



PARENT EDUCATION LINK BETWEEN HOME AND SCHOOL

Thursday 15th October, 2020

Gate Pā School
Pukehinahina

Newsletter No. 16

Week 1, Term 4

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kia ora tatou whānau

Term 4 has started on a high with tamariki arriving in the correct uniform and well rested for a successful day of learning. A warm welcome to our new whānau, great to see some of you at Monday's pōwhiri. Welcome also to our new staff: Roha Reedy, Tamati Robens, Katrina Bain and Sarah Strahan. We look forward to working alongside you all to support our tamariki.

A key theme this term will be whānau connections. We look forward to seeing you all as we catch up on events lost during COVID.

Upcoming Whole School Events

- Multicultural Day and Fun Friday Celebration - Friday 23rd October at 10am.
- KidsCan Fun Run - Friday 30th October - Reminder to keep getting those sponsors for our Kids Can Fun Run. Lots of great prizes.
- School Athletics - Friday 6th November.
- School Disco - Friday 6th November.
- New Entrant Class Begins: Monday 9th November.
- End of Year Assembly - Friday 11th December.

Important to Know

- School is closed on Monday 26th October (Labour Day) and on Tuesday 27th October (Staff Only Day)
- Lunches for Learners : we are on track to provide all Gate Pā School students with a free, nutritious lunch from mid term 4. We are currently trialing this programme to make sure it will support our vision of 'growing caring citizens for our world'.
- Hats - Please remember that Term 4 means that school hats must be worn, these can be purchased in house colours from the NZ Uniform Shop (94 Elizabeth Street). The cost is \$16.
- After School Care : Gate Pā School students can still access after-school care. However this will now be provided by Coast Kids rather than YMCA. Gate Pā students will be transported to Greerton to access this service. For more information, please contact the school office.
- FOTS (Friends of the School): are a new parent group who meet twice a term, on Thursday afternoons. They support the life of the school by welcoming new whānau, sharing ideas and putting on fun events for the students e.g. a disco. If you would love to be involved and get to know other parents in our community, please see your class teacher or contact Whaea Ann-Marie amorris@gatepa.school.nz or Mrs Bremner kbremner@gatepa.school.nz.

Hope to see you all next Friday at our Multi-cultural Day.

Ngā mihi nui,


Rochelle Jensen

Principal/Tumuaki



Welcome to Alyssa Lambie, Mila Lambie, Jaxon Crouch, Chundoun Dam-Fa'ase'e, Beileigh-Rose Tapara and Deyton Tapara who have joined us recently.

It is great to have you here!

Save the Date Friday 23rd October 2020
Multi-Cultural and Fun Friday
Celebration.
10 am to 1.30 pm.

Sports News this Term

Rippa Rugby

Starts on Thursday 29th October and runs to Thursday 3rd December.

All games will be played at Greerton Marist Rugby grounds on Oropi Road.

Notice will be sent home this week regarding teams and forms.

Year 3s & 4s Rippa Rugby teams require Coaches and Managers. Please contact Mr Scott in Room 10.

Kiwi Volleyball.

We have entered one team in the Kiwi Volleyball competition starts Friday 30th October.

School Athletics

This Term we will be holding our Athletics Day on Friday 6th of November.

Come along and support your child.

Middles and Seniors 9:00 am -12:30 pm

Juniors 1:30 pm-2:55 pm.

Notifications will be posted on our Facebook page

COMING EVENTS-2020

October

- Fri 23rd Multi-Cultural & Fun Friday Celebrations –10 am to 1.30 pm.
- Mon 26th School Closed-Labour Day.
- Tues 27th School Closed-Staff Only Day. Board of Trustees Meeting 5.30 pm in the staffroom.
- Wed 28th Kids Sing Competition-10.30 am at Tauranga Girls' College.
- Fri 30th KidsCan FunRun - 2 pm.

November

- Tues 3rd Wetlands Discovery Day-Senior School.
- Wed 4th Wetlands Discovery Day-Senior School. World Cup Cricket Day.
- Fri 6th School Athletics. 9.00 am Middles & Seniors. Juniors 1.30 pm.

School Disco.

- Wed 11th Girl's 7s Rugby Festival.
- Thurs 19th Go Girls Cricket.

December

- Fri 11th End of Year Assembly 10.30 am.
- Tue 15th End of Term 4, 2020.

Kids Sing Choir Festival

Our school choir are participating in the Kids Sing Choir Festival.

We are taking our choir of 63 children to Tauranga Girls' College to participate in the festival.

Our choir has been practicing and will perform 2 items as well as take part in a mass choir item.

Date is Wednesday 28th October from 10:30 am -2:30 pm

Our Choir will also perform at school on our Cultural Celebration Day on Friday 23rd October.

