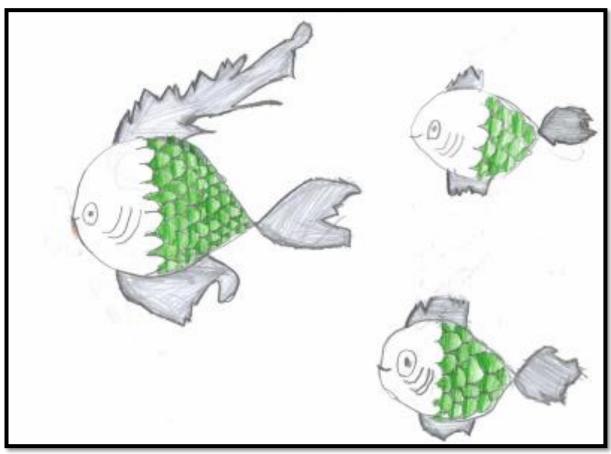
# Alfredton School's Newsletter is proudly supported by ...





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## **Alfredton School**

Inspiring learning for a lifetime ~ Little acorns to mighty oaks

## Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 17 September 2025

#### Alfredton School's Vision

To grow students into inquiring, confident, adaptable learners who are well prepared to reach their full potential.

Kia ora,

We've made it to the end of Term 3. We have had lots happening over the past ten weeks; many of these have been celebrated in our new Facebook group. If you haven't checked it out yet look for Alfredton School <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1321010852706100">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1321010852706100</a> . The highlights are posted each week as we celebrate our many successes.

Friday is our final day of term. Term 4 begins on Monday October 6th. Please check our diary dates below.

Hot lunches end tomorrow. They will restart Term 2 2026.

From the start of Term 4 all children will be expected to have a sunhat at school. Please write your child's name inside their hat as it makes it much easier to return it to them if it is found outside. Many children wear very similar hats.

Please remember to email or phone the office to let us know regular days which your child will be off the bus next term. We do not carry them over from this term. If we don't know that your child is expected to be off the bus they may be sent home on the bus before someone arrives to pick them up.

Next term - week 5 will be Pets Day. Please read the information carefully. This year's Family Challenge is to create a decorated post (1 - 1.5m high) to represent your whanau. These will be placed in the Native Garden. It would be fantastic to have every family represented and would be a great activity for the school holiday.

Tova and Kitana will be running a cake auction and will be needing donations of awesome yumminess to auction. This will take place after lunch before the games begin.

This week we say goodbye to Tutamou and his family as they move to another area of NZ. We wish them all the best.

Have a wonderful holiday with your children. Nga mihi nui Alison

### Dates for your diary

#### Term 3

18th September Formal Dance (Year 7 / 8)

#### Term 4

9th October School Photographs

14th October EPro8 Tournament in Masterton

6th November Pets Day

7th November Teacher Only Day

13th November Bush Ag Day

18th November Moving Forward Conference (Year 7-8)

19th November Rural Schools Athletics (postponement 21st)

26th November Year 8 Leavers Trip

28th November Bush Athletics (postponement 1st Dec)

2nd December Whole School Trip to Te Manawa and the Lido

4th December William Pike Outdoor Activity Off The Loop Foxton

12th December Production and Christmas Tree Night

16th December Christmas Party

17th December Last day of term

## Year 7 and 8 Technology

Term 3: 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 Three: Monday 14th July to Friday 19th September

Term Four: Monday 6th October to Wednesday 17th December (Closed 27th October)

There will be a Teacher Only Day on 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

Following the call for nominations for the by-election five nominations for four places were received. Thank you to everyone who has stood. You should all receive voting papers today. Voting will close at 4pm on October 15th, postal votes October 20th. Votes will be counted on October 21st and the results announced on October 22nd.

#### Year 7 / 8 Formal Dance 2025

This will take place tomorrow (September 18th) starting at 6.30pm. Parents should return to the stadium for 8.15pm so that they can have the last dance with their child. The event ends at 8.30pm. All children must be collected from inside the hall. Please let me know when you collect your child.

All children should bring a gold coin and a plate of food to share.

## Sporting Success

Congratulations to Joe McKay (U6 Best Forward), Issac Bowater (U6 Most Improved) and George Edmonds (U9 Best Defender) who all received trophies at the Eketahuna Rugby Prizegiving.

Congratulations to Tova Foreman who has been selected for the U13 Manawatu Hockey Team.

#### Past Students

Congratulations to Nixon Foreman who has been selected for the Hurricanes U18 Development Camp.

