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# Alfredton School ( )



Inspiring learning for a lifetime ~ Little acorns to mighty oaks

### Newsletter ~ Tuesday, 17 November 2020

Last Friday we held our postponed Working Bee. Huia Room joined a small group of parents and Mr Harvey to rediscover the paths and native trees in our Native Garden. A huge thank you to the parents who came to help. This is such a busy time of year for our community we are very grateful to those who could spare a few hours. Huia Room all enjoyed working alongside parents and community members.

I was incredibly proud when I received the entries for Bush Athletics. 80% of our children aged 8 and above have been selected to represent the Rural Schools. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us tomorrow and the event will be able to take place. If it is cancelled I will post on our Facebook page, so please remember to check in the morning.

Yesterday our Year 7 and 8's spent the day at the National Young Leaders Conference in Palmerston North. Leadership is a very important skill and we encourage as many of our children as possible to find ways to show leadership and develop their skills in this area.

Next Monday is a Teacher Only Day. Staff will be reviewing each child's learning and writing the End of Year Reports. Enjoy this day with your children.

On Tuesday Huia Room will be spending the day stepping out of their comfort zone at Makahika Outdoor Activity Centre, near Levin. I am looking forward to seeing the photographs.

On Wednesday it will be school photographs, please read the information later in this newsletter.

The next few weeks are incredibly busy. Please check our calendar and make a note of dates. Unfortunately, it also means that there are lots of letters coming home too. Please make sure that you return permission slips promptly as this helps us organise things much more smoothly. Thank you to all parents who are providing transport or helping on days out. We couldn't provide these wonderful opportunities for the children without your support.

It is still not too late to return Community Surveys. All of the children have completed one at school. They have some fabulous ideas for things they would like to learn and ways in which we can work with the community. I would love to hear from a few more parents. Please return your forms to the office by Friday.

Have a wonderful week.

Nga mihi nui

Alison

#### **Future Events**

Please make a note of these dates in your diary. Further events will be added as the term progresses.

Term 4

Wednesday 18th November **Bush Athletics** 

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November Teacher Only Day - No school

**Tuesday 24th November Huia Class Makahika Outdoor Pursuit Centre** 

Wednesday 25th November **School Photos** 

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December Year 8 Leavers Day Out

Tuesday 1st December Kiwi Class trip to Cobblestones Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December Rippa Rugby Tournament Yr 5-8 students (who opted to play)

7th to 9th December Y5 - 8 School Camp

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December Tui Class Trip to Castlepoint

Friday 11th December Christmas Tree Night

Monday 14th December School and Community Christmas Party

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December Last Day Term 4 2020

#### Year 7 and 8 Technology Dates

#### Term 4

November 30th

Please look at our school calendar regularly; this can be accessed from our website. https://alfredton.school.nz/

#### 2021 Term Dates

**Term 1** Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April

Easter Break 2<sup>nd</sup> April to 6<sup>th</sup> April

Term 2 Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July
Term 3 Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October

**Term 4** Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October to Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December

#### **SCHOOL NEWS & REMINDERS**

#### **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

This year school photos are being taken on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November.

Nikolaisons have not given us pre- order forms and envelopes this year, instead they will take individual photos of all students and send a proof with the order form for anyone who wishes to order copies. If you do not wish for your child's photo to be taken by them, you must contact the school by Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November before 12.30pm.

Anyone wanting to have family group photos of students taken also need to contact school by Tuesday. If you want your preschool children or you would like to be included in the family photo you will need to be at school at approximately 10am. Sorry, we cannot give an exact time so please be aware you may have a small wait time.

#### **HOCKEY**

Next Tuesday Huia Room are visiting Makahika. Those children who play hockey can be dropped off at the hockey turf on the way back as both teams have games at 4.55pm. Parents will need to arrange to get their hockey gear to the turf in time for the game. Please let school know, and we will tell the driver of the car your child is in, if you are happy for them to drop your child at the Turf.

