

# WHOLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## TERM 2, WEEK 2

Welcome to the end of week 2 at Gulf Harbour School.

I would like to start off by saying a BIG THANK YOU to all of the families that turned out in the rain to lend a hand to improve our school grounds at our working bee last Saturday.

Thanks to the following families: Cash, Muller, Longstaff, Fleming, Prado, Goddard, McGrath, Marley, Whitley-Su'a, Janssen and McClean's.

Thanks to the following members of staff: Mrs Copley, Mrs Neville, Mrs Neale and family, Mrs Southgate and Ritchie.

Thanks to our student Maintenance Crew: Shawn, Miguel and Nathan.

We could not do this without you.



IT'S NOT TOO LATE .....

### PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Great to see so many of our parents and carers on Monday attending meetings with their child's teacher. If you have not got around to making an appointment it is not too late. We are holding more meetings on **Monday 17th May from 3.30pm to 7.00pm.**

These meetings are a chance for you to meet with your child's class teacher in person to discuss learning goals and progress. It is really important that you book into one of the time slots available using the link and code below:

Event Code - **5n4km** <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/>



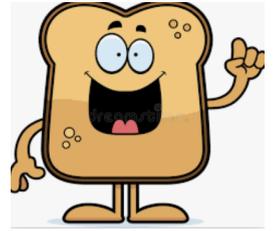
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## BREAKFAST CLUB

We have started up our popular free breakfast club again next week but are still looking for volunteers to help out. If you think you are able to offer some help to run this, please get in contact with Jacki Harrison at [j.harrison@ghs.school.nz](mailto:j.harrison@ghs.school.nz). Thank you in advance for your support.



## PARENTING TOOLBOX

We are so pleased to have so many parents and carers signed up for our Parenting Toolbox course this term with our evening workshops starting this week. We also have workshops being held on Thursday mornings at 9.15am at school starting next week. We still have a couple of places available, if you are interested please contact Fiona Southgate.

We plan on running both evening and a daytime course in Term 3, so if you would like to get your name down, please contact Fiona Southgate at [f.southgate@ghs.school.nz](mailto:f.southgate@ghs.school.nz)

## COMING UP ....

### PINK SHIRT DAY

Join us on **Friday 21 May, 2021** as we Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

Celebrated annually around the globe, 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.

At GHS we invite all of those that wish to, come to school wearing pink on Friday.



## SPANISH LESSONS AT GULF HARBOUR SCHOOL

Spanish lessons available on Thursday after school at Gulf Harbour school

Taught by a native speaker. Please contact Cristina for more information [0210734528](tel:0210734528)



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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
Monday 17th May	3.30 - 7.00pm	Parent/Teacher interviews
Wednesday 19th May	6.30pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday 21st May	School day	Pink Shirt Day
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 CLOSSES AT 3.00PM FOR HOLIDAYS	



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## Whanau Team Notices

### Term 2 Week 2

#### [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. 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.**

**FOOTBALL** . Our football session last week had to be postponed. Can everyone please come to school in a t-shirt and shorts so we can participate in some fun football activities on **Wednesday morning**. If the children can please have their uniform in their bags so they can change after their activity it would be much appreciated.

**End of Day** - Just a reminder that the end of the day is at 2:55pm. The pick up procedure is that as teachers, we cannot let your child leave until we have seen their caregiver. As a courtesy can you please keep younger siblings out of the classroom so that they do not cause a distraction. Any children who are not picked up by 3:10 pm will be taken up to the front office.

#### TEINA WHANAU

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

We have had a great week in the Teina Whanau where each class has elected two Class Captains. These children will take on a leadership role within the classroom and support both the teacher and their classmates. We look forward to growing some more leaders across the Teina Whanau.

##### *Reminders:*

**Football** is postponed until Wednesday next week (19 May). Please can children ensure that they bring their PE kit or a change of clothes on this day.

**Home Learning** is up and running this week. Please help your child practise their flashcards. Their aim is to be able to have instant recall and to know these facts off 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.

#### TUAKANA WHANAU

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

Our Year 5 classes are buzzing with learning as we examine culture, identify, celebrations and Matariki.



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**Homework** books are due back to school every Thursday. Most children will bring home flash cards with a times table on them to learn. Please practice these with your child. It is important that they commit their times tables to memory. <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button> is a website where children can aim to beat their best score and challenge themselves with times tables recall. Your child should be reading every night for at least 20 minutes using their own choice of reading material.

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

What a week! We're loving our new Space theme for our Inquiry topic. We began with our wonderings about space, planets and space travel, having looked at the incredible Apollo 11 mission to the moon. We've been looking at our basic facts in Maths and your child will be given their Basic Facts Learning Group on Monday, so that they can really look in depth at those gaps and how to fill them!

*Reminders:*

**Football:** There is a taster session from HBC Football next Wednesday. As ever, PE kits need to be in school every day.

**Homework Tip:** To help with your basic facts, your child can look at this website:

<https://www.timestables.co.nz/>

Fantastic for practicing different times tables in full, interactive and engaging ways!



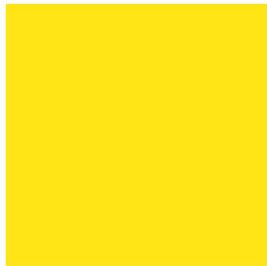
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