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## Tumuaki / Principal's Column

*Kia ora e ngā whānau me ngā hoa o te Kura Tuatahi of Goodwood.  
Greetings to all family and friends of Goodwood School.*

Hot on the heels of **World Teacher Appreciation day (NZ Edition)** - was yesterday's **Tumeke Tumuaki / Principal Celebration Day!**

It was a great opportunity to reflect upon what a wonderful career I have chosen. Every day is filled with excitement, celebration and fun. It is a privilege to work with such clever and engaged explorers who come to school ready to learn, to connect and care for others. Watching their progress is so rewarding.

In the education sector you get to work alongside passionate and talented people. Our teachers and support team are in the job for the right reasons. They want to make a difference. They strive to make each child's time at school as productive and enjoyable as can be. Teachers chose this profession because they care.

Also a special shout out to our two other Goodwood principals. Deputy Principal Marsha and Associate Principal Lynda. We are fortunate to have two such clever and caring senior leaders at our school.

In a principal's life, the days, the weeks and the years seem to fly by. My first principalship began 23 years ago at a small country school in the King Country. My full teaching career now spans 34 years. It is hard to fathom that my first class of excited Standard 3 (Year 5) students are now in their mid 40's! Even that adds to the uniqueness of this role. It is always great to catch up with ex-students and to see their ongoing successes.

Of course, being a principal at Goodwood School is EXTRA special. Our community is amazing and your support is felt every day in so many ways. Our explorers make me proud and make me smile - every single day. Our teaching and support staff is second to none and makes my work so much easier and such a lot of fun.

In fact, it seems like everyday is principal's day.

Enjoy your week  
David

## School App - have you downloaded?

All current information is available on our school calendar at...

[GOODWOOD SCHOOL CALENDAR](#) and are also available on our school app for [Android](#) or [Apple](#) at present we have over 2000 downloads.

## Happy November birthday to:

Elsie D, Isabella C, Xavier K, Eilish E, Elizabeth I, lochlan D, Louis M, Florence H, Lacey T, Louis C, Sienna P, Aaliyah V, Nash M, Baxter E, John R, Lucas M, Adam O, Tyler B, Beau GS, Caleb M, Mila R, Priya D, Archer C, Carley C, Willum C, Gianni B, Jolanda H, Luca H, Katherine S, Grace R, Lochlann R, Maya R, Jessica H

## School Structure - 2024

Each year we look carefully at the teacher funding we are allocated from the Ministry and cohort sizes to help form the best structure for our growing school to ensure all explorers get a great opportunity to make at least a year's progress in a year.

Our talented team of teachers are able to cater for the range of learning across year levels and ages/stages of development for our explorers.

In 2024 we are looking to structure our team as follows:

5 x year 5 and 6 classes

5 x year 3 and 4 classes

3 x year 2 classes

3 x year 1 classes (this includes our intaking spaces for five year olds)

## Class Placement - 2024

We are about to begin working on our school structure and class placement for 2024.

This process takes considerable time and thought. All teachers consider learning abilities and styles, peer friendships and support, class size, social and academic strengths to create equitable classroom environments for all explorers. We value each explorer as an individual and as a part of a class community.

Powerful reciprocal partnerships between home and school are important to us. As we consider class placement for 2024 we are seeking any additional information you think we need to know to help with placements. This form is OPTIONAL for you to fill out. This is not asking for teacher preference or to be placed with friends. Fill in a separate form for each child. Classroom teachers will be directing whānau to fill in this form to ensure your voice is captured as you intend it. You will find the form [here](#). Any further comments or questions, see Marsha or David.

## Trudy away...

Trudy's Mum is unwell and Trudy is heading to England to be with her - she will be on a plane as you read this. We are thinking of Trudy and her whānau. We will keep you updated as appropriate. Our priority is to show our aroha and awhi for Trudy.

During Trudy's absence we will have reduced availability in the office. There will be additional part-time help, we are currently working on this.

While Trudy is away we need your help to keep the school running effectively.

