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## ARGYLL EAST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Live, Learn, Grow!



**Term 1, Week 6**  
**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**Congratulations to our Students of the Week for displaying the School Habits and Values as follows:**

**Lochie Cameron for All the Argyll East Habits and Values** – You are having a fantastic start to the year. You arrive at school each day and are straight into Handwriting, usually waiting for me. You are learning so many new things and I appreciate your daily conversations and questions. You are kind and share with your friends in class. I have enjoyed watching you with your new friends, using your imagination to construct an amazing castle and township this week with all the equipment. Lachie, be proud!



**Halen Delamere for All the Argyll East Habits and Values** – Halen, you have stepped up to be a great year 3 leader because you are being helpful in class, you're listening to the teacher and being respectful towards everyone. You have jumped back into learning and are taking on board all the new learning we've already done this year. You've adapted to our new classroom routines and you are helping others learn what to do. Thank you for all your hard work so far Halen. I can't wait to see you persevere and push yourself to achieve lots of new things this year!

**Billion Wairau-Jelbert for All the Argyll East Habits and Values** – You always try your best in all the school work we do, Billion. We are so impressed with your positive attitude, and perseverance. You are going to continue to make great progress this year. Mahi pai, Billion. You talk and act kindly towards your classmates and you are respectful towards teachers and adults in our school. These are wonderful life skills and you have them as a Year 4! We love having you in our room. Keep up the great work - Kia mau ki nga mahi pai!

**Sophia Kuru for All the Argyll East Habits and Values** – You blow me away, Sophia! You have returned to school ready to learn and enjoy being in the senior classroom. You come to school every day and have quickly settled into a great routine which is having a positive impact on your learning. Above all else, you have a positive attitude and a cheeky smile - always ready to tease me about something! You participate fully in all activities from maths groups and reading groups where you share your thoughts and ideas as, to PE where you have been training for the duathlon. Keep up the great work and attitude Sophia - you will go far!

Kia Ora families and friends,

This week, unfortunately, Julie has been home sick with a chest cold which has hit pretty hard! She was very disappointed to have to cancel the guitar and choir lessons this week, as the students have been so enthusiastic! Here's hoping she has a speedy recovery.

Last Friday we held our first ever 'Splash n Dash'. Due to our swimming sports being delayed until Week 10 (due to the Waipukurau pool delays) it was a great way to keep encouraging the children to enjoy swimming and it gave them something to look forward to. It was great to see everyone give it their all and hear all the supportive cheering. Thanks again to Samantha for organising this fun event.

In the classrooms this week there is a lot of great learning happening. The students are all settled into their routines and enjoying getting stuck into their work. Last week, at assembly, Rūma Rua shared some of their amazing self-portraits with everyone.

In our senior classroom we have had a big focus on leadership and what that means. It has been incredible watching our students take on responsibilities throughout the school - often organised in their own time.

As part of a Kāhui Ako initiative, we hosted Andres Castelli, a teacher from CHB College, in the senior class on Wednesday. Last year I spent some time at the college observing different teachers, and now the college teachers are spending time in primary schools. It is hoped that this will grow understanding and awareness of the differing roles and aid in smoother transitions for the students.

Thanks for supporting the Rūma Whā camp fundraising efforts. Ice blocks will be available again tomorrow for \$1.00

Finally, a huge congratulations to past student Briana Stephenson who won a silver medal at the Combined Events Nationals in Dunedin recently. She achieved many personal bests and continues to be an inspiration to our students.

Have a great weekend everyone,  
Lara Smith, Deputy Principal

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

**To Grace Shorten for demonstrating our vision and values.**

Grace, I think you are an inspiration to many of us. This week, I have seen your self-determination and drive as you devote your spare time to improving your running because it is something that

you want to do. I love the way that you participate in all of her activities and opportunities that are offered to you. You really LIVE, LEARN and GROW every day. Well done Grace!



## New Gloves!

Rūma Tahi & Rūma Rua wearing their new gardening gloves from Mitre 10.



## Eggs

Eggs for sale from our school.  
\$4 for  $\frac{1}{2}$  a dozen, \$8 a dozen. Your sales help us to feed the chickens and give children the opportunity to look after animals at our school.

## A message from our School Leaders

Hope everyone has had a great week so far. The **Club's Leaders** have been working very hard to run a successful lunch time game every day. They work alongside a duty teacher - this week we have had Stuck in the mud, Rats and Mice and Capture the Flag. We have had lots of people join in which is great. We are going to start buddy reading, following on from some of the leaders' suggestions. This will be held each Friday before lunch and give juniors and seniors the chance to spend time together.

**The Arts Leaders** have started an Art Club every week, they have begun an Easter colouring competition and there have been lots of Just Dance parties on the court.

**Enviro Leaders** have been hard at work with Miss Hay on the fish pond, they will be cleaning it out again this Friday. They are also hoping to work on some projects with Wade. The **Sports Leaders** have been running lots of games and have some very exciting things planned (that you will find out about later). Thanks to our lovely **Library Leaders** who have been opening the library during lunch and on wet days.

Zoe Shorten, Aurora Gregory and Britta Oliver - School Leaders

## Health Survey 2024

Thanks to all of you who have already completed the Health Survey, it is still available to complete if you have not already done so.

Our Health Survey, gives you the opportunity to prioritise what you think is most important for us to include in our health curriculum. It is a google form. We will send it via email or you could access it through this link [2024 Argyll East School Health Survey](#)

## Last Chance:

To buy an Argyll East School Cookbook.  
Contact the Office if you are interested.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### March

Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Bus monitor training with Constable Che
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Year 7 & 8 Vaccinations
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	CHB Swim-a-thon
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday

### APRIL

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Monday
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Easter Tuesday
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	School Swimming Sports
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Argyll Home & School Ball, #2
	Shear the Night with Us 6:30pm-12am
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Zero Waste Week
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Conferences Years 4-8
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Conferences Years 4-8
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Interschool Swimming
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Young Writers Workshop

## Sports

### Winter Hockey

Registrations need to be completed by Friday 22nd March 2024.

<https://forms.gle/GZJJcXCH1488tNT38>

## How much sugar is in your children's drink?

