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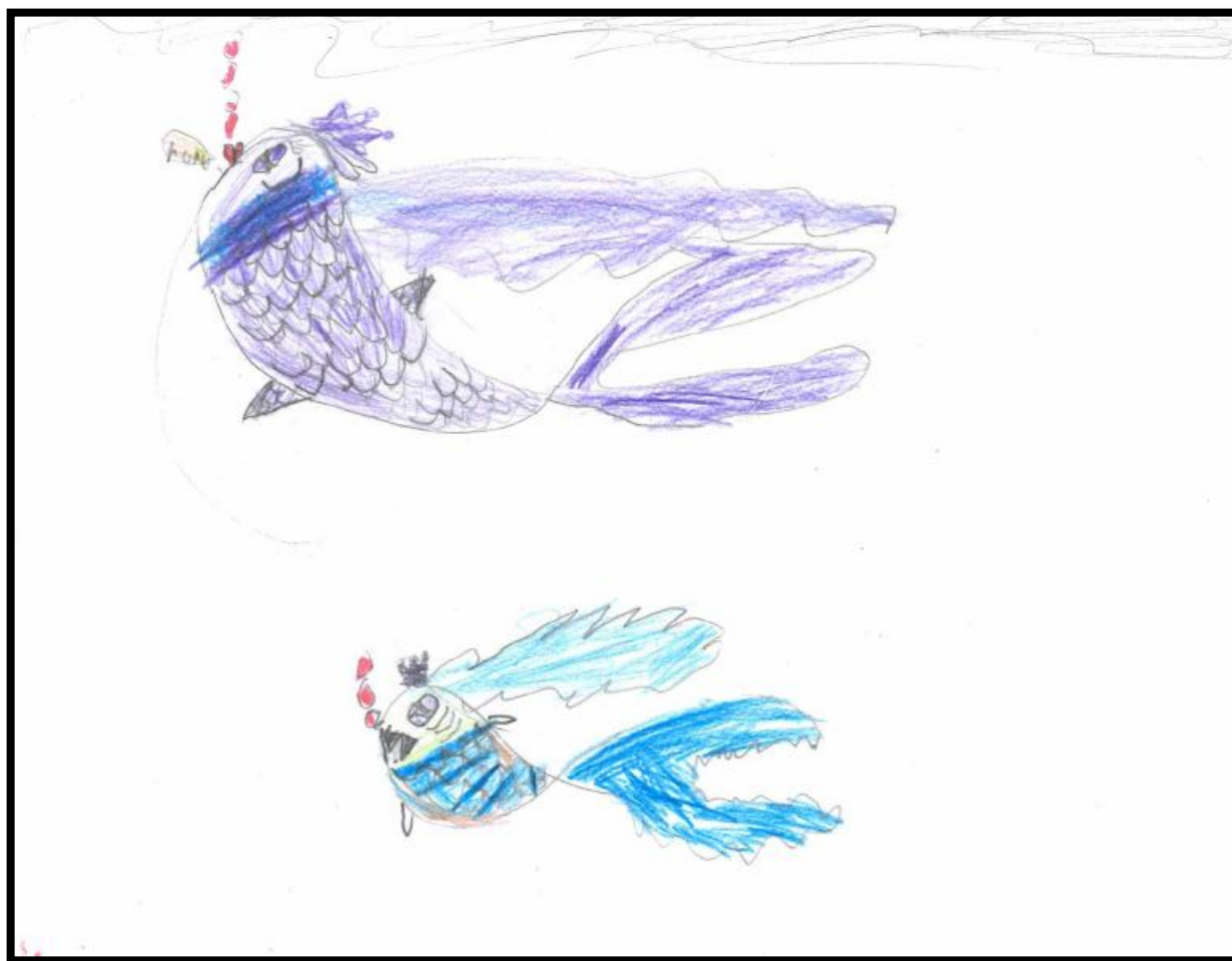
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The advertisement shows the exterior of a Bisset Honda dealership. The storefront is modern with large glass windows and a prominent red curved sign with the 'HONDA' logo. Several red Honda ATVs are parked in front of the store. To the left, there's a sign for 'BISSET HONDA' with a green logo. Vertical banners for 'STIHL' and 'HONDA' are also visible. The text 'KEEPING YOU GOING' is overlaid in large white letters, and the address and phone number are at the bottom.



Artwork by Xela



# Alfredton School

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

**Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 3 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,

Last Friday was Daffodil Day. Many of our children came to school wearing yellow. Three of our senior students Hadley McKay, Jock Falloon and Sid Blundell baked cupcakes which they sold at morning tea. From the sale of cupcakes and kind donations we raised a total of \$200 for the Cancer Society.



Yesterday your child brought home a copy of their calendar art. Orders are due in by September 12th. Please either send cash with the order form or pay online prior to placing your order with us.

Congratulations to Tova Foreman who won our Speech Contest. She will be competing in the Pahiatua Lions Speechmaker Contest tonight. Her speech is - Why every child should play a team sport.

