TERM 3, WEEK 3

Kia ora,

It's a brief newsletter this week that is all about the amazing events we have coming up this month. Please make sure that you have registered your child for this year's mud run. Even if your child is not keen on getting dirty, that's fine, we will ensure lots of fun can be had. This event is fully inclusive.

Come on Gulf Harbour, let's smash our fundraising goal and get this new playground for our children and community to enjoy.



Click on the link below to register your child. Also, please remember to order via the school shop if you would like your child to enjoy a sausage sizzle on the day. No cash will be accepted on the day.

WEDNESDAY 18TH AUGUST

MUD RUN MADNESS AT GHS



Sign up by clicking on the link below.

GHS MUD RUN 2021: https://gulfharbourmudrun.raiseit.co.nz/hub







COMING UP ...

QUIZ NIGHT - FRIDAY 27TH AUGUST - INFO LINK

<u>Blind Auction and Raffle prizes</u> open to all our community even if you are not attending the quiz. Please look at our amazing Blind Auction that you can bid for on paper in the front office or by emailing f.southqate@ghs.school.nz stating your choice of item and bid.

Raffle tickets can be bought for our Raffle prizes in the <u>school shop</u>. We have tickets for \$2 and \$5 depending on the value of the prize.



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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
Wednesday 18th August	School Day	Whole School Mudrun
	6.30pm in the staffroom	Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday 19th August	School Day	Year 5/6 Hockey Interschool
Wednesday 25th August	School Day	Whole School Mudrun (rain saving day)
Friday 27th August	7.00 - 10.00pm	Community Quiz Night
Thursday 2nd September	7.00pm in the Staffroom	PTA Deckhands Meeting
Friday 10th September	SCHOOL CLOSED - TEACHER ONLY DAY	
Tuesday 21st September	School Day- Exact Times TBC	Purapura (Y0, 1 & 2) Cross Country
Thursday 23rd September	School Day	Year 5/6 C/Country Interschool
Friday 24th - Sunday 26th September	Exact Times TBC	Year 4 Outdoor Weekend Adventure
Friday 1st October	SCHOOL CLOSES AT 3.00PM FOR THE HOLIDAYS	

Whanau Team Notices









Term 3 Week 3

NEW ENTRANT/YEAR 1 (Gill Steel & Abi Copley)

Wow, another week is over already! It's been such a great week, and the whole whanau is buzzing with excitement over our animal topic. This week Mrs Steel helped us keep the learning alive from our visit from Lambie last week by sharing with us the magic of spinning wool!

Speech Competition- this term we are learning all about being a confident speaker. To help with this, we are all busy learning poems or riddles. You might find these come home for extra practice. The aim of the game is to learn them by heart and recite them with a clear voice!

Mud Run- The Mud Run is next week! We are super excited! Please make sure you read the notice on Hero regarding the Mud Run. Thank you to everyone who has signed. The children are working hard on their fitness; running quicker and for longer each week. If you haven't signed up, there's still time and every dollar donated goes towards our new playground.

YEAR 2 (Melissa Stilwell Year 2 Group Leader)

Cross Country - Our Junior School Cross Country is in Week 9 of this term. We will be practicing every Friday, weather permitting. Students are able to run in bare feet or running shoes. Please ensure they have appropriate footwear, a towel, a spare change of clothes and a plastic bag packed in their bag every Friday (all labelled with your child's name please). Students will not be allowed to run in their school shoes and we would like to encourage you to teach your children how to tie their own shoe laces.

Zoo Ventures - In Term 3 our inquiry topic is going to be DINOSAURS!!! We are lucky enough to have the company Zoo Ventures coming in to show us some modern day reptiles. We will reflect on what these animals have in common with their dinosaur ancestors. The cost is \$12 per child and you can pay for this through Enrolmy.

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

Motat trip - Your child will have brought home an information and permission slip for our trip this term. Please fill this out and return it to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible. Payment for the trip can be made through Hero or at the school office. If we do not receive enough payments by the cut off date, Friday 3rd September, we will sadly have to cancel the trip.

Year 4 Camp - Camp notices and information are being sent home today. Please complete these and return them to the front office as soon as possible.















YEAR 5 (Ruth Trevathan Whanau Team Leader)

It has been Maths Week this week and the Year 5 students have been encouraged to use their maths eyes and to estimate. They have had a fun task each day to estimate - how many times do you think Miss Hill can bounce a hockey ball on her stick?

Reminders:

Please keep sending in cardboard boxes (not corrugated). We are starting to trial ideas for printing next week.

We have had much improved wearing of PE kits for fitness - keep it up!

YEAR 6 (Nathan Hanwell Whanau Team Leader)

Wow - week 3 down and so much to report!

Maths - We have continued to focus on Basic Facts and are running a competition across year six based on progress, for one, and achievement for the other. The children are making excellent progress, as they get their knowledge up! We are also looking at measurement, and how to convert different types of measurement, and problem solve with area and perimeter!

Reading - We're looking at persuasive writing and we have been looking at deforestation and the effects of global warming (very timely!) on our local and world environment. We continue to look at skimming and scanning techniques in non-fiction to achieve this.

Writing - We've been looking at Haikus this week, and how to use syllable count and excellent vocabulary choices to achieve some wonderful outcomes! We also started our writing groups across year 6, with an emphasis on sentence construction and punctuation accuracy.

Inquiry - Our sustainability inquiry is gaining traction - we've been researching key facts related to global warming and watched an incredible documentary by David Attenborough, which really delves into the reality of Global warming, but also looks into the ways in which we can turn this scary phenomena into a successful outcome - well worth a second viewing! (Netflix - A Life on Our Planet)

Reminders:

Volunteers: We're looking for any parent helpers to aid with supporting readers in our classes. If you're interested, please contact Nathan Hanwell on n.hanwell@ghs.school.nz or contact your child's class teacher.

Bedtimes: We did a quick survey recently of when children were going to sleep and it was noticeable that many children were falling asleep past 10pm. Guidance still states that children of year 6 age should be asleep before 9.30pm - tiredness was particularly prevalent on a Monday morning...

Here are pictures of our writing grouping sessions:



























COMMUNITY NOTICE

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Did you know that we can tutor Year 7 - 13 students after school 3.30/4.30/5.30pm or by virtual lessons?



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