1. If your explorer is going to be away - please **use the school app to send an absent message** (our preferred way - available 24/7) or email [office@goodwood.school.nz](mailto:office@goodwood.school.nz) **by 8:45am**. This means we know where explorers are and do not need to follow up. This can take Trudy over an hour each day to make contact with parents. As a school we do have a legal obligations to follow up absences. We do need (and want) to know each day your child is away and the reason for absence.
2. There will be times when the office is unattended - if you need to collect your explorer, please email the office before 9am. We can not guarantee that the phone will be answered. Reminder - teachers do not check emails or reply during the school day on a regular basis.

## Pool Keys

Pool keys for 2023/24 season are available now from the school office.

Pool keys are \$70.00.

Payment can be made by cash, eftpos or direct credit to the school bank account:

Goodwood School BOT

12-3268-0090127-00

Please use your family name and 'pool key' as a reference.

A copy of pool rules/guidelines and hours will be given at time of purchase.

The pool will open for swimming for the community from Monday 27 November.

# Open Morning - Wednesday



SUCCESS IS OUR REWARD





## Pre-School Open Mornings 2023

📍 517 Fencourt Road, RDI, Cambridge  
☎ 07 827 6817  
✉ [www.goodwood.school.nz](http://www.goodwood.school.nz)

Term Tahī: Wednesday 1st March 9:00 am - 10:15 am / Term Rua: Tuesday 23rd May 9:00 am - 10:15 am  
 Term Toru: Wednesday 16th August 9:00 am - 10:15 am / Term Whā: Wednesday 8th November 9:00 am - 10:15 am

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Let us introduce you to our caring, knowledgeable and passionate junior teachers and experience a year 0/1 class in action.

### Why Goodwood?

- Experienced and caring teachers
- Inviting learning spaces
- Reading and writing taught through a structured approach
- A tailored transition plan to suit you and your explorer
- Brand new playground, large play spaces and a pool
- Tuakana-teina relationships built throughout the school - we have a strong house system where explorers build relationships across year levels

### Why visit?

- Find out what a day will look like for your explorer
- Experience our classes in action
- The opportunity to ask questions of both kaiako and leadership team
- A tour of our school and all of our facilities
- Meet other prospective Goodwood parents
- Meet some of our supportive community

Please contact us if you can't make our open morning and would like a personal tour.

## Farewell at the end of the year and thank you to...

We have some team news to share with you. We are sad, yet pleased for these two awesome teachers,

**Katie Mackenzie** is taking leave for a year in 2024 to travel the globe on her OE. We wish Katie a most awesome time to explore, learn and share her skills overseas. We know Katie will send us updates of her adventures so we can celebrate (and be a bit jealous). Thank you Katie for the last two years at Goodwood - we will see you when you are back.

**Tori Goble** is returning to her home town. Tori has won a position teaching year 1 students in Taranaki. Tori begins this role in 2024. We think her new school is so lucky to have such a talented and caring professional join their team. Thank you Tori you have added great value to the learning for explorers and to our team culture.

## Welcome in 2024 to...

We welcome to the Goodwood teaching team for 2024 the following people.

### **Shanekea Butler**

Shanekea is an experienced and talented teacher who joins us from Cambridge East School, Shanekea brings strength across the curriculum and is looking forward to joining our team.



### **Susan Campbell**

Susan is an experienced teacher who is joining from Newstead School. Susan is originally from Canada and brings many skills to our kura including a background in structured literacy.



**Kate Rowe**

Kate is a beginning teacher who is originally from Ohakune. Kate is a talented musician and is looking forward to starting her career with us here at Goodwood.

**Danielle Bell**

Danielle is a hard working and passionate beginning teacher with expertise in mathematics and Te Reo Māori. Danielle grew up in Gisborne and has come to the Waikato to begin an exciting teaching career with us,



## Calendar art - how to order

The student's have been busy creating art work that can be made into affordable Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Mouse Mats and Sketch Pads. These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas.

Follow these instructions to place your order online:

1. Go to [www.kidsartworks.com](http://www.kidsartworks.com)
2. Use the Entrance Code: KZ1224
3. Enter your child's room & name when prompted

The order is open from 30th October until 22nd November.

Payment can be made over the website via credit card or account2account.

## After School Care (ASC) - phone and number

We have replaced the After School Care phone - the new number is **022 405 8088**

Use this to ring or text through any messages. Do not leave a message as this will not be picked up.

