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Carew Peel Forest School

Weekly Newsletter

Thursday 27th February 2020



Tuesday 3 March @ 7.30pm
H&S AGM - staffroom

Friday 6 March - School triathlon
11.30 lunch - 12pm start

Friday 13 March - SC Tryathlon

Monday 16 March - Domain Planting
Day - PP day 23 March

Friday 20 March - 2pm Assembly Jnr

Thursday 26 March - Peel Forest -
whole school trip - PP day 2/4/20

Friday 27 March - SC Swimming
Sports

**ALL DATES CAN BE FOUND ON OUR
SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR,
ALONG WITH OTHER EVENTS AND
ACTIVITIES WHICH YOU MAY FIND
USEFUL FOR FUTURE PLANNING**

Kia ora tatou

We welcomed back Tarahaoa Hub from camp yesterday and I've enjoyed seeing the pictures and hearing about their adventures. A huge thank you to our camp parents. We couldn't do this without you. Thank you also to Susanne and Connie. Camp organisation is a huge ask of teachers and on top of this, they give up their time with their own family to offer experiences to children that some wouldn't have the opportunity to do otherwise. I hope that these three days have been enjoyable for everyone (and you enjoyed sleeping in your own bed last night).

Last year, the Board of Trustees set school donations for the 2020 school year as \$100 per family or \$145 for families with two or more children. Unfortunately our school was not eligible for the government school donations scheme that you may have heard about in the media. We will send out a reminder about this donation with the stationery accounts towards the end of March but feel free to start sending this in now. Bank deposit reference should say "School Donation" alongside your name. These donations are tax deductible so please ask for a receipt if you require one.

There are still a number of stationery accounts outstanding from last year. Please check that you have paid yours. A quick phone call or email to Lisa will confirm what's owing if you aren't sure. (Accounts are sent out via email but a hard copy can be requested).

Has your child talked with you are what they are learning in classes at the moment? Be sure to check in with them about this. The home school partnership is proven to have a positive effect upon children's learning.

Sharon Ketter



Home & School AGM

Tuesday 3 March
@ 7.30pm in the
school staffroom

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO
SEEING YOU THEN.**

Huatakerere Hub

Hi everyone

Well the term is racing on, can't believe it is week 5 already! Everyone is settled well into class routines. We welcome Carter McLeod and Lulu Mowat-Wilkinson to the Piwakawaka class.

Maths

The pukekos have started using Math Whizz and are doing really well with this. Please check in students homework books for their logins. Students can work on Maths whizz at home too. Remember to only help them read the questions and not help them with the maths otherwise it will be set at your maths level and not theirs!

The Piwakawakas are exploring equal sharing, and for some the concept of even numbers and skip counting in 2s.

Gallery and Library Visit – Wednesday 4 March 2020

Next week, we are excited to give the children an opportunity to visit Ashburton Gallery to view and participate in their 'Drawn to Sound' exhibition as well as the Ashburton Library for storytime. With our library being revamped it is a great opportunity to raise awareness for our children of local community libraries. The classes will split for each venue, and swap as necessary before heading to the Domain for lunch and a play. Returning to school for the usual bus times. We do not need to have consent forms, as this is covered by the blanket consent form, but emergency contact lists will be carried. We do however, need the assistance of three 'parent helps' per class. Please make contact with your child's teacher to offer support for this trip.

Hub visitors...

We have a visiting family from Kenya. Felicity Taylor is an ex-pupil of CPF school now living with her family in Kenya. It has been wonderful having Felicity's daughter Briar recently visit CPF school to spend time with the Piwakawaka class, her cousin Harry is in our class too. We have enjoyed hearing her stories of life and school in Kenya, and really enjoyed her Dad Sam's talk to the hub about his trip to Everest raising funds for the conservation of wildlife in Kenya.

Swimming and Triathlon

All children have been working really hard at their swimming and gaining in confidence and skills. Please look out for notes on Seesaw regarding details for the Triathlon, e.g. bikes etc. All children are expected to participate in the triathlon either individually or as part of a team. Please join us for the triathlon on Friday 6 March.

