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Alfredton School

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Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 9 April 2025

All our school news in one place

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Simple free download: In Google Play & App Store search 'SkoolLoop' and choose our school once installed.

Tangata ako ana I te kāenga, te tūranga ki te marae, tau ana
A person nurtured in the community contributes strongly to society

Kia ora,

This is our final week of term one, the last day of term is Friday 11th of April. We return to school on Monday April 28th.

On Friday afternoon we will be holding a picnic and Easter Egg Hunt in our Native Garden. Everyone is welcome to attend. The picnic (bring your own lunch) will start at 1pm. This will be followed by the egg hunt at 1.20pm. If you are planning to come and will be taking your child off the bus, please let us know before noon on Friday so that we can let drivers know.

Miss Mabey will be joining us at this event so that she can say goodbye to the children. We will be preparing a special farewell for her.

Over the holiday we are having new carpets laid in both Tui and Huia rooms. The older children should be back in Huia room at the start of term two. I know how much they are looking forward to being back in their own classroom after being in Kiwi room for the past twelve months.

If you have not downloaded the SKOOL LOOP app I would encourage you to. Thank you to those who have used it to notify us when your child is absent. Letters, the school newsletter and notices are uploaded to this app.

Just a reminder that stationery and Touch fees are due to be paid before Friday 11th of April.

Have a good holiday.

Nga mihi nui

Alison

Dates for your diary

Term 1

11th April Picnic and Easter Egg hunt in the Native Garden

Term 2

15th May Rural Schools Cross Country at Kumeroa

16th May Wear Pink Day

20th May NYLD for Year 7 and 8 in Palmerston North

5th June Bush Cross Country in Eketahuna (this replaces the road race) **DATE CHANGE**

18th June Cultural Festival

Year 7 and 8 Technology

Term 2: 8th and 22nd May, 5th and 26th June

Bush Primary Tech has its own Facebook page. Photographs, recipes and other information can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100069563117443>

2025 School Dates

Term One: Tuesday 4th February to Friday 11th April (Closed 6th February)

Term Two: Monday 28th April to Friday 27th June (Closed 2nd and 20th June)

Term Three: Monday 14th July to Friday 19th September

Term Four: Monday 6th October to Wednesday 17th December (Closed 27th October)

There will also be two Teacher Only Days: 30th May and one TBC

This information can also be found on our school website.

Schooldocs

Alfredton School Policies and Procedures can be found here:

<https://alfredton.schooldocs.co.nz>

Username: alfredton

Password: mighty

Alfredton School Board

Next meeting: May 12th starting at 5.45pm.

2025 is a Board Election Year. Elections will be held in September.



If you would like to find out more about being part of our Board please speak to either myself, or one of the current Board members.

Bush Swimming

We have just received confirmation of placings. Congratulations to Harvey Tohiariki who placed first in the following events: Intermediate 25m Freestyle, 25m Butterfly, 25m Breaststroke, 100m Open Freestyle and 75m Open Individual Medley. This is an amazing achievement.



Tararua Cup - Rippa

Yesterday 16 of our Year 5 to 8 children competed in the Tararua Cup. They were part of two combined teams with three other rural schools. Thank you to Rob and Alex Foreman who took charge of the Year 7 / 8 team. Both teams played very well and finished 4th in their grades. Hadley and Sophie were interviewed during the event. Their interview can be seen on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=bush%20multisport%20park> (starts at 2 mins 38 seconds into the video)



CERTIFICATES - 28th March Assembly

Principal Award



Classroom Award



Readers of the Week



CERTIFICATES – 4th April Assembly

Readers of the Week



Principal Award



Classroom Awards



ASCA

AGM Date Tuesday 13th May 7pm

Emma is stepping down as Treasurer so we will need someone to fill this role. Mark the date in your diary.

SPORTS NEWS



**Do you want to play rug-
by this winter?
Kids age 4—13yrs
We want you!!
Season starts May**



**EKTAHUNA JAB
RUGBY SEASON
2025**

**For more info contact Sarah Meehan:
sarahmeehan.sm@gmail.com or Kirby Duffy: lance-
andkirby@inspire.net.nz**

Check out our facebook page: @Eketahuna Jab Rugby

**EKE JAB REGO DAY AND BOOT SWAP
@ the rugby club Alfredton Road
Wednesday 26th March
4pm – 5:30pm All Welcome!**



WAIARAPA
BALLOON
Festival
EASTER 2025

FAMILY CARNIVAL
SATURDAY 19 APRIL

TICKETS AND DETAILS
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5 hours of action-packed entertainment for the whole family. Plus live music, food trucks and much more.

