WHOLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER TERM 4, WEEK 1

Welcome back to term 4.

We have had a busy first week back. On Thursday we all took part in the National shakeout exercise. All of our children now know what to do in the event of an earthquake. We also practised an evacuation drill and managed to all leave the school buildings and be accounted for in under five minutes. Pretty impressive seeing as we now have 575 children attending Gulf Harbour School.

Today we have been supporting anti-bullying day by coming to school wearing pink. Thank you for the gold coin donations that we will be passing on to the charity, a total of \$375. Thank you also to the Motuora families that provided us with baking to sell at morning tea. Our children enjoyed lots of yummy treats and \$1597 was raised.











Introducing the GHS WAKA Market - Wondrous Artisan Crafts & Activities

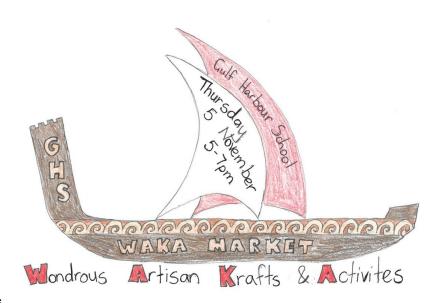
Thursday 5 November 5 - 7pm **Gulf Harbour School**

Put the date in your diary - this one's not to be missed. After a year of lockdowns and interruptions, finally we have a chance to come together as a school and celebrate our children's learning and our community.

Throughout Term 3 each class has worked through the Technology process

to design a product to display or sell on the night. There will be food to share, games to participate in, displays to see and Christmas presents to buy.

Here are some of the products that will be available on the night:



Room 26

'Slurpable Delights - Wonka's Chocolate River in a Cup'



Room 24

The fantastic 5 jelly cup has 5 colourful layers of yummy jelly with a rainbow and chocolate sprinkles on top.

Jellywelly Beach is a beach themed jelly cup complete with a sunbathing tiny teddy on top of a yummy biscuit crumble.

Room 15

Boom Boat Productions presents balloon and wind powered wooden boats - 'Sail into your Imagination'



.Room 23

Room 23 has designed a computational thinking game called kidblek that combines the maze game of kidbots with everyone's favourite liquid that turns solid when you play with it - ooblek. On Market night there will be kits to buy as well as Room 23 being turned into a kid-sized version of the game.













Room 17

'Innovation Racing'presents an evening of watching high-speed racing cars compete. Come along and view the cars as they compete on a drag strip. There will be 9 cars in total and you can choose which you think is going to travel the furthest! There will be prizes galore for the winners. There will also be a Treasure Hunt and opportunities to meet the racing teams responsible.



Rooms 11 - 14

Rainbow play dough 'Surprise play dough' with a treat inside Glitter play dough Scented play dough



CLASS CONSIDERATIONS 2021

This is a reminder to all parents about class consideration for the new school year. Please click on the link below if you have any considerations. Please note, that whilst we try our best, no consideration is guaranteed.

Class considerations











CALENDAR ART

Last term all our students were busy creating their own masterpieces for our Annual Calendar Art.

These are now ready for ordering and to make the process easier this year all viewing and ordering will be done online.

Each child will be bringing home information with their own Unique Student Code today, Friday 16th October.

(Please note each of your children will have their own code, linked specifically to their created artwork.)

You can order various items including card packs, diaries and calendars, all while helping the school raise funds towards the fit out of our new Flexible Learning Space.

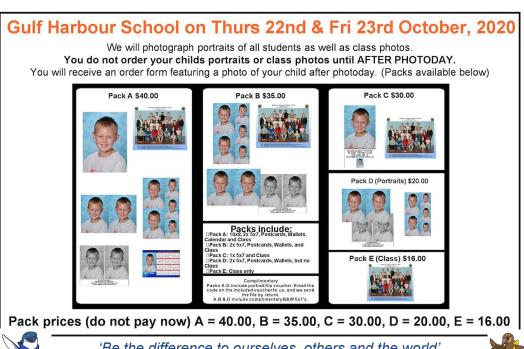


These are great keepsakes, and make wonderful, personal gifts for family, and are great for posting abroad! You can even share the Unique Student Code with family to place their own orders if you wish.

To view your child's artwork, simply follow the instructions on the form with the Unique Code, and then select what products you would like to order. Everything, including payment, is done online. Orders will close 9am Monday 2nd November, with delivery expected by end of November.

So, get online and check out what masterpiece your child created and place your orders now!

SCHOOL PHOTOS







TERM 4 UNIFORM - LABEL EVERYTHING!!!

Reminder - during Term 4 all children must wear a bucket hat to school. These must either be purchased from the school office, school online shop or can be plain navy blue, available from the Warehouse and Postie.



Plain black sandals can also be worn, however we do not want children coming to school wearing slides or jandals.

Please also remember to get your child to put some sunblock on before coming to school each day.



It is vital that you label all of your child's uniform with their name. We emptied the lost property box this week and returned all named items to their owners.

IMPORTANT UP & COMING DATES (October & November)

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Thursday 22nd & Friday 23rd October	School photograph days	Throughout both days.
Thursday 5th November	GHS WAKA Market	5.00pm - 7.00pm
Thursday 10th November	Purapura (Y1 & 2) Athletics Event	твс
Thursday 5th November	Teina (Y3 & Y4) / Tuakana (Y5 & Y6) Athletics Event	твс
Friday 20th November	Beach theme mufti day & Kawau families bake sale	Morning tea sale
Thursday 26th November	GHS School Disco at Whangaparaoa Golf Club	твс
Monday 26th October	SCHOOL CLOSED - Labour Day	
Wednesday 16th December	School closes at 12.30pm	









Whanau Team Notices Term 4 Week 1



PURAPURA WHANAU

NEW ENTRANT/YEAR 1 (Gill Steel)

A very warm welcome to the 10 new children who started school for the very first time this week. They have all settled really well and we are glad to have them join the Purapura team.