# Week 8 Assembly









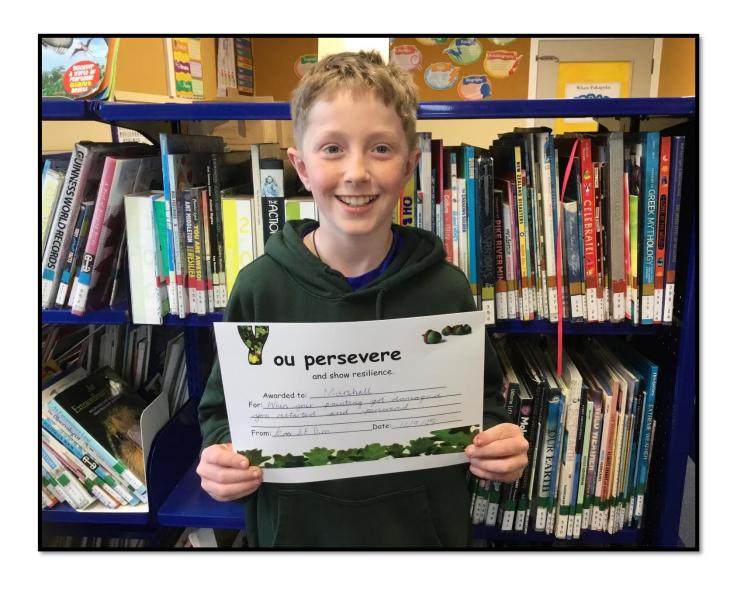
## Readers of the Week





Week 9 Assembly







#### FROM THE CLASSROOM

On Tuesday 2nd September four talented writers; Olive, Kitana, Levi and Sophie brainstormed with Miss Thorburn to write our school production. They spent a lot of time making sure that there would be a perfect part for every student in our school. Every writer brought something for morning tea and they made nachos for lunch. It was great fun. The writers had a good time.

Sophie



On Friday last week 8 people went to the Maths Quiz in Pahiatua. We showed up but were the last ones there. That meant we had the worst table; having to stand as there were no seats left. The year five team had Rupert, Nellie, Emily and Sophie. The year seven and eight team had Tova, Jock, Hadley and Kade.

The teams had to solve tricky word problems that needed us to do a lot of division.

Overall we didn't do very well, but year seven and eight got second in the general knowledge quiz.

We had lunch midway through the guiz and had a run around.

At the end of it we got lots of chocolate.

At the end of the day, even though we weren't placed, it was fun representing the school.

Jock and Kade.

#### **ASCA**

Next meeting Wednesday 22nd October 7pm all welcome

**Firewood Raffle** - This week each family will be sent home a raffle sheet. Tickets are \$5 each with two chances to win a trailer load of firewood. We will be organising a crew of people to split the wood which is kindly being donated by Hamish & Angela Blundell. So look out for a message on our group chat soon.

**Swimming Teacher -** We are looking for someone to continue the swimming lessons over the swimming season. If you know of anyone interested in teaching swimming, please get them to get in touch with Alison and more details can be given.

**Hill Country Walk - SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY 28th MARCH 2026 -** If you would like to join the organising group - please touch base with Angela or Ginny



**Huntaway Pups** 

Free to good home

Phone Carla or Stewart

06 3750575

The Tararua College Year 9 Enrolments are now open.

Please follow the link below to enrolments.

https://tararuacollege.school.kiwi/enrolment

Please have enrolments in by Friday 19th September.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.





#### **Board Game Sessions:**

Come along and play some of our brand-new board games!



Eketāhuna Library - 06 376 0114 Tuesday 23rd September, 11:00am-12:00pm

Pahiatua Library – 06 376 0121 Thursday 25th September, 10:00am-12:00pm



#### Code with Bee-Bots:

Explore the world of coding with our Bee Robot Coding Sessions – great for young minds! Ages 6-9 years old.

Woodville Library - 06 376 0212 1st October, 10:00am-11:30am

Dannevirke Library - 06 374 4255 1st October, 1:00pm-2:30pm



Bookings essential before Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September.

See flyer or ask library staff for more details!



TARARUA REAP



# ESCAPE THE

THINK YOU'VE GOT WHAT IT TAKES TO CRACK THE CODE?

JOIN OS THESE HOLIDAYS TO SOLVE PUZZLES, BREAK SECRET

CODES, AND CREATE YOUR VERY OWN CIPHER - BUT BE

OUICK... THE CLOCK IS TICKING!

FUN FOR CURIOUS MINDS AGED 8-12 FREE TO ATTEND - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Woodville Library - 06 376 0212 Tuesday 23rd Sep - 12:30-2:30pm & Wednesday 24th Sep - 12:30-2:30pm





Dannevirke Library - 06 374 4255 Thursday 25th Sep - 10:00-12:00pm & Friday 26th Sep - 10:00-12:00pm

**Eketāhuna Library - 06 376 0114** Monday 29th Sep - 10:40-12:30pm & Tuesday 30th Sep - 10:40-12:30pm





Pahiatua Library - 06 376 0121 Thursday 2nd Oct - 10:00-12:00pm & Friday 3rd Oct - 10:00-12:00pm

Please call the number listed above under the library where you'd like to attend, or email: library@tararuadc.govt.nz to reserve your spot before Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September







We are moving to Waikare, Brooklands Station, Tiraumea in December.

We do both indoor and outdoor painting- all brush work, no spray painting.

Free quote and no obligations.

We have many references.

