WHOLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER TERM Z, WEEK 4

Welcome to the end of week 4 at Gulf Harbour School.

It has been filled with learning and fun with our new Entrant, year 1 and Year 2 children in the Purapura Whanau enjoying sessions in the Life Education van along with 38 of our Teina and Tuakana Whanau attending the inter school rippa rugby tournament on Thursday.



*More sports updates will be shared with you in our new termly sports newsletter coming out next week.

START AND END OF DAY PROCEDURES

We would like to remind you that we ask parents and carers to refrain from entering classrooms at the beginning and end of day between Monday and Thursday. It is really unsettling for the children when parents are around and our teachers want to concentrate on interacting with the children first thing in the morning rather than with adults. We continue to open our classroom doors on Whanau Fridays between 8.30 - 9.00am and 3.00 - 3.10pm. Please remember however that this time is not a time to air complaints, concerns or expect an in depth progress report on your child's learning. If you have any concerns please email the teacher with a brief outline of what you would like to discuss so that a dedicated time can be arranged and the teacher can be fully prepared.

We are also asking for our children to work on being both responsible and resilient and walk in and out of school by themselves. This is especially important for our older children in Years 4, 5 and 6 as they take













responsibility for hanging up their bags and starting their day independently. We even have many of our 5 year olds now being dropped off at the school gates and happily walking to their classrooms by themselves or with a friend. Allowing your child to do this not only reassures them that you believe they are capable but also helps build their independence in everyday life.

TOYS IN SCHOOLS

Just a reminder about keeping all toys at home unless the teacher has asked for items to be brought in from home or there is a club taking place. We do not accept any responsibility for toys that go missing or are damaged.

YUMMY STICKERS

Collect your "YUMMY" Stickers to help support our School to earn some awesome Sports Gear. Please drop them into the office or drop them into Room 16A. - Kate



COMING UP



Thank you if you have already said you can help with the bakesale but if you can spare an hour or two on Friday 4th between 9am and 11am please let me know. We could do with some more helping hands. Email f.southgate@ghs.school.nz









Coming Soon to a School Near You **GHS Matariki Festival**

On Thursday July 8th From 4.30 to 7pm

There will be performing arts Kapa haka, Choir, Dance, Drama, Hangi and other delicious Food.

And just a little bit of sparkle and twinkling lights for all the family Save the date and time in your diary now!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Something for all you mums and caregivers out there...

GHS FUNDRAISING EVENT

All Mums and Caregivers in our GHS community are invited to come along to a wellbeing session with Bex, one of our lovely mums, where she would like to show you some ways to relax and be kind to yourself, using breathing and pilates techniques.



Date and Times Monday 14th June at 11.15am Or Tuesday 15th June at 6.15pm

Where In our Flexible Learning space at school

> What to bring/wear: Water bottle

Comfortable clothing (much like you would wear to yoga) Mat or thick towel

Socks if you would like to

COST - A donation to the school of \$10

However, do not let the cost stop you from joining in - just please donate something. See you there!











WILL BE DONATED TO KIDSCAN

FREE KIDS WAFFLE WITH MAPLE WALNUT ICE CREAM (GF) when you order an adult meal.

Toys, books,
free face painting available.
Sign up for our Kids Connect4
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DATES FOR THE DIARY

(Please note more events and dates may be added, we will keep you informed)

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday 3rd June	7.00pm	PTA Deckhands Meeting
Friday 4th June	School Day	Kawau families bake sale and Super Star dress up day theme for all
Saturday 5th June	10.00 - 2.00pm	Domestic International Families Winter Beach Walk
Monday 7th June	SCHOOL CLOSED - QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY	
Friday 11th June	Lunchtime	Hamburger Friday Food Day
Sunday 20th June	2.00 - 4.00pm	New Families Sunday Funday Event
Wednesday 23rd June	Times TBC	Teina and Tuakana Discos and Parent Workshops
Thursday 24th June	Times TBC	Purapura Disco and Parent Workshops
Friday 25th June	SCHOOL CLOSED - TEACHER ONLY DAY	
Thursday 1st July	7.00pm	PTA Deckhands Meeting
Thursday 8th July	4.30 - 7.00pm	Matariki Festival
Friday 9th July	SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3.00PM FOR HOLIDAYS	









Whanau Team Notices Term 2 Week 4

WHOLE SCHOOL - VISITS FROM HIBISCUS COAST ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

In the week 21 - 24 June, Juanita from the Hibiscus Coast Astronomical Society will be coming into school to share her expertise with each class around our topic of space and Matariki. She will be visiting every class in the school. To cover her costs, we are asking for a \$2 donation from each family. This can be paid using the Hero app.

