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# Tumuaki / Principal's Column

Kia Orai e ngā whānau me ngā hoa o Te Kura Tuatahi o Goodwood. Greetings to the Families and Friends of Goodwood School.

Success is our reward. This is our school motto, a short four word phrase which is packed with meaning and importance. Success looks like a range of things for our explorers. Our vision speaks of curiosity, care and connection and of making a difference. All are important concepts. We unashamedly seek academic success for EACH of our explorers across the breadth and

depth of a rich curriculum. Fundamental to this success is their ability in reading, writing and mathematics. These foundational skills and this essential knowledge provide the springboard to success in **all** areas of learning. The critical focus of phase one of the refreshed curriculum is "thriving in environments rich in literacy and maths." Although a little way off for most of our explorers, their future high school qualifications, be they in science, health or the arts are inextricably tied to numeracy and literacy co-requisites. These formal assessments, completed in the early years of their secondary school journey, are required to complete the qualifications necessary to unlock higher learning.

For this reason we have been working incredibly hard with expert partners to develop our practice in the areas of English and mathematics. Our explorers have also been working hard, aiming high and stretching to meet or exceed the increased demands of their year of the curriculum. We appreciate your support, your engagement with preview learning materials and commitment to have your explorer at school every day that they are well enough is making a difference.

We were VERY excited to analyse our most recent PAT data. This nationally referenced testing provides excellent formative and summative assessment information.

We encourage you to take a look and to celebrate the high levels of achievement of our explorers.

This graph is a box and whisker graph of our Year 3 - 6 explorers achievement in maths.

#### Term 2 - All E4(4) 63/63 45.4 (32.5) 11.5(12.7) 78.8 (66.9) 53,2(41.1) 48.2 (12.5) 42.6(23.9) 26.2 (-1.9) 61.1(48.5) 52.6 (29.7) Esca 63/64 51.8 (39.7) 87.5 (74.5) 45.6(30.9) 17.3 (4.5) 13.6(13.1) Eam 58/58 57.7 (45.8) 12.0(13.2) 87.2 (81.4) 66.9(54.7) 57.5 (45.8) 30.6 (10.2)

#### **Mathematics Term 2**

75% of our Year 4 explorers (in blue) are achieving at a higher level than 75% of Year 4 students across New Zealand. This is a ringing endorsement of the work our team (and explorers) have been doing.

We value achievement across the broader curriculum. Our partnership with House of Science, supported by Cambridge Equine Hospital, gives our explorers access to rich learning in science. The kits provide apparatus for hands-on experiments and investigations. Later this month we are taking our 150 youngest explorers to Hamilton Zoo. This will support their investigations into animal classification, habitat, behaviour and diet.

We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead where even greater success is sure to be OUR reward.

David and your Goodwood Team



# Happy July birthday to:

Maddison N, Theia M, Brodie S, Noah O'B, Riley B, Millie O, Sasha C, William J, Benjamin R, Charlotte C, Oscar K, Chase W, Kesia J, Charlotte M, Paige B, Isabelle M, Arlo K, Theo B, Jakari H, Zoe C, Ula R, Lucas B, Imogen H, Grace M and Layla G.



# 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 2500 downloads.

To download app: search School Apps NZ - download and then search Goodwood School.

# **Community Survey**

Next week we will be sending home our biennial community survey via email. This survey helps our board with review and strategic planning. Thank you for your time in completing the survey.

# School Board Elections – Have You Thought About Standing?

The triennial School Board Elections are coming up, and Election Day is Wednesday, 10th September 2025. Nominations open TOMORROW! Friday 18 July and close on Wednesday August 6th.

Why Join the Board?

Being a board member is a meaningful way to support our school and help shape its future. The term is **3 years**, and we're looking to elect **5 parent representatives**.

We're especially keen to hear from people with experience or interest in:

- Property & Project Management
- · **i** Finance
- · 🛂 Human Resources
- 👫 Legal

But don't worry if those aren't your areas — all skills and backgrounds are welcome. Passion, commitment, and a desire to contribute are what count most.

School Board Elections must be held in accordance with the provisions in the Education and Training Act 2020 and the Education (Board Elections) Regulations 2022. Caregiver names and contact details have been provided to Schooled Election Pilot to enable the provision of elections services for our school as required by legislation. They will use your contact details for the provision of election services for Goodwood School only and your details will be deleted 60 days after the election date as required by legislation.

If you have any questions about the election process, please contact the Returning Officer directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or election@electionpilot.nz. We will continue to keep you updated through the various stages of the election process, and our election date is Wednesday 10th September, 2025.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form by email, or if we do not have your email address it will be sent to you by post. The nomination pack will include a cover letter explaining the nomination process as well as a nomination form. You can use this form to nominate yourself, or you can nominate someone else in the community. (If you are going to nominate someone else, ensure they are aware of your nomination and are willing to accept the nomination). Information on who is not eligible to be a School Board member is provided with the nomination form.

