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

Why are we here? What is school actually all about?

Sometimes it is good to go right to the core of our 'why' and to take this straight from the source. Legislation can be a little bit dry but this piece of the law reads quite well.. It is the <u>Education and Training Act 2020</u> that sets out the **objectives for New Zealand schools.** They are worth a read...

- (4) The education and learning objectives for early childhood education, primary education, and secondary education are
 - (a) to help each child and young person attain their educational potential; and
 - (b) to promote the development, in each child and young person, of the following abilities and attributes:
 - (i) resilience, determination, confidence, and creative and critical thinking:
 - (ii) good social skills and the ability to form good relationships:
 - (iii) participation in community life and fulfilment of civic and social responsibilities:
 - (iv) preparedness for work; and
 - (c) to instil, in each child and young person, an appreciation of the importance of—
 - (i) the inclusion of different groups and persons with different personal characteristics:
 - (ii) diversity, cultural knowledge, identity, and the different official languages:
 - (iii) Te Tiriti o Waitangi and te reo Māori.

Of course right there, and first, in sub section(4)(a) is 'to help each child to reach their educational potential.' Alongside that priority, do have a scan through all of the other objectives of a school. They are many, varied and all are essential. Our school takes each and every objective seriously and works hard to achieve them.

Also a look at subsection (b)(i). We know the importance of developing and resilience. It is no coincidence that the acronym of our school values spells **GRIT**.

We also know the importance of (b)(ii). **Relationships** are at the heart of all of our work. The development of the **social skills** and **positive relationships** of our explorers is critical work for all of us. Like learning in all areas, this takes **time** and **perseverance**. Explorers **WILL** make mistakes and **WILL** learn from them. Explorers will also look to us for positive examples. For some explorers, development of these skills is harder, and will take longer and require greater support. We are getting better at recognising, celebrating and catering for neurodiversity. The generosity and understanding we all must show is critical when supporting children.

Finally subsection (c) clearly articulates our need to instil an appreciation of our **differences**, our **diversity** and **culture** along with **Te Tiriti o Waitangi** and **Te Reo Māori**.

These are **daunting** and **aspirational** objectives. Achieving them, as we are legally and morally required to do, requires a caring and talented team of explorers, staff and community. Luckily, this absolutely describes our Goodwood School team.

Take care
David and your Goodwood Team

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 March birthday to:

Darcie S, Charlotte O, Indiana C, George M, George P, Fletcher W, Kaya A, Emily C, Sofie-Ela H, India R, George C, Jagger B, Scout W, Fletcher V-Z, Cole H, Louis D, Chloe B, Zhi Belle M, Sadie H, Emily K, Luke V, Charlie W, Ethan S, Amelia P, Sophia H, Poppy T, Cameron R, Willa R. and Liam C.

WE HAVE INTRODUCED A COUPLE OF NEW FEATURES INTO THIS NEWSLETTER PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR THEM! (One of them has a prize!)

Loose Parts Donations

We are really excited by the possibilities of loose parts play. Our explorers love to create and connect. This giant marble run set offers many possibilities for making tracks and building whatever explorers can imagine.

This is a well constructed set that will also get the 'Mr Keane Treatment" to ensure that it lasts a long time. This is a major investment that our BOT is keen to support alongside sponsorship of our community.

There are a number of options for support from \$20. We would like to acknowledge the awesome companies who have already offered support and will be sharing our sponsors with you soon.



Sponsorship options.

 $1 \times Storage Bin = 496

1 x Stacker Tower = \$535

1 x Teeter Balance Board = \$194

1 x Connectors = \$31

1 x Ball Run 500mm = **\$20**

1 x Ball Run 1200mm = \$38

Set of 16 x Connectors = \$313

Set of 10 x Ball Run 500mm = \$205

Set of 10 x Ball Run 1200mm = \$389

In return for your sponsorship we can offer ongoing promotion of your company through our newsletter & social media (along with many happy explorers!).

Email david@goodwood.school.nz if you can help



Little Heart Day...

Tomorrow Friday 24 March is Little Heart Day. This charity is extra special to us because of our amazing Little Heart Kid George. On Friday wear red - bring along a gold coin donation and get ready for some fun. If you want to jump the gun - you can sponsor our Heart Kids NZ page right here....



