

WOODBURY SCHOOL

3 May 2022, Term 2 Week 1

Newsletter

From the Principal's Desk

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome back to another school term, one that looks like it could potentially be the first "normal" term we have had for some time! I hope parents were able to enjoy some relaxing family time over the holidays. Please check the calendar link and the breakdown below of what is happening this term, as we have a fair bit going on.

Nga mihi nui,

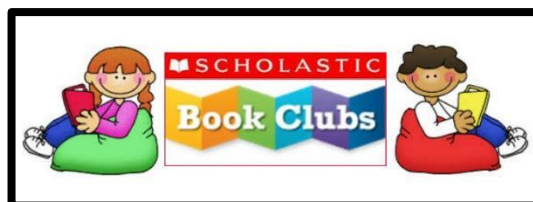
Mike de Joux

ORANGE Alert Level

Below is the message sent out on HERO last week (in case anyone missed it), which details the changes at Woodbury School relating to the alert level change to ORANGE.

- Face-mask use for Year 1-4 students, both indoors and on the buses, is no longer required BUT we do encourage this to continue (it is personal choice however). We have a number of individuals at school who are more at risk of developing serious illness, should they contract Covid- 19, and mask use is proven to reduce the risk of transmission.
- We will continue to monitor case numbers throughout the school. Should we see a spike or increased transmission we may need to go back to face masks being required by all Year 4-6, for a period of time.
- For Year 1-3 students masks are still optional.
- Staff in Year 4-6 classes will continue to wear masks while teaching inside, as will all staff in shared areas.
- Mask use in outdoor spaces by everyone (including parents at pick-up / drop-off) are optional. We are fortunate in our large grounds we have plenty of space to social distance.
- Masks are required by parents if they are entering the office or a classroom.
- Ventilation is heavily promoted by the Ministry of Health, to increase air circulation. We will have windows open in classrooms, and no doubt heat pumps on high! Luckily we have brand new heatpumps in 3 classrooms and reasonably new ones in the HTK classrooms, so they are working very efficiently. We strongly encourage parents to send children with warm clothes, as while it will not be uncomfortably cold in the classrooms there will be a bit of a breeze as air circulates.

As the term progresses we will re-assess the situation, so there may be further changes.



Scholastic Book Club

Issue 3 has been sent home. The last day for orders to be made online is 20 May.

Containers from Bake Sale

We still have containers left over from the bake sale. Please can they be collected from the office.



Sausage Sizzle

Order forms have gone home with children, please can these be returned to school by Tuesday, 10th May.

What's Been Happening

ANZAC Service

This is always a lovely way to end the term, with a large number of family members coming along to commemorate this important day. It is also a great chance for our Year 6 students to develop their oral language skills and confidence in front of an audience - they all did an outstanding job.



Term Calendar

Upcoming dates

Week 2 (9th - 13th May)

The Year 4-6 children across the Tarahaoa classrooms head away to Living Springs in Governors Bay, leaving Monday morning and getting back Wednesday afternoon. Like every year I am sure this will be a wonderful experience, not only all the challenging activities but also in children developing their confidence / independence in being away from home for a couple of nights.

Week 3 (16th - 20th May)

On Wednesday we have 2 teams entering the South Canterbury Rippa Rugby Tournament against other schools in Timaru.



Photos from 2021 Rippa Rugby Tournament

Week 4 (23rd - 27th May)

We have our Board of Trustees meeting on Monday night. We have BOT elections later in the year, and will be sending out information to parents about how to vote and how to put your name forward if you are interested in being part of our governance group. On Tuesday our Year 1-3 students have a trip planned to Transport Museum.

Week 5 (30th May - 3rd June)

On Monday all children take part in First Aid Training at school, with the St Johns instructor. On Friday we have our Rural Schools Cross Country at Waihi Gorge, combined with Carew Peel Forest School. Note the following Monday (6th June) is the Queen's Birthday holiday.

Week 7 (13th - 17th June)

On Tuesday the South Canterbury Cross Country event is being held, we will be sending our top place-getters from the school event for the Year 5 and 6 races.

Week 8 (20th - 24th June)

BOT meeting on Monday night, and on Friday we have the Matariki Holiday.

Week 9 (27th June - 1st July)

We hold our annual "Matariki Performance" - details will be given out closer to the event.



Photos from 2021 Matariki performance

Week 10 (4th July - 8th July)

Mid-year reports go home with students on the last day of term.

Link to Term calendar

[See attached](#) – please note this will be subject to change



**GERALDINE
NETBALL**
CENTRE INC, PO BOX 97, GERALDINE

**ANZ futureFERNs
NNZ Year 1-2 Program**

**STARTS:
Wednesday 4 May**
Netball Courts, Geraldine Domain

3.15PM-3.50PM FOR 10 WEEKS
\$20 PER CHILD

REGISTRATION ON THE SAME DAY
OR YOU CAN REGISTER ONLINE AT
sporty.co.nz/viewform/189486

Leander Patterson: 027 465 6240
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sporty.co.nz/geraldinenc/home

PLAYERS MUST BE REGISTERED BY A PARENT/GUARDIAN TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY

 **Geraldine Netball Centre**



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