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Newsletter ~ Wednesday, 25 September 2024

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

Kia ora,

It is lovely to be back at school after my week at the NZPF conference. Whilst I was away our Year 7's attended a practice for the Y7/8 Formal Dance. All of Huia class are enjoying learning some of the dances. I am looking forward to seeing our Year 7's on Thursday evening at the dance.

Congratulations to Tova Foreman, Jock Falloon and Leo Johnston who represented Alfredton at the annual Tararua Library Quiz. They placed 1st in the competition at Eketahuna library and 7th out of all the schools who entered in the Tararua District. This is an excellent achievement and they should be very proud of themselves.



In order to help our buses run smoothly, please remember to let your driver know if your child will not be on the bus in a morning. If it is a late change, you can phone school and we will radio your driver. There is usually someone at school after 7.45am.

Please ensure that your child brings a hat to school each day during term four. We would encourage children to wear a wide brimmed / bucket hat as these offer the best sun protection. Children who don't have a hat will play under the oak trees or in the sand pit as both of these areas are shaded. All children will also need to continue to bring a full water bottle. Sun screen will be available at school.

Hot lunches will end this week. They will start again in term two 2025.

Today an information leaflet about school photographs will come home. Please read it carefully as it contains instructions for booking sibling photographs and ordering.

This week you will receive information about Pets Day. This will take place on Wednesday 23rd October. This is always a fun day. We will have animal and craft judging in the morning and games organised by our Year 6 and 7's after lunch. As it is earlier than usual we will not be asking for children to make items at home. We do encourage you to enter the family challenge. You can have fun over the holiday planning and making your entry together.

Tomorrow, Huia children will be sharing their learning about Ecosystems. They will begin at 9.30am and you are very welcome to join them. Please head to Kiwi class if you would like to see their presentations.

This coming Friday we would like to invite you to join us at our weekly assembly. This takes place in Tui class. It will begin at 2.20pm. We will be presenting class certificates and the principal's award as well as our reader's of the week certificates.

During term 4 and into 2025 there will be building work taking place around our school. This includes an upgrade of Huia classroom, new roofs on Huia and Tui rooms and an improvement of the swimming pool roof. A fence is also being erected around our school grounds. This will be a fence for rural schools, not one like you see around schools in town. Gladstone school has a similar fence to the one you will see around our school. The current fence boards will be

available for our community to reuse once they have been removed. I will let you know when they will be available.

Have a lovely holiday with your children. Term 4 begins on Monday 14th October.

Nga mihi nui

Alison

Dates for your diary

26th September Y7/8 Formal Dance (6.30 - 9pm Stadium, Pahiatua)

27th September Term Ends

14th October Term 4 Starts

16th October School Photographs

22nd October EPRO8 Y7/8 9.30 - 12.30, Y 5/6 1 - 4pm (Masterton Intermediate)

23rd October Pets Day

12th November Teacher Only Day

26th November REAP Rural Kids at Alfredton (Y5 - 7)

TBC November Rural Schools Athletics (Stadium, Pahiatua)

29th November Bush Athletics (Stadium, Pahiatua)

12th December Christmas Tree Night and Prizegiving

13th December Last Day of Term

Year 7 Term 4 Technology

Oct 17th and 31st, Nov 14th and 28th

This information can also be found on our school website.

2025 School Dates

Term One: Tuesday 4th February to Friday 11th April

Closed 6th February

Term Two: Monday 28th April to Friday 27th June

Closed 2nd and 20th June

Term Three: Monday 14th July to Friday 19th September

Term Four: Monday 6th October to Tuesday 16th December

Closed 27th October

There will also be two Teacher Only Days

Schooldocs

Alfredton School Policies and Procedures can be found here:

<https://alfredton.schooldocs.co.nz>

Username: alfredton

Password: mighty

Alfredton School Board

Next meeting: Monday 14th October starting at 5.30pm. Everyone is welcome to come to the meeting. Please let Katie Fallon (Presiding Member) know if you would like to attend.

