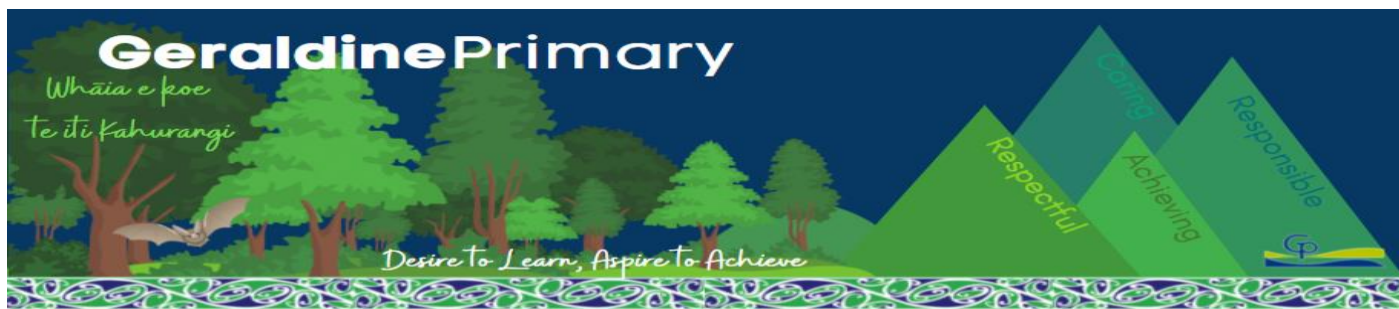




Newsletter/Pānui

Friday 9 August 2024

Term 3, Week 3

Contact information:		Term Dates:	
Stuart Wilcox – Principal principal@geraldine.school.nz		Term 1	31 January - 12 April
Office – Ph 03 693 8208 office@geraldine.school.nz		Term 2	29 April - 5 July
Website: https://www.geraldineprimary.school.nz/		Term 3	22 July - 27 September
		Term 4	14 October - 16 December
Important Dates:			
Wednesday 14 th August - Coffee Afternoon 2.15pm			
Thursday 22 nd August - Senior Syndicate Ski Trip			
Wednesday 28 th August – School Open Day			
Friday 27 th September – Senior Syndicate Celebration Assembly			

Principal's Kōrero

Kia ora koutou whānau and welcome to our Pānui.

The five Olympic rings represent so much more than just the union of five continents and the coming together of athletes from around the world. It creates an environment of inclusion, acceptance, friendship, excellence, solidarity, integrity and helps the world to model how to be their best selves. I have been fortunate to find time to watch so many of the different events and I have been mesmerised by what a human can achieve through hard work, dedication and self-belief. One such example is the men's pole vault final. Armand Duplantis, from Sweden, vaulted higher than anyone ever has – 6 metres 25 cm. Watching his last attempt and the way he approached it, with calmness, humour and a huge sense of belief was just outstanding and when he succeeded 75000 people in the stadium erupted. This was a wow moment and privilege to be able to be part of his experience.

At Geraldine Primary we work hard to give all our students opportunities to be their best selves. We want our Tamariki to leave our school with confidence and to be proud of their identity and to understand the importance and value of helping others and to be humble in their approach. Creating a caring and nurturing environment is a priority and I feel proud that our community recognise this and is helping us to achieve it. Therefore, where are we currently on this journey? This year our professional development has been centred around building our awareness and knowledge of neurodiversity and the effects of trauma. As a staff we have read 'the boy who was raised a dog' and been part of the Bruce Perry Neurosequential Model in Education training. Through the collection of data our school team decided on prioritising creating a school emotional learning and resilience framework. We are in the process of completing a Whānau/Kaiako and Tamariki illustration of the human brain and an emotional and regulation ladder that will help us all to identify the emotional reactions from our Tamariki early and give examples of how we can respond to them. We have just started to investigate the Collaborate Problem Solving method that has been designed by Ross Greene, particularly in the book 'lost at school'. This is where we identify students lagging skills and unsolved problems, rather than blaming the behaviour and using punitive consequences. I must point out that this work has not prevented our staff from teaching the core curriculum but is strengthening it.

