

# WHOLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## TERM 2, WEEK 3

### WHAT AN AWESOME DAY!



It has been fantastic today to see so many of our children coming to school in pink to celebrate the annual international anti-bullying day.

Pink Shirt Day began in Canada in 2007 when two students took a stand against homophobic bullying, after a peer was bullied for wearing a pink shirt. In Aotearoa, Pink Shirt Day works to create schools, workplaces, communities and whānau where everyone feels safe, valued and respected.



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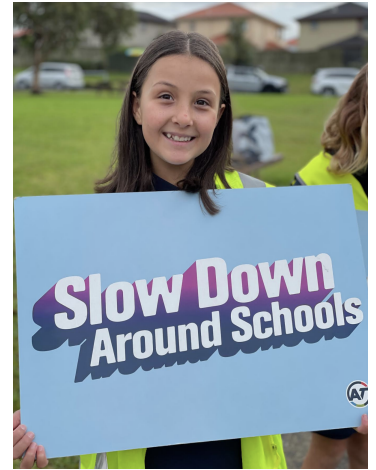


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## ROAD SAFETY

Road Safety Week 2021 was this week! Gulf Harbour School took to the streets on Monday the 17th, armed with speed cameras, to encourage safer driving around schools.

Whoever you are, wherever you live, help raise awareness of the terrible carnage on NZ roads by getting involved in Road Safety Week.



COMING UP ....

**Kawau Super Star  
Moring Tea Bake sale  
Friday 4th June**

What sort of super star are you?  
Come dressed as a rock star, super star, shining  
star or any kind of star you would like to be...  
Bring a gold coin donation to wear your  
superstar outfit.

Bring some more shining coins to buy  
spectacular baking for morning tea.

**Shining**

Team Kawau it is your turn to supply the delicious baking for our  
super star morning tea. Please bring your baking to the front office  
when you arrive at school



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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**KIDSCAN WEEKEND**

29TH AND 30TH MAY

EAT, READ, DRAW AND PLAY AND  
10% OF PROCEEDS FROM SALES  
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  
competition!

COME AND ENJOY OUR NEW KIDS  
CORNER!

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180 GULF HARBOUR DRIVE  
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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
Tuesday 25th May	9.00 - 10.00am	ESOL Parent Coffee Morning
Tuesday 25th - Friday 28th May	School Day	Life Education Caravan Y1 & 2 classes
Thursday 27th May	School Day	Year 3 - 6 Rippa Tournament
Friday 28th May	Exact times will be communicated	Year 3 & 4 Sleepover
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
Monday 7th June	SCHOOL CLOSED - QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY	
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	4.00 - 7.30pm	Matariki Festival
Friday 9th July	SCHOOL CLOSING AT 3.00PM FOR HOLIDAYS	



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## Whanau Team Notices

### Term 2 Week 3

#### 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)

##### **Year 1- Numicon:**

Our Year 1 children are absolutely loving our Numicon maths programme. A few parents have asked for details on where to buy a set to support their child at home. This is by no means compulsory, or expected by GHS. However, if you are interested in doing so, this website is the cheapest place we have found advertised.

Click this link here: [Numicon Maths Bag](https://www.edushop.nz/product/389553)  
or go to : <https://www.edushop.nz/product/389553>

##### **Life Education:**

Thank you to all the families that have paid for our wonderful Life Education experience. This programme will run from **May 26th to May 31st at a cost of \$6 per child**. You can pay for this through the school shop on the school website. **Unfortunately, if the school does not have enough parent support with the cost of this event then we will have to cancel the programme.**

##### **Toys at school:**

We are noticing an increasing amount of children bringing toys to school. We wish to remind 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.

#### 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

**Communication** is really important and we ask that if you have any concerns please speak to your child's classroom teacher. **If you need to have an in-depth discussion, please make an appointment to speak with them at a time that will suit you both.**

#### TEINA WHANAU

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

**Parent Teacher Meetings** - Thank you to all of the parents and caregivers who meet their child's teacher over the last few weeks. This was a valuable opportunity to discuss current learning goals.



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**Home Learning** is up and running. Please help your child practise their flashcards. Their aim is to be able to have instant recall and to know these facts by heart. Your child is also expected to read every night and they can fill out their reading log in their home learning book. Children may come home with a class reader, a journal, an independent book, a library book, or their SPIRE workbook to read or complete (if this applies to them) please ask your child's classroom teacher for any clarification.

**Uniform** - The teachers have noticed a slip in the standard of uniform lately. Please ensure that your child is wearing either black or navy socks and plain black shoes (no colour on the sole or laces). Any thermals must also be either black or navy. Long hair needs to be tied back and nailpolish is not permitted. Thank you.

**P.E Uniform** - The school P.E uniform is not compulsory in Years 3 and 4 however it is needed for those children playing school sports. These can be ordered through the school website.

## TUAKANA WHANAU

### YEAR 5 (Ruth Trevathan Year 5 Team Leader)

This term we are learning about the cultures in our school and in New Zealand. We are learning where and when they arrived in New Zealand and different events that they celebrate. Nearer the end of the term we will begin to focus specifically on Matariki as a New Zealand festival, leading on to exploring the stars in our night sky. There will be an opportunity for students to view the Matariki stars - more details in the next few weeks.

#### *Reminders:*

**Times Tables** - Please keep practicing these with your child. It is important that they memorise these to assist with their progress in maths.

**Shakespear Park Volunteer Days** - This have now been rescheduled for the week 21 - 24 June. Further details will be sent out in the next couple of weeks.

**Devices** - Need to be charged and at school daily.

### YEAR 6 (Nathan Hanwell Whanau Team Leader)

It's been a very exciting week, this week - the children took part in a football taster session on Wednesday, which they loved! It was a very physical day, as 20 year sixes took on Mrs. Taylor's fitness challenge which ran before school and they were beaming (if a little red-faced) when they got into class!

We also had our first Financial Literacy session on Thursday (with our final session next week) where the children learnt how to manage their finances (think I could do with that!) through completing chores and contributing.

The children also began their Basic Facts Learning Groups - it was wonderful to see children emerging from those classes, testing each other, reeling off songs and ways to remember those facts - fab!

#### *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: [Earth and Beyond Year 6 Project 2021](#)

**Homework Tip:** Your child will be bringing home their basic facts keyring next week (attached to their bag) - each week, this will be updated with the fact(s) to work on for the following week.

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

[Carroll Diagrams with times tables](#)

This site looks at how to use a Carroll Diagram for times tables facts.



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