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ARGYLL EAST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Term 1, Week 8

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Achieve and Succeed Me whai, kia angitū

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



Indie Godinet for Respect, Perseverance, Participating and Contributing – You are always ready for learning and enjoy working with others or on your own. You share your ideas and contribute to class and group discussions. Indie, you are prepared to face challenges and never give up when things get hard. You are so respectful to everyone around you. Indie, you are a star. Keep it up!

Laura Brun for All the Argyll East Habits and Values – It is such a pleasure to have you in the classroom! You are diligent, organised and a fantastic role model in all aspects of learning. You have a brilliant attitude and always look for ways to independently improve your learning and understanding. You push yourself to achieve and it is amazing to see the results this brings. Ka Pai Laura!

Gypsy Mackrell for Perseverance – You did so well at Te Aute college yesterday! There was a lot that was different but you persevered and enjoyed your day. It is great to see you giving things a go!

Keira Drepaul for All the Argyll East Habits and Values – You show integrity every day by doing your best all the time even if no-one is watching. You use respectful words and actions to everyone. You persevere as you count back in maths to subtract accurately, complete a google doc to summarise your research, read independently for 15 minutes... What a learner you are Keira. What a lovely person you are. Thank you for being you.

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Kia ora koutou,

Well done to everyone who came along to Te Aute College last week. We had a fantastic experience, beginning with a powhiri which included beautiful performances by the Te Aute boys who sang with such strength and unity. It was amazing to sit in the whareniui and watch the boys do a haka for us - an amazing, loud and moving performance. Funnily enough, they really encouraged us to sing and they loved "Fish and Chips". A really fun day was had by all!

The RSA have visited our school this morning to share some stories and answer student questions. Special thanks to our year 6 students who have set up the display of crosses at our entranceway in memory of those who fought in wars for our country's freedom.

Tomorrow we are heading to Onga Onga historic village and museum. The Onga Onga Historical Society are going to show us around and share some stories with us, building our knowledge of local history and community. We are then going to have lunch with the students at Onga Onga School. Once again children will need to bring a good hearty lunch and a water bottle. We will be travelling by school bus with some senior students travelling in teachers' cars. Everyone is very welcome to join us.

During the last week of this term, we are inviting you to join us for Whanau Day on Thursday 15th April. Students have been learning about their heritage and the traditions that are part of their cultures. It has been an opportunity to think positively about what makes us different to each other, to celebrate these differences and to think about belonging to our Argyll East School community. We ask you to come along and join us for a shared lunch where you can bring a traditional dish or family favourite to share with everyone at school. After lunch we will sing some songs and play some games together.

Next Thursday is a CHB Teacher Only Day that has been organised by the Kāhui Ako. Following up on teacher requests, we have a variety of speakers presenting workshops and keynotes about diverse learners including Trauma Informed Practice, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Dyslexia, Anxiety, Resilience, UDL - Universal Design for Learning, Sensory Processing etc. Speakers include those directly involved in education and health workers

from the HBDHB. All of our teachers and teacher aides will be attending. The school will be closed on Thursday 1st April and will remain closed for Easter, reopening on Wednesday 7th April.

As part of my Strategic Leadership programme, I am sending home a tool known as a SCOT. This provides us with a way to look at the current state of our school with the idea of revising and developing our school vision. Please take some time to think about the questions presented and make some comments about each of the areas - Strengths, Challenges, Opportunities and Threats. I would really appreciate a broad perspective so ask you to please contribute your thoughts and ideas. Thanks so much for your input as we revise our school vision.

Today is Wheelie Wednesday for the students in Ruma Tahi and Rua. The senior school had loads of fun on their wheels last week and the juniors are really looking forward to having their turn.

The swimming season is now officially closed at school as the days have cooled down and we head into Autumn. **Please could all swimming pool keys be returned as soon as possible.** Our focus for Physical Education has now moved onto small balls which will continue until the end of term 1.

Have a great week,

Julie Thelwall
Principal

REMEMBRANCE CROSSES



Students from Ruma Toru learning about the remembrance crosses which the year 6 students put up outside the school.

FUNDRAISER FOR ROYAL

Many thanks to all families who sent money in for the fundraiser for Royal. We raised \$218 and this will be paid directly into her Give-a-Little page.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

To Isla Gregory for All our School Habits and Values



You are really stepping up in your leadership roles Isla, taking on more responsibility and thinking seriously about involving all of our students in meaningful and fun activities. Your ideas reflect your caring nature and show that you

think outside the box! Keep up the good work Isla and keep shining!)

THUMBS UP

- To the Calder family for bringing in 2 new, big, fat, gorgeous goldfish!



HOME AND SCHOOL EASTER RAFFLE

Raffle sheets have been sent home. Please sell as many as possible and **return all sheets, (sold or unsold),**

with money by Tuesday 30th March. More sheets are available at the office should you need them.

COMMUNITY PATAKA

There is lots of produce in our pataka. Please help yourself.

SPORTS

Netball: Year 1-8 permission slips are due back this Friday.

Takapau Barefoot 7's Rugby Tournament: Notices have been sent home with interested players. If your child would like to play and has not received a permission slip please contact the school office.

CHB TOUCH ACADEMY

April 21 - 23 - 24, 9am - 2.30pm

At Memorial Hall, Waipukurau

Registration link:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/chbtouch/registrations-1/TOUCH-ACADEMY>

WAIPAWA COUNTRY UNITED JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB

It's Muster Time!

When: Thursday 25th March, 5pm - 6pm

Where: Coronation Park, Waipawa

Free sausage and drink!

WEATHER STATION

Every day we look at the weather station transmitter and record the results in an excel spreadsheet at between 12 noon and 1pm. We will bring you a summary of the weather each week.

Last week:

Hottest temperature: 25.7°C on 15th March

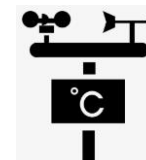
Coldest temperature: 15.3°C on 22nd March.

Rainfall: nil

Wind has been mainly SE or easterly

Strongest gusts were 2.5ks on 22nd and 23rd March

Rupert & Lachlan, Weather Station Monitors



SPRAYING OF THE WETLANDS

The convolvulus and the blackberry have become a problem in the school's wetland areas. This has now been sprayed off. If you notice some dying off in these areas it is to be expected.

SCHOOL UNIFORM SWEATSHIRTS

Our secondhand uniform drawer is overflowing, so we have a large number of school sweatshirts in good condition which we would like to give away. Please call in to the office and have a look, or call the office and sweatshirts can be put aside for you.

CHB READERS AND WRITERS FESTIVAL BETWEEN THE LINES 20TH - 23TH MAY

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UPCOMING EVENTS

March	
Thursday 25 th	Whole school visit to Onga Onga
Friday 26 th	Inspiration Day Year 7s
April	
Thursday 1st	Teacher Only Day, school closed
Friday 2nd	Good Friday, school closed
Monday 5th	Easter Monday, school closed
Tuesday 6th	Easter Tuesday, school closed
Wed/Thurs 7 th /8 th	Conferences
Thursday 15 th	Whanau Day
Friday 16 th	Last day Term 1
May	
Monday 3 rd	First day Term 2