Text is a great way to message the team.

## Teacher Only Day - November 17 - Rāmere/Friday

On Friday 17 November, all Cambridge Schools and many around the country will be having a Teacher Only day. This is a day mandated by the Ministry of Education, to allow teachers to learn more about the [Common Practice Model](#). This is an important part of the Ministry's Literacy & Communication and Maths Strategy, which aims to lift educational outcomes for all students and mokopuna in Aotearoa New Zealand. Goodwood has been working on unpacking the curriculum refresh Te Mātaiaho and Common Practice Model throughout this year.

Our practice at Goodwood School is to strive to ensure that parents are not inconvenienced by teacher only days. As such we will be able to offer care - right here at school from 7.30 am - 5.30 pm. Book below if you would like to use this service. We do charge to cover the extra wages of those providing care but if cost is an issue please contact [david@goodwood.school.nz](mailto:david@goodwood.school.nz) in confidence and we can help. [Please book care here.](#)

## Term dates for 2023 / 2024

Last Day for 2023 Friday 15 December - **we finish at 3pm.**

### 2024

**Term tahi/one** - Tuesday 30 January until Friday 12 April (Teacher Only day Monday 5 Feb)

**Term rua/two** - Monday 29 April until Friday 5 July

**Term toru/three** - Monday 22 July until Friday 27 September

**Term whā/four** - Monday 14 October - Tuesday 17 December

## Goodwood News



David enjoyed a wonderful Tumeke Tumuaki - NZ Principal celebration day.

He was overwhelmed with cards, songs, dances, posters, cake and high fives telling him all the ways he does a great job and makes a difference.

It was great to have Olympian and NZ Champion kayaker Max Brown visit to talk to a number of our explorers. Max shared his Olympic journey along with his key values of resilience and respect. Max spoke of how these attributes help him (and us) in all aspects of life. Thanks to Max for taking time out of his 150km weekly kayaking programme to share with our explorers.





Congratulations to our wonderful cleaner Krishn. It is a huge job to keep a busy school of over 400 explorers and 30 plus staff spic and span and healthy. Krish does a great job every day.

Krishn has just received his 10 year award - the majority of which has been spent with us at Goodwood.

As an added bonus - Goodwood has been judged the cleanest school in the Waikato out of the 46 that Crest Clean partner with!!

Thanks Krish - you are such a valued member of team!

We celebrated a very special kaiako - Katie Mackenzie!

Katie has completed her two years as a provisionally registered teacher.

Thank you Katie - we are so thankful to have you on our team!!





We had the happiest World Teacher's Day....

We appreciate our teaching team every day - last week though, we had the opportunity to shout it from the rooftops!

Thank you for being curious, caring and connected ngā kaiako who make a difference.

Thank you to the many whānua who passed on messages of appreciation and to those, including our Hoa pai group, who provided a yummy morning tea!

Thank you to Rūma Kea and Kiwi for hosting our most recent whole school hui.

Such a wonderful time together celebrating learning and our school values.





Now we all know our Mr Keane loves a good project - just check out the boat, chook house, playhouse and JetSki!

This time has he gone too big!???

Watch this space - and if your explorer likes big trucks - they are in for a treat!!

Project Kenworth is underway!!

Huge thanks to Jhai for his generosity and Derek for his help In manoeuvring this project into place ready for it's upgrade!

Our year 3 - 6 Kapa Haka will be performing at ECEs in Cambridge on ...

**Monday 6 November** (Year 5 and 6) 1.30 pm  
Little Thinkers and 2.45 pm Busy Bees

**Monday 27 November** (Year 3 and 4) 1.30 pm  
Cambridge Kindergarten and 2.45 pm. Grow



Many more amazing photos of school events available on our Facebook page

CAMBRIDGE CRICKET ASSOCIATION



# JUNIOR Cricket season of 2023/24 open now

*Skill based fun learning*  
Proven results over the years

**Let's Smash It**



**STARTING DATES**

Saturday Cricket , Year 5 - 8

- Saturday 28th October

Girls Cricket , Year 6 - 8

- Wednesday 1st November

Friday Cricket - Year 0 - 5

- Friday 3rd November

**CONTACT US NOW**

Steve Carter - Club Captain  
Indika Senarathne - Director of Cricket

- 021 821 820 - Steve Carter  
022 320 9076 - Indika
- cambridgejuniorcricket@gmail.com  
Indicambridgecricket@gmail.com
- John Kerkhof Park

design: sudeertha.r@gmail.com




# Kids in NEED WAIKATO OPEN DAY

Have you ever wanted to take a closer look at what we do? Bring the whole family!

