



Geraldine Primary

Desire to Learn, Aspire to Achieve
Whāia e koe te iti kahurangi

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Newsletter

Week 2, Term 2

5 May 2023

From the Acting Principal...

Kia ora Whānau

Ka nui te mihi ki a koutou - greetings to you all.

At school we have all settled back into school life and I hope things are going smoothly at home as well. Term 2 is shaping up to be a busy term so please continue to read our newsletters and keep an eye on our Facebook page, as well as Skoop Loop.

For the first five weeks of this term our PB4L focus is **Achieving/Takakawa**. It is important for our students to realise there are many ways to achieve, it does not just have to be in the classroom academically. It is great to see our current and past students achieving their best in their chosen sporting field, you will see more about this later in this newsletter. Reminding your child of their Three Way Conference goals set last term, and asking them how they are going with working towards them, is another way you can help us with this focus. Another way of achieving for some students is just coming to school if they are feeling anxious. We are certainly here to support parents if this is the case.

This week the Tāne Mahuta syndicate have been to visit the Skipton Animal Park. A big thanks to Loren Geary for providing free entry to the park for our adult helpers. Next week the Tāwhirimātea syndicate will be going to Geraldine High School to use their rope course under the instruction of the Peel Forest Outdoor Centre. We are very pleased this has been funded through a

grant from the old Town and Country Club. A big thank you to all our adult helpers, without your support these trips would not be possible.

Change of address

If you have changed your address, phone number or email address recently could you please update these at the office. This will ensure we are able to get in touch with you when we need to.

Teacher Only Days

On **Tuesday 16th May** Geraldine Primary School staff will be joining with other staff from schools in the district for a Teacher Only Day based around Structured Literacy. This will be followed by another one on **Thursday 29th June**. While we know the timing of these days is not ideal, they have been based around the facilitators availability. School will be closed for instruction on these days.

Trailride

The Trailride is on Sunday 7th May (see attached flyer). A big thank you to our farmers Hamish and Sue Sheed, Kris and Cathie Orange, Kim Christie, Katherine and Adam Glass as well as Barry from Port Blakely. Once again our amazing Home and School team are helping provide food and organisation for the day, a big thank you to them as well.

Attendance

You may have seen in the news lately that there is a national push to increase students' attendance in schools. As data is collected by the Ministry of Education on a weekly basis it is important for us to know the 'why' of a student's non attendance. If you are emailing, ringing or leaving a message about why your child is not coming to school on any particular day, please help us out by leaving a reason for their absence.

Kia kaha, kia toa, kia manawanui - be strong, be bold, be steadfast.

Ngā mihi nui,

Jo Drake
Acting Principal | Tumuaki

Past and Students achieving in our community

In the holidays, Abigail Marsden represented the Southern Region in the 12 & Under teams at the 2023 AON National Junior Tennis Event in Christchurch. The Southern region has representatives from South Canterbury, North Otago, Otago, Southland & Lakes Districts. There were 100 children competing from throughout New Zealand in Under 12 & 14. Southern played Auckland, Northern, Waikato & Bays, Central & Canterbury. There was a lot of great tennis and some very tough matches. Seeing the top New Zealand players play was a great experience.



Geraldine Athletics Club Prizегiving

Roman Beertsen - Club Champ 7yr Male, Judah Courage - Runner up

Liam Easton - Club Champ 8yr Male, Vincent Guilford Runner Up

Hamish Grant - Club Champ 9yr Male

James Bell - Club Champ 10yr Male

Hosanna Woods - Club Champ 8yr Female

Roman Beertsen - Most PB's 9&Under Male

Hosanna Woods - Most PB's 9&Under Female

Hosanna Woods - Most Improved 9&Under Female

James Bell - Effort, Attitude & Attendance Trophy

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Student Achievement Outside School

We regularly hear about the achievements of our students in their out of school activities. We would like to be able to further recognise these achievements in our newsletters and / or on our school Facebook page. If your child or a GPS student you know of has done well in an out of school pursuit, please let us know! A written explanation of their achievement, along with a photo would be appreciated. Please send details to - principal@geraldine.school.nz