Swimming Pool

Our pool is now closed for the season. We hope that our key holders have managed a few swims across a challenging summer weatherwise. Please return your pool key to the office. Thank you.

Port Waikato Camp - Year 5 and 6 - next week

- Camp #1- Takahē (year 5), Kiwi and Hihi: Monday 27 Wednesday 29 March
- Camp #2 Kākāriki and Kererū: Wednesday 29 Friday 31 March

Thank you to all whānau who have volunteered their time to help all explorers enjoy the challenge and reward of camp.

Final newsletter regarding camp was sent yesterday - it has some great top tips for camp preparation.

Camp groups will return from camp around 3:45pm (Wednesday and Friday) - please ensure you have downloaded our school app and joined the year 5 and 6 group so that you can receive on the day updates.

Pātai of the Week: What are the names and colours of the 4 School Houses?

(The answer is somewhere in this newsletter) The answer from the last newsletter is 1902 and the winner is: Sasha T.

(There will be a box in the office for you to pop your name and answer in and we will draw out a name with the correct answer to win a cookie).

Good News Goodwood

Congratulations to Whaea Bailey and Jamie who celebrated their Goodwood wedding earlier this week.

It was a great 'turnout' with bridesmaids, groomsmen, speeches, wedding cake and dancing.

He aroha te aroha - love is love





What a fantastic morning as balloon pilots Darryn and Jeremy and their crews took time out of their busy Balloons over Waikato schedule to visit Goodwood. The visit was organised by our amazing Heart Kids NZ explorer George and his whānau. George, his mum Elaine and Ms Copping got to go for a short flight above our school field! Louis also joined them as a birthday treat!

Our swimming carnival was a game of two halves this year. On Friday the weather wasn't great but our competitive swim championships went ahead indoors and was a great success. It was awesome to see so many explorers showing real GRIT. Sunday's community fun swim was also a great success. Over seventy explorers and their families took the opportunity to head along to the Perry Aquatic Centre Cambridge pools for a fun day of swimming, friendship and building water confidence.

Thanks to our many parent helpers, our teaching and support teams and the great team at GoWaipa - Home of Te Awamutu Events Centre and Perry Aquatic Centre Thanks Mori for the pics.









You have to love explorer led clubs!! RC car club now has a marine division with RC boats appearing for the first time. Better still - how about an RC car that is amphibious!! Great to see explorers living our vision of making a difference for others. RC club is every Thursday lunchtime for this term.



For the first time we are promoting the Junior Tough Guy and Girl challenge to be held at Ngaruawahia with a Goodwood recommended date of Tuesday 20 June 2023.

Registrations are open now and always sell out.

While we are happy to support a Goodwood team - entry costs, supervision and transport will be the responsibility of individual parents. We are happy to coordinate carpooling and parents are also welcome to supervise other explorers by their own arrangements. Explorers who are participating will need to leave Goodwood at 7.00 am. The entry form is here and is expected

to sell out soon.

Get to know the Goodwood Team

Gill McCarthy is one of our learning assistants, we asked her the following 10 questions:

1. What are your hobbies/interests?

Gill: Knitting.

2. Are you an early bird or a night owl?

Gill: Both.

3. If you could have a superpower what would it be?

Gill: Sleeping.

4. When you were a child what did you want to be when you grew up? Gill: A Vet.

5. What kind of music do you like to listen to?

Gill: Almost everything.

6. Do you have any pets, if so, what's their names?

Gill: 4 dogs & 2 cats, Poppy Jasmine, Daisy, Sage, Ted and Ace .

7. What was the name of your first Primary School?

Gill: Grasmere Primary School, Invercargill.

8. What is your favourite season of the year?

Gill: Summer! (still waiting)

9. What is your favourite food?

Gill: Prawns.

10. What is your go to boardgame?

Gill: Trivial Pursuit.

We will have another team member profile in our next edition.



TERM 2 - SPORTS

HAUTAPU SPORTS

Planning for Hautapu Sports Clubs Junior Sports 2023 is well underway. We are excited and cannot wait for the Hockey, Netball and Rugby 2023

Seasons to start and to see all our Hautapu Junior superstars out on the turfs, courts and fields learning and improving

their skills, playing as a team and most importantly having fun!

