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# ARGYLL EAST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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**Term 4, Number 7**

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

***Achieve and Succeed Me Whai, kia angitū***

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



**Marijke Wilson for Courage** – For the personal courage and confidence you show to ask your classmates for help as you've settled into school. For persevering patiently when needed, as you get to know new friends. Well done Marijke!

**Kyra Epplett for Managing Self and Creativity** – You show your creativity daily in your writing, your ideas and your artwork. You manage your work, your gear and yourself in all situations. It is wonderful to be greeted each morning with your hello and see your smile in the classroom as you persevere with tasks. You are a kind friend to others, Kyra. It is lovely to have you in our class.

**Xavier Hansen for Perseverance and Managing Self** – You have had a challenging time with a broken wrist, but this has not stopped you having a fantastic positive attitude and willingness to participate in everything. You challenge yourself to achieve to a high standard and put in the extra work to ensure this happens. Keep it up, Xavier!

**Lucia Menzies for All the Argyll East Habits and Values** – This award goes to you for the joy you bring to our class. You are a kind and caring friend who respects everyone around you. You participate in all activities and have begun to contribute to our class discussions which has been valuable to us. I can't wait to see your future achievements. Keep it up Lucia!

**Harry Calder for Managing Self** – You have made huge progress managing yourself and you are focusing on your learning. You are growing up into a great learner and Argyll East student! Keep up the great attitude Harry and you will go far.

Kia ora koutou,

It's starting to feel more like summer every day and with December just around the corner we are starting to make plans for our End of Year Prize Giving which will be on Wednesday 18th December.

Today Mrs Smith and Miss Hay are on a "Classroom Roadie", visiting middle and senior classes around the district to make connections and share good practice. This is part of the transition focus through the Kahui Ako. We look forward to hearing about their day.

We are finished writing our reports and looking forward to conferences with families on the 9th and 10th of December. Please complete the conference time form attached to today's newsletter and return to school asap so that we can organise meeting times with families. The conferences are for all students in Ruma Toru and Wha and some students in Ruma Rua and Tahī.

Next week we will send home our classroom set-up and teacher organisation for 2020. We thank you for returning our consultation forms to help in our strategic planning for next year. We will continue to receive your paper forms for the rest of this week. If you have not returned your form, a Board member will phone you next week to ask for your feedback on the questions. Thanks.

A few children have not yet returned sport uniforms after cross country and athletics. We would really appreciate it if you could have a good look around your homes for shorts, (which have AES on them), singlets and shirts, as we would like all uniforms returned so that we have full sets for 2020. We realise that some children have only just finished the touch rugby season and will now be getting their uniforms organised to return. Thanks.

A reminder from Home and School to send in Fish n Chip orders for Thursday 12th December. Orders need to be in by next Friday 6th December. More order forms are available from the office.

Have a great week.

Julie Thelwall  
Principal

### LOST

Lucas Perceval has lost his red and black swimming goggles. They went missing after last week's pool party. Please send them in to school if you find them. Thanks!

### THUMBS UP

- To Stephenson Transport for bringing heifers to the school farm free of charge. Many thanks.
- To Schaw Livestock for the donation of sunblock. Much appreciated.
- To Miss McGrail for the extra weekend work weed-eating the chook pen – thanks Miss M!
- Thanks to Blair and Karena for coaching the Touch Rugby.

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

To Greer Nicholson for All the Argyll East Habits and Values



You have had a great year of learning in 2019, Greer. You are always a focused learner and you manage yourself well to achieve and succeed. You eagerly participate in activities both at school and in the community - like your entries for the A & P Show which were very well done. You are helpful and kind and we all love your positive attitude! Keep shining Greer!

### HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS

#### FISH N CHIPS LUNCH

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December

Home and School are organising this lunch for the school. Orders and payments must be back to school by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

### CONFERENCES

Conferences will take place on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December. A form is attached for you to fill in giving us your preferable day and time. Times will be allocated on a first in basis and we apologise if we cannot give you your preferred time. If you cannot make either day, please contact your classroom teacher to arrange an alternative day.

### NEWS FROM THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

#### WHITE RIBBON CAMPAIGN

This year's White Ribbon campaign is focused around #UnspokenRules. Unspoken Rules are the expectations that boys and young men inherit from society, based on outdated ideas of what a man is, how he acts, and how he should express himself. Even if we don't agree with them, these rules still exist silently in the background for far too many. Rules like Be the Man, Toughen Up and Boys Don't Cry reinforce unhelpful stereotypes about what it is to be a man. These unspoken rules put pressure on boys and young men to behave in certain ways and dismiss behaviours perceived as "unmanly", leading them to suppress their emotions and their individuality.

This affects how our boys and young men feel about themselves, and how they treat others. It affects how they approach their relationships and can lead them to act disrespectfully – even violently – toward their partners.

We have the opportunity to use our voices as parents, caregivers and influencers to speak up over the #unspokenrules.

By saying out loud to our boys and young men that it's ok for them to be who they are, we can encourage them to define themselves as men who have respectful relationships – protecting our whole community.



### THE GREAT READING CARNIVAL



#### SUMMER READING PROGRAMME AT CHB LIBRARIES

Sign up now at the library to get your marvellous reading folder. The programme is held from 2<sup>nd</sup> December to 18<sup>th</sup> January.

### SCHOOL POOL

Keys are again available to the community for use of the school pool. If you would like to get one, a key holder agreement needs to be filled out and a fee of \$40 paid. Forms are available from the office.

**BOOK FAIR** – Books have arrived. Please call into the office to collect orders, or let the school know if you would like them sent home with children.

### ARGYLL EAST GARDENING COMPETITION

#### Garden Competition Judging

Thursday November 28<sup>th</sup>

Your child will have received

a paper and seesaw notice regarding the time the judge – Helen (from Mitre 10 Waipukurau) and Miss Hay (chauffeur extraordinaire) will be arriving to see and hear all about your garden. Helen (and Miss Hay) are really looking forward to it!!



### ARGYLL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DRINKS

#### JOLLY JINGLE MIX AND MINGLE

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December from 6pm at Argyll Hall  
BYO drinks & plate of nibbles to share

Contact Jay 857 5284



### CALENDAR ART

We have been advised that Calendar Art orders have been dispatched and we will give them out to children next week.

### 2019 WAIPUKURAU JUNIOR TENNIS TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Entries to [www.sporty.co.nz/tenniseastern](http://www.sporty.co.nz/tenniseastern) or email  
Jenn Evans: [jennparry@xtra.co.nz](mailto:jennparry@xtra.co.nz)

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### November

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Garden competition judging

#### December

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Bus monitors trip to Splash Planet

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Conferences

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Conferences

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Fish and Chips Lunch

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Softball Tournament

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Whole School Treat, details next week

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Prize Giving, 6pm

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Last Day Term 4, 12pm

#### 2020 February

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> First day Term 1 2020