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## Alfredton School

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Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 15 May 2024

**Tohaina ō painga ki tea o**  
**Share your gifts with the world**

Kia ora,

We have had a very busy start to our week. On Monday the whole school visited Eketahuna School to watch Strike Percussion perform. They were fantastic; every single child was fully engaged in their amazing performance. Otto and Kitana were invited to join them on stage and accompany them on drums from the Cook Islands. Thank you to Eketahuna School for inviting us.



The children have asked to learn about aspects of agriculture. As a result some of our whanau have volunteered to come in and spend an hour with the children. Thank you to James McKay for spending Monday afternoon with Huia class explaining some aspects of sheep farming and also for answering so many questions. On Friday Willy Forbes will be visiting with his tractor to discuss more aspects of farming with Huia class. The Falloon family will be visiting us later this term. If any other parents, grandparents or Alfredton Community members would be willing to come and share their expertise we would be very grateful. We can only do this with your help.



On Tuesday we spent the day at Kumeroa School participating in the Rural Schools Cross Country. I am really proud of how every child gave their best. There will be a list of qualifiers for Bush Cross Country in next week's newsletter.

Next week our Year 5, 6 and 7's head off to camp at Forest Lakes, Otaki. There are lots of fun activities planned. The children will be challenged to show a 'can do' attitude and to develop their team work.

Huia parents please look out for a letter going home today about the Tough Guy and Gal Challenge on Tuesday 28th May. Please return the transport slip by Friday. The transport details will be emailed to you next week.

June 6th is Bush Cross Country. A huge thank you to Jane Johnston who is setting up the course for us this year. We need volunteers to be marshals and to help mark hands at the finish line. If you can help in any way please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have already volunteered.

Have a good week.

Nga mihi nui  
Alison

### Dates for your diary

15th May Board Meeting 4pm

15th May National Young Leaders Day in Palmerston North (Year 7)

17<sup>th</sup> May - Pink Shirt Day. Anti Bullying Campaign

20th - 24th May Year 5 - 7 School Camp at Forest Lakes

28th May Tough Guy and Gal Challenge (Huia Class)

5th June Teacher Only Day

6th June Bush Cross Country at Alfredton (postponement date 11th June)

27th June Cultural Festival (Pahiatua)

5th July Term ends

Term 3 Starts Monday 22nd July

20th August Bush Quiz hosted by Alfredton School

3rd and 4th September Zero Waste

15th October School Photographs

22nd October EPRO8

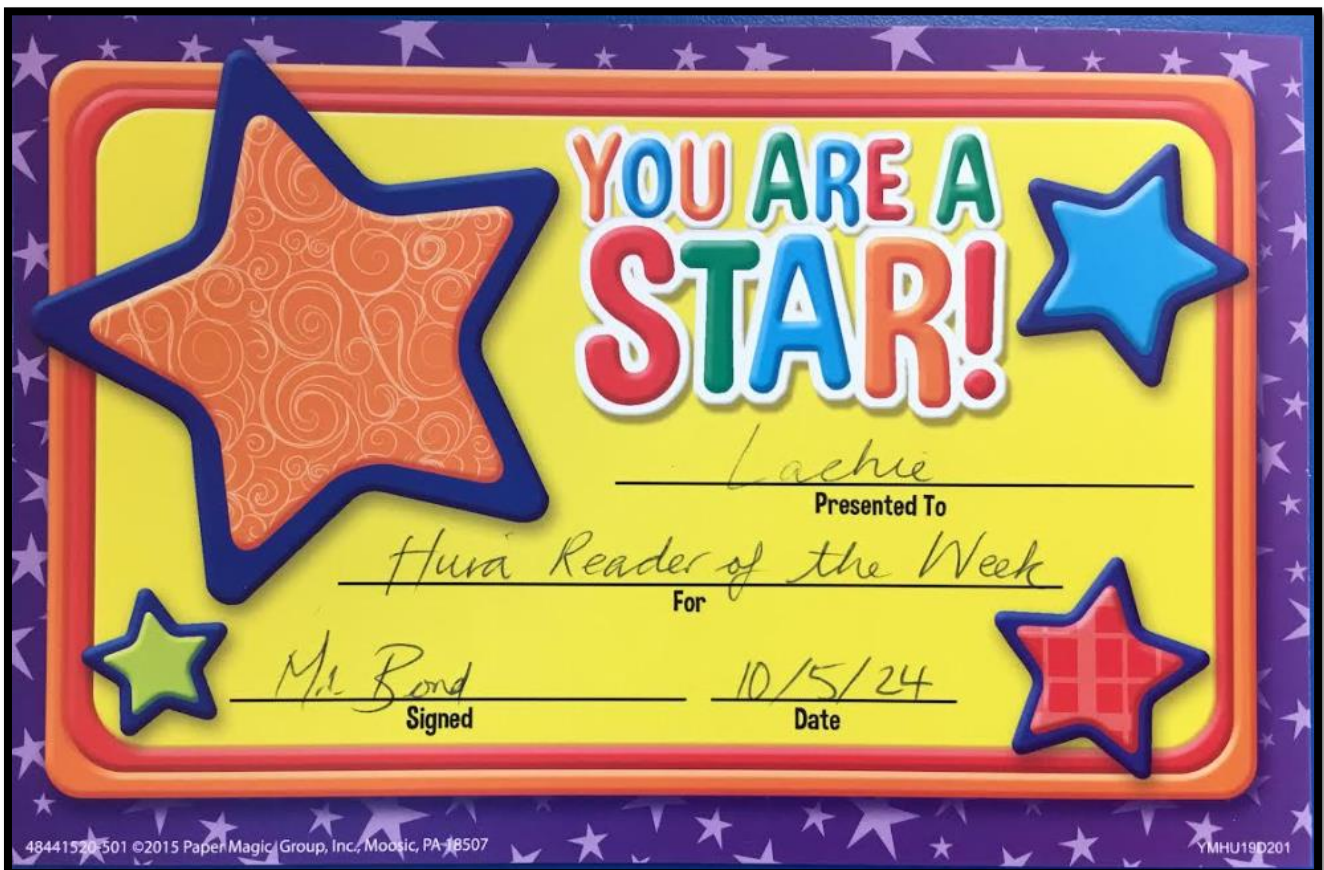
This information can also be found on our school website.

