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Friday 2nd May 2025: Term 2 Week 1

Kia ora, what a fantastic turn out at this years dawn parade in town, our local remembrance ceremony was well supported also. It was interesting to have Easter and ANZAC so close together, as it makes for a less disrupted school term. No doubt, the powers that be will incorporate them again when the calendar allows.



Southern Snaps **School photo** order forms have gone out to all families. Once you have filled out the form and paid on-line, please return the form to the school office. They will collect on the 19th to process the orders. Around 3 weeks later the photos will arrive at school and be distributed.

Structured Literacy Open Morning

We would like to invite all our parents/caregivers/whanau to come and see a Structured Literacy Lesson in action on Thursday morning, 11.50 am, before our school cross country. At the completion of the lesson, you will be able to chat to the classroom Kaiako/teacher and ask any questions or wonderings you might have.

Gorge Road School Cross Country

Our school cross country will be held on the afternoon of Thursday 8th May. Age groups for Cross Country are taken from the 31st December 2025. Presentations will take place at the next school assembly.

Structured Literacy Open Morning & Cross Country Timetable

11:50am Structured Literacy Lesson
12:10pm Time with teachers to ask questions or queries
12:25pm Eat Lunch - BBQ Feel free
To join your children for lunch
12:45pm Play
1:00pm Assemble for Cross Country
1:05pm Walk the course
1:30pm 5 & 6 Year Old Race
1:40pm 7 & 8 Year Old Race
1:55pm 9 Year Old Race
2:10pm 10+ Year Old Race
2:30pm Pack Up Course
2.50pm Buses run as normal

5 & 6 Year Olds 500m	7 & 8 Year Olds 1000m	9 Year Olds 1500m	10+ Year Olds 2000m
Nyjah	Tyah	Ben	Ojishma
Octavia	Felix	Aria	Althea
Hope	Ava	Shya	Lachlan
Jia	Jam		Amber
Phoenix	Thaniya		Ashley
Charlotte	Leeonn		Timothy
Zander	Paige		Carter
Oliver	Phoebe		Yana
	Zoie		Nadine
	Libbe		Isla
			Oshika
			Freya

-----RETURN TO SCHOOL BY WEDNESDAY 7th-----

PTA BBQ PRE-ORDER

Name on order: _____

How many sausages would you like to order: _____

Would you like onions **yes/no** Are you paying cash on the day **yes/no**

Please pay the PTA bank account prior to the event, using your families last name as reference.

GORGE RD PTA: **03-1745-0074199-00**

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Items available on the day to purchase (no pre-order required):

Confectionary (Chocolate & liquorice) \$2.00 Water & fizzy drinks \$1.00

A reminder to all parents and children to make sure that **hi-vis vests** are worn travelling to and from school. You need to be seen if you are in the car park at school, getting out of your car and getting on the bus and getting off the bus at your stop.

We are very lucky to have been allocated a **new bus** for our school run. It has a slightly larger capacity of 34 passengers, it hasn't been christened with a name yet though. That could be something we work on over the next few weeks as the tamariki get used to it.



Upcoming Events Dates subject to change	
Monday 5 th May	SB meeting (BOT)
Thursday 8 th May	Gorge Road School Cross Country
Monday 19 th May	Photo orders back at school prior to 11am
Friday 23 rd May	SZ Cross Country
Monday 2 nd June	Kings Birthday NO School – No Buses
Friday 13 th June	Southland Cross Country
Friday 20 th June	Matariki NO School – No Buses
Monday 23 rd June	SB meeting (BOT)
Friday 27 th June	Last Day of Term 2
Monday 14 th July	First day of term 3
Friday 25 th July	SZ Moffet Cup
Friday 29 th August	COL TOD NO School – No Buses
Friday 19 th September	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 6 th October	First day of term 4

LUNCH FOOD LIST

Pies (Mince & Cheese) or Mince	\$1.50	Popcorn lightly salted 12g	\$1.00
Pizza (Ham/Cheese) or Hawaiian	\$2.50	Choc Chip Cookie	\$2.00
Juicies (wildberry, lemonade x 1 or tropical)	\$1.50	Small Sausage rolls not always in stock	\$3.00
Moosies (Strawberry or Chocolate)	\$1.50	Toppas not always in stock	\$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

ABSENTEES: To report an absence please use the **Skool Loop** (preferred option) or

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phone the land line 032395763 opt 1 or 3 before 9.30am, text 0274674373 or email office@gorgeroad.school.nz It is a Ministry requirement to have a reason recorded for the absence; e.g. appointment, sick, dentist...

SCHOOL UNIFORM TOPS: 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 Otepunui 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. We also have the option of a grey/red hoodie with logo on front. These hoodies are warm and the perfect garment for these cooler days.

Book Bus Timetable
19 May; 11 Aug; 3 Nov; 1 Dec
Waikawa Reserve 10am-10.45am; Tokanui
School 11.15am-12.30pm; Fortrose Picnic Area
1.15pm-2.00pm; Gorge Road School 2.30pm-
3.30pm



We're excited to share our **FREE** online **SAFETY** magazine with you.



We want to get to as many parents, whanau and caregivers as possible to keep reinforcing messages to the tamariki.

The publication is aimed at primary aged Tamariki and we thank Safekids Aotearoa (Starship Digital and Community Engagement) for editorial.

Our shared vision is that every child in Southland Region and Aotearoa New Zealand enjoys a childhood free from traumatic, unintentional injury.

To access magazine on your PC go to:

<https://communitysafety.co.nz/magazine.php?m=271>

SDAT are proud to bring you in conjunction with Arts on Tour NZ - well renowned NZ artist Jackie Clarke ((When the Cat's Been Spayed and The Lady Killers)



ARTS ON TOUR NEW ZEALAND PRESENTS
Jackie goes Prima Diva
Tuesday, 20th May, 2025
Tokanui Hall
Doors and Bar open 7.30pm
Tickets \$20.00

Tickets available from Ticket-
<http://www.ticket.com.au/events/2025/may/jackie-clarke-goes-prima-diva-tokanui>

Don't miss this rollicking show of browns song styling, dazzling frockage, pin-drop moments and plenty of laughs from a NZ dairy-fed diva with her feet on the ground and her head in the stars.



Travelling overseas soon?

You must do a New Zealand Traveller Declaration when you come back

TravellerDeclaration.govt.nz

Te Kāwanatanga o Aotearoa
New Zealand Government

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Whakapuakanga
Tangata Haere ki
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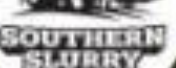
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