Huia Class News

The Children of Huia class will be presenting their Ecosystem projects tomorrow, Thursday 26th September from 9.30am. Parents/Caregivers are very welcome to join us in the classroom.



I am excited to have the opportunity to provide your school with Fine Art School Portraits. I like to provide a more personal experience to all the families who attend the schools who have chosen me to photograph their child(ren).

WHAT IS A FINE ART SCHOOL PORTRAIT?

Fine Art School Portraits are a modern approach to school photos. No more cheesy smiles with strange backgrounds. The photos will be simple and classic. Instead of forcing a cheesy grin, the children will be encouraged to be themselves and will never be forced to smile.

Example photos can be found here:

<https://belindaprattphotography1.shootproof.com/gallery/SampleSchool/>

Sibling photos are welcome! Please feel free to get in touch directly with me to book your sibling photo. These photos will be taken from 8.15am, before school begins. I will also be available at break times for those who want "friend group" photos.

ORDERING

Within two weeks of your child's photo day, you will be e-mailed the link to a class proofing gallery. There will be 2 - 5 images of each child. Images are available in both colour and black and white. I do not choose which photos you print; you do. You will be able to order high quality prints, canvases and framed prints, and digital files directly from the viewing gallery. The ordering process is simple and secure. The gallery will be live for 14 days. All orders must be placed in that 14-day period. Prices start at \$8.00 for individual items, and include the opportunity to purchase packages, or individual products. Once orders have been placed, your photos and / or canvas / framed prints will be delivered to school within four weeks.

For any questions or to book sibling photos, please contact me at belinda@belindapratt.co.nz or 027 391 1144

Readers of the Week



Classroom Awards



Principal Awards



ASCA

Quiz Night - A huge thank you to Natasha & Ben Bond for organising and running a very successful quiz the other weekend. Natasha did a stellar job flying solo as quiz master this year. Thank you to everyone from the community that came for what was a very fun and social night. Congratulations to the team from Wairere for taking out the honours this year.

Upcoming ASCA events:

Pet Day BBQ - Wednesday 23rd October - North & East on running BBQ this year. Updated list to come. A list of baking or donations will be posted via messenger.

Christmas Tree Night - Thursday 12th December - South & West on clean up

2025 SAVE THE DATE - Alfredton School Hill Country Walk & Trail Run - **SATURDAY 8th MARCH 2025** - All families will be required to lend a hand, so please pencil in the date.

Community News

Aratoi Museum of Art and History joins forces with geologist Chris Hollis to bring you a unique school holiday special focused on Wairarapa geology!

ARATOI WESLEY WING

COLOUR BY NUMBERS: Visitors to Aratoi's Wesley Wing will work collaboratively to colour in a geological map of the Wairarapa. Use the colour key and magnifying glass to identify key features of landmass development during the Holocene, Pleistocene, Pliocene, Miocene and Cretaceous periods. Colour in that area with the correct coloured pencil!

FOSSIL FIND: Try your hand at palaeontology, use a brush to carefully remove soil and reveal oceanic fossils embedded in the rock!

STUDENT ECO-WARRIORS: Touch the interactive sound installation to listen to Wairarapa students sharing their experiences of ecological restoration! Headlining students from Kahutara School, Chanel College, Wairarapa College, Fernridge School, and South End School.

ROCK ART: Use different-sized rocks to create an image of prehistoric life! Take a photo of your artwork and email it to education@aratoi.co.nz to enter the prize draw!