Online registrations for primary and intermediate hockey, netball and rugby are live on our website here <u>Junior sports</u> - <u>Hautapu Sports Club</u> You will also find information there about each of our junior sports, the costs, what is required,

season dates and playing venues.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Junior Hockey, Marie Dale, juniorhockey@hautapusports.com.

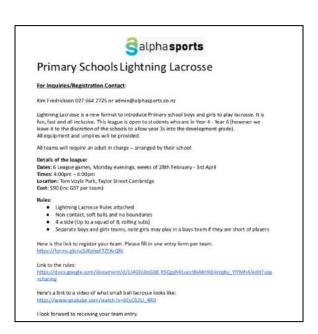
Junior Netball, Jody Anderson, juniornetball@hautapusports.com.

Junior Rugby, Josh Bull, juniorrugby@hautapusports.com

General Club Enquiries, Andrew Douglas, gmanager@hautapusports.com

LEAMINGTON RUGBY AND SPORTS





HELLO FENCOURT AND SURROUNDING NEIGHBOURS

Join your local Police Officer, Community Patrol Leader and Firearms Specialist at Fencourt Hall.

Where: Fencourt Hall
(next door to Goodwood School)
When: Thursday 30 March

Time: 7.00 pm

We will be discussing neighbourhood safety, emergency preparedness, boy racers and activity with firearm legislation over the last 12 months.

Please come along and ask some questions and meet your neighbours.

For any questions please contact us on 021 266 9653 of by email: info@safercambridge.co.nz.

BRAZILIAN JIU JITSU IN CAMBRIDGE

Jeremy Janny 3x NZ
National Champion and
international athlete is
coming to Cambrige!
Start 7 February



Tuesday and Thursday

Kids 1(5-7y) 3:30-4pm Kids 2(8-13y) 4:15-5pm Adults Beginner 6:45-7:45pm

Classes will be beginner focused, open to everyone from 5 years old to adults, come start your Brazilian Jiu Jitsu journey with us



Location: Cambridge Fitness, 20 Pope Terrace Contact: whangabjj@gmail.com



9:45am - Meet at Main Carpark for rider briefing

10am - Group Rides Start

12pm - Groups return to BBQ Area

Ph/Text Heidi for more information – 027 341 2228 or contact by email Heidi.lj.07@gmail.com

Please advise if your child has any special needs so that they can be grouped with extra adult support if required

www.temiromtbclub.co.nz

KIDS MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDES

SATURDAY, 11TH FEB - 1ST APR 2023

Te Miro MTB Park, Waterworks Road, Te Miro

Approx 15 mins from both Morrinsville and Cambridge

- Recommended Age 8 to 15 (Adults welcome to join the ride)
- Under 8's must be accompanied by riding, walking or running adult
- · Bring a drink bottle/camelbak & any medication you may need
- Bikes must be suitable for off road use & in good working order
- Helmets and shoes compulsory (No exceptions)
- No cost for the rides but donations
 & new members are welcome
- Stay after the ride for a sausage sizzle and drink – Cash Only
- · Rides are on rain, hail or shine
- Parents accept full responsibility for child's health & safety during rides







GODDESS WORKSHOPS



Empowering and inspiring young girls aged 8 - 13.

Girls will be taught skills to help them manage their big emotions.

From practical exercises such as yoga and breathwork to inspirational stories with just a sprinkling of magic. The workshops are designed to be a safe, creative and fun environment that will develop self-esteem and make your daughter sparkle with confidence.

Workshop details:
Monday 17th - Wednesday 19th April
8:30am - 12:30pm
Fencourt Hall (next door to Goodwood School)
529 Fencourt Road, Cambridge, Waikato
Limited spaces, enrol at:
https://goddess-workshops.com/





Contact: Georgia
027 606 0308
georgia.goddessworkshops@gmail.com

COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

DOG SITTER REQUIRED

From 30th of April to the 28th of July



We are a local Goodwood family and we are off traveling for 3 months, sadly however our 2 year old dog Luna cannot come with us:(

We are looking for a pet-loving family to look after her while we are away for all of Term 2.

She is a lovely, family-friendly, non-shedding bred (Spoodle), fully toilet trained and vaccinated, de-sexed, micro-chipped and all food will be provided.

For more information or to arrange a time to meet her to see if Luna would be a good fit with your family, please contact:

Amie 021 842 643



