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# ARGYLL EAST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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**Term 1, Number 7**

**Thursday 19th March 2020**

*Achieve and Succeed Me Whai, kia angitū*

**Congratulations to our Students of the Week for displaying the  
school habits and values as follows:**



**Ruby Butler for All the Argyll East Habits and Values** – I have been blown away by the way you have matured and stepped up this year. I love how you are happy to help others and support them in every way you can. I like your motivation to learn and the resilience you have built when mistakes are made. I can't wait to see what you achieve this year. Keep it up Ruby Tuesday!!

**Kyra Epplert for All the Argyll East Habits and Values** – It has been great to see you get fully involved in everything we do at school. You are interested to learn and focus. It is great to see you really enjoying learning about the tropical rainforests. When the class plays sport, you are keen to get involved and play to your best ability. You have a smile to greet people in the morning and show compassion to others.

**Laura Brun for All the Argyll East Habits and Values** – You are always organised for learning and have a positive attitude when facing challenging tasks. You used your initiative this week during a maths lesson to help tutor others in the class who needed assistance which helped you consolidate your learning and explain the maths in a way they could understand it. This was fantastic to see!

**Rylee Renata for Perseverance** – Wow! You have been trying so hard this week in all your learning! It is wonderful to see you enjoying school and trying your hardest. You are giving new things a go even when they might be a bit scary! Ka pai Rylee!

Kia ora koutou,

What interesting times we are currently facing. We take our advice from the Ministry of Education who are working with the Health Ministry to provide us with up to date information on Covid 19. Schools remain open and the expectation is that while there is a low rate of infection in New Zealand, schools are a safe place to be and children should continue to attend. One directive from the MOE is that we do not have school assemblies. We will follow this instruction until we receive further notice. We will keep promoting good hygiene and ensure that our school is kept clean to its usual high standard with extra attention paid to disinfecting as required.

We are starting to hear that some local events have been cancelled including most sport activities, the Literacy Quiz and the Year 7 Inspiration Day. Some of these activities will be postponed until later in the year and others will return next year. Mrs Smith and Miss Hay are planning to have a school Literacy Quiz this term. We will keep you informed as we receive more information.

As part of our water unit, Rose has organised a visit from Robyn McDougal - Water Testing HB, next Tuesday 24th March. Robyn will visit each classroom and carry out experiments around the testing of water for drinking. She will also talk from a careers perspective with our senior students. Thanks to Miss Hay for organising this for us.

Constable Che is with us today, working with Ruma Wha to teach bus monitors about the importance of their job and the best way to go about it. Thanks, Constable Che.

Next Thursday we have a visit from the RSA. This happens annually leading up to ANZAC day. On the same day we have decided to hold a fundraiser reflecting our relationship with our Aussie neighbours - details from Ruma Wha are included in this newsletter.

Thank you to all of the families who attended conferences last week. Please contact us if you have anything further you would like to discuss.

Thanks again to families who are meeting our school uniform requirements. We do appreciate your support as we endeavour to have all children in correct school uniform by the end of March.

Julie Thelwall

#### COVID-19

Here is a link from the Ministry of Education to an article about how to talk to children about COVID-19.

<https://education.govt.nz/school/health-safety-and-wellbeing/pastoral-care-and-wellbeing/talking-to-children-about-covid-19-coronavirus/>

Also, the following website has really great information for the general public on all aspects of Coronavirus/COVID-19, including symptoms, advice on self-isolation, keeping safe, etc.

<https://covid19.govt.nz/>

#### GREEN AND GOLD DAY THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

We are raising funds to go towards families affected by the Australian bushfires. Please bring a donation and school will provide a lunchtime sausage sizzle. **Come dressed in something that represents Australia!**

#### SPORT

##### SWITCH GALA DAY - CANCELLED

##### CRICKET - CANCELLED

##### HOCKEY – ALL HOCKEY HAS BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY

**FOOTBALL – Rep Trials coming up on Wednesday 25th of March and Friday the 27th starting at 4 pm at Russell Park.** This is for all Footballers who want to trial for the Rep teams that play in the Hawke's Bay competition. Games will be played in Hastings, Napier, Havelock and some games will be at home. This is for players aged 10+. If more information is needed please contact Jonte Cooper, 022 155 0807, CHB Junior Football Club Inc.

##### NETBALL

Permission forms for the 2020 netball season will be given out today to those students who have expressed an interest in playing. If you would like your child to play and have not received a form, please contact Sarah. All forms should be returned as soon as possible. Please note season has been postponed to start in May.

#### SWIMMING POOL CLOSED

Please note the school swimming pool is now closed. **Could all pool keys please be returned to school as soon as possible.**

#### SCHOOL PHOTOS DAY THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

Please find attached envelopes for photo orders. If you would like a sibling photo, please contact the office for a sibling order form. **Please return orders with payment as soon as possible, preferably before the end of term. Please note, last day for return of forms with payment will be Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April, first day of Term 2.**

#### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS



#### To Connor Janson for Relating to Others, Participating and Contributing and Kindness

I am really pleased to hear that you are participating in the Switch Gala - well done for getting involved Connor. I admire your resilience in all situations - in the classroom, on the bus, in the playground. You relate well to others and you take everything in your stride. You always have something interesting to share and you have curiosity for life. You are a great role model Connor!

#### To Kaela for All our School Values and Habits

Thank you for the thoughtfulness you show in trying to make our school a better place, where everyone is cared for, listened to and supported to be the best they can be. I appreciate that you take the time to address important issues and work towards a positive outcome for everyone involved. Kia kaha Kaela!

#### PINE CONES FOR SALE

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#### ANZ REWARDS PROGRAMME

Thank you to those who are supporting this programme. It enabled us to get a free bucket full of tennis balls this week.

#### ARGYLL EAST PLAYGROUP

Argyll East Playgroup is on Wednesday mornings from 9am. All welcome. Please email: [argylleastplaygroup@gmail.com](mailto:argylleastplaygroup@gmail.com) or call Tori 856 8681 if you are interested.



#### HOME AND SCHOOL EASTER EGG RAFFLE

Home and School are running their famous Easter Raffle again. We are asking for donations from you to put in our baskets – anything Easter themed is gratefully received!

**Ticket sheets are to be returned with money to the office no later than Friday 3rd of April**, with the raffle to be drawn on Wednesday 8th April. Should you need more ticket sheets, please contact the school office.



#### INCREDIBLE YEARS PROGRAMME

The Incredible Years parenting programme aims to increase children's social skills at home, early childhood centre and school. It has also been found to be helpful in reducing aggression and behaviour problems. It is suitable for those caring for children 3- 8 years and includes Incredible Years Parenting book and handouts. There is no cost to the programme

**CHB Incredible Years Parenting Course starts Tuesday mornings 9.30 till 12, 29<sup>th</sup> April In Waipukurau, venue to be confirmed.**

Any queries please contact either:  
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#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

##### 2020

##### March

Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Green & Gold Fundraiser
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Visit by RSA to school

##### April

Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of Term 1
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	First day of Term 2

##### Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>

##### School Photos

##### May

Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Teacher Only Day
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##### June

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Queen's Birthday Holiday
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