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Inspiring learning for a lifetime ~ Little acorns to mighty oaks

## Newsletter ~ Thursday, 19 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,

We have one week of term two left. We have managed to accomplish lots over the past eight weeks. Term ends on Friday 27th June.

Bush Cross Country Results:

6 year old boys: Hugo Falloon 2nd 6 year old girls: Shelby Liverton 1st 9 year old girls: Nellie blundell 1st 11 year old boys: Hadley McKay 3rd

12+ girls: Tova Foreman 3rd

Well done to all the children who competed, you all showed great determination and commitment.

As part of the William Pike Challenge our Year 7 and 8's spent a day working with Kate McKay and Angela Blundell preparing meals for Te Whare Ora o Eketahuna.

Many thanks to Yrs 7 & 8 Alfredton School who prepared, packaged and labelled pumpkin soup, shepherd's pie and banana bread ready for patients returning from hospital or families in need. Eketāhuna Food Bank is indebited to the whole community that is Eketāhuna and districts for their support.



Yesterday we performed at the Cultural Festival alongside other schools from our Bush cluster of schools. A huge thank you to Whaea Ami Robins for helping us to prepare.



the Pahiatua marae on Saturday.



Today we celebrated Matariki with a shared lunch. All of the children made fry bread and thoroughly enjoyed eating the fruits of their labour. Thank you for the contributions for our lunch.

Tomorrow school will be closed as we celebrate Matariki. You are all invited to celebrate at



On Monday our Year 4 to 8's are taking part in the Junior Tough Guy and Gal event in Palmerston North. Afterwards the Year 7 and 8's will be going on to the Esplanade to complete an orienteering course.

Welcome back to Cora and Nolan Davidson who have re-joined us for a short time. It is great to have you back.



Have a good week and a lovely holiday. Term three starts on Monday July 14th.

Nga mihi nui

Alison

## Dates for your diary

#### Term 2

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: 26th June.

Term 3: 24th July, 7th and 21st August, 18th September

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 August 11th at 5.45pm

Elections will be held in September for a new School Board. We are using Election Pilot (online voting) to manage the election process. Emails will be sent to the address we have on file, inviting nominations for the School Board and, if required, providing details of voting. Please check your junk mail and contact school if you do not receive an email by the 27th July.

#### Timeline for the 2025 Election:

Call for nominations by	Friday 25 July 2025
Nominations close	Wednesday 13 August 2025 at 12:00 pm
Voting papers issued	Wednesday 20 August 2025
Election Day	Wednesday 17 September 2025 – poll closes at 4:00 pm
Accept Postal Votes	Monday 22nd September 2025
Vote Count	Tuesday 23 September 2025
Board Takes Office	Wednesday 24 September 2025



All of New Zealand's state and state-integrated schools have a School Board which is the Crown entity responsible for the governance of the school.

The Board:

- ensures every student can reach their highest possible standard in student achievement
- is the employer of all staff in the school
- sets the school's strategic direction in consultation with parents, whānau, staff, students and the wider school community
- is responsible for overseeing the management of personnel, curriculum, property, finance and administration

School Board members have an important role of supporting strong professional leadership and ensuring effective teaching for all students through informed governance.

Our communities need great Boards to help build great schools!

The Board has overall responsibility and accountability for the school/kura. School Board's legal responsibilities are determined by the Education and Training Act 2020. The Act sets out boards' four primary objectives. These are ensuring student achievement for all of its students, including for those of differing needs, making sure the school is a safe place for all, and giving effect to the Treaty of Waitangi.

As part of its focus on these four objectives, Boards' responsibilities include:

- Setting the strategic direction for the school
- Protecting the school's values
- Monitoring and evaluating student learning outcomes
- Approving policies
- · Financial stewardship
- · Building community engagement and support

It's important to note that the board does NOT get involved in the day-to-day running of the school.

Parents/caregivers and people in the wider community can be parent representatives. School Boards need to represent the diversity of their school communities to ensure a bright future for all our children.

The School Board elections are the opportunity to vote for candidates who will make a positive difference for children's education. We need more people willing to use their skills and experiences for the benefit of students!

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. Board members do not have to have children

at our school, they can be community members who would like to support the governance at Alfredton school.

## **Sport**

## Netball

Alfredton Oaks vs Carterton, Alfredton won 12-3 Alfredton Oaks vs Opaki Whero, Alfredton won 8 - 1

# CERTIFICATES

# Principal Awards





## Readers of the Week





## Classroom Awards





# Values Awards

