### Friday 9th February 2024: Term 1 Week 2

The only reason for time is so that everything, doesn't happen at once! – said by someone smarter than me. ©

Great to see some sunshine for all those that have been along to field days over the course of this week. Sounds like the HWR area was a bit of a winner with their truck safety presentation which is great to hear!

Dates have firmed up for school events, so please re-check the upcoming events area and it would almost be safe to mark them on your calendar. Time for the training to begin for Triathlon, swimming and athletics!



Please remember to accept the dojo request if you received one and it would be fantastic to have everyone on loop as well.

A massive whakamihi/congratulations to the children whose efforts were recognised in Assembly this week....

#### **SWIMMING ON MONDAY**

Swimming continues next week, so please make sure your children bring all their swimming gear with them every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Great progress already from this week!

### **STAYING IN TOUCH** (last time)

The school primarily uses **SKOOL LOOP** to send messages to parents. This is an app that

can be downloaded onto your phone, or accessed through your laptop.



Classroom teachers will be using <a href="CLASS DOJO">CLASS DOJO</a> to send class messages and notices. If you haven't already please accept the invitation to join up. I have resent any unaccepted invitations, and included our new families. We have 16 out of 21 families connected already. This is also an app and works very well on your phones (Turn ON notifications, but turn OFF sounds if it bothers you. Teachers may send messages at any time.)

You can also use Class Dojo to message teachers directly.

#### **SNACKS & BRAIN BREAK**

Sweets and chewing gum are not to be at school. Classes stop briefly around 10 o'clock for a 'brain break'. Children are encouraged to have such things as fruit, vegetables, cheese, or fruit yoghurt at this time because the next set opportunity to eat is not until after morning play at about 11:20.

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#### **TOUCH**

Tokanui seniors are away on camp so waiting to hear back if they are interested. Below is

#### **FOOTBALL / SOCCER**

As we can't fill a touch team, a parent has asked about Summer soccer on Mondays.

This is something that can be practised at school. We would most likely go in the 5-6 mixed grade (even with a yr7) and would need 7 in the team for it to work. Making the subs \$36 per player (Split further if an 8<sup>th</sup>). I have already asked and received an extension as the entries close today. Contact Brendan in the office via email **BEFORE MONDAY** if there is any interest.

### **Rowing For Life**



Raising funds for







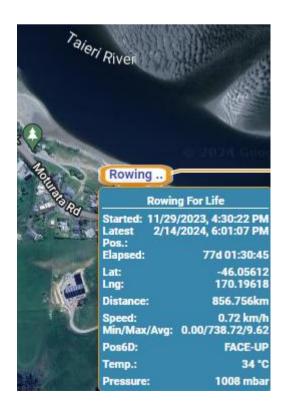


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The last update for the Rowing for life was Wednesday at 6pm and they had made it up to Taieri.



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Upcoming Events			
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Gorge Road School swimming - 1:15pm – 2:30pm		
Wednesday 21st – Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Gorge Road School swimming - 1:15pm – 2:30pm		
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> February	Gorge Road athletics followed by colour run (PTA TBC)		
	SWIMMING NOW MOVED TO MARCH		
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Van @ Tok whole school going from 12-2:35 NO HEATUPS		
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Southern Zone Athletics @ Surrey Park (Tisbury Hosting) Canc date 14th		
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	GORGE ROAD SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS		
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Southern Zone Swimming @ GRS (PTA TBC)		
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Structured Literacy		
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Gorge Road School Triathlon (PTA TBC)		
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Southland Athletics @ Surrey Park		
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Southern Zone Triathlon @ GRS (PTA TBC)		
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter – Good Friday – <b>NO SCHOOL NO BUSES</b>		
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Monday & Tuesday – NO SCHOOL NO BUSES		

**ABSENTEES:** To report an absence please phone the land line 032395763 opt 1 or 3 before 9.30am, text 0274674373, email office@gorgeroad.school.nz or use the Skool Loop (preferred option)

#### **Lunch Food List**

Pies (Mince & Cheese)	\$1.50	Popcorn lightly salted 12g	\$1.00
Pizza (Ham/Cheese or Hawaiian,)	\$2.50	Choc chip Cookie	\$2.00
Moosies (Blue Lagoon, Strawberry or Chocolate)		\$1.00	
Juicies (wildberry, lemonade or tropical) \$1.00		IF in stock: Sausage Rolls (2 Pack)	\$3.00

All lunch orders must come from home via a note/envelope (written by an adult). Money can be paid in cash or via a bank deposit to 03 1745 0027472 00 with Name and lunch as reference. We will no longer use credits as money will be sorted on the day and sent home within the week. Mr Mason will take charge of doing the ordered lunches. Please if ordering Juicies note down the flavour on order

**BUS CHANGE** or picking up your child/ren. Please phone 2395763 opt 3 before 2.45pm.

#### GORGE ROAD SCHOOL

UNIFORMS We no longer carry these in stock, they can be purchased from the UniformNZ website then collected at their shop which is now at 142 Otepuni Avenue

http://gorgeroad.uniformnz.com this is the polo top we wear to sports day but can be worn every day as a uniform if you wish. Note the sizing is on the small side.

Also now loaded is the option to purchase a grey/red hoodie with logo on front. Price has increased since quote but should be around \$45 each.



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