

**From the Principal ...**

Kia Ora  
 With the majority of winter sport winding up very shortly (except for those lucky footballers) I would like to take this opportunity to thank our sports' coaches and managers. You wonderful parents give up your time to practice with the teams, organise the teams, referee and umpire games. You rush around trying to sort things out last minute when someone can't make the match, you celebrate the successes with your team and help them deal with the losses. Without your support we would not be have as many teams in the competitions. Again I thank you on behalf of the students at Central.

**Aaarrgh me hearties ..... All aboard for the Pantomime**

This Thursday (tomorrow) the **whole school** is going to see the pantomime '**Commander Claire and the Pirates of Provence**' at the **War Memorial Theatre**. This is a free pantomime brought to you by Siemens, in celebration of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Royal New Zealand Navy. We will be travelling to and from the event on buses. We will be leaving school at 12.20 and returning by 2.30. Morning tea and lunchtime will be organised a little earlier that day. I'm sure this will be an exciting afternoon for all!

**Assembly Special Certificates:** Congratulations to the following students -

- Kakano:** Jackson Young, Isabel Murphy, Hamiora Larson, Noah Templin, Zoe Carberry, Jaxon Pardoe, Carla Neems, Tyson Pearse, Hinemaia Reedy, Tessa Bull
- Koru:** Ethan Lister, Henry Matete, Tilly Lepper, Sydney Wills, Hayley-Jade Nepe, Zita Szoke
- Poutama:** Lauryn Morse, Tristan Scott, Freya Brodin, Teddy Vroon, Ella Rouse, Emma Veitch, Anika Scott, Piper Vroon, Logan Mason, Jasmine Melville
- Rangi:** Bella Neems, Gus Baker, Rian Coleman, Evelyn Williams, Phoebe Cook, Jackson Horne, Tilly Saunders, Fergus Tomlinson, Piripi Cleaver, Taine Rongonui

**From the Office ...**

The cancellation of the Cross Country yesterday was a great example of technology in action, **with the phone app and facebook** being utilised to let parents and caregivers know the state of play (or not...). You can download our phone app by going to the App Store on your Apple or Android device and search **Gisborne Central School** to download to your phone or tablet.

**Absences from School:** Remember to ring the Absentee Line (867 5073 and press 1), leaving your child's name, room number, reason for absence, and a contact number. The phone app can also be used to notify of an absence.

**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](mailto:office@gisbornecentral.school.nz)

**Missing**

In the last week or so a black Rip Stick was taken from outside Room 15 after school as well as a purple MGP scooter with skull stickers. It is not often other people's belongings go missing at Central and usually missing items turn up. So keep an eye out for these and let Mr Hayward or the office know if you find them, or think you know what happened to them.

**Lost Property**

Lost property is displayed daily outside Room 3 if fine, and outside the resource room (old library) if rain is forecast. Please remember to name your children's clothes – not only does it make it easier to return items to the rightful owner, but students get a Central C if they are and this means points for their house!!! Also, a number of scooters/skateboards/ripsticks go wandering without their owner, so please make sure that these are really obviously named.

**Maths Week**

This week is Maths Week in New Zealand. There are maths games and challenges on the official website – [www.mathsweek.org.nz](http://www.mathsweek.org.nz).  
 A couple of other websites are –  
[www.nzmaths.co.nz/supporting-school-maths](http://www.nzmaths.co.nz/supporting-school-maths)  
[www.mathsisfun.com](http://www.mathsisfun.com)  
[www.youcubed.org/parents/](http://www.youcubed.org/parents/)

Here's a challenge for you to try at home, similar to what we would do in the class for each level.

**Years 1 and 2**

1. Dad has 8 ties. He gives 2 of them away. How many ties does he have left?
2. Comic books cost \$1 each. How many can Bob buy with his \$3?

**Years 3 and 4**

1. Jane leaves home at 11.15. It takes her half an hour to the seaside. What time does Jane get to the seaside?
2. Jim puts a cake in the oven at 9:25. He lets it bake for 40 minutes. What time is the cake ready for?

**Years 5 and 6**

You have won a prize which can be just one of the following: 1 kilogram of \$1 coins, a metre long line of \$2 coins (lying flat and touching) or 2 kilograms of 50c coins.

What is your choice?

2. Koshihiki is the largest sumo wrestler in the world with a mass of 226 kg. How many Koshihiki's do you need to weigh a tonne?

**Hand in your answers to the office before Friday and go in the draw for a wee prize. Make sure it's got your name and class number on it.**

**Sport**

**Reminder** – The Cross Country will go ahead on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August**. Race Times are as follows:

10.00am	Year 1 Boys	10.05am	Year 1 Girls	(1 lap)
10.10	Year 2 Boys	10.15	Year 2 Girls	
10.20	Year 3 Boys	10.30	Year 3 Girls	(2 laps)
10.40	Year 4 Boys	10.50	Year 4 Girls	
11.05	Year 5 Boys	11.20	Year 5 Girls	(3 laps)
11.35	Year 6 Boys	11.50	Year 6 Girls	

Interscholar Cross Country – **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August** at the Showgrounds.

**PSG**

A date for the calendar – the school disco will be on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September**. The theme decided upon by the Student Council is..... The Olympics. Start thinking about what a creative costume may look like.

Regards,  
*Andy Hayward*  
 Principal

TERM 3: Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> July – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September 2016					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	Aug 8	9 School Cross Country <b>Postponed</b>	10 1.15 Little Acorns I/S Football Newsletter	11 2.10 pm Poutama Celebration Hui Whanau	12 2.10 Kakano/Koru Assembly (R4)
4	15 School Cross Country	16 Aust Test - Maths	17	18	19 2.10 School Assembly (R2)
5	22 2.10 Rangi Assembly (R13)	23	24 1.15 Little Acorns I/S Cross Country Newsletter	25	26 2.10 Kakano/Koru Assembly (R3)