be our final day of term for 2023. Term One begins on Monday 29th January. Have a wonderful Christmas and a very happy New Year.

Nga mihi nui  
Alison

## 2024 Term Dates

### Term One

Monday 29th January to Friday 12th April

School will be closed: 6th February, 29th March, 1st and 2nd April

### Term Two

Monday 29th April to Friday 5th July

School will be closed: 3rd and 28th June

### Term Three

Monday 22nd July to Friday 27th September

### Term Four

Monday 14th October to Friday 13th December

School will be closed: 28th October

There will be 3 Teacher Only Days - dates to be confirmed.

## Touch Teams (2024)

The competition runs from Friday 16th February to Friday 5th April at Bush Multisport Park on Huxley Street, Pahiatua. Game times will be available at the start of Term One. Fees of \$8 per child will be due by February 1st. If you can help referee the U7 team, please let me know.

<b>Combined Green (U7)</b> Coach: Sara (Toki) Referee: ?	<b>Combined Orange (U9)</b> Coach: Shy (Toki) Referee: Ginny McClean	<b>Alfredton Oaks (U11)</b> Coach/Referee: Simon Falloon and James McKay
Ben Forbes Shelby Liverton Mason Deys-Shailer Hugo Falloon Haize Woolley Braxton Dittmar Austin Pennall Daphne Pennall	Marshall Liverton Tutamou Matthews James McClean Jorja Tohiariki Katie Plaisted Grayson Hugheman Jorjah Wolland Darcy McCabe Bentley McCabe	Jock Falloon Hadley McKay Leo Johnston Kade Mitchell Harvey Tohiariki Rupert Fallon Jordan Deys-Shailer Otto Maggio Olive McKay Sophie Forbes Emily McClean George Bowie (Makuri) William Hull (Makuri)

Tova Foreman (U13) will play with a St Anthony's Team.

## Principal Award



## Classroom Awards



## ASCA

### 14th December Christmas Tree Night and Prizegiving

NORTH and EAST groups are on clean up.

Everyone to bring a plate - SOUTH and WEST groups to bring something savoury, NORTH and EAST something sweet.

## COMMUNITY NEWS



**HELP CREATE OUR**  
**CHRISTMAS WINDOW**

**DESIGN A STAINED-GLASS  
PAPER ARTWORK!**

**HOW IT WORKS:**

Bisset Honda would like to invite the people of Pahiatua to create their own special stained-glass artwork to be included in our Christmas Window. We will have tables set up in-store with all the supplies needed to create your unique artwork.

All artworks will then be hung in the window to create an enormous stained-glass window!

Bring the kids anytime during our normal opening hours or have a go yourself.

Come and check out our window as it grows and see the beautiful light it creates.

Every completed artwork will receive a  
**FREE CHRISTMAS TREAT!**

There will also be  
**SPOT PRIZES!**

 

 **BISSET HONDA**

PLEASE NOTE:  
Bisset Honda is not eligible for the Business Christmas Window Competition but we love creating Christmas magic!



# HILL COUNTRY WALK

**23 MARCH 2024**

**WITH ALFREDTON SCHOOL**

Set in the heart of Alfredton, come along and experience a hill country farm walk featuring spectacular views alongside rural hospitality at its finest.

11 km Short Walk - 15 km Long Walk  
Catered Lunch Included

\$55 per person

BBQ & Beverages at the finish line (cash only)

**REGISTER ONLINE**



[www.eventbrite.co.nz](http://www.eventbrite.co.nz)

✉ [alfredtonhillcountrywalk@gmail.com](mailto:alfredtonhillcountrywalk@gmail.com)

Checkout **Alfredton School Hill Country Walk** on Facebook for further details and updates!

# ALFREDTON HORSE SPORTS



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Alfredton District Sports Club  
Alfredton Domain – 15241 Route 52, Alfredton

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024**

Entry at [www.Main-Events.com](http://www.Main-Events.com)  
No Entries on the day, Entries close Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 11:59pm  
Admission \$3 per person or \$5 per vehicle

Alfredton Playgroup Food Shop available - Cash Sales Only  
Coffee & Ice Cream Cart

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## Gold

**Wairarapa Mitsubishi**

## Silver

Tararua Shearing, Sellar & Sellar, Wairarapa Helicopters, Reisma Transport, Shear Expertise, Dave Schofield, Braddick Shearing, Hewitt Motorcycles, Eketahuna Four Square, Seven Hills Angus & Nga Rata Trust.

## Bronze

Meldrum Romney, Mona Trust, Bob the Spreader, Tararua Autos, N & J Willetts, Wool Wairarapa, Keinzley Agvet Ltd, PGG Wrightson, Ravensdown, Tararua Vets, Wairarapa Machinery, Mighty Mix & Rachael Fouhy

Patron: June Edmonds

President: Andrew Falloon

Marshall: Andrew Falloon

Treasurer/Secretary: Hannah Taylor

Protest Committee: Andrew Fallon, Hannah Taylor, Emma Mitchell, Daniel Edmonds and Relevant Ring Master & or Committee Member

Life Members: W.G. Smith, N.F. Braddick, R.A. Monson, E.J. Edmonds, C.E. Rattray & C. Wingate

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## *Community Working Bees*

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Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> of February from 3pm

Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> of March from 3pm

Please come down and help this event be a success!



Tararua Libraries will be celebrating 40 years of Hairy Maclary.



**TARARUA KAI COLLECTIVE**

**Getting help with kai over Christmas break**

Ngāti Kahungunu ki Tāmaki nui-a-Rua  
Kai Hau Kai 0800KKTNAR (558627)  
Office closed 23 Dec - 8 Jan  
Rangitāne o Tamaki Nui-ā-Rua  
06 374 6860  
Office closed 22 Dec - 8 Jan  
St. Vinnies Dannevirke  
Store closed 20 Dec - 15 Jan  
Tararua Community Youth Services DVK  
06 374 9214  
Closed 23 Dec - 27 Dec, 29 Dec - 3 Jan  
Woodville Inter Church Combined Foodbank  
06 376 4023  
Closed 21 Dec - 3 Jan  
Woodville Pantry  
021 156 6925  
Help-n-Hand/Pahiatua Foodbank  
022 589 0044  
Closed 23 Dec - 15 Jan  
Tararua Community Services  
06 376 7608  
Closed 22 Dec - 8 Jan  
Eketahuna Foodbank  
021 250 3015  
Closed 23 Dec - 4 Jan

# Weathering the Storm workshop

▶ **Free workshop** | Learn how to build resilience against weather-related anxiety

## About the workshop

Explore weather-related anxiety and the range of impacts extreme weather can have on individuals, whānau and communities.

Weathering the Storm helps you manage the stress and heightened emotions associated with severe weather. Learn about the emotional phases of a disaster, how to manage anxiety and distress, and ways to build resilience.

Our facilitators bring a wealth of professional and personal experience, delivering the workshop with expertise and sensitivity.

Participants will receive a workbook with notes, additional reading, and a directory for support.

## Learning outcomes

**After attending Weathering the Storm, participants will be able to:**

- understand weather-related anxiety
- recognise the unequal impacts of severe weather
- use tools to build resilience and reduce the impact of anxiety.



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*“Having specific training for this is very valuable. People often talk about the fear they feel when it rains heavily.”*

## Workshop details

Thursday 18 January 2024, 10am - 2pm

Tararua REAP, Dannevirke

<https://tinyurl.com/WTSDannevirkeJan24>

Scan QR code to register