Last Friday we held our Whānau Olympics. This was beautifully organised, managed and run by our Head Students, Whānau Leaders and some Year 6 students. All students had so much fun representing their whānau and it was clear by the last event the passion and commitment they have for one another during the

highly competitive Tug of War. The results of this event were: **Juniors** 0-3, 1st Kakariki, 2nd Whero, 3rd Kahurangi, 4th Kowhai. **Seniors** 4 - 6, 1st Kakariki, 2nd Kahurangi, 3rd Kowhai, 4th Whero. We also gave whānau points to students who were best dressed.

Next week we will be a wellbeing week. This will consist of students taking part in yoga, breathing techniques and mindfulness activities.

Please come along to our coffee afternoon on Wednesday 14th August from 2.15pm. This is a great way to connect, have a drink and be taught how to make Loom Bands by two Year 6 students. Please remember to put our open day into your diaries, Wednesday 28th August. We are just finalising some logistics and will be sending out everything very shortly.

Schools can only grow by getting feedback from our students, families and staff. Therefore, we will be emailing an Arts and PB4L google form review for everyone to feedback to us. We would be extremely grateful if you could find some time to help us grow.

We will also be sending out a Pet Day google form. Please read this carefully and complete it if you and your pet are keen to take part.

Our Block 5 renovation is well underway. The builders have finished adding underfloor insulation and have put up all the new framework inside and we are waiting for the new windows to be installed.

Lastly, as a school we are very conscious of the government and media attention on numeracy and literacy. Please be rest assured that we currently have great programmes in place and our teachers work tirelessly to ensure they teach the core curriculum as well as all the other foundation subjects.

Stu Wilcox

Kowhai winners of the best dressed.



Senior Kahurangi whānau.



Senior Whero whānau.



Learning how to use the machinery at the Mens Shed.



Block 5 from the inside with the new framework.



Block 5 waiting for the new windows.



Gotcha Draw

Congratulations to the following tamariki who won a Gotcha Draw:

MacKenzie, R3; Jack, R10; Sonny, R8; Lydia, R10; Leonard, R7; Tate, R1

PB4L Certificates

		PB4L	Desire/Aspire to Achieve
Tāne Mahuta	Room 6: Room 7: Room 8: Room 9: Room 15:	John Amber Moosa Ezra Juniper M	Kyra Harper Emily Liam
Tāwhirimātea	Room 10: Room 11: Room 13:	Henry Dante Paddy	Hunter Eli Yara
Tangaroa	Room 1: Room 2: Room 3: Room 4:	Zac P Ruby Eric Jackson	Eva P Caio Aren Hazel P

School Notices



Geraldine Primary

Desire to Learn, Aspire to Achieve

Whāia e koe te iti kahurangi

Parents and Whānau

You are invited to a
Coffee Afternoon,

on

Wednesday 14th August, 2.15 - 3.00pm

in the school staffroom.

**This will be an opportunity to meet other parents and
make new connections**

**Two of our wonderful students will be teaching and helping
you to make Loom Bands.**

Stuart Wilcox- Principal

Everyone welcome

We hope to see you there!



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Parents and Whānau...

You are invited to an

Open Day

on

Wednesday 28th August

This is an opportunity to visit our classes to see a variety of learning in action and also join in with your child in their class.

Preschoolers are welcome.

We hope you are able to join us!

Separate information will follow regarding the various lessons each class will be doing and our organisation for the afternoon.

Home and School News

Geraldine Primary Home and School Committee

Our super yummy 🍪 Cookie Dough fundraiser has launched and we need you to sign up and help us fundraise. It is super easy to take part as it is all done online - no cash and no paper order forms! Just share your fundraising page on your social media or via text/messenger 📱.

All your sales will be tracked online and at the end you will receive a report showing who get's what.

Please head to our Fundraising Hub page here to sign up and share your fundraising page:

[HTTPS://geraldineprimarycookies.raiseit.co.nz/](https://geraldineprimarycookies.raiseit.co.nz/)

Give your fundraising page a name that reflects your child e.g. "Timmy's Cookie Fundraiser" then please enter your contact details for your profile.

All orders need to be in by Sunday 25th August | Pick up date: Thursday 12th September.

Follow us on Facebook.

Did you know we have a Facebook page? Find us at Geraldine Primary Home & School Committee



Please find below an order form for **lily and freesia bulbs** the **Geraldine Children Social Worker Trust** is selling to raise funds. Colour pictures of the flowers are on display in the school office also.