Next Friday (12th) we will be sending 2 teams to the Tararua Maths Quiz. They will be competing against other schools in the Tararua district.

We would like to welcome Jo Ryan as our new cleaner. Jo started working last week.

Have a great week.

Nga mihi nui

Alison

### **Dates for your diary**

#### Term 3

3rd 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)

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: 4th and 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: Wednesday, September 17th at 5pm.

Nominations for the by-election close at noon on September 10th.

## Year 7 / 8 Formal Dance 2025


This event is an opportunity for our Year 7 and 8's to get together and have fun. I would encourage all of our Year 7 and 8's to attend as this is a chance for you to meet with other similar age students in a social situation. This year staff are going to encourage students to mingle and get to know each other rather than sticking in school groups. For those children heading to Tararua College this is an ideal opportunity to get to know others who you will be learning with next year. Please take advantage of this evening even if it takes you out of your comfort zone. Boys - your friends from rugby will be there!

Please read the flyer which was sent home with your child yesterday.

Every Year 7 and 8 will be attending the practice on Monday September 15th. Rachael will accompany them.

# TARARUA KAHUI AKO PRESENTS

- Thursday 18 September 2025 6.30 -8.30
- Bush Multi Sport Stadium
- \$2 entry at the door.
- Please bring a plate for a shared supper.
- Tidy Dress: We ask that no high heel shoes are worn (these damage the floor) & boys are to wear a collared shirt
- Parents are asked to drop their children off outside the facility at 6.30 sharp & then return to collect them from inside the hall at the end of the evening.
- Parents are encouraged to join the dance from 8:15pm onwards. Please make sure students bring their own water bottle to drink.



# FORMAL DANCE

This is an event for Year 7 and Year 8 students only. No college students, older or younger siblings to attend. This event is designed to build positive relationships across the district in a fun structured setting. Students will be asked to choose different partners for each dance with many dances involving changing partners during music. As such going 'with' a set partner is strongly discouraged (this is not a high school ball).