**Year 7 Technology:** Dates for Term Two: 9<sup>th</sup> May, 30<sup>th</sup> May, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 20<sup>th</sup> June

### Classroom Awards



Principal's Award and Readers of the Week





Thank-you to The T.G Macarthy Public Trust for a donation towards the purchase of some new books for our School Library.



Thank-you to Fern Fuel for their donation to our school, which has allowed us to purchase some new headphones for Huia Class.

## SPORTS NEWS

The Alfredton Oaks Netball Team had their final grading game against Douglas Park on Tuesday. It was a tough game with opponents larger in both size and experience. The Oaks were tenacious on the court and showed positivity throughout. A shout out to Hadley and Rupert who stepped up as we had a few off with sickness and injury. We'll have a bye next week, so our first official game will be the following week.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### Next BOT meeting:

Wednesday 15th May, 4.00pm.

### JOB VACANCY:

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES - MINUTE SECRETARY

The Alfredton School Board of Trustees are currently on the hunt for a MINUTE SECRETARY to join our team. This role requires:

- The ability to capture accurate meeting minutes and process these in a timely manner post meetings.
  - The ability to attend an evening meeting once a month (approx. 2 hours).
    - Someone who can respect the confidential nature of the role.

Lots of support from the board will be provided. This is a paid role.

If interested, please contact Katie (BOT Presiding Member)

via email: [katiefalloon@alfredton.school.nz](mailto:katiefalloon@alfredton.school.nz) or phone: 0221659526

## ASCA

Thank you to those that were able to attend our AGM last week.

Congratulations and thanks to our elected officers

President - Angela Blundell

Treasurers - Emma Moody

Secretary - Ginny McClean

We will need help in the kitchen for Bush Cross Country on Thursday 6th June. We will be selling Soup and Baking - I'll put a message out after camp next week for volunteers to help out. Any help will be appreciated.