Geraldine Children Social Work Trust

The Trust is funded by grants and fundraising to pay the Salaries of the two social workers working in the schools and early childhood centres in the Geraldine district.

The trust has been offered an opportunity to sell lily and freesia bulbs. A sheet is attached for colours.



**Geraldine Children
Social Work Trust**

"Tautokohia te tamaiti!"
"Support the child!"

Name:

Phone Number:

School:

Amount Paid. \$

Lily Bulb Order Form

(sold in bags of 4 bulbs, single varieties only. Double 2 bulbs per bag). \$11 per bag.

1. Arletta (white)

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2. Pure Passion (red OT)

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2. Belville (yellow OT)

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4. Redford (red OT)

☐

5. Casablanca (white)

☐

6. Seattle (pink OT)

☐

7. Concor D'or (yellow OT)

☐

8. Shine On (apricot OT)

☐

9. Kandango (Pink DOUBLE)

☐

10. Siberia (white)

☐

11 King Solomon (dark pink)

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12. Sorbonne (dark pink)

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13. Marengo (pink OT)

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14. Tisento (white OT)

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15. Master (pink OT)

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16. Yellow Strike OT)

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Freesia Bulb Order Form

Sold in bags of 20 bulbs, single varieties only) \$7.00 per bag

Fragrant sunburst (yellow)

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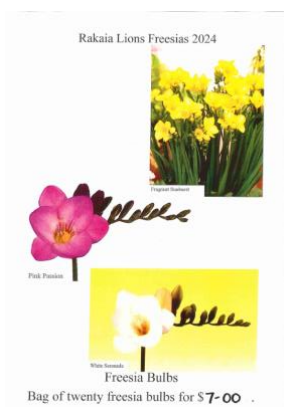
White Serenade (white)

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Pink Passion (pink)

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Please email your order to trustee Susan Pooke at susanp@geraldine.school.nz as soon as possible. Payment preferably should be made online to the GCSWT account 03 -0839-0115137-000. **Please include name and school as Particulars and reference.** (Alternatively, a cash payment can be made to Susan Pooke at the Geraldine Primary School Office.)



Community Notices

GERALDINE SCOUT GRP

DISCO NIGHT

BAYLEYS
the Good Team

COMMUNITY EVENT

freshchoice
supermarket geraldine

FOR PRIMARY AGE CHILDREN

6-7.30PM

FRI 16

AUG

ENTRY GOLD COIN DONATION

FOR SALE

SNACKS, DRINKS

● GLOW IN THE DARK TREASURES



FAIRLIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUPPORTING THE JOURNEY - DISCOVERING THE POTENTIAL

SKI RACE

SEPTEMBER 13TH 2024

Entry Fee \$20

(BOYS & GIRLS)

- YEAR 3/4
- YEAR 5/6
- YEAR 7/8

Sausage sizzle

FOR ENTRY FORM AND FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE VISIT
www.fairlie.school.nz



MT DOBSON SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB
EST. 1962

MT DOBSON
SKI-ROD-PLAY TRIPS

Quiz Night Fundraiser.

Date: Tuesday 13th August
Venue: Village Inn Sports Bar
Start Time: 7 PM
Team Entry: \$10 per person (maximum-four-per team)

Join us for a fun night out while supporting the Geraldine High School First 11 Football Team as they prepare for the NZ Secondary Schools Linwood Cup Tournament September 2024, Invercargill.



Raffles with Cool Prizes!
Come test your knowledge and enjoy a great evening for a good cause!
Don't miss out—form your team and sign up today!
Call Jane on 027 637-6313 to register your team.



Go boys, bring it home!

GERALDINE PRESCHOOL PRESENTS

BEATS BY BINGO

NZ's best musical bingo show!

SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER 7PM

GERALDINE PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL

ALMIGHTY MEAT
RAW + WILD PET FOOD

Winchester Masonic Lodge

SAVE THE DATE!!
Tickets on sale 2nd Sept

TICKETS \$40
INCLUDES 5 MUSICAL BINGO CARDS & SUPPER! GRAB YOUR FRIENDS AND BOOK A TABLE!
(Table bookings 8ppl)
CASH/EFTPOS BAR AVAILABLE

Enquiries to geraldinepreschool@xtra.co.nz

