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### Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 14 February 2024

### Ehara taku toa i te takitahi Engari, he toa takitini My successes are not mine alone, they are ours

Kia ora,

We have had a great week at school. Huia children have been learning about the Treaty of Waitangi. Kade, in Huia class, was able to be part of the commemoration ceremony at Waitangi when he joined students and whanau from Tararua College onboard one of the waka. Please read his recount in this newsletter. It must have been a wonderful experience.

Touch starts this Friday. Please try to arrive 10 minutes before your game is due to begin. All those playing should wear Alfredton sports uniform. Please check your draw to see which date Alfredton is down to set up and time the games. I would be grateful if parents of those playing could please let me know if they can help out. A reminder that subs are overdue for payment so could we please have all outstanding payments made before Friday. Stationery invoices will be sent out at the beginning of March as we are still awaiting the arrival of some items.

On Tuesday 27th February, 2.30 - 4, there will be an opportunity for you to come and meet your child's teacher. This is a drop in and chat, not a time to discuss how your child is doing at school. If you are at all concerned about your child or would like to discuss any issues, please email your child's class teacher.

Have a good week.

Nga mihi nui Alison

### Dates for your diary

16th February Hato Hone St John - first aid with the students 21st February Board Meeting 5.30pm 27th February 2.30 - 4 Meet the Teacher 1st March Minor Sports (Pahiatua Stadium) Tui class 1st March Rural Schools Swimming (Pahiatua Pool) Huia Class 5th March Junior Swimming (Year 1-3) at Alfredton 8th March Bush Swimming 12th March Wood in School (360 Forestry) 20th / 21st March Nova - Health and Nutrition (Huia Class) 29th March, 2nd and 3rd April School Closed 12th April Term ends 29th April Term 2 starts 6th - 8th May Life Education 13th May Strike Percussion (Eketahuna School) 14th May Rural Schools Cross Country (Kumeroa School) 15th May National Young Leaders Day in Palmerston North (Year 7) 20th - 24th May Year 5 - 7 School Camp at Forest Lakes 28th May Tough Guy and Gal Challenge (Huia Class) 6th June Bush Cross Country at Alfredton 18th June Bush Quiz at Alfredton 27th June Cultural Festival (Pahiatua) 5th July Term ends This information can also be found on our school website.

### Year 7 Technology

Dates for Term One: February 22nd March 7th, 21st April 11th

### Kade's Trip to Waitangi

A few days before Waitangi Day I travelled to Waitangi with some students from Tararua College and my mum. It was a long journey - about 15 hours. We stayed at a local Marae called Otiria Marae - about 20 minutes out of Waitangi. We slept on mattresses and ate lots of good kai. There was a 'Waka Base' where we prepared for the Waitangi Day commemorations. There were waka of all sizes - including one that could fit 80-100 tāne called Ngātokimatawhaorua. The waka we used was double hull and medium size. We practised rowing and the salutes we were going to perform on Waitangi Day. On Waitangi Day we got up very early. We grabbed a quick breakfast and went to the waka and got straight on it. We paddled around the beachfront for a couple of hours and the waka landed on the beach one by one. There were thousands of people there - it was very busy. There were markets and places to get food. I really enjoyed the experience.



### Learning Term One - Tui Class

Tui Class has a busy term planned. We are very lucky to have Mrs McKay teaching in Tui on a Monday - in addition to recount writing and a variety of mathematics strand work she will also be developing the artistic skills and creativity of the class. We also are lucky to have Emma Moody working with the children 3 days a week - developing their aquatic skills. We have regular handwriting sessions planned - to help develop letter formation and fluency; and will also investigate a number of different genres in writing. In maths our focus is on place value, counting and addition and subtraction. Our Topic focus this term is Aotearoa Histories - we will be finding out about the Treaty of Waitangi as well as familiarising ourselves with the local area. We also will have the opportunity to explore some different science kits through House of Science.





### Principal Award



Classroom Awards

Readers of the Week



### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Next meeting: 21st February at 5:30pm

### ASCA

A big "Thank You" to the Alfredton Dog Trial Club who raised \$288.00 for the school through their raffle. We really appreciate the support of our community.

### HILL COUNTRY WALK

With only 22 families at school at present we need to have at least one parent commit to helping out on the day of the walk. A list of jobs will come out at the start of March.

Please share this event with friends and family to help boost ticket sales and make this event a great success.

## HILL 23 MARCH 2024 COUNTRY WALK

### 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

☐ alfredtonhillcountrywalk@gmail.com

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

### FREE Event for all (all ages)





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# FUEL YOUR STOKE

### Show

Fully funded for the community

### PONGAROA

### SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> FEB | 2pm - 8pm

Pongaroa Domain | 25 Mako Mako Street, Pongaroa

### LIVE ELEMENTS MUSIC SUNZ | JOE COLE | CAMPBELL BURNS BRADLEY LEWIS | LIBERTY

For the purpose of giving you a <u>space</u> to look after your mind
An all aged family friendly event for the community to come together
There will be a full meal/meat on spit setup to feed everyone + beverages
Recreational activities for kids, bouncy castle/face painting etc
All round great time to get off the farm, out of the silt and enjoy yourself





TARARUA DISTRICT CYCLONE GABRIELLE RECOVERY PROGRAMME





### **ALFREDTON HORSE SPORTS**

Alfredton District Sports Club Alfredton Domain – 15220 Route 52, Alfredton

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

Entry at www.Main-Events.com

No Entries on the day, Entries open 1st of February, entries close 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 Cart

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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

#### **Community Working Bees**

Thursday the 29<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!



### Learn practical, positive strategies you can choose from to add to your parenting tool kit.

#### At ACROSS Te kotahitanga o te wairua we are offering the following free 2-hr Triple P Positive Parenting courses for Term 1 2024:

Fostive Fulling courses for ferrin F 2024.	
Zoom Discussion Group Sessions (using your computer, phone or tablet)	
Cooperating with Following Instructions (Our most popular course)	
(Teaching our children to cooperate and helping us manage difficult behaviours)	
Monday 12th February 7-9:30pm	
Friday 16th February 2024 9:30am	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2024 12:15pm	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7pm	
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 12:15 & 7pm	
Tuesday 19th March 2024 at 12:15 & 7pm	
Tuesday 2 April 2024 at 7pm	
Bedtime Routines	
(Supporting our children to develop healthy, independent sleep patterns)	
Monday 26th February 7-9:30pm	
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February at 12:00pm	
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7pm.	
Fighting & Aggression	
(Teaching our children to interact positively and stay calm, and helping us manage aggressive	
behaviours)	
Monday 19th February 7-9:30pm	
Tuesday 12th March 2024 7pm.	
Mealtimes	
(Supporting our children with learning good mealtime habits and managing mealtime problems)	
Tuesday 27th February 2024 12:15pm	
Fears & Self Esteem for Under 6 yr olds (A three-part course – 3 x 2hr sessions) - Zoom	
(Supporting our children to overcome fears and gain confidence)	
Tuesdays 12th March, 26th March & 2 April 2024 at 12:15pm (You need to be able to attend thread)	all
three)	
In Demon Small Course Consistent	
In Person Small Group Sessions	
(Venue: ACROSS Office Church St, Palmerston North)	
Bedtime Routines	
Thursday 15th February 12:15pm	
➤ Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 9:30am	
Mealtimes	
Monday 12th February 12:15pm	
Friday 1st March 2024 9:30am	
Fighting & Aggression	
Tuesday 5th March 2024 9:30am	
Email or phone today to find out more and register for a course:	
ACROSS Office (9am-5pm)	
Phone: 0800 227677	
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