This term is going to be a busy term for us with the Market Day in Week 4, Athletics in Week 5 and our presenting an item at the beginning of the School Production in Week 8. Please keep a watch out for future notices regarding these events. If paper copies of notices are sent home you will find them in your child's book bag.

LunchBoxes

It's great to see the healthy lunchboxes that your tamariki are bringing to school! We can see that a lot of time and effort is going into their lunchboxes. Please continue to send fresh fruit and vegetables so that your child has something to eat during Brainfood Break and please can we remind you not to send lollies to school.

Hats

Reminder that in Term 4 everyone must be wearing a school bucket hat. We still have a number of children not wearing them. It is essential that they are clearly named.

YEAR 2 (Melissa Stilwell Year Group Leader)

Welcome back to Term 4! This term we are working towards our Market Day in Week 4, Athletics Day in Week 5 and our item in the production in Week 8. It's a busy term and with Daylight Savings, you may find your child will be quite tired.

The importance of sleep routines for school age children - tips and hints

As we start to get into the term and it begins to get lighter outside and warmer, we have noticed that a lot of our students are coming to school tired. We just wanted to share with you some age-appropriate ideas and tips, to help you get your child to enjoy a good night's sleep.

School-age children need 10 to 11 hours of sleep a night. Sleep and bedtime problems can start at any age for a variety of reasons. Homework, sports and after-school activities, computers, TVs, mobile devices, and hectic family schedules all can contribute to kids not getting the sleep they need. Sleep-deprived kids can become hyper or irritable, and may have a hard time paying attention in school. It's important to have a consistent bedtime routine, especially on school nights. Leave enough technology-free time before bed to allow your child to unwind before lights-out. A good rule of thumb is switching off the electronics at least an hour before bed and keeping TVs, computers, and mobile devices out of kids' bedrooms. This is a good time to share a story or have a chat about the day.

We need your jars! If you have any small empty glass jars with lids, can you please bring them to school and give them to your class teacher. We'd appreciate it if they had their labels taken off as well.









TEINA WHANAU

YEAR 3 (Mel Creagh Year Group Leader)

Welcome Back to Term 4! We have a fun and exciting term ahead of us preparing for our upcoming night market, performing the curtain raiser for the Tuakana production, training for athletics day and our beach trip next Tuesday.

Lunch boxes

It is great to see so many healthy lunches coming to school. Year 3 classes have a fruit break during the first block please try to send some fresh fruit or vegetables for them to eat at this time.

Book Bags

Please ensure these come to school each day - Thank you!

Hats

Hats are compulsory in Term 4. Please check that your child has a school hat or a named navy blue bucket hat ready for next week.

YEAR 4 (Rebecca Wong Year Group Leader)

The Year 4 team has made a great start to Term 4! All the children and teachers are ready and excited for the busy term ahead. We are working towards the school Market Evening and the children are excited to share what they have been creating. Athletics training has started this week in preparation for athletics day. The children are also working on their items which they will perform as part of the warm-up act for the Tuakana production of Alice in Wonderland.

Uniforms: It's great to see so many children with their bucket hats from day one. Please remember that **hats must be worn in Term 4.** It is important that they are clearly named along with school jerseys which often go on and off during these Spring months.

YEAR 5 (Ruth Trevathan Year Group Leader)

Welcome back! We are looking forward to an action-packed term ahead. We have started into creating our products for Market Day, rehearsing for production, training for athletics and of course working hard to develop our literacy and numeracy skills.

Some reminders this week:

- Hats are compulsory this term and PE Kit is required daily.
- Homework will come home on Wednesday for Rooms 7 & 8 and Thursday for Room 15.
- Please check your child has all of the stationary they need, including their headphones.
- If your child is in production and/or Big Aroha Choir they will need to be learning their lines and lyrics at home.

YEAR 6 (Nathan Hanwell Year Group Leader)

Welcome back to Term 4!

What a tremendous start year six have made to this term. They are really stepping up to be the very fine leaders that we know and wish them to be. It is an extremely busy term, with the build-up to our Market Evening, taking place in week 4 (Thursday) and prototypes being made, as well as business plans completed, plus Alice in Wonderland rehearsals, our big push on Basic Facts in Maths and starting to plan our Narrative stories, we are in the thick of it, but all kids are up for the challenge and very determined to make this term the best ever!

Great Website: please go to www.timestables.co.nz - children are loving the times tables challenges and it really helps them to build their basic facts knowledge

Reminders:

- Hats every day this term, labelled, please
- Fully charged devices every day
- PE kit every day









Graduation: We need your pics! The cuter, the better, as part of our Graduation Slideshow please send any pics (no more than 10) to <u>k.kiata@ghs.school.nz</u> (no later than 30th
November)

Finally, a cautionary message - We have had a number of incidents recently with children using abusive language when playing one-another online. This has led to this sort of language and disrespectful behaviour then coming into school the next day, where the conversation and attitude has continued. We understand how tricky it can be to monitor such online usage, and policing it can be challenging, so don't hesitate to contact the school if you need any additional support in this area.

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Our <u>local Four Square</u> store continues to support all Gulf Harbour School fundraising events in 2020.

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We deliver drinking water to households & events

Hibiscus Coast and surrounding areas, Kaukapakapa, Warkworth, Mangawhai Heads & everywhere in between. 15,000 litres from \$150

Local family business, happy to support our community







For donating \$150 voucher for our GHS working bee day

For kindly donating three water fountains



Wicked Wash - free water blasting for the school

Thank you so much to the following local businesses for supporting the school with our fun mud run this term:

Coastal Mobile Car Doctor





