School Notices

Welcome

Welcome to Ryleigh, R9; Willow and Luciano, R10; Bonnie, R11; Arpan, R7 and James, Leonard and Eesha who started in R6 recently. We hope you enjoy your time at Geraldine Primary School

Te Reo Kupu Te Wiki

We are all back to learning Level 1 Te Reo as a whole kura. (school)
Below are the kupu (words) we have been learning for the last two weeks.
Feel free to have a go as a whānau (family)

Click these to hear the correct pronunciation: Sound file	Kia Ora Hello	Kia ora e te whānau. Hello to the family	Pāia! Awesome
Sound file	Ata mārie Good morning	Ata mārie tamariki mā. Good morning children	Mīharo! Awesome
Sound file	Tēnā koe Tēnā kōrua Tēnā koutou Hello to one/two/three or more	Tēnā koe e hoa. Hello friend	Tau kē! Awesome
Sound file	Mōrena Good morning	Mōrena kaiako mā. Good morning teachers	Wananei! Wicked

PB4L Certificates

Well done to the following students who received a PB4L certificate at assembly today:

R2	Molly P	R3	Flynn Foster	R4	Nassi
R5	Fae	R9	Ted	R10	Ashton
R11	Henry	R12	Mila		

The following children received a Desire to Learn/Aspire to Achieve certificate:

R2	Ryleigh	R3	Jonathan	R4	Jamie
R9	Ava	R10	Hayden	R11	Krystal
R13	Zane.				

Congratulations to the following children who won a prize in the Gotcha draw:
Caio, Charlotte C.

Uniforms / Lost Property

Can all whānau please:

- Use a dark pen to name school jersey/ fleece/ jacket

If you have some second hand uniform, PLEASE change the name to show the NEW owner.

GPS Uniforms

GPS uniforms can be purchased from the Warehouse, Timaru, or locally from High Street Stitch and Print, in Geraldine. Please click on the link below for more information:

<http://gps.hssp.co.nz/>

The green polo shirts can only be purchased from The Warehouse, Timaru.

Second hand uniforms can be purchased from the school office for a donation which will go to the Home and School

Term 2 Calendar

Week 3

Monday 8 May

R11 trip to ropes course at GHS

Thursday 11 May

R13 trip to ropes course at GHS

Friday 12 May

R10 trip to ropes course at GHS

Week 4

Tuesday 16 May

Teacher Only Day

Wednesday 17 May

Y5 & 6 Rippa Rugby Tournament for those selected

Friday 19 May

Pink Shirt day

Week 5

Wednesday 24 May

Board Meeting

Week 6

Monday 29 May

Home and School Meeting, 7pm - staffroom

Wednesday 31 May

GPS Cross Country details time tbc

Friday 2 June

Non Uniform to raise funds for the Geraldine Social Worker Trust

Week 7

Monday 5 June

Kings Birthday – school closed

Wednesday 7 June

pp GPS Cross Country

Week 8

Tuesday 13 June

South Canterbury Cross Country for those selected

Thursday 15 June

pp South Canterbury Cross Country

Week 9

Week 10

Wednesday 28 June

Celebration Assembly run by Junior Syndicate
Board Meeting

Thursday 9 June

Teacher Only Day – School Closed

Friday 30 June

Term 2 ends

Saturday 1 July

Home and School fundraiser - Ethel & Bethel
Comedy Bingo

Term dates 2023

Term 2

Wednesday 26 April - Friday 30 June

School closed:

Staff Development Day - Tuesday 16 May
King's Birthday - Monday 5 June
Staff Development Day - Thursday 29 June

During July term break: Matariki - Friday 14 July

Term 3

Monday 17 July - Friday 22 September

During September term break:

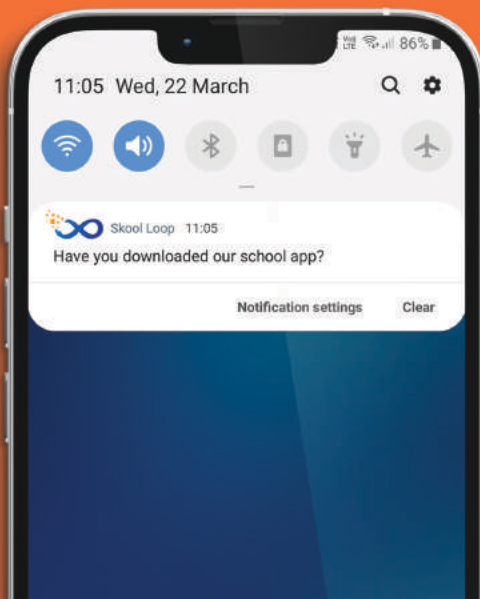
South Canterbury Anniversary - Monday 25
September

