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Inspiring learning for a lifetime ~ Little acorns to mighty oaks

Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 28 February 2024

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

Kia ora,

At the first Board meeting of 2024 Katie Falloon was elected Presiding Member. The website contains further information about portfolio holders. Congratulations to Ferinica Hawe-Foreman who has joined our Board as a parent rep.

Following community, student and staff consultation in Term 3 2023 our school vision and values have been updated to reflect what is important to our community. We have kept the MIGHTY oaks at the forefront but have made them more relevant for our students of today.

Alfredton School Vision: To grow students into inquiring, confident, adaptable learners who are well prepared to reach their full potential.

Alfredton School Values:

Motivated to always do our best Inclusive and accepting of difference Giving Respect to people and our environment Honesty and integrity in all we say and do Teamwork, collaboration and co-operation You persevere and show resilience

On Friday Huia class will be at Rural Schools Swimming (Pahiatua Pool) whilst Tui class will be at Minor Sports (Bush Multi-sport on Huxley Street, Pahiatua). All of the children will be taking part in one of the events. Whanau are very welcome to join the children at both of these events. It is forecast to be a beautiful day so my fingers are crossed that this is accurate.

Tuesday March 5th is Junior swimming sports. This is held at Alfredton and organised jointly by ourselves and Makuri School. All of Tui class will be taking part; Huia class will be leading games on the school field. ASCA will be running a BBQ at the event with sausages \$2, Baking \$2, Ice pops \$1, Juice \$1. Tea & Coffee will be available. Please can parents of Alfredton children (Tui and Huia class) who would like to order a sausage please let us know asap. Parents and grandparents are most welcome to join us at the Junior swimming sports.

Please can I remind parents that you must phone school if your child is not going to be on the bus in an afternoon. I am not always in school so messaging me doesn't always work as I may not be able to contact school in time to change arrangements. If your child is being picked up by someone else, please remember to tell the office.

Have a good week.

Nga mihi nui Alison

Transport for Rural Schools Swimming and Minor Sports – Friday 1st March

Mrs Bond will be travelling on the school bus with Rebecca with the following students; Eleri, Shelby, Marshall, Colton, Maia, Daniel and Kitana.

The first drop off will be at Minor Sports for Mrs Bond, Eleri and Shelby and then the Rural Swimming Sports for the remaining 5 students.

All other attending students are travelling with their parents.

Dates for your diary

1st March Minor Sports (Pahiatua Stadium) Tui class 1st March Rural Schools Swimming (Pahiatua Pool) Huia Class 4th March St John First Aid (rearranged date) 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) 20th March 5.30pm Board Meeting 29th March, 1st and 2nd 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: March 7th, 21st April 11th

Principal Award

Alfredton School Principal Award
Awarded To Lachie
For completing work beautifully in lesson time
Inspiring Learning for a Lifetime Little acorns to mighty oaks
Signed <u>AHUU</u>
ADRA 5 NORST Date 23-2-24

Classroom Awards



Readers of the Week



FROM THE CLASSROOM

In the kitchen I climbed onto a seat then grabbed a big juicy piece of watermelon. Suddenly Mum said 'now remember don't eat the seeds or they will grow in your belly". I didn't listen to Mum. I ate the seeds anyway. *Emily*

As Mum cuts the watermelon she yells "Watermelon is ready but don't eat the seeds or you will grow a watermelon in your belly!" *Olive*

The luscious watery watermelon sat on the plate on the table. It was like it was calling my name to eat it. I walked towards it but suddenly my Mum told me not to eat the seeds or something bad will happen but I didn't care.

The seed slid down into my stomach like it was on a slip in slide. The watermelon tasted delicious and I could not stop eating it.

Тоvа

Mum put some watermelon on the table. She called up to me. I ran down the stairs and climbed onto a chair and took a big piece of watermelon. Mum said "don't eat the seeds. But I didn't care so I ate them anyway. Mum walked into the lounge so I devoured the watermelon.

The next morning when I woke up, not noticing the leaves on my bedspread. I walked into the bathroom, leaves trailing behind me. Something was tickling my nose. I picked at it even though Mum said it was unhygienic but I don't listen. A long green vine came out of my nose. I jumped back in fright. *Sophie*

I turned into a watermelon and the other kids took me to the racing track. They started running before me and I started spinning. I won. Then I went to the playground and I climbed up the slide and onto the seesaw to the swing and went flying away, splat on the ground and dies. Kids ate me and it happened again. *Jorja*

After class I was doing relays. I turned into a watermelon! A few minutes later I flew off the swing on the playground and cracked open and everyone came and ate me. *Jordan*

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Board of Trustees 2024

Welcome to Ferinica Hawe-Foreman as a new Parent Representative on the BOT.

Following the first meeting of the year the following positions on the Board have been established for 2024:

Presiding Member - Katie Falloon

Principal - Alison Hill

Staff Rep - Kate McKay

Parent Rep's - Willie Forbes, Dan Edmonds, Tomas Maggio and Ferinica Hawe-Foreman.

As always please feel free to make contact with any Board members when required. Contact details can be found on the school website.

Next BOT meeting:

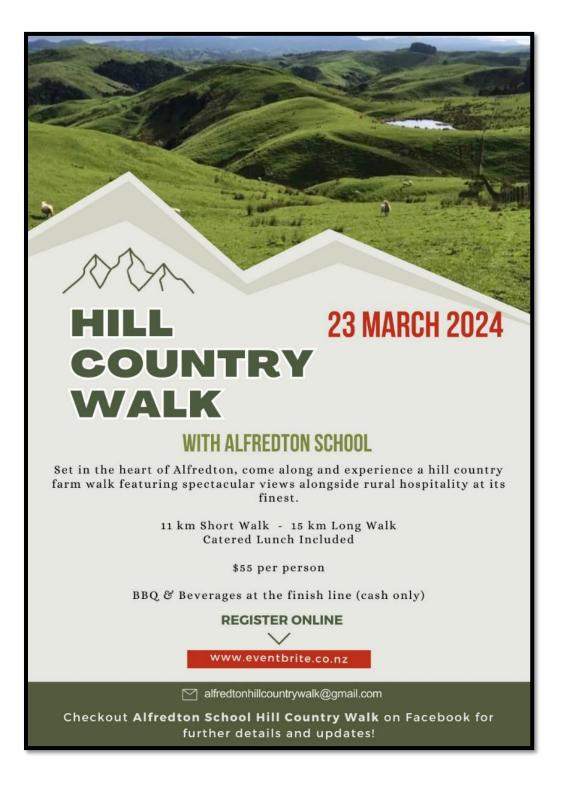
Wednesday 20th March, 5.30pm in the Huia Room.

ASCA

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.



ALFREDTON HORSE SPORTS



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

Saturday 2nd March 2024

Entry at www.Main-Events.com

No Entries on the day, Entries open 1st of February, entries close 28th 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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Community Working Bees

Thursday the 29th of February from 3pm

Friday the 1st of March from 3pm

Please come down and help this event be a success!