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# Alfredton School

*Inspiring learning for a lifetime ~ Little acorns to mighty oaks*

**Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 4 June 2025**

**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,

Tomorrow is Bush Cross Country. Good luck to the Alfredton Students representing the Rural Schools. Mrs Bond will meet you all at Eketahuna Golf Club at 9.15am. Please come with your child's age written on their hand.

Miss Sharon Thorburn has been appointed as our new Principal Release teacher. She will begin teaching in Huia class from the start of term three. Sharon will be teaching every Wednesday and Thursday, and Friday the odd weeks of term.

Trinity McGrath has been appointed as a teacher aide in Tui class. She will be starting later this term.

If anyone who has a child in Years 4 - 8 hasn't returned their Tough Guy and Gal form, please can they be sent in before Friday as I need to confirm numbers by the end of the week.

The Cultural Festival will be taking place on Wednesday June 18th at the stadium in Pahiata. Look out for a letter coming home soon.

Have a good week.

Nga mihi nui  
Alison



## Dates for your diary

### Term 2

5th June Bush Cross Country in Eketahuna (this replaces the road race)  
11th June WPC Community Service - cooking meals  
18th June Cultural Festival  
20th June School Closed - Matariki  
23rd June Tough Guy and Gal Challenge (Year 4 - 8)  
23rd June WPC Orienteering at the Esplanade (Y7 - 8)

### Term 3

30th July Tararua Sevens (Year 5 - 8) postponement Aug 1st  
13th August Visit to Pahiatua Museum  
15th August WPC Community Service - Tree Planting at the McKay's  
4th September Pahiatua Lions Speech Competition  
12th September Maths Quiz (Year 5-8)  
15th September Formal Dance Practice (Year 7-8)

### Term 4

9th October School Photographs  
14th October EPro8 Tournament in Masterton  
6th November Pets Day (TBC)  
7th November Teacher Only Day (TBC)  
14th November Moving Forward Conference (Year 7-8)  
19th November Rural Schools Athletics postponement 21st  
28th November Bush Athletics postponement 1st Dec  
12th December Christmas Party  
16th December Production and Christmas Tree Night

### Year 7 and 8 Technology

Term 2: 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 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 7th November

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: Monday June 16th 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.

### Message from Sharon Thorburn

I am absolutely thrilled to be teaching at Alfredton School, understanding the privilege of being under the leadership of your Principal and part of such an inspirational teaching team! I have taught internationally and in NZ for over thirty years, so you can imagine my joy of calling the Tararuas my home and finding Alfredton School! My life and teaching experience is diverse, from Deputy Principal of a Kenyan / Ugandan boarding school in an isolated war zone to Personnel Manager of an oil rig in Aberdeen Scotland, to giving birth to my two children in Brunei. My strength as a teacher is performing arts. After spending a day with the students of Alfredton, I want to thank you all as a community, for the incredibly warm welcome and respect given me. I hope to get to know you all over the coming weeks and am grateful to be part of the community here.

### Sport

Netball - Alfredton Oaks v Douglas Park. Douglas Park won 6 - 4.



**PLAY,  
PARENT,  
COACH**

Unlock your potential as a confident and capable volunteer coach at this free workshop!

**TIME:** 6:30pm  
**DATE:** Monday, 9th of June 2025  
**VENUE:** Bush Multisport Stadium  
Pahiatua

Register here: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/352595>

**SPORTMANAWATU.ORG.NZ**



CERTIFICATES - 2<sup>nd</sup> May Assembly

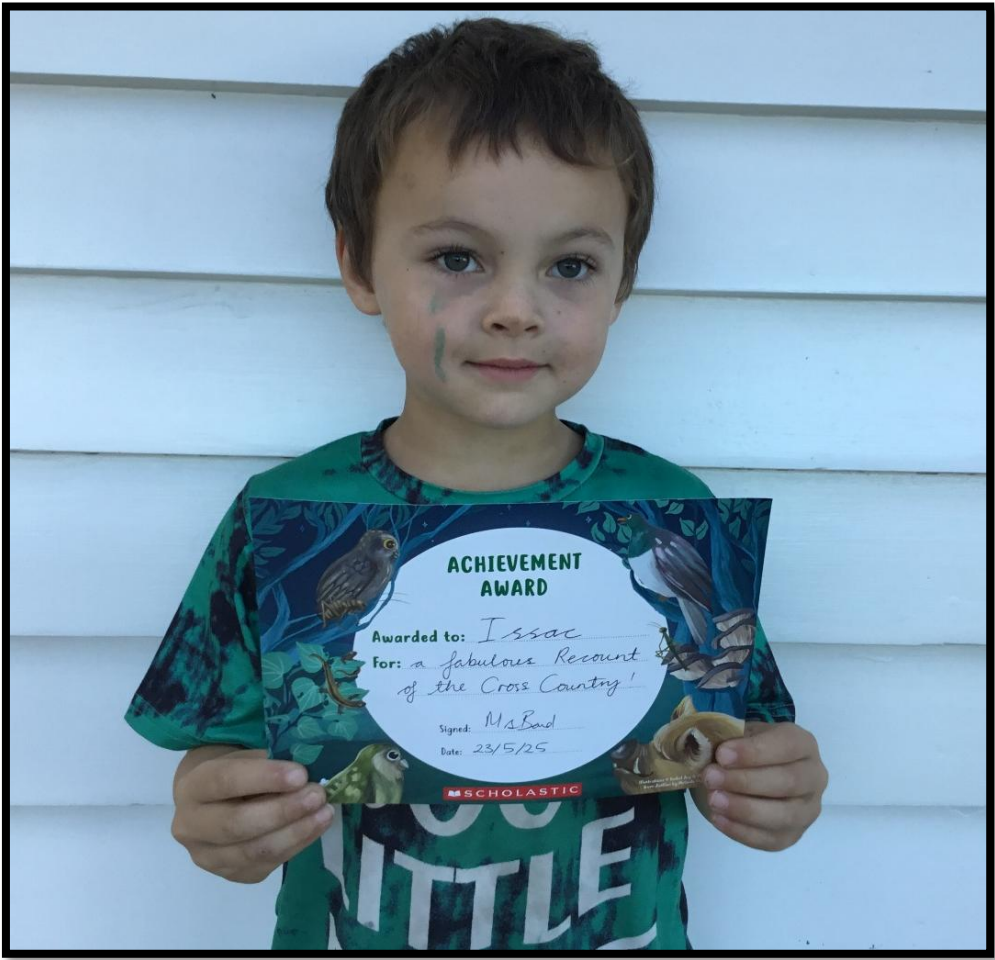
Principal Awards - Week 4



Readers of the Week - Week 4



Classroom Awards - Week 4 and 5





## Values Awards - Week 4 and Week 5



## Programme: Open Day

1:15pm Principal's Welcome  
1:30pm Student led tours of the College  
2:30pm Mix with student leaders and staff  
over light refreshments in our cafe

## Open Evening


5:30pm Principal's Welcome  
5:45pm Student led tours of the College  
7:00pm Mix with student leaders and  
staff over supper in our cafe





Doors are open from 1pm and 5pm, come in and see what amazing opportunities our local College has to offer

# TARARUA COLLEGE OPEN DAY / EVENING

Thursday 12th June

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