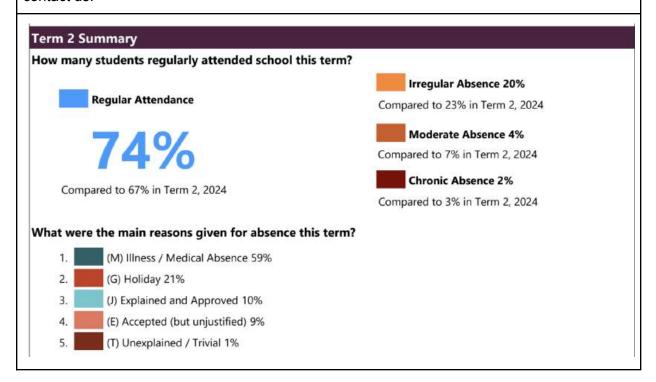
If you need additional nomination forms, or forms in Te Reo Māori of a different language, please contact the Returning Officer directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or election@electionpilot.nz.

Please remember nominations close at 4pm on Wednesday 6th August. Nominations can be submitted by email, through the Election Pilot system at www.electionpilot.nz or by returning the completed nomination form to the school office. You may provide a candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school office and can be viewed during normal school hours. Voting closes at 4pm on Wednesday 10th September, 2025.

## Term 2 Attendance

Term 2 saw a decline in the percentage of explorers who attended school regularly (90% or more of the time) when compared to term 1. (74% in Term 2 compared to 87% in Term 1) The onset of winter illness doubtlessly had an impact. The Ministry of Education also noted that 21% of our absences are due to holidays during term time. Please ensure your explorer attends school each day that they are well enough. If term time travel is unavoidable - please contact us.



# Did you know? Five facts about Goodwood School Agricultural Day!

- 1. Did you know that Goodwood School's Agricultural Day this year is on Thursday 9th October?
- 2. Did you know that Goodwood are running Group Day and that is going to be held on Tuesday 21st October?
- 3. Did you know that the Goodwood School Agricultural Day has been a firm fixture at Goodwood for over 50 years?
- 4. Did you know that now is a great time to get your calf, lamb or goat ready for this year?
- 5. Did you know entries for Ag Day will open towards the middle of this term?

# Scholastic Books

The scholastic book orders have to be made on-line by Thursday 31st July.

# Headlice

Even though we have the cold weather upon us it is not cold enough to stop the headlice. Please remember to check your child's hair on a regular basis.

# Sausage Sizzle Roster

We have a few spots still available for the sausage sizzle roster this term. Please have a look and see if you are able to help please fill out our form. Sausage Sizzle

### Good News Goodwood

We were delighted to host the Hong Kong Under 20 Rugby team at Goodwood School. The team joined us for a mihi whakatau, where we also extended a warm welcome to our new explorers and their families. Following this, the team conducted skills sessions with our Year 4, 5, and 6 Goodwood rugby players. We are grateful to Deano and Stacey for facilitating this exciting opportunity.





How good are the awesome team at Busy Bees op shop,Bryce Street,Cambridge! These wonderful people are supporting reading at Goodwood School.

If you have any good quality clothes that you or your family no longer wear please consider donating them to Busy Bees or bring them into the school office and we can pass them on.



### Pre-School Open Mornings 2025

9 517 Fencourt Road, RDI, Cambridge

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Term Tahi Wednesday 5th March 9:00 am - 10:00 am / Term Rua: Wednesday 28th May 9:00 am - 10:00 am Term Toru Wednesday (9th August 900 am - 10:00 am / Term What Wednesday 5th November 9:00 am - 10:00 am

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

#### Why Goodwood?

- Experienced and coring teachers
- · Inviting learning spaces
- Reading and writing taught through a structured
- Mathematics programme delivered through purposeful. engaging and hands-on explorer stations
- A tailored transition plan to suit you and your explorer
- New playground, large play spaces, a pool and a bike track
- . Tuckana-teina relationships are built throughout the school to faster relationships across year levels

#### Why visit?

- . Come along with your preschooler to find out what a day will look like for your explorer
- · Experience our classes in action
- . The apportunity 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 our supportive community

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



## **MEET THE COACHES**





#### ROBBIE MCNICHOLAS

With aver 22 years of playing experience, Robbie born and raised in Nottingham, brings deep knowledge, passion, and energy to every session. He is spent years competing at a high level in English football and knows first-hand what it takes to grow in the game.

Robbe's love for factball rurs deep and so does his dedication to helping the next generation thrive. Whather it's building confidence, sharpening skills, or nurturing a love for the sport, his goal is to support every player in reaching their full potential, on and off the pitch.

#### **CONNOR AUSTIN**

Connar, born and raised in London. Conner, born and raised in London, England, brings over 14 years of football experience to the field, having spent 4 of those years playing professionally in countries such as England, Scotland, and Sweden.

His passion for the game is underliable, and his dedication to pushing players to achieve their peak performance is unmatched. On and off the pitch, Connor is fully committed to fostering a team environment that prioritises excellence.

### OFFERING 1:1 & GROUP FOOTBALL SESSIONS ACROSS HAMILTON AND **SURROUNDING AREAS**

**\$60 FOR 1:1 SESSIONS \$30 FOR GROUP SESSIONS** 





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