NEW ENTRANT/YEAR 1 (Gill Steel & Abi Copley) and YEAR 2 (Melissa Stilwell Year Group Leader)

Life Education:

Thank you to all the families that have paid for our wonderful Life Education experience. The children are absolutely loving this experience and learning. The payment option is still open if you have not yet paid.

Winter - Just a reminder that as we start to get into winter that any jumpers need to be our school uniform. Thermals in black or navy blue may be worn underneath t-shirts and shorts.

Toys at school:

Just a reminder, families that **we do not encourage toys being brought to school.** If toys are brought to school, they are your child's responsibility at all times. You may hear of certain children being allowed to bring a small item to school. This will be at the discretion of the class teacher and for several reasons.

Pick up & Drop Off:

Just a reminder that **children must not be on school grounds until 8.30am**, unless they are part of a School Crew or Before School Coaching program. They will not be allowed into the classroom until this time due to health and safety regulations. **Pick up time is 2.55pm** for our Purapura children. Any children left after 3.10pm will be taken to the Front Office to wait for their adult.

YEAR 2 (Melissa Stilwell Year Group Leader)

Toys - We do not encourage children to bring toys or fidget toys to school. If your child's classroom teacher organises a special event in which toys are permitted, this will be communicated to you in advance

Brain Food Break - This will be a quick 10 minute break to allow the children to refuel their brains with something healthy to eat. Please pack in your child's lunchbox either some fruit or vegetables. We also ask that you please send a bottle of water to school with your child as well. No juice please.

Winter - Just a reminder that as we start to get into winter that any jumpers need to be our school uniform. Jumpers and jackets can be purchased from the uniform shop up at the office. Children may also wear plain black or navy blue thermals under their school shirts













TEINA WHANAU

YEAR 3/4 (Rebecca Wong & Hayley Brass Year Group Leaders)

We have had another wonderful week in the Teina Whanau with lots of sporting success. Well done to our girls and boys hockey team for their great games on Monday, and to our children who represented GHS in a Rippa Rugby tournament on Thursday. Our children have also been participating in some exciting new Invasion Games that our teachers have been learning through Innerfit Education. It has been great for the students to see problems arise in a game and use teamwork and strategy to come up with new ideas and adaptations to remedy these. We are looking forward to trying several new Invasion games over the term.

Reminders:

School Shoes - it is a school rule that children wear their black school shoes to and from school. Please make sure if your child has shoes with laces that they know how to tie them. This is one of our Waka Challenges and is an important skill for them to learn.

Home Learning please remind your child to fill in their reading log each night and to practise their basic facts flashcards.

YEAR 5 (Ruth Trevathan Whanau Team Leader)

We have plenty of exciting events coming up this term please find links below to the notices.

Sailing and Surfing - we are now requesting payment for these events or confirmation that your child will not attend. Please fill in and send back to school the relevant forms for your child. Attending Sailing and/or Surfing. Confirmation of Non Attendance

Stargazing - This is an optional activity that children can participate in with their parents outside of school hours. Please find further details here.

Tree Planting at Shakespear Park - We have our days confirmed for this activity. Please check here for when your child's class is attending.

Visits by Hibiscus Coast Astronomical Society - these will take place in Week 8. Please use the Hero app to donate \$2 to cover costs of this visit.

Reminders:

Children who bring devices need to have them charged and at school daily.

If a child can not participate in physical activity, please send a note to let the classroom teacher

Finally - Keep practicing those basic facts!









YEAR 6 (Nathan Hanwell Whanau Team Leader)

Year six continue to push themselves this term. We had our second Financial Literacy workshop, where the children built on their business knowledge and strategies and began to focus on how to save money for the future (very important skill!). Hopefully you've had your child ask for extra chores (at a cost, of course!).

In writing, we've been planning our scary stories, and focusing on how we can 'show, not tell' the story to the reader in our reading sessions. Our inquiry project is now in full swing, with children beginning their models or presentations ready for Matariki night!

Reminders:

Earth and Beyond: This term's topic is now in full swing. As part of their homework, your child will be expected to create a Project, due in at the end of week 8. Please see the attached outline for more details: <u>Earth and Beyond Year 6 Project 2021</u>

Homework Tip: Please ask your child what their basic facts goal is for this week. They will have it written on a card on a keyring (hopefully attached to their bag!)

Meanwhile, here is this week's tip - try this site:

Set Your Own Challenge

This site gives the children the opportunity to be specific with which area of times tables the children are practicing (ties in with their basic facts revision cards) - definitely worth a try!









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We are proud to introduce you to another new school sponsor Diana Holberg. Diana has a daughter at our school and is helping us make our school a better place for all our children.

If you would like to be a sponsor of Gulf Harbour School please contact Fiona Southgate at f.southgate@ghs.school.nz















