

From the Principal ...

Kia Ora

Welcome back to what I'm sure will be an exciting term of learning ahead. A lot of the learning focus is from our Pillar on Goal setting - Te Whakaū Whāinga. "Our graduate learners will be self-motivated, set goals, manage and value their learning." Please take the time over the term to talk with your child/ren, ask them what goals they have set for themselves and how they intend to meet them.

Thank you to the many parents who attended the parent interviews as a follow up to the Term 2 reports. This is an important part of our reporting schedule as it enables you to ask questions about your child's progress and clarify anything from the written report. Please remember that this formally allocated time is not the only time you can see your child's teacher. If you have any concerns or want to know more about how your child is going socially or in their learning you can make an appointment to see your child's teacher at any time throughout the year.

Good luck to our rugby team and netball team who are playing in the Friday interschool competition. Rugby starts this week with a challenging away game against Awapuni. The interschool netball begins next week with an away game against Te Hapara.

Blokes – early reminder to book in some time (12.00 - 1.30 ish) **for Friday 2nd September** for our annual Blokes Day.

Welcome New Staff

Welcome to our school Mr. Anaru Reedy who will be supporting Poutama and Rangi Syndicates with their Māori language programme. Also welcome back to Mrs Cherie Richardson who will be working with groups of children across the school.

Assembly Special Certificates: Congratulations to the following students -

Kakano: Isabel Murphy, Te Ariki Ihimaera-Moa, Hazel Bennett, Hunter McCabe, Celia Willoughby, Denon Andrew, Isla Jacobs, Verity Drake

Koru: Alia Sims, Ethan Lister, Shannon Morley, Seb Te Kahika, Kailee-Rose Le Compte, AJ Kinsella

Poutama: Georgia Lee, Max Talmage, Holli Macdonald, Fergus Heuser, Mahia Coombs, Cooper Allen-Johnstone, Morgan Anderson, Josef McGrath, Jade McVey, Reece Te Maipi

Rangi: Leila Te Maipi, Theo Mackay, Jeroen van den Heuvel, Jak Brown, Aliya Ali, Nell Murphy, Jessica Hayward, Rilee Walker, Timana Pokoati, Zac Allen

From the Office ...

A big welcome to all the new Central School families!

Keep up to date with what is happening on our **facebook** page (google Gisborne Central School or follow the link from the website); or on our **new phone app**, where you can let us know about absentees, read the newsletter, get alerts about school events and even subscribe to groups like the PSG and get special updates. Go to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and search **Gisborne Central School** to download to your phone or tablet.

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 an email to 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.

New Entrants: If 2016 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-5s, please let Gail in the office (or Mrs Mackle!) know as soon as possible. It's all about the numbers, and knowing early helps with planning. Thank you!

Winter Sport

All the winter sports will start up again this coming Saturday. You can check the draw in Wednesday's paper, or on our facebook page; and we also have draws pinned up outside the office and Rooms 9 and 13. The Friday netball final dress-up day was cancelled at the end of last term, but weather permitting will go ahead this Friday at 3.30pm.

PSG

A date for the calendar – the school disco will be on Thursday 1st September. No theme has been decided on yet, so watch this space for more details.

Kapa Haka Uniform: It is very exciting, our new uniforms have been ordered and will be here by the end of term. The PSG's contribution, along with the Board of Trustees, has allowed us to order enough for all of our girls. We will look and sound fantastic at the festival this year! I also wish to thank the group of parents who contributed to making the decision about the uniform last term; deciding on what our look will be and where to access them was challenging and I thank you for your support with this.



Community Notices

Events 4 All: We provide quality on site after school care. The programme has different activities daily and is designed to be a safe and fun environment for your child. If you would like further information contact Colleen on 027 531 5756

Regards,
Andy Hayward
Principal

TERM 3: Monday 25 th July – Friday 23 rd September 2016					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	July 25 Term 1 starts!	26	27 1.15 Little Acorns <i>Newsletter</i>	28	29 2.20 Kakano/Koru Assembly (R7)
2	Aug 1	2 Aust Test - English	3 1.15 Little Acorns	4	5 2.10 School Assembly (R8)
3	8	9 School Cross Country	10 1.15 Little Acorns I/S Football <i>Newsletter</i>	11 2pm Poutama Celebration Hui Whanau	12 2.20 Kakano/Koru Assembly (R4)