



Newsletter

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Nga mihi ki a koe me to whanau

Greetings to you and your family

It was wonderful to welcome our explorers and their families back to school this week. We also enjoyed welcoming our new students and families and, of course our newest teacher, Mr Clayton Smith. We are looking forward to an exciting year of adventure, friendship and growth at Goodwood. There are many highlights already on the horizon, in particular our two school camps this term, with our Year 3 and 4 explorers off to Raglan and our seniors heading to Port Waikato. We know that these camps will provide wonderful opportunities for our children, their teachers and parents to get to know each other better in a couple of New Zealand's most beautiful locations. We are also looking forward to learning in our major inquiry focus of this year, identity. We will be investigating what it means to be part of a class, a school, a community and a country. What is it that makes us all unique and how we can best use our strengths and skills to make a difference in our world. As part of this learning we are developing our understanding of our school values with a slight change to a new acronym of Goodwood GRIT, with G representing Generosity, R for Respect, I for Integrity and T for Trust. Our 2017 learning agents have led the way with this work. We will be working with our explorers to determine what these concepts mean in our everyday lives as we strive to be the best that we can be and work to making a positive difference for our friends, families and communities. We welcome and look forward to your contribution to this work.

David and Team

We would like to extend a huge Goodwood Welcome to: Mr Clayton Smith, Ethan Singh, Kate Pridham, George Pridham, Natalie McKean, Chloe Cottle, Jake Stokes, Arthur Ward, Tamsyn Cattle, Harry Huggins, Charlotte Johnson, Rubi Meredith, Emily Bennett, Lucy Bennett and Ella Park.

Belated Happy January Birthday to: Evie A, Emerson J, Do Hun Y, Indy B, Ryan W, Ishi S, Toby J, James M, Lucy G, Lucy T, Ava M, Jack B, Jamie H, Rachel B, Ava H, Jake H, Cameron R, Olivia L, Zara S, Hayley W, Vinny W, Harry H and Charlotte J.

Happy February Birthday to: Sahasya Y, Sariah Y, Holly S, Daniel B, Matthew M, Lucia F, Bailee SB, Danielle W, James M, Thomas M, Casey P, Anneke B, Olivia B, Rosie C, Jack B, Isla B and Natalie M.

Meet the Teacher

We are hosting a meet the teacher evening **next Wednesday 7 February.**

Year 1 and 2: 6.00 pm - 6.40 pm

Year 3 and 4: 6.40 pm - 7.20 pm

Year 5 and 6: 7.20 pm - 8.00 pm

We will meet in the Hall at the specified time and then we will move to your child's classroom.

This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher and the other parents in your child's class. Individual meetings with teachers are possible at any stage of the year and student led conference will also be scheduled for later in the year.

Summer Projects

During the summer break there was quite a bit of work done around your school. We have painted the older parts of the school and replaced the shade sails. You may have also noticed the new bridge into the amphitheatre. We would like to say a big thank you to Grant and Kanjon for all of their hard work over the summer, particularly as we were hit hard by the storm in early January.

Before



After



BOT Elections 2019

Next year is election year for BOTs and we are likely to have some vacancies as children of current trustees will be heading off to Year 7. If you are interested in joining the BOT why not come along to a meeting or two this year to see what's involved? Our next meeting will be at **7 pm on Monday 12 February** in the staffroom and you are very welcome to attend.

John Parsons

We are delighted that, due to popular demand renowned internet safety expert John Parson's will be returning to Goodwood to work with explorers, staff and parents. John will be hosting a parent evening here at Goodwood on **Monday 19 February from 7.00 pm until around 8.00pm**. Feedback from John's previous sessions has been overwhelmingly positive. John will give you the skills and knowledge necessary to keep your child or teen safe in their digital world. If you are unable to make the Goodwood parent evening you are welcome to attend **any** of the parents evenings below

Monday 19 February

Goodwood School Hall 7pm

Tuesday 20 February

Cambridge East Hall 7pm

Wednesday 21 February

Cambridge Middle School Hall 7pm

Thursday 22 February

Leamington School Hall 7pm



We hope that you are able to come along. We thank our PTA for sponsoring John's visit.

PTA 2018

Our wonderful PTA make an enormous difference to our school playing a lead role in some of our most popular activities. At the end of the year I received some fantastic letters from our Ruma Weka explorers sharing some of their highlights. Right up there was the colour run and the disco, each of these were PTA led activities. If you would like to join in the fun then please come along to our **PTA AGM on Thursday 15th February at 7.30 pm in our school library**. We we love to see you there!

Absences

If your child is going to be absent for any reason could you please let school know, you can use the app or you can phone the office on: 07 827 6817 or e-mail trudy@goodwood.school.nz or jenny@goodwood.school.nz. This saves a number of phone calls checking on absent children.

Weetbix Tryathlon

Best wishes to our **team of 75 explorers** who will be representing us at the Weetbix Tryathlon on Sunday 11th February at The University of Waikato. **It is not too late to enter** - if you would like to take part then just head to <https://tryathlon.co.nz/> and register - **this event is expected to sell out shortly!** Don't forget to link to Goodwood School for a discount.

Waipa Fun Run

The Waipa fun run is a month later and we will be having a team in this event also. Just head to <https://www.waipafunrun.co.nz/> to register.

**There will be no Friday Sausage Sizzle until Week 3
Make sure you bring enough lunch tomorrow.**

Summer Projects



Our new shade sails are a hit and Mr Keane's bridge is a popular addition to the amphitheater.

Year 6 Leavers Dinner

Here are just a few of the many photos of the Year 6 leavers dinner you can find on our facebook page.