Term 4

Monday 9 October – Thursday 14 December

School closed:

Labour Day - Monday 23 October
Staff Development Day - Friday 17 November



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- Receive instant notifications to your device about school news and notices
- Translation function available
- View newsletters
- Notify us of your child's absence
- Sign permission forms
- Book interviews and more!

Simple free download:

In Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

Beautiful Valley Trailride

SUNDAY 7 May 2023

<u>VENUE:</u>	The Spurs, Beautiful Valley, Geraldine (signposted from Geraldine/Fairlie Hwy, 15 minutes from Geraldine)
<u>SIGN ON & SCRUTINEERING:</u>	Sunday from 9.30am
<u>COST</u>	\$60.00 Senior 16 yrs & over \$40.00 Junior 11 - 15 yrs \$20.00 Children 10 yrs & under
<u>REQUIREMENTS:</u>	All Riders Under 16 yrs Must Be Accompanied By An Adult Rider Bikes & Riding Gears Must Be Clean Boots, Helmet & Spark Arrestor Muffler (Compulsory) No Dogs Please.



“ Proudly Supports The Safety Of This Event”

- HIGH COUNTRY FARMLAND AND FORESTRY TRAILS
- SUITABLE FOR TRAILBIKES & QUADBIKES
- CHILDREN'S, BEGINNER OFF-ROAD LOOP, SHORTCUTS
- ENDURO OPTIONS FOR EXPERIENCED RIDERS
- BBQ/REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
- KNOBBLY TYRES ESSENTIAL
- FUNDRAISING FOR GERALDINE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Enquires to Email

EMAIL: trailrides@xtra.co.nz for event posters & cancellation notices
www.facebook.com/AdventureTrailridesEvents

Breaking the Stigma

Building mental health and resilience in Geraldine with Clinical Psychologist **Nigel Latta**

Get some facts, bust some myths, and learn some skills.

Join us for an evening focused on improving mental health in our community. Whether you're an interested adult, a concerned parent, or a young person wanting to build your own skills, this is an evening with information, strategies — and even a few funny bits.

7 PM — 20 May (Saturday)
Geraldine High School Hall

Tickets cost \$35 (all profits go towards local resources), and light refreshments are available. Purchase your ticket at all local schools and doctor practices.



Nigel Latta

Geraldine Hockey – Local League Term 3, 2023



Geraldine Combined Hockey club runs a local Junior Hockey league at the Geraldine Domain in Term 3. This year we will be able to play on the brand new turf facility.

The league will run on a Wednesday afternoon.

Funsticks for 5 year olds – 3.30-4 pm


Junior league trainings followed by games 4 pm onwards.

Please register your interest using the following form.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1KiIG8fm0fL0cQzrrl_kHpBS6t6PcrGY7q_kGj38rALg/edit

Email enquiries to Hils McCullough at nofrillshils@gmail.com





GERALDINE
EST 2016
**SNOW SPORTS
ACADEMY**

INFORMATION EVENING
**Thursday 11th May, 7pm at the
Geraldine High School Library**
*All welcome to come and learn about
the ski and snowboard programme
available at Mt Dobson for Geraldine
School aged Children this winter.
For further information - contact Simon
@ 027 5666 969*

GERALDINE GYMNASTICS



Classes are run in the winter months, on a Thursday afternoon, at the Geraldine Primary School Community Hall. Our gymnasts are taught core gymnastics skills and work up routines to perform at ribbon day. We are currently taking registrations and looking for more volunteers to join our coaching team and committee.

To register a gymnast please use the following link

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1JQGnf7Tb6x0dfYubKVv8X2KhXQOZKasAYol5vp9a_uU/edit

To enquire about volunteering please email geraldinegymnastics@gmail.com