- SPECIAL GUESTS
- MUSIC
- BOUNCY CASTLES
- FACE PAINTING
- SAUSAGE SIZZLE
- COFFEE
- TOURS
- PICK A XMAS WISH

**SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER  
10AM-2PM**

**118 FENCOURT RD  
CAMBRIDGE**

Check Facebook for event updates:  
Kids in Need Waikato

**Parking across the road!**





# GIVE IT A GO THIS SUMMER!

Find your local club at [athletics.org.nz](http://athletics.org.nz)

Thanks to our partners





## CAMBRIDGE BMX Intro To BMX Group

Do your kids want to have a go at BMX racing?  
Or just learn some more bike skills on the track?

We are running a 4-week introduction to BMX session aimed at younger, beginner riders.

Our only prerequisite is that riders can confidently ride a bike with no training wheels.



Contact Us:  
125 Milton Street  
Leamington, Cambridge

[bmxcambridgeintro@gmail.com](mailto:bmxcambridgeintro@gmail.com)  
Ph: 021 252 2642

- Start Date: 10 October 2023
- Weekly sessions on Tuesdays:  
3.30 – 4.20pm or 4.30 – 5.20pm
- All gear provided: A correct sized race bike, helmet and gloves (Please wear long sleeve top and long pants with covered in shoes)
- Maximum 5 riders per session with 4 volunteers each session  
(2 coaches and 2 demonstrators)
- \$20 per session (Includes an ice block at the end of each session)
- Bookings are essential as hire bikes are limited



## CAMBRIDGE BMX Girls Training Group

Do you have a girl who would love to have a go at BMX racing, with training in small groups and specifically tailored to their needs?

We are running a summer season, BMX girls training group, aimed at beginner to intermediate riders, aged 8 – 12.

To determine suitability, come down to a have – a – go session on Thursday, 4.30 – 5.30, or contact us for a 1-1 trial at a time that suits.



- Start Date: 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023
- Weekly sessions, Friday 4.00 – 5.00pm  
(During School term time over 16 weeks)
- All gear provided: A correct sized race bike, helmet and gloves (Please wear long sleeve top and long pants with covered in shoes)
- Maximum 6 riders in the group, with 3 coaches / demonstrators present
- Bookings are essential as spaces and hire bikes are limited
- Partial funding provided by Ministry for Women, Manatū Wāhine to run this project to reduce costs to parents



Contact Us:  
125 Milton Street  
Leamington, Cambridge

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## **Te Miro Mountain Bike Clubs**

Thursday Night Summer Race  
Series is proudly sponsored by

**Riverside Adventures Waikato!**

Racing runs from the 12th of October to  
the 14th of December and the 1st of  
February to the 28th of March.

Rego opens at 6:00PM, closes at  
6:20PM. Racing starts at 6:30.

3 tracks to choose from. Tracks for all  
skills and fitness levels. Races last for 60  
mins. Your best 10 races will determine  
this years summer series winners!

Free for Te Miro club members. \$5 non  
members.

Any questions regarding summer series please contact  
the club or phone / txt 0272363778 A/H

Boatshed Kayaks will be running the Try Learn Explore Programme again for Term 4!

We'll have the beginners lesson at 4pm and intermediate at 5pm. Limited slots in each lesson available so get in quick.

Get in contact with us for more information or any questions you may have!

07-827 8286 [theboatshed@xtra.co.nz](mailto:theboatshed@xtra.co.nz)

<https://www.paddler.nz/trylearnexplore>



# Term 4 Sign Up



Ages 9-14

Monday after school  
Starts 30th October

6 week Learn to Kayak course  
Beginner and Intermediate lessons available

