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# **Alfredton School**

Inspiring learning for a lifetime ~ Little acorns to mighty oaks

# Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 6 August 2025

# Alfredton School Vision

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

Kia ora,

Congratulations to all those who competed at the Tararua Sevens last week. Well done to the Y5/6 and Y7/8 Combined Schools Hockey teams who both placed 2nd in their grade. A huge thank you to Angela Blundell, Ginny McClean, Simon Falloon, Jen Forbes and Katie Pearson for managing teams.

On Wednesday next week the whole school will be visiting the museum in Pahiatua. All children, except for those who have whanau coming, will be transported on a school bus. Children on the Pa Valley run will be picked up on the way to the museum. Times will be confirmed by your driver next week. Those travelling with whanau should meet us at the museum on Sedcole Street by 9.40. Can anyone who has not yet returned their form please send them back asap.

Letters have been sent home with Year 7 and 8 children about the two tree planting days which are part of their community service for the William Pike Challenge. On Friday 15th they will be planting 1500 trees at the McKay's with Horizons Regional Council Freshwater Team and the Manawatu River Catchment Collective. On Tuesday 19th they will be heading out to the Falloons. If you have any questions, please contact me.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at Learning Conversations this week. If you have not yet made an appointment and would like to discuss your child's progress, please contact your child's teacher.

I sent Summer hockey forms home last week. We are hoping to be able to create combined teams with the other rural schools. If your child wishes to play, please return the form to the office as soon as possible.

Have a good week. Nga mihi nui Alison

# Dates for your diary

# Term 3

6th & 7th August Learning Conversations

13th August Visit to Pahiatua Museum

15th August WPC Community Service - Tree Planting at the McKay's (Y7/8)

19th August WPC Community Service - Tree Planting at the Falloon's (Y7/8)

4th September Pahiatua Lions Speech Competition

12th September Maths Quiz (Year 5-8)

15th September Formal Dance Practice (Year 7-8)

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) \*Note Date Change

19th November Rural Schools Athletics postponement 21st

28th November Bush Athletics postponement 1st Dec

12th December Production and Christmas Tree Night \*Note Date Change

16th December Christmas Party \*Note Date Change

17th December Last day of term

# Year 7 and 8 Technology

Term 3: 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 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

Next meeting: Monday August 11th at 5.45pm

# Alfredton School is seeking a cleaner

(10 hours per week)

Please contact Alison Hill

(Tel: 06 375 8082 or

email: principal@alfredton.school.nz)