GIVE AND TAKE / 30th Sept - 13th Oct: Support Masterton Food Bank's Christmas appeal by bringing non-perishable food items into Aratoi to exchange for student artwork! Recommended food items include; Lunch box fillers, reduced cream and onion soup mix, cereals, chips, Christmas puddings and pies, gravy sachets, stuffing mixes, chocolate bars, canned fruit, UHT milk and cream, crackers, lollies, tea and coffee etc.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY EVENT: AN AFTERNOON WITH CHRIS HOLLIS

Join Chris Hollis and Aratoi staff for an afternoon of fossils, fault lines, rivers and swamps! Use magnifying glasses and microscopes to examine fossils, and try your hand at fossil finding, sand sculpting and ecological printmaking.

Maximum of 15 participants. Parent Supervision Required. Bookings essential.

Date: Wednesday 2nd October 2024

Meeting Point: Aratoi Foyer - 12 Bruce Street, Masterton

Time: 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm

Ages: 7 - 18

SCHOOL HOLIDAY EVENT: A RIVER FIELD TRIP WITH CHRIS HOLLIS

Join Chris Hollis and Aratoi staff on an outdoor field trip to the Waingawa River. Learn how to identify rocks from different geological periods and the history of the Wairarapa floodplain!

Maximum of 15 participants. Parent Supervision Required. Bookings essential. Sturdy Shoes required.

Date: Wednesday 9th October 2024

Meeting Point: The southern end of South Road, Masterton, includes a 50m walk to the river.

Time: 1.00 pm - 2.00 pm

Ages: 7 -18

SCHOOL HOLIDAY EVENT BOOKINGS:

Email: education@aratoi.co.nz

INFORMATION REQUIRED: Names of Tamariki (Children), Ages, No. of Adults, allergies, learning needs, chosen event - An Afternoon with Chris Hollis / River Field Trip with Chris Hollis, Contact Phone Number, Contact Email.



MANAWATŪ TOUCH JUNIOR
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

MUSTER DATE:

WHEN: SATURDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2024

WHERE: CORONATION PARK

TIME:

- U10'S: 9.00AM TO 10.30AM
- U12'S: 11AM-12:30PM
- U14: 1:00PM-2:30PM



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Powering Your Community Fund

This fund offers 10 grants of \$1,000 each to support projects that enhance local communities and drive positive social impact. If your project is related to education, innovation, sports, or hobbies, we encourage you to apply!

Applications are open now until October 31 via: <https://pulseenergy.co.nz/powering-your-community-fund/>

Pulse Energy, which supplies electricity, gas and broadband to New Zealand homes, launched the Powering Your Community Fund to provide financial support for not-for-profit organisations, local projects, and schools.

The previous round of funding supported a range of community groups, including an Auckland programme helping to feed homeless people in Onehunga, and a community hub in Otago who help residents in need.

We hope you'll consider applying and will be in touch with a reminder before the submissions close, so mark your diaries!

Please also feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Ngā mihi nui, Georgia

Georgia Green <Georgia@boydpr.co.nz>



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FOR BUSH CHILDREN'S DAY IN PAHIATUA TO CARRY ON OPERATING, WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS ON THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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Children need to bring their morning tea, lunch and plenty of water!

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

DAY ONE

Block 1: Introductions, Warm Up Games
Block 2: Musical Direction with Shane Brown
The power of lyrics
How to really nail a song onstage
Company singing - Development of Musical Segment

Block 3: Movement with Vanessa Coogan
Bringing the stage alive with Dance
Everyone can move

Block 4: Performance Rehearsal

DAY THREE

Block 1: Warm Up Games
Theatre Improv - bringing the Energy!

Block 2: Musical Direction with Shane Brown
Extending Rhythm and Beat from Day 2
Having Fun With Song
Fine tuning Performance Songs

Block 3: Movement with Vanessa Coogan
Fine tuning Performance

Block 4: Performance Rehearsal

DAY TWO

Block 1: Warm Up Games
Developing Character

Block 2: Musical Direction with Shane Brown
Exploring Rhythm and Beat
Taking songs to the next level
Company singing - Development of Musical Segment

Block 3: Movement with Vanessa Coogan
Bringing the stage alive with Dance
Everyone can move

Block 4: Performance Rehearsal

EXTRAS

As well as the programme listed here, children will also learn about:

Marketing - I'm a kid but I can market a show!
Creating Posters and Digital Tech

Creating Tickets

Creating a Show Programme

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SOMETIMES THINGS HAPPEN

Sometimes things happen. In the event we have to cancel for any reason or insufficient numbers, a full refund will be given.