Kind Regards

Pip and Jayne



An up-date from the Board

At last week's Board meeting it was good to hear of the progress being made towards the up-grade of our school pool. We are very grateful for the generous donation from our hard working Home and School, as well as generous donations from school families.

The new buses for our school are still in the process of being built and I'm sure the children will be very excited to be able to use these.

Sharon Wallace

Tarahaoa Hub

Tēnā koutou Families!

Wow, we can't believe it is week 5 already! Nearly halfway through the first term.

Tarahaoa hub has just been on the most fabulous camp to Living Springs, we will share more of this at our next assembly.

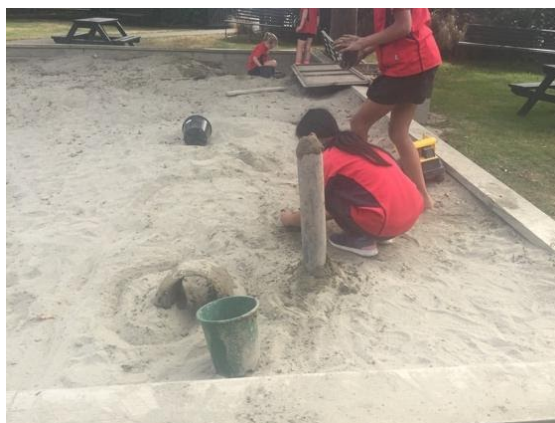
This year we have continued with our 'master' series with re-doing 'Sandcastle Masters' this term. The first round was last Friday with the second and third round happening this Thursday and Friday after camp. Along with our 'Sandcastle Masters', we have introduced 'Taskmaster' challenges. These challenges can happen at anytime and are announced when Miss Palmer wears her special 'Taskmaster' hat. The students must get into their 'Taskmaster' groups and complete set tasks. The winners of the task receive a star and the group with the most stars win a special prize at the end of the year. So far we have completed 3 tasks and some incredible thinking and group work have been shown.

Our school triathlon is coming up on Friday the 6th of March and we have been busy practising for it. Linda from Kiwisport was kind enough to run us through the transitions needed for quick times in a triathlon. It would be helpful to have your child's bike at school during the week so they can practise biking on grass.

During our writing time, we have been working on our *pepeha*, which is a traditional way to greet and introduce ourselves in Te Reo Māori. Your child may have come home asking strange questions like 'what is our mountain?' or 'how did we come to New Zealand?'. We have created a puzzle poster of our pepeha that are displayed in our classrooms and would love for you to drop in and have a look sometime. Our pepeha are also part of our hub art for the Mayfield AnP show.

The school can no longer provide headphones for all the students in our hub so could you please purchase some headphones or earbuds for your child if you haven't already.

Susanne and Connie



Home & School AGM & General Meeting
Tuesday 3rd March 2020
7.30pm – School Staffroom

All Welcome

For a Nomination List for the committee positions please see the school staffroom window.



Do you like to knit or crochet?

We need volunteers to knit and crochet stars and poppies that will be exchanged for a donation from the public. The money raised goes to the RSA, Starship Children's Hospital and NZ Warbirds Association.

If you would like to help or need a pattern please contact
Volunteering Mid & South Canterbury
Mid Canterbury office – volmidcant@gmail.com ph 3081237 ext 240
South Canterbury office – volmsc@xtra.co.nz ph 687 7364



GERALDINE FOOTBALL



Player Registrations 2020

Football is a game for any ability, any age.

4 - 6 yr olds - First Kicks, Thursdays, Term 2 & 3

have fun while learning (reg by May 1st)

7 - 18's - we have teams in all age groups. (7 to 17th)

16's plus who want to play Senior football, we have

Div 1 (Competitive) Div 2 (Semi Competitive) Div 3 (Social)

For all registrations please contact Paula Irvine 027 637 4775

or email geraldinefootballclub@gmail.com

Registrations close

Senior's - March 6th

Juniors - March 25th

(late registrations taken if space)



Football Fun Day

Sunday March 15th

Geraldine Domain, 230 - 4.00

Come and try out your skills

Fun Games, giveaways

YMCA's Bubble Ball

Players can register on this day.