#### **NATIVE GARDEN**

A huge thank you to everyone who was able to give up time to come and help last Friday.

The next working bee is scheduled for Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> of November. The main job that needs doing now is weed eating the area. If you have a weed eater and can spare some time, we would appreciate help with this please. Ross will be here on the day. Students will be unable to be in the garden area while the weed eaters are going. Please leave a message with the office if you are able to help.

Nga mihi

Brenda

#### Week 4 Happy Award

Kiwi Room - Kiera McKenzie

#### Week 5 To Be Adaptable Awards

Charlotte Kennedy, Sophie Forbes and Grace Kennedy





#### **SPORTS RESULTS**

#### **Summer Hockey**

Alfredton vs Pahiatua 14 resulting in a 6-1 win. Player of the Day: Makayla Alfredton/Balance won by default against Pongaroa

#### Cricket

Eketahuna B vs Masterton Red Star Renegades with a win 116 -100

#### **Horse Riding**

Emma H attended Waipukurau A&P Show and had a clear round in 70cm jumping and one rail down in the 80cm

#### STUDENT COUNCIL

Support the Student Council and purchase some of our last few jars of Snooty Fruit product available at the office - Feijoa Chutney, Kiwifruit and Caper Chutney, Apple, Apricot and Ginger Chutney, and Plum and Blackcurrant Conserve.

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Next Meeting: Wednesday 25th November at 5pm

#### **ASCA**

#### **Tea towel Fundraiser**

Thank you to everyone who has supported this fundraiser by purchasing tea towels. They have been ordered and will be ready in 2-3 weeks.

Please check that you have made your payment. We have some money yet to deposited in our account. ASCA: 01-0723-0284860-00

## STOCK DRIVE

Alfredton School and Community Association (ASCA) is running a fundraising Stock Drive over the summer months. We are asking Alfredton farmers to kindly donate stock to ASCA next time they are sending stock to the works. It's as simple as marking the stock being donated on the head with spray and loading them last as a separate line. A separate ASD form also needs to be filled out. Any number and class of stock (i.e lambs, cull ewes etc) are gratefully received. Below is a list of meat companies that have ASCA accounts, if your meat company isn't on the list please contact Angela Blundell 3750676 to arrange. Please help spread the news to neighbours, friends and family as anyone who supplies the following meat companies can donate.

- AFFCO
- ALLIANCE
- ANZCO
- CARRFIELDS
- OVATION
- SILVER FERN FARMS

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please inform your stock agent you want to donate when booking in stock

#### **ASD form information**

Owner/Trade Name: Alfredton School and Community Association (ASCA)

Owner's postal address: 15207 Route 52, RD3, Eketahuna

Descripion: 2 lambs (example) donated to ASCA

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

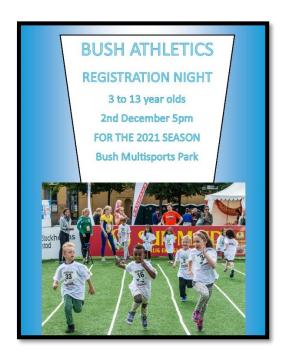
#### **Eketahuna Golf Club -Twilight Golf**

Time- tee off 4.45pm-6pm

When-every Wednesday over the Summer/Autumn months until daylight saving finishes in April.

All welcome

**Enquiries to Margaret 375 8955** 







## **WIN A SMART BEDROOM!**

From 6am this Christmas morning on Newstalk ZB – it's "The Voice of Christmas" singing competition... on the 'Crazy Kiwi Christmas Kids Show'...

If you're under 13 and can sing, simply call



# 0800 THE VOICE



and sing a Christmas Carol as your audition.

That's 0800 843 864.

Grand prize: **Smart Bedroom Bundle** - Amazon Echo Plus smart speaker and Alexa-enabled smart coloured light bulbs!





Then tune in on Christmas morning to Newstalk ZB from 6am, to see if you've won!