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**Friday 13th October 2023: Term 4 Week 1**

Kia ora e te whānau, Hello parents and caregivers,

**Week 2 is gone already!**

This weekend is Labour Weekend. This means there is **NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY.**



**Community Consultation:** Each week I will ask just one question, please hit my email address and quickly answer it. Your answers will help the Board to plan for the next two years. The more answers we get, the better our plan will reflect your thoughts and wishes.

Question 1- "What things does Gorge Road School do well?"

Question 2- "What things would you like to see less of, or done better..."

Please make these thoughts constructive and helpful.

[principal@gorgeroad.school.nz](mailto:principal@gorgeroad.school.nz)



**20th October- 24th October**

We are lucky to have the **Life Education Van** with us once again.



**27th October- Pet Day**

**Diaries MUST be at school on Tuesday. Hand them in to Mrs Craig.**

**No buses on Pet Day.** Children and entries are to be at school by 10am on Friday morning.



We will have a **Scholastics Book Fair** during the days leading up to Pet Day, and the week following on from it. There's always a huge range of products that make excellent gifts. Scholastics take credit cards as payment. **Adults...** Remember the **decorated cake** section. And the **most beautiful bouquet** section, these entries are auctioned.

Children may bring their 'wheels' to school on a **Wednesday** from 18th October to 8th November, to ride on the tennis courts. Appropriate safety gear **MUST** be worn. This is foot power only- no motors. Children must bring their own 'stuff' and no sharing will be permitted due to insurance reasons. Wheels may be stored at school during this period, but will only be aired on a Wednesday.



**3 November**  
**Soccer/ Football Tournament at Turnbull Thompson Park.**  
**Halloween Disco 6:30pm – 8pm**  
**Gorge Road School. Free entry, treats and drinks for sale.**



**13-14 November Teacher Only Days-** There will be two Teacher Only Days. These are planning days in readiness for 2024 and the refreshed curriculum. **There is no school.**

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**Swimming** will begin 20 – 22 and 27 – 29 November, with JC swimmers. Now is a good time to find and check that your children's swimming togs and goggles still fit. A lot of growth has happened in the past six months.!

The pool is heated for Labour Weekend, and **that's now!** You are able to purchase a pool key so you can take a swim at your leisure. The pool is open and heated until Easter.

**PET DAY** is 1 week away and we have a couple of spaces. Required are a morning tea helper and a person to help the South family do set up in the community centre.

**Southern Zone Football Tournament** is Friday the 3rd of November at Turnbull Thomson Park in Invercargill. Children will need to be transported to and from the ground by a parent or guardian, **buses will not be operating**. As the teams will be finished at various stages, children can go home once their obligation is complete. We will have students involved in 4 teams, official start times haven't been released yet, so further information to come.

Parent help is required to make sure the day goes well. If you are available to help (even for part of the day) please fill out the below form and return it to school. The ideal result is to give each team a manager (parent) & teacher/coach with an extra hand for the year 1&2s Year 1 & 2s plus 3&4 need assistance at this point.

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\_\_\_\_\_ can / cannot provide assistance.  
Team preference to help with (Circle 1): Yr 1&2 3&4 5&6 7&8

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**Southern School Touch group** Notice went home on Wednesday. If all transport declarations can be filled out and returned by Tuesday at the latest that would be fantastic. Touch uniform is Gorge Road school sports top and dark shorts (preferably black). Appropriate shoes, drink bottle required



**Join the PTA!**



**MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK**

**Please join us for the**

**PTA AGM**

**On: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November @ 17.30 pm**

**At: Gorge Road Country Club**

**All welcome!**



**Good chance for new families to get involved or just meet other parents.**

**Nibbles provided.**

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Upcoming Events	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Life Education
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Labour Day – No school, No Buses
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Life Education
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Set up Community centre.
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Pet Day <b>No Buses</b>
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Southern Zone Football tournament <b>No Buses</b>
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Ladies Day
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	John Parsons Workshop (Details TBC)
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Science Roadshow
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Teachers only day – No school, No Buses
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Teachers only day – No school, No Buses
ALSO Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Book Bus at Gorge Rd. 10:50am – 12:30ish check timetable.</b>
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Waituna Ambassadors Clean up TBC
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> –Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Swimming
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Ki o Rahi Tournament at Tok
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> –Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Swimming
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Production / End of year celebration

**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](mailto:office@gorgeroad.school.nz) or use **Skool Loop** (preferred option)

**Lunch Food List NEW PRICING: please check below.**

Pie ( <del>mince</del> & cheese or mince)	\$1.50	Popcorn lightly salted 12g	\$1.00
Pizza (Ham/Cheese, <b>Hawaiian</b> )	\$2.50	Choc chip Cookie	\$2.00
Moosies (Blue Lagoon, Straw or Chocolate)	\$1.00		
Juicies (wildberry, lemonade or tropical)	\$1.00		
<b>IF in Stock: <u>NEW PRICING:</u> Sausage rolls (2 pack)</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>		

**WYNDHAM  
ATHLETIC CLUB**

Is back for 2023-2024 Season  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
Menzies College Grounds  
5.30-7.00 pm

**New Members Welcome**

**Come along on the First night and have a go.**

**No obligation to join**

**Find us on Facebook  
Wyndham Athletic Club**

**Free Club t-shirt  
For new members**

Lignite Pitt is back open for Sunday Lunches and a coffee.

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