Community Snippets



Seido Karate beginners classes begins on
THURSDAY 20th February from
5 - 6 pm at the Geraldine Bowling club
on Wright Street, Geraldine. We welcome
all new students, both juniors and adults
to this exciting martial art. Learn the
discipline of karate in a friendly and warm
environment. Develop your skills and
fitness levels.

First class is free and after that the cost
is just \$2 a week for the beginners
course. Come along and give it a go.

For further information
contact Liz on 020 4176 4403

TERM DATES 2020

Term 1

Start Thursday 30th January - Thursday 9th April End

Thursday 6th Waitangi Day

Friday 7th February - Teacher only day

Thursday 9th April EOT - Friday 10th Good Friday

Term 2

Start Tuesday 28th April - Friday 3rd July End

Monday 1st June - Queens Birthday

Tuesday 2nd June - Teacher only day

Friday 3rd July - end of Term 2

Term 3

Start Monday 20th July - Friday 25th September End

Term 4

Start Monday 12th October - Friday 11th December End

Monday 19th October Senior Swim Week

Monday 26th October - Labour Day

Tuesday 27th October - Junior Swim week

Monday 13th November - Canty Anniversary

Monday 16th November - Teacher only day

Friday 11th December - End of Term

GERALDINE GYMNASTICS



We run a GymFun program in Geraldine for 5-9 year olds. Classes are run in the winter months, one afternoon a week, at the Geraldine Primary School Community Hall. Our gymnasts are taught core gymnastics skills and work up routines to perform at the last session. We are currently taking registrations and looking for more volunteers to join our coaching team.

Geraldine Gymnastics is affiliated with Gym Sports South Canterbury and are happy to provide coach training, including a 'have-a-go-coaching' session on the evening of Thurs March 26th.

To register a gymnast or to enquire about volunteering please email geraldinegymnastics@gmail.com

GERALDINE COMBINED HOCKEY CLUB

Registrations are now open to join the Geraldine Combined Hockey club for the upcoming South Canterbury Hockey Season.

Primary aged children (Year 1 -8)

If your child is keen to play hockey please complete a registration form and email it to the Geraldine Combined hockey club or drop it off at the Geraldine Primary school office.

Registrations forms can be obtained by emailing our club and returning members will have had a form emailed to them.

Youth Representative (Primary year 1-8) contact: Karen O'Kane 0211672782

geraldinehockeyclub@xtra.co.nz

To keep up to date on what is happening in HSC check out their website and facebook page.

<http://www.hockeysouthcanterbury.co.nz/>

SAFE CRACKER NEEDED!

Our school safe has jammed. Locksmiths have been contacted with an approximate quote to open at around \$1000. There is \$200 in the safe so its not cost effective to do this. Do you have some skills and equipment to open it for us - please phone Lisa and let her know.



Mother Earth FutureFerns NNZ Year 1 & 2 Program

Starting Wednesday 29th April 2020
3.15pm – 3.50pm

Netball Courts, Geraldine Domain
Every Wednesday for the duration of Term 2

Registration on the same day or

You can also register online

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/geraldinenc/Geraldine-Netball-Centre-Year-1-2-Registration/tab1>
PLAYERS MUST BE REGISTERED BY A PARENT/GUARDIAN TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY

\$35 per child

Leander Patterson
027 465 6240

geraldinenetball@gmail.com

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/geraldinenc/Home>

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Geraldine Netball Centre



JUNIOR NETBALL REGISTRATION

Friday 20th March

2.45pm – 3.45pm

Netball Courts

Geraldine Domain

You can also register online

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/geraldinenc/Geraldine-Netball-Centre-Year-48-Registration>

Mother Earth Future Ferns	Fees Due 19 th June 2020
NNZ Year 3 to 8 Program	\$65.00 Year 3 & 4
Friday Afternoons	\$70.00 Year 5 & 6
First Game Friday 1 st May	

Marissa Grant

021 422 326

geraldinenetball@gmail.com

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/geraldinenc/Home>

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Any volunteers that are available to help at the courts on a Friday Afternoon are most welcome

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