21 - 29 MAY 2024

**ICE SKATE & TOUR**

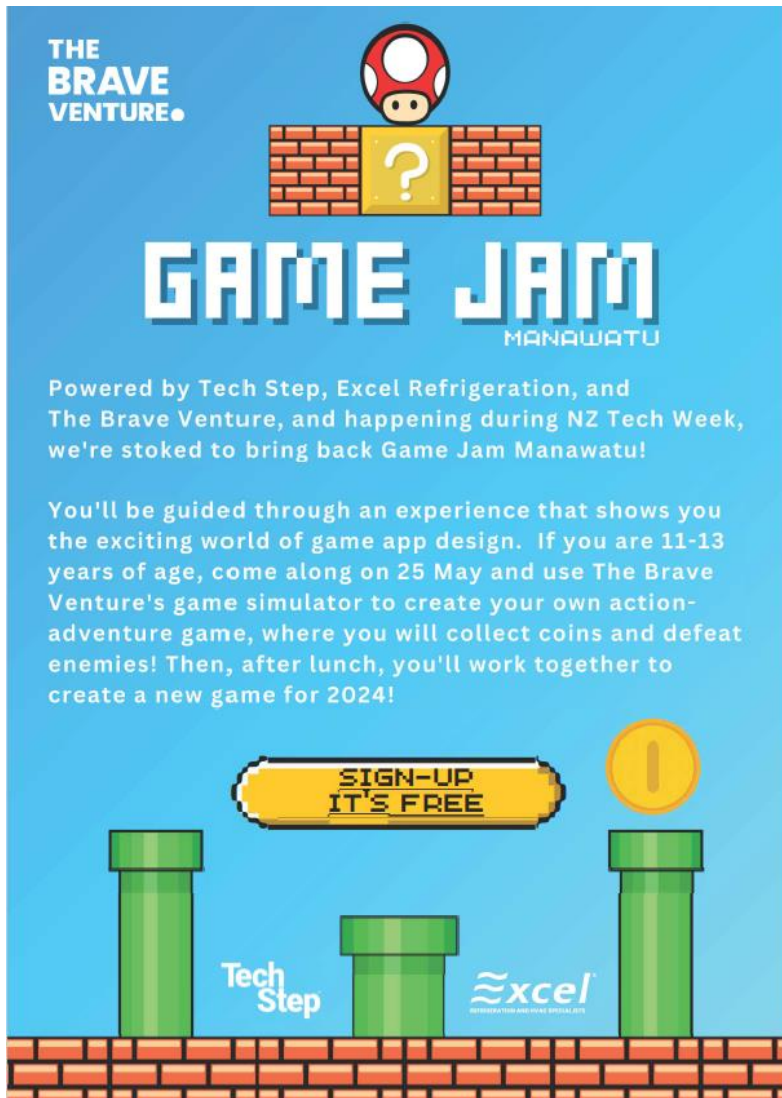
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TICKETS [TRYBOOKING.CO.NZ/RYX](https://trybooking.co.nz/ryx)

The poster features a group of children in winter gear and helmets skating on an outdoor ice rink at night. The scene is illuminated with blue and purple lights, and there is a heavy snowfall effect. The event title 'ICE SKATE & TOUR' is written in a large, stylized, blue and white font with snowflake accents. A circular badge indicates the '10th ANNIVERSARY'. At the bottom, there are logos for Lakeview, More FM, and the ticketing website TryBooking.co.nz/ryx.



**THE BRAVE VENTURE**

**GAME JAM**  
MANAWATU

Powered by Tech Step, Excel Refrigeration, and The Brave Venture, and happening during NZ Tech Week, we're stoked to bring back Game Jam Manawatu!

You'll be guided through an experience that shows you the exciting world of game app design. If you are 11-13 years of age, come along on 25 May and use The Brave Venture's game simulator to create your own action-adventure game, where you will collect coins and defeat enemies! Then, after lunch, you'll work together to create a new game for 2024!

**SIGN-UP IT'S FREE**

Tech Step

excel

The poster has a blue background with a Super Mario Bros. theme. At the top, there is a Goomba enemy on a brick platform with a question mark block. The title 'THE BRAVE VENTURE' is in the top left, and 'GAME JAM MANAWATU' is in the center. Below the title, there is a paragraph of text describing the event. At the bottom, there are three green warp pipes on a brick floor. A yellow sign with a coin icon says 'SIGN-UP IT'S FREE'. Logos for Tech Step and Excel Refrigeration are also present.



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## 23 May 2024 - Alfredton



### Practical first aid training tailored to rural environments

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- Essential first aid techniques: managing severe bleeding, applying tourniquets, managing burns and soft tissue injuries, stabilising limbs and fractures, and moving patients.
- CPR, managing shock, and handling bleeding.
- Dealing with common medical emergencies.
- Identifying first aid equipment needs.
- Practical scenario-based training, such as responding to quad bike rollovers or incidents involving animals.
- Tailored considerations for rural environments, encompassing challenges like working in isolation, limited access to emergency services, and the remoteness factor.



Thursday  
23 May 2024  
2:00 - 6:15pm



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- FREE 4-hour first aid course
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