CUT COST FARMING

Creative Solutions for 2025



Join us for this FREE, interactive, fast-paced workshop series.

Six dynamic speakers, 10 minutes each, with practical tips and solutions to make a difference to your bottom line.

Followed by a panel Q&A and a chance to chat to presenters with further questions.

BBQ lunch provided.

Lesley Coppell (Beef+Lamb NZ)

- *Top banking tips: Insights from an ex rural banker*

Phil Rutene (MSD)

- *Employer support schemes*

Sarah Donaldson (Wairarapa Rural Support Trust)

- *Protecting time off-farm on a shoestrings*

Various Area Advisors (Greater Wellington)

- *Current subsidised schemes to enhance your farm business*

Tracey Beauchamp (OSPRI)

- *NAIT hurdles simplified - to save you time and money*

Annie Cates/Abi Fairbrother (Farm Focus)

- *Work smarter, not harder – streamline your farm financials*

Registrations essential:

<https://events.humanitix.com/cut-cost-farming-workshops>



Contact for more information:

wairarapateam@ruralsupport.org.nz

Sarah Donaldson - 021 504 089

Julia McKenna - 027 251 0077

Monday 7th April - Whareama Hall

Tuesday 8th April - Ruakōkoputuna Hall

Thursday 10th April - 756 Whangaehu Valley Road (Tosswills' Woolshed)

Friday 11th April - Wainuioru Hall

11AM-1:30PM



WAIRARAPA COLLEGE PRESENTS

CHICAGO

MUSIC BY
John Kander

BOOK BY
Fred Ebb & Ebb Fosse

LYRICS BY
Fred Ebb



SHOW DATES

THURSDAY 15TH MAY 7PM FRIDAY 16TH MAY 7PM

SATURDAY 17TH MAY 1PM SATURDAY 17TH MAY 7PM

SUNDAY 18TH MAY 1PM

TICKETS

\$27
ADULT

\$10
STUDENT

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TOTS TO TEENS

CHILDHOOD IN AOTEAROA

FOR YOUR PARENTS

Out now!

MŌRENA,

Autumn is upon us, and our latest issue is jam-packed with content to help Kiwi parents:

issue2504.totstoteens.co.nz/

What's in this issue for parents?

- » Should we step in, or step back, when our kids face conflict?
- » The real deal on bedwetting
- » Road trip hacks to survive without screens
- » Schools/ECE's + social media: what parents need to know
- » Boost your child's bounce-back skills with simple resilience tips
- » Plus: epic pies, a giant skillet cookie, and awesome giveaways!



Children's Theatre Workshop - Making A Play

An April 2025 school holiday theatre making workshop & performance for children aged 8 - 11 years. Spaces are limited to 12 participants so register and don't miss out.

During the workshop the participants will write and perform their own brand new play.

The workshop runs on the following days from 10am - 2pm:

Monday April 14th
Tuesday April 15th
Wednesday April 16th
Thursday April 17th


The performance will take place on Thursday 17th at 2pm. The performance is open to family, friends and members of the public.

Participants must bring lunch and a drink bottle. The workshop cost is \$70 and includes the 4 days of workshop and the performance.

Venue: **Globe Two**


To Register go to https://nz.patronbase.com/_GlobeTheatre/Patron/Register

BUSH RUAHINE BOWLING CLUB



Junior Indoor Bowls


Come and give indoor bowls a go in a fun and friendly environment



WHEN **Tuesday's - 6 May - 25 June 2025**
 TIME **4.00pm - 5.00pm**
 WHERE **Bush Ruahine Indoor Bowling Centre
 27 Sedcole Street
 Pahiatua**

COST **First Lesson free then \$2 per week.**
 AGES **10 -18 years**

To register Contact Karen 021 266 9793 from the Bush Ruahine Club



New Zealand Traveller Declaration

Going overseas for the school holidays? Everyone travelling into New Zealand must complete a New Zealand Traveller Declaration, including returning New Zealand passport holders.

Its FREE and you can do it on the [online form](#) or on the [NZTD app](#).

If you're travelling as a family or group and completing multiple declarations, the [NZTD app](#) allows you to copy your travel details into another declaration, making it easier to complete multiple declarations for the same journey. The submitted declarations are then all easy to see within the app.

The New Zealand Traveller Declaration collects travel, customs, immigration and biosecurity information and aims to improve the safety and security of New Zealand. It replaces the paper card you used to fill out on the plane.

To make your arrival easier, do your digital declaration before your flight back to New Zealand.

Head to travellerdeclaration.govt.nz today!



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TravellerDeclaration.govt.nz

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New Zealand Government

New Zealand Traveller Declaration

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Aotearoa