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## Week 4 Assembly





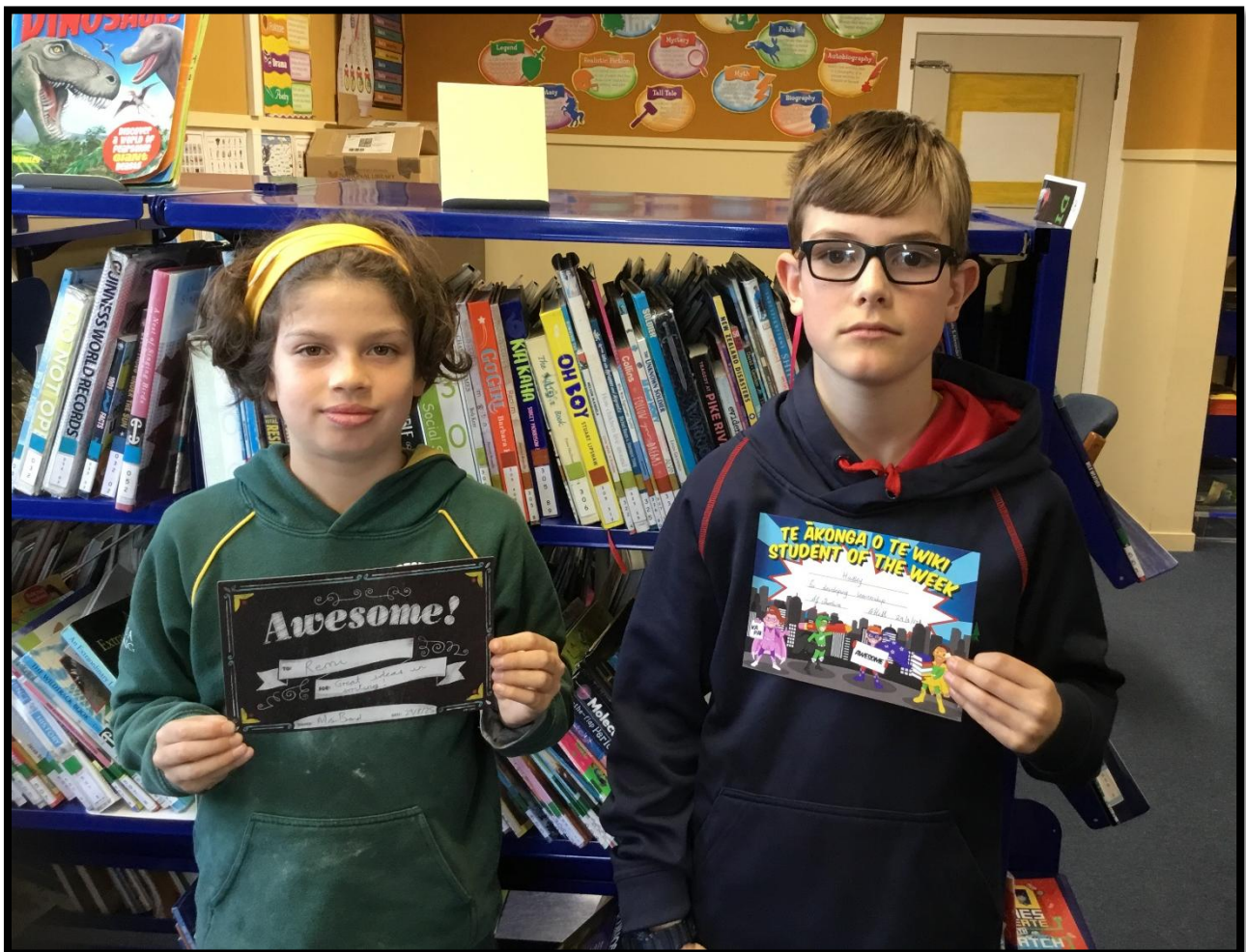


Readers of the Week





## Week 5 Assembly







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## From the Classroom ...

Year 2 to Year 4 in Tui Class have been learning about Haiku.

The Year 4s read about Sharks – for their follow up activity they wrote Haiku about the dangers sharks face:

People go fishing  
in the water for their fins  
and meat. It hurts them.  
James

More than a hundred  
million sharks die in fishing  
nets every year wah.  
Remi

We can help sharks by  
not leaving rubbish on the  
beaches or water.  
Ben

Sharks can get stuck in  
fishing nets and they mistake  
plastic bits for food.  
George

Year 2 and 3 students wrote haiku about Daffodil Day:

It is raining today.  
We will have cupcakes today.  
We have a good day.  
Shelby

It is a wet day.  
Today is Daffodil Day.  
It will be so fun.  
Hugo

It's really raining.  
We are having cupcakes. Yum!  
I am excited.  
Eleri

We had a very busy week at Alfredton school; we had speeches and daffodil day.

Speeches were very good and some parents came. Everyone did so well, but there can only be one winner. That winner was Tova, with her speech on why all kids should play team sport. She got 75 points! It was close, with Leo and Hadley second achieving 74 points, and in third place were Kitana, Sophie and Jock with 73 points. Shout out to May and her great speech on her dog Poppy.

Kids Jock, Sid and Hadley made the cupcakes for daffodil day. Yum! They were vanilla with yellow icing. They made them for the William Pike challenge. The whole school turned up in yellow and there was a competition for the best dressed. The best dressed was Nellie from Huia and Tohu from Tui. We raised 200 dollars. Yes! We raised it for the Cancer Society. One of my favourite costumes was kitana's with the shirt she made on her own.

By Olive



I'd like to say thank you to the Thomas G McCarthy trust for donating \$500 to our school library to get some amazing new books; So far we have got 22 new books and still have some more money to get some more. My favourite book was The Immortals, it is about the greatest All Black 15 of all time by Jamie Wall. Everyone in the School was waiting to get the very popular I Survived Books which are about kids surviving actual natural disasters that have happened in the world all put together to make a Graphic Novel. We got 12 I Survived books which is a lot better for sharing as before we had only 4. Hadley (Huia Room)





## Tui Class

The Thomas G McCarthy Trust funding has helped purchase a selection of books from the “I Survived” series.

I like them because they are true stories with heaps of detail. George Y4

I like that they're graphic novels, lots of characters and about real places. Remi Y4

I like how they're set out. They have really good pictures. There's lots of drama. Ben Y4

I like the 'I Survived' books because they are interesting . There's really cool explosions. Joe Y1

You can learn about stuff that happened in the past. Hugo Y2



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.

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN AT LIBRARIES TARARUA

### 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!


 

## ESCAPE THE LIBRARY!

THINK YOU'VE GOT WHAT IT TAKES TO CRACK THE CODE? JOIN US THESE HOLIDAYS TO SOLVE PUZZLES, BREAK SECRET CODES, AND CREATE YOUR VERY OWN CIPHER – BUT BE QUICK... 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@tararua.govt.nz](mailto:library@tararua.govt.nz) to reserve your spot before Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September

# TRY SOFTBALL

FREE FUN DAY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY. AGE 0+  
30TH AUG & 7TH SEPT

**TAKARO PARK**  
9.30AM - MIDDAY



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Contact Jess  
for sales  
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## SOLWAY COLLEGE & COMAG PRESENT: 2025 INTER-SCHOOL DRESSAGE 11TH ANNUAL COMPETITION *Prizes & ribbons in all categories*

### Event Information:

WHEN: WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER  
WHERE: SOLWAY SHOWGROUNDS MASTERTON  
YEARS: YEAR 1 - 13, ALL ABILITIES WELCOME  
TESTS: OB, OD, 1A, 1B, 2A & 2B.

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ENTRIES OPENING VERY SOON!



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[www.facebook.com/SolwayEquestrianAcademy](https://www.facebook.com/SolwayEquestrianAcademy)

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