for further details

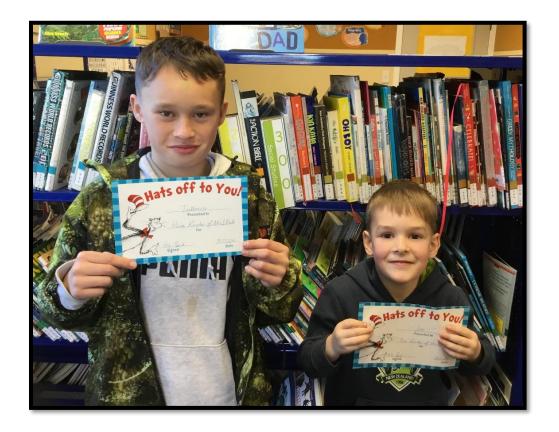


# Week 2 Assembly







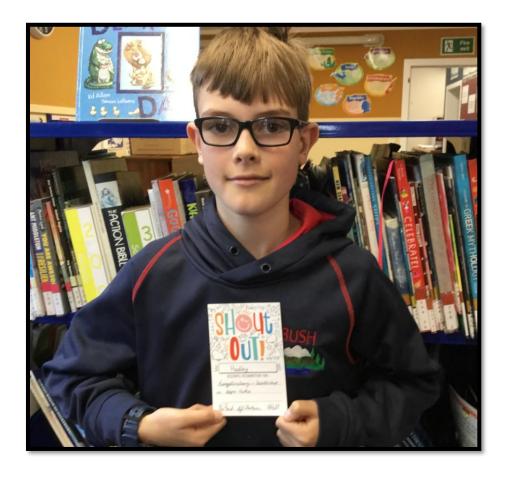


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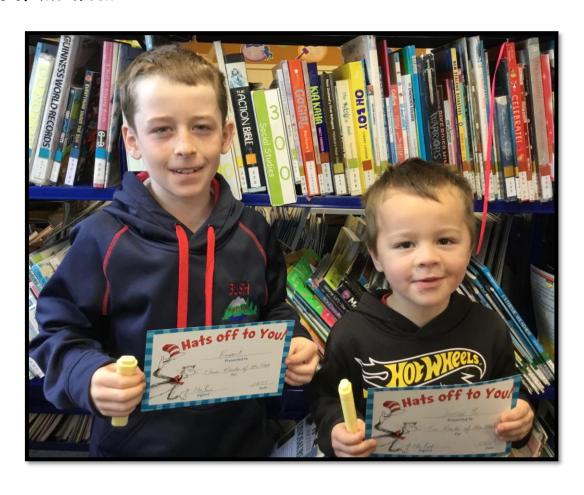








# Readers of the Week



# Personalised Artwork Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Mouse Mats and Sketch Pads

Your child's art can be made into affordable Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Mouse Mats and Sketch Pads. These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas.

Look out for further details and order forms later in the term.



## **Oral Health for School Newsletters**

#### **Avoid Sweets:**

Don't eat sweets on your way to school otherwise the sugar will be stuck on your teeth all day. Sweets should be avoided as everyday treats or rewards and saved for very special occasions.

#### Fluoride:

Fluoride helps strengthen and protect teeth. The fluoride in toothpaste helps prevent tooth decay by strengthening tooth enamel. Not rinsing after brushing allows fluoride to remain on teeth and continue to help protect them. Your Oral Health team recommend toothpastes which contain full strength fluoride (1000ppm). Also seen as sodium monofluorophosphate & sodium fluoride.

## **Baby Teeth:**

Baby teeth are important for a child's development and overall health, playing a vital role in chewing, speaking, and holding space for adult teeth. Teeth extracted on young children due to decay can affect speech as well as cause space loss later in life.

## **Regular Dentist Visits:**

Free dental care is available from birth to 18 years old. Call 0800 TALK TEETH for appointments or concerns. If your child is not enrolled, please contact us

The Wairarapa Dental team is based at Masterton Intermediate School:

06 377 9071 or oralhealth@wairarapa.dhb.org.nz.

#### **GUMBOOTS BRASS AND WIND ENSEMBLE 2025**

Mid-year weekend workshop

# 'BAND CAMP'

10.00am to 4.00pm Saturday 20 September 2025 Sunday 21 September 2025 Feilding Band Rooms Council Place, Feilding



# REGISTER NOW

Brass, woodwind and percussion. Gumboots Band is for you.

Jandals Band welcomes anyone aged 8 plus and features all instrument families.

We welcome young and new players ready to learn, led by Harmen Vanhoorne, internationally-renowned, conductor, musician and educator.

# Register online now

https://forms.gle/FJvBwN6JBBbF8Cjx7

Further information e: gumbootsbrassandwind@gmail.com or Kathy 021 689 005



Central Districts Brass Band Association and member bands





iBike4Kids is an exciting cycling event organized by the Manawatu Mountain Bike Club, designed specifically for primary and intermediate-aged children.

Where: Victoria Esplanade Palmerston North. In the Riverside below the Scenic Railway Station. Behind

the Lido

When: Sunday Sept 7th

How Much: \$20 per child - \$10 for under 5s in the Balance Bike section. Tee Shirts \$25

Please note that entries are available online only, and no registrations will be accepted on the day of the event. You can enter at any of the links below.

Our Facebook page is: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/iBike4Kidss">https://www.facebook.com/iBike4Kidss</a>

Tickets: <a href="https://ibike4kids-2025.lilregie.com/">https://ibike4kids-2025.lilregie.com/</a>