



Gate Pā School
Pukehinahina

PARENT EDUCATION LINK BETWEEN HOME AND SCHOOL

Monday 27th July, 2020

Newsletter No. 12

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WEEK 1, Term 3

A very warm welcome to Term 3. We have made a strong start with a well attended pōhiri and a staff committed to strengthening our high expectations school culture. These high expectations start from the moment the children enter and are reflected in both behaviour and learning. Thank you for supporting your child(ren) to meet these expectations by making sure they attend school everyday, are in the correct uniform, and are familiar with our CARE code.

Parents and whānau you are valued learning partners. Your voice matters and therefore your attendance at the upcoming Student Led Conferences and Art Exhibition (Thurs 6th August) is important. This event will give you an opportunity to celebrate your child(rens) learning, find out their next steps and discuss how you can support them at home. A raffle will be held on the 6th August, one free ticket will be given to all families who attend Student Led Conferences. The prize is a bike. This raffle will be drawn on Friday 7th August. A reminder that as all teachers will be busy with conferences, you are encouraged to keep your child (ren) at home. Limited supervision will be available for those who are unable to do this.

Updates:

- **New staff**
A warm welcome to our new Support Staff: Sheralee Ward, Kirwan Te Hiini, Mihi Reid, Rebecca Fa'ase'e and Kim Rennie.
- **Learning Through Lunch**
We have accepted a place on the government's 'Free and Healthy Lunches' initiative. Tenders are being sought. We expect this program to commence in Term 4.
- **Winter Sports Teams**
A big thank you to all coaches, managers, and parents. We are delighted to have seven winter sports teams, braving the elements to represent Gate Pā School. Please see the back of this newsletter for more information.
- **Stay Connected**
Our school facebook - 'Gate Pā Pukehinahina' is a great tool for keeping in contact with us. Please react to our posts as we value your feedback :o)
- **Roll Growth**
Due to continued roll growth, our new New Entrant class is filling fast. To support our planning, please let the office know of any upcoming enrolments.

Finally, a huge thank you for working with us to support all children to have a happy and successful term 3.

He waka eke noa

Ngā mihi nui
Rochelle Jensen
Principal/Tumuaki





Welcome to Fletcher Kent, Mikayla-Praise Te Rangi, and Ayjah Grant-Te Aute who have joined us recently.

It is great to have you here!

Gate Pā School Dental Van

The Mobile Dental Unit is going to be at Gate Pā School until the middle of term 4 this year.

We hope to see as many children as we can, however we are now working under tight new rules, and we would love your help to make this easier for us.

Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, we are required to call the parent of each child on the day we want to see them, every time we need to see them and we ask the parent questions about the health of the child (Covid questions).

If the phone is not answered, we will send a text asking the Covid questions

So, to help us see your kids, could you either please answer your phone, or reply to any texts we send as soon as possible, or if you know you have recently changed your contact details, could you contact the school and update these.

Thanks for your help.

Brigitte and Regina
Dental Team
Te Waka Niho Tuaiwa
027 7065009

Fun Friday

Fun Friday's start Friday 31st July from 1.45 pm to 2.45 pm for all Year 3 to Year 6 students until week 9. Students have the choice of activities from which they will choose one and there is no cost. At the end of week 9 (Friday 18th September), each activity will present something about what they have been doing. More details about this will come out closer to the time. We also want to say thank you to all our teachers, parents, and other helpers who are taking activities to make this a fun and exciting event.

COMING EVENTS-2020

July

Fri 31st School Assembly in Hall 9.50 am.
Fun Friday starts 1.45 pm.

August

Mon 3rd Senior School Waterline lesson
Tue 4th BoT Meeting 5.30 pm in the staffroom.
Wed 5th Rugby League Tournament.
Thurs 6th Student/Teacher/Whanau Conference & Art Exhibition in the Hall.
8 am to 6 pm.

Sports News

Basketball

Titans practice is Monday 3pm.
Games are on Tuesday after school.

Hawks Practice 1:30 pm Monday
Games are on Tuesday after school.

Warriors practice Thursday lunchtimes
Games Fridays after school.

Hockey

Wekas Practice Wednesday after school .
Game on Saturday morning.

Moreporks Practice Wednesdays lunchtimes .
Game Saturday morning.

Netball

Gate Pā All stars (Year 4 &5)
Practice Wednesday lunchtime.

Gate Pā Flyers (Year 6s)
Practice Wednesday lunchtime.

Game on Saturday morning for both teams.

After School Care

YMCA are now taking bookings for after school care. This service operates from our school hall. If you are interested please call in and see Donna (group leader) or visit Gate Pā school website-contact tab.