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

Term 2, Week 6  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023



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

**Harleigh-Rose for Perseverance** – You enjoy coming to school with a big smile and into the class each morning with a lovely 'good morning' to start your day. You are keen to learn and are trying hard in all your learning. You can now write your name on your own and have worked hard to learn the letter sounds song. You are enjoying our weekly hockey skills sessions and giving it your best. Harleigh-Rose, keep up the awesome work!

**Tafale Eni-Isaako for All the Argyll Values** – You always get stuck into learning at school, persevere with tasks and give everything your best shot, Tafale. You are kind and helpful. You have the biggest smile. You show initiative and see when jobs need to be done - like the watering of our ngaio. You are learning to ask questions to find out about new words and other stuff you're not sure about. That is what great learners do. Malo lava, Tafale.



**Tei Pirie for Creativity and Perseverance** – You have had a great week of learning, Tei! It has been great seeing you engage fully in our history inquiry as you get information from home to create your digital family tree. You showed the values of creativity and perseverance when working with artist Susan Davidson, drawing animals using a grid system. You had to listen well and follow quick directions - your rat and possum were both fantastic! Thank you for always having a positive attitude - Keep up the great work, Tei.

**Halen Delamere for Perseverance and Integrity** – Halen, we have all enjoyed seeing your confidence grow this term and the way you have been settling in class with your learning. In your writing, you have been stretching out words and sounding out all the letters you can hear. You even helped a friend out the other day with his writing by helping him sound out words and completing 2 sentences! Halen, you have been making the right choices out in the playground lately and playing nicely with your friends. Keep up the fantastic work!

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Kia ora families and friends,

It's amazing to think that we are already in June and heading into the second half of the year.

We had a wonderful day last Friday with a visit from the Petrolheads. They were a great group of guys who enjoyed their day, and made it fun for our children by including a visit from the police dog squad which was very informative, and the firing of a cannon which raised everyone's adrenaline levels. Checking out the flash cars was a highlight, with lots of horn tooting and oohs and aahs. A huge thank you to the Home and School group for their organisation of the day and to everyone who supported them with cooking and time. It was a great day for young and old!

We have another busy week with gymnastics for juniors and participating seniors. A special thank you to all of the parents who have offered to help with transportation and supervising.

Next Friday, 9th June, we have our Cross Country event with Tikokino, Sherwood and Ongaonga Schools. Information is attached about the day. In case of bad weather, the postponement day is the 16th June. Children will be transported there and back on the school bus.

A reminder to contact the office if you would like to attend the Cyber Safety evening on Tuesday 15th August. We have a limited number of tickets available. We have again attached the flyer for your information.

On an environmental note, we have tried baking paper as an alternative to wrapping hot lunches in aluminium foil and it works fine. You are able to write names on the paper and it is a good alternative. So, feel free to change to baking paper for hot lunches if you are so inclined.

I am not at school today and tomorrow as I am in Wellington with my Professional

Learning Group. We are visiting three schools over the two days to see some innovative ideas in action. Please contact Mrs Smith, our deputy principal, if you have any questions while I am away.

Enjoy the long weekend everyone and see you next Tuesday,

Julie

#### PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

**Congratulations to Jett Buckeridge for All our School Values and Habits**



Jett, you have been showing our school values in many ways over the past weeks. You were very helpful when one of your friends was sick and that was really appreciated. You have been kind to your friends and you have been very focused in your learning. Well done Jett and keep up the great work!

#### SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK



Thank you to Tafale and Pua for sharing their culture and language with us during Samoan Language week.

#### UNIFORM

Thanks to those families who have made orders for school uniforms. We realise that some new uniforms are in transit and we appreciate that there is a time factor involved. We do still have a number of students not wearing our school uniform and we urge you to ensure that they are in the correct uniform as soon as possible.

#### THUMBS UP

- A big thumbs up to Home and School for organising the Petrolheads' visit and providing them with a delicious lunch. And to those families who contributed food on the day. Many thanks.
- To all our parents who are helping with transporting and supervising at the Gymnastics festivals this week.

#### SPORT

**King's Birthday Weekend - no sport.**

#### BOARD UPDATE

The board met recently for our term two meeting. We discussed the Annual Report which will be published on the school website for all to view. We are currently sitting at a roll of 71 pupils with a predicted end of year roll of 76 pupils.

We discussed the Curriculum Policy which sees the introduction of the history curriculum this year. The teachers attended a teacher only day in April which focused on the Refreshed Curriculum and will roll out nationally in the next couple of years. This update aims to be more inclusive by ensuring better engagement with a wider group of pupils. Julie is part of a Professional Learning Group which will see her attend a road trip to visit three lower North Island schools shortly. Each of the schools have particular programmes which may be useful in our school setting. The structured literacy programmes will be just one of the main focuses.

Our focus on honouring local history continues with recent visits from Dwayne Hapuku and Susan Davidson. Wade has installed a glass cabinet in the school office to display past awards and trophies.

We continue to discuss and make progress on the restoration of the Old School Building. Local artist, Emma Harker, will be installing a mural on the side of the building with the help of senior students.

As most of you may have seen, our school sign on the highway has been updated to include our vision statement. Work has now started on refreshing our school logo.

All schools must legally now have a Physical Restraint Policy to be used as a guidance tool for teachers and staff. We discussed the intention behind this policy and what it involves. This will soon be released to the community to review.

**Caroline Clark (Board member)**

#### PETROLHEADS' VISIT

Students entertaining our visitors



Students enjoying some of the Petrolheads' cars

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

##### JUNE

Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Junior Gymnastics, all students in Tahi & Rua
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	King's Birthday Holiday
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	SH50 Cross Country at Tikokino
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	SH50 Cross Country postponement date
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	CHB Interschool Cross Country, (qualifying students only)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	CHB Interschool Cross Country postponement day
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Last day Term 2

##### JULY

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	First day Term 3
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