GOT A QUESTION?

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YOUNG STARS SCHOOL HOLIDAY PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAMME

7-18 Years

WOODVILLE:

October 2nd-October 4th 2024

Performance Showcase October 4th 2024

Woodville Primary School

BUNNYTHORPE:

9th-11th October 2024 - Bunnythorpe Community Centre

9am-3pm with a Performance Showcase on the 11th October 2024 at 6pm (Entry is a donation).

After an awesome Young Stars in April, we are thrilled to be offering the ultimate Performing Arts Holiday Programme again these September School Holidays.

Just \$95 for three days, this is the perfect opportunity for kids to grow confidence in the performing arts and develop performance skills leading towards a showcase performance on the final day.

To register simply click on the link below:

<https://forms.gle/Azu8tA9ZG4stbKLC9>

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Tue
1 Oct

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11am - 11:45am | \$5.00

Tue
8 Oct

SARAH THE SCIENTIST

Various Times | \$7.00

Thur
10 Oct

CHILDREN'S CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP

9:30am Half Day | \$25.00

Bookings Essential

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04 293 4131

Please note workshop prices do not include entry to the reserve

BUSH DISRICTS BOYS & GIRLS AGRICULTURAL CLUB

To all Schools

I would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone to come along to our Bush Agricultural Day to be held at Mangamaire Hall on **Thursday 14th November 2024**.

We are well sponsored for this day, and so have many prizes to give away to all the children that attend, enough for every child. Each child is also given a Chocolate bar and flavored milk and will receive a ribbon of one kind or another.

The children all have a wonderful time, even if the weather is not on our side.

We have lots of ribbons, with many classes, Champion and Reserve Champion for each age group. We hope this will put more smiles on the children's faces that receive these.

We have the usual sections:

<i>Calves</i>	- Care & Attention	<i>Lambs</i>	- Best Pet
	- Type		- Blackface
	- Leading		- Romney
	- Best Friesian		- Other long wool breed
	- Best Jersey		
	- Best Other Breeds		- Best White Face
	- Best Crossbred		Short Wool
	- Best Beef		- Best Export
	- School Groups of 3		- School Group of 3

We will have a Sausage Sizzle available on the day, which we sell with a bag of chippies and a drink

We also run a Raffle which prizes are donated from our many wonderful sponsors'

I hope to see as many of you as possible. Please come and enjoy this wonderful day.

Yours truly,

Hazel Schroder





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Two dogs missing from 810 Pa Valley Road,
Eketahuna/Alfredton on Friday September 20th around

lunch time.

- 1 x Female Labrador x Heading dog, Black with small white patch on her chest
- 1 x Male Golden/Red Labrador

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MORENA,

Spring is upon us, and our latest issue is jam-packed with content to help Kiwi parents issue2409.totstoteens.co.nz/

What's in this issue for parents?

- » Are you school ready?
 - » How to parent the 4 types of children
 - » Reversing reading reluctance
 - » Smart and simple online safety tips
 - » What's on near you
 - » Snow Farm adventures in Wanaka
 - » Whip up these yummy, kid-approved recipes from Buddy Oliver
 - » Solutions for nits, knots and other nasties!
 - » Get creative with painted plant pots
- » **PLUS** awesome giveaways

Ask your tamariki to **find this issue's Te Reo Māori words** including: hari, akomanga, pukapuka, and hukurare.

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We'd love to hear your feedback, so please keep in touch and let us know what you think.

Thank you from all of us at Tots To Teens xx

