



NEWSLETTER

3rd April 2017
Term one, week ten

Dear Parents and Caregivers,
Two more weeks to go and it will be the holidays. It has been a very busy term and the weeks have just flown by.

THIS WEEK'S AWARDS:

Congratulations to **Tess Worsnop** and **Lexie Ewen** who received our **VALUES** certificates for **CREATIVE THINKING** this week. Tess received her award for showing the ability to think 'outside the square'. Lexie received her award for being such a confident creative thinker by always coming up with new ideas.

SCHOOL VALUE: the value at the heart of our learning community this week remains **CREATIVE THINKING**.

CONGRATULATIONS also to **Libby Hume** who received a classroom award for being such a committed learner by always putting in 100% to the learning activities given to her. **Israel Foster** received a classroom certificate for applying himself to his school work.

SCHOOL NEWS:

Tomorrow, Tuesday 4th is our **minus 5 lunch** day. We have been so impressed with the yummy lunches seen so far minus the sugar and full of foods that will provide the energy needed for busy learners. It has been very difficult to choose winners amongst so many. This has been the feedback to the sponsors of -5 and they are now also going to provide certificates so that we can acknowledge all the wonderful lunches which is great.

School breaks for the holidays on Thursday the 13th of April and resumes again on the 1st of May.

BOT NEWS:

There will be a Board meeting held on Tuesday the 4th of April at 6.30 in the Library. All welcome.

EOTC NEWS:

A very informative day out at the museum on Friday. We saw many treasures and the Star of Canada was very well received if you are wondering what to do on a wet weekend day in town. We received an awesome compliment from the provider who said we were so engaged and had such inquiring minds that she had been able to do more than she ever had before and she sees lots of schools.

This week Wednesday 9.30 we have the Te Rēhia Theatre Company coming to school to present their show Ruia Te Kākano: Ngā Maunga Kohu. This is a theatre education initiative which teaches and promotes Te Reo Māori in schools. It is a fun, interactive and educational show that encourages the use of Te Reo Māori in everyday life. In 45 minutes 4 actors will play a myriad of high energy characters in a high paced narrative that will make learning fun. Ngatapa School will be joining us for this experience.

RERE SCHOOL WILL DEVELOP THE WHOLE CHILD ENABLING PERSONAL EXCELLENCE

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The calendar sent out at the beginning of the term stated we were to have our St John's First Aide workshops this coming Friday. This will now be happening later in term 2. The calendar for term 2 will be available online during the holidays. It will not be completed prior to this as I am still confirming dates for our Marae experiences. A copy will be sent home with the first newsletter of the term.

SPORTS RESULTS:

Rugby

U11- Ngatapa Green (Campbell) vs HSOB Hurricanes; Lost 10-40.

U9 - Ngatapa Stags (Devarn, Putu, Charlie) vs YMP; Won 60-15. Putu 2 tries, Devarn 4

U9 - Ngatapa Green (George) vs HSOB; Lost 4-10

U6 – Ngatapa Green (Jack) vs Ngatapa White; Won 40-35. Jack 2 tries.

BUSES:

Over the last term loading children in the afternoons for the trip home has become an absolute nightmare to manage because of the many changes occurring throughout the day. Schools have a duty of care to ensure that students leaving the school are safe. The Bus group and the School have many procedures in place to ensure your children travel in safety but we all have a role to play in ensuring your children get home safe at the end of the day. It is important to clarify for parents what it is they are responsible for. In trying to find documents to send out to parents regarding this issue I have realized that we do not have a specific policy or procedure. This will be rectified over the holidays. The ensuring guidelines are intended to help everyone better understand their responsibilities regarding school transport and will be enforced for term 2.

- The following statement regarding what to do if your child is not travelling on the bus will be included; *either phone, email or send a note to school so they can be marked off the bus roll. The office needs to be advised of this **by 12pm** or your child will be expected to travel on the bus. If your child is sick, their name will be removed from the list as part of the absentee procedure. If you wish your child to stay at school for pick up rather than going home on the bus please advise the office as early as possible on the day. **It MUST be before 12pm** or you must be waiting for them at the school gate before 3pm.*

The 12 noon time allows Office staff to complete the necessary paperwork prior to buses leaving that afternoon. A verbal message from the driver or a child will no longer be acceptable.

- The following statement will be included regarding what to do if you want your child to travel on a different bus; *there must be room available on the bus. We must have verbal or written notice that this is to happen **prior to 12pm**.*

Reminder that bus drivers need to also be contacted before 7am if there are changes to the normal morning pick up.

Your drivers this week are Wharekopae- Paula Reedy, phone 8673585

Taumata – Catherine Ewen, phone 8670810

Taumata – change of bus driver for Wednesday – Kay Twigley ph 8670866.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

FREE COACHING WORKSHOPS; In preparation for the term 2 codes of Football, Netball and Hockey, Sports Gisborne would like to invite parent coaches to a FREE workshop aimed at giving you a basic understanding of 'how to coach' along with some code specific information and is essential for those taking a team for the first time and those who perhaps lack a bit of confidence in working with groups of young people. Monday 10th April 4-5.30 at Wainui School or Tuesday 11th 4-5.30 Mangapapa School. Register at rayn@sportsgisborne.org.nz or phone 8689943 by 7th April.

Invitation to Gisborne Kids Foundation' Circus Quirkus' on Tuesday 23rd May 2017 at Gisborne War Memorial Theatre. Show Time: 6.00 pm. 'Circus Quirkus' is a non-animal circus spectacular. A unique showcase of the finest performers from all around the world. 'Circus Quirkus' is guaranteed to amuse, astound and delight both young and old. 90 Minutes of Fun and Fantasy. FREE of CHARGE but will need to book so they know numbers so please let me know if you are interested.

Regards,



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Principal