Kind Regards
David & Team

Goodwood School App

Are you reading this newsletter on our new app? You could be - just visit your app store for the free download - available for IOS or Android. 413 users have downloaded our school app so far - It is a great way to stay connected to events and happenings at Goodwood.

This year's Year 3 and 4 Camp at Raglan is booked for 22 - 23 February 2018

This year's Year 5 and 6 Camp at Port Waikato is booked for the week of 19 - 23 March 2018

All Dates to Diary are available on our school calendar at...

[GOODWOOD SCHOOL CALENDAR](#) and are also available on our school app for [Android](#) or [Apple](#)



Goodwood School PTA

Goodwood School has a great PTA tradition. Over many years, parents, caregivers and family members like you, have given their time to raise funds and organise events that help to:

- Keep communication open between home and school
- Equip our children with the best quality learning resources and
- Strengthen friendships within our school community

Over the years the PTA have organised different family and community events such as; Ice Skating, Casino, Quiz and Family nights and run a café at school events like the cross country and swimming sports days. Together with our regular sausage sizzles, raffles, plant sales, themed lunches and discos, the PTA not only raises much needed funds for the school, but also bought the school community together.

One of the finest ways to get acquainted at Goodwood is by taking part in a PTA event. The Goodwood community is filled with great talents and we know you've got lots to offer too.

5 reasons to get involved in the PTA

1

Discover a little more about your children's learning

By getting involved in the PTA, parents, teachers and children benefit from the knowledge and insight shared. Through the PTA movement, parents have an opportunity also to become involved in the wider decision-making process of the education system

2

Have fun

PTA work shouldn't be drudgery. Our aims are ambitious and they will not always be easy. But we're not taking ourselves too seriously and we're going to have fun along the way.

3

We can match your involvement to your skills and interests

The roles needed to deliver the PTA's aims cover a broad spectrum - from planning events creating flyers, filing, fundraising to building relationships with local businesses. We encourage creative ideas and are thrilled when people take on tasks that meet their skills and interests.

4

As a group, we pledge to honour your time constraints

You may be reluctant to get involved because you are concerned you'll be pulled into a black hole of never ending commitment. Not so! There is a lot to do, but even just a few hours of your time will make a difference. We'll not push you to commit to anything more than you are able.

5

It will be rewarding

If we get it right, there are big and small rewards for everyone involved.

As parents you are automatically members of the PTA (as is all the teaching staff). But there is absolutely no pressure for you to get involved in any of the events being planned. After all, life's busy. We get that.

If you are looking for opportunities to make a positive difference, please remember the PTA. Because by taking one small step and contributing an hour or more at one of our events really does make a difference to your child(ren)'s school experience.

Want to know more or be involved?

Please come along to the PTA AGM on Thursday 15th February at 7:30pm in the school library to find out more.

Or, e-mail goodschoolpta@gmail.com and we'll be in touch.

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Te Miro MTB Club
Saturday Kids Rides
Starts - Saturday 10th February
Finishes - Saturday 24th March



Rider briefing and tip of the week start 9:45am
Riding 10 till 12 depending on skill level
Recommended ages 8-15 - Adults welcome
Bring a drink bottle or camelback & any medication you may need
Under 8's to be accompanied by riding, walking or running adult
Bikes must be suitable for off road use
Helmets and shoes compulsory
No cost for the rides but donations and new members welcome
Sausage sizzle and drinks afterwards - Please bring cash
Rides are run rain, hail or shine



Phone or txt Linley for more information: 0272 363 778

Girls Cricket Coaching

- For any girl who wants to give cricket a go, no experience needed.
- Coaching skills for all girls in a fun and friendly environment.
- Be part of the NPL experience

Where: Jansen Park, Hamilton
When: Sunday 4th February
Time: 10:00-11:00am

Girls are welcome to stay around and watch the action as the senior NPL starts at 11am. Come along and see the upcoming talent from around Northern Districts including New Zealand internationals and current Northern District Spirit Ladies

Contact Andy: hcauwomenscricket@gmail.com -0212982561
Or Dean: thatdeanguy@gmail.com -0212672801 for more information or

Save a|  

QUIZ NIGHT

Fundraiser for
Cambridge High School
Rowing Club

**FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 23rd
7:00pm
in the CHS Hall**

- * Doors open from 6:30pm
- * Teams of 6-8 per table
- * \$20 per ticket (includes table snacks)
- * Loads of Fun Quick Fire Raffles and Auctions
- * Buy an Answer for \$5 (limit 1 per round)
- * Beer, Wine, RTD's etc for sale from the bar
- * Yummy PIZZAS also available for purchase
- * Cash and EFTPOS available
- * Feel free to BYO Nibbles/Platters

**Get tickets NOW: email chsrowingquiz@gmail.com
or text 0212309306**

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CAMBRIDGE BMX CLUB

Do you kids love riding bikes?

Have you considered BMX as a sport?

Cambridge is lucky to have an amazing track at the corner of Lamb and Milton St, ~~Leamington~~ **Leamington**.

Come along on a club night on a Thursday to watch racing and see what it is all about. Check in is at 5.30pm. Racing start at 6.00pm

We have racing for runner bikes (3-4 year olds) through to 50+ year olds. Bikes and Helmets available for hire.

If you have never ridden BMX before come along on Monday nights from 5.00pm -6.00pm for a free introductory session on how to ride the track and race like a pro! Aimed at 4-10 year olds who can ride a bike. We also have bikes and helmets available.

Club training for more experienced riders is on Tuesdays. 4.30-5.30pm

For more information please email cambridgebmx@hotmail.com and a committee member will be in contact.

