



Newsletter

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Principal David Graham

Term 1 - Week 6

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Kia ora ki nga whanau me nga hoa o te kura tuatahi o Goodwood. Greetings to all families and friends of Goodwood School.

One of my key messages to our learners this week was to take hold of the many opportunities that come our way and to give them your very best. There have been so many amazing opportunities that have been offered to our Goodwood Explorers.

Our Year 3 and 4 classes had a wonderful time at Camp Raglan giving everything 100% in activities ranging from archery to rockclimbing. Our Year 5 and 6 students will be heading off to Waihi over the next two weeks to experience a range of learning and adventure activities. Thank you to all parents who have helped to make these EOTC activities a reality.

In the meantime many children are taking up opportunities to try a new sport, learn an instrument, kapa haka and even a new language. Our increased collaborative approach to teaching also introduces our learners to new opportunities. While delivering a high quality curriculum remains unchanged and the learning you will see your children doing looks the same, we are increasing opportunities to work with different people and in different spaces at times. The results are encouraging. Our learners are showing even greater levels of excitement and engagement with their learning and our teachers are valuing the increasing levels of support and challenge they can give each other to best meet the needs of each child.

Alongside strong growth in core curriculum areas we can see exponential growth in essential competencies including cooperative and self management skills.

Kind Regards
David Graham

TERM DATES – 2017

Term 1 Wednesday 1 February – Thursday 13 April

Term 2 Monday 1 May – Friday 7 July

Term 3 Monday 24 July – Friday 29 September

Term 4 Monday 16 October – Friday 15 December

**We would like to extend a
very warm Goodwood
School
welcome to...**

**Victoria Bunce, Josh Bunce,
Jack Hotter & Olivia Hotter**



Before School Care

We are pleased to see families making the most of opportunities offered through before school care. Before school care runs from 7.30 am until 8.15 am and the \$5 cost includes breakfast.

The 8.15 am bell signals that classrooms are open for children. Before 8.15 am teachers are busy preparing for the day's lessons but can make time to meet with prior notice.

Student Achievement Data

Your Board of Trustees has just completed reviewing our school charter and has set some challenging targets around student achievement and wellbeing. We have also celebrated some amazing overall student achievement data from 2016. We are especially pleased at the progress that our students make as they move through our school with Year 6 data being particularly strong.

	National Standards Data			
% At or Above	Goodwood All students	Goodwood Year 6 students	Goodwood Maori students	National
Reading	92%	100%	93.7%	78%
Writing	81.6%	93%	80%	71.4%
Maths	88.5	94.6%	100%	75.5%

These high standards of achievement were supported by our visit from the Education Review Office. We were one of an increasingly few number of schools to be awarded ERO's strongest endorsement of a four to five year return time. Thank you to our amazing board, staff and community for the support you give to enable these outstanding results.

Upcoming Dates to Diary

Year 5 and 6 Camp Waihi 2017

Camp 1 - Tuesday 14 March to Friday 17 March

Camp 2 - Tuesday 21 March to Friday 24 March

Interschool Swimming – Friday 31 March – Cambridge Town Pools

Goodwood Trail Ride – Sunday 2 April – More info to come

PTA Meeting – Tuesday 4 April at 7.30 pm in the staffroom.

Last day of Term – Thursday 13 April

Ice Skating Tour – Goodwood School April 20 – 23

The perfect holiday activity

Dates can also be found on calendar

www.goodwood.school.nz

And also on Facebook page



MARCH BIRTHDAY WISHES TO...

Nate B, Ben B, Amelia A, Kaden T, Brookie P, Hannah R, Ollie B, Helen St CG, Shakayla D, Max H, Isla M, Cayla B, Hera B, Olivia D, Aiden PB & Lucas PB.

School Donations

We will not be asking for school donations until Term 2 as we acknowledge that stationery and camp fees can put some pressure on finances at this time of year.



MASONIC HOTEL

A huge thank you to Pub Charity Ltd and their local partnering venue The Masonic Hotel in Cambridge for the \$2640 they gave for the senior camp visit to Waihi Gold Discovery Centre and Victoria Battery Tramway.

Breakfast Bar

Thank you to everyone who came along to our breakfast bar last week. We really enjoyed the opportunity to share our thinking around learning and to hear your opinions and ideas in a less formal environment.

Welcome to New Parents morning tea

We enjoyed a lovely morning tea with some of the new families to our school. Thank you also to the existing families who came along to welcome the new members of the Goodwood family.

We will regularly repeat these events and would love to see you there!

Newsletters, Facebook, Website, Blogs

This newsletter is one of the ways that we communicate with you.

Look in your email inbox for your newsletter every second Thursday. The newsletter can also be accessed from our website at www.goodwood.school.nz.

This site also links to our facebook page and classroom blogs which also provide news and events from our school.

**NEW MEMORIES, NEW FRIENDSHIPS, LOTS AND LOTS OF FUN MADE
THIS A FANTASTIC ACTION PACKED RAGLAN CAMP - 2017**





Senior/Middle Swim Sports – 2017



Come and
explore
Goodwood
School.

If you have any questions
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GOODWOOD SCHOOL



**GOOD START
OPEN MORNING**
15 MARCH 2017
9-10:30AM

What makes a Good
Start to school?

Come along to
Goodwood School and
find out.



Starting School is an exciting time for children and their families. At **Goodwood School** we like to meet the individualised needs of our learners and their families to ensure they have a **Good Start** to schooling life.

We are having an **Open Morning** where parents and children can come and see our junior school in action on **15 March 2017 from 9-10:30am**.