

Term 1, Week 6: Wednesday 8th March 2017

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From the Principal ...

Kia ora koutou

I've had the privilege of attending swimming sports, triathlons and a camp over the last couple of weeks. I have been most impressed with the positive attitude, perseverance and courage the students showed at these events. I really enjoy watching the children give their very best and complete the challenge, normally with a huge smile on their face! The enthusiasm from participating in these events spills back into the classroom and is visible through the many conversations and into their writing.

Hopefully you received a notice yesterday about our new radio station (87.6 fm). The station is in the early stages of being developed, with Mr Fielder organising testing on this frequency and ironing out a few bugs. Our plan is to introduce content from the children and school over a period of time. Once we are fully operational and have our content on the station we'll let you know. In the meantime feel free to tune in and see if you'll be able to listen at home. I can't wait to see what cool names are put forward for the radio station in Mr Fielder's competition.

Have a great week everyone!

Regards

Andy Hayward, Principal

Assembly Special Certificates: Congratulations to the following students -

Kakano: Tahlia Cameron, Hugo Phillips, Jacob Hall, Madison McVey, Holly Ellmer, Casey Orford

Koru: Harrison Sheldrake, Madison Honig, Neel Patil, Carla Neems, Daniel Beckman, Aeva de Lautour

Poutama: Toni Lincoln, Charlie Castles, Isabel Morrell, Blake Whitley, Alex Mackay, Jameson Steele, Grace Kelly, Xanthe Maugham, Neve Hermon, Afarius Keelan

Rangi: All away at camp!!!

From the Office ...

Emailed newsletter: If you'd like the newsletter emailed to you, please let Gail in the office know either by phoning, calling in to the office or sending her an email office@gisbornecentral.school.nz

Absences from School: You can either ring the Absentee Line (867 5073 and press 1), leaving your child's name, room number, reason for absence, and a contact number; or use the new phone app to notify of an absence. If you need to speak to someone, or the call isn't absentee-related, press '0', and you will get through to the office. Thank you!

A big thank you to the parents from Mr Kirikino – the children must be wearing waterproof sunblock, as he doesn't have to work so hard to keep the pool water quality perfect! A win-win for everyone!

New Entrants: If 2017 is the big Starting School year for your little ones, or you know of in-zone families who might be looking at Central School for their nearly-5's, please let Gail in the office know as soon as possible. It's all about the numbers, and knowing early helps with planning. Thank you!

Gymnastics has started! If you can help during a lunchtime practice (12.45-1.30pm), please let Gail in the office know.

Tuesday – B grade with Mrs Vorster (no helpers so far)

Wednesday A grade / A Reserve with Natalya Barber

Thursday – C grade with Mrs Hayward (we always need more hands to help as there are a lot of children learning new routines!)

Educational Assessment Australia 2017 for Years 4, 5 & 6: Entry notification forms are available at the office. Prices are going up this year, so if you wish to take advantage of the 2016 price, the entry form and money needs to be handed in to the office by **Friday, 31st March** (preferably earlier!). If you would like to direct credit it into the school account, we can provide you with the account number. Dates and costs are as follows:

Test	Sitting Date	Cost	Test	Sitting Date	Cost
Digital Technologies	Tues 23 rd May	\$8.50	Spelling	Wed 14 th June	\$10.50
Science	Wed 30 th May	\$8.50	English	Tues 1 st August	\$8.50
Writing	Tues 13 th June	\$19.50	Mathematics	Tues 15 th August	\$8.50

Parent Support Group:

The PSG, (Parent Support Group) would like to welcome new and current parents/grandparents/caregivers to attend an afternoon tea in the hall **TOMORROW Thursday 9th March at 3pm**. This is a chance for you to get to know others who may be in your child's syndicate, ask questions and also find out what the PSG does! Come and join us for a cuppa, cake and chat!



PSG Easter Raffle: The PSG is asking for donations for our Easter Raffle. This was a successful fundraiser last year. Any non-perishable grocery items/chocolate/Easter theme activities would be much appreciated. Please have donations to the office by **Monday 20th March**. Thank you!

Lost – Sol McGhee has lost a pair of bright blue shoes with a white nike tick, size 7-8. Our Lost Property has been searched, and so has his class bag area. If these have come home by mistake, can you please return to the office – thank you.

Upcoming Events

Friday 10 th March	2.10pm	School Assembly	hosted by Room 5
Monday 13 th March	2.10pm	Rangi Assembly	hosted by Room 14
Tuesday 14 th March	2.20pm	Koru Assembly	hosted by Room 6
Thursday 16 th March	5.30pm	Koru Sleepover at school	
Friday 17 th March	2.30pm	Kakano Assembly	hosted by Room 2
Wednesday 22 nd March	10.30am	Inter-School Triathlon at Nelson Park	

Community Notices

CENTRAL FOOTBALL SKILL CENTRE, Term 1 2017: 2017 Eastland Junior Clubrooms Disraeli St. Saturday March 11th to Saturday April 29th 9 am till 10.30am. New Players \$150 which includes training kit, shirt shorts, socks. Existing players \$80. Register via the link: <https://membership.sportstg.com/regofrm.cgi?formID=67217>

From Tairāwhiti Museum Education: The 'Ko Rongowhakaata' exhibition has been extended until 21st May 2017. Once it leaves here it will travel to Te Papa Museum where it will be exhibited for three years. We want as many as possible to come and see it before it travels. Tairāwhiti Museum are offering **FREE family passes** to visit us. **Printed or electronic copies of the free pass attached will be accepted at the front desk for free entry, valid until 21st May 2017. If you would like a printed or electronic copy of the free pass, please come to the school office.*

Junior Rugby Muster Day this Saturday 11th March:

Ngatapa: 10am at Ngatapa Clubrooms/Patutahi Domain Contact: Cara Haines carahaines99@gmail.com

OBM: 10am at OBM Clubrooms/The Oval Contact: Kate Walters 021 525 574

Gisborne Pirates: Pirates Clubrooms Contact: TeRina Mangu ruby_mangu@hotmail.com

YMP: 11am at Rugby Park Contact: Janelle TeRauna-Lamont 0275 187 662 / bale10.il@gmail.com

Waikohu: at Te Karaka Contact: Diana Trafford dianatraford.nz@gmail.com