

Gore Main School Newsletter

Week 6 Term 2 GMS Newsletter 2022



What's Up Mr Puna???



Kia ora whanau - Over the last 2 weeks things have begun to feel a little more like the good old days. Assemblies, events for our tamariki, visitors coming to school and competitions like Rippa Rugby and Cross Country are all back up and running like normal. COVID cases are slowing down at school. We only have a small number of whānau isolating at home. We want to thank everyone for doing their part and following the COVID guidelines. Matariki is fast approaching and I am excited about having GMS on stage at the Matariki celebrations at Waimumu on the 24th June. We are performing at 5.10pm and then the fireworks

will start at around 6.10pm. I will have more details closer to the time.

Report time is fast approaching and teachers have been busy assessing children's progress. Reports provide information about where the children are at for reading, writing, maths and the other curriculum areas like P.E. inquiry, Māori etc. We also make comments on how the children are interacting with each other, our values and our key competencies. If your child has been at school for 2 full terms then they will be receiving a report on the last day of this term. In term 3 we will be having Parent/Teacher meetings to discuss progress and set goals for the next 2 terms. **Lastly, school will be finishing at 12.30pm next Friday 17th June so that teachers can attend the NZEI Union Meeting (Please see below for more details).** Have a great weekend whānau.

FRIDAY 24th JUNE
FREE ENTRY

- LIVE STAGE ENTERTAINMENT
- DISPLAYS
- FOOD VENDORS AVAILABLE
- FIREWORKS!!!

Come and enjoy the festivities.

AT THE WAIMUMU FIELD DAY SHED
2pm-6:30pm

Supported by:
GO RURAL CITY RE LIVING

Join us in celebrating
MATARIKI

This event is brought to you by the Hokonui Rūnanga, Lower Mataura Valley Kahui Ako and Gore Kids Hub.

Poetry Recital

Next week children will be bringing home a poem to learn (to memory if possible) over the next 2 weeks. There will then be a class poetry

recital and the top 4 for each class will head through to the final which will be in the last week of term. Parents are invited to the class recital and we would love to see as many of you here to support the children. If your child makes it through to the final then you will also be invited to attend.

Lateness

This is a friendly reminder that school starts at 8.55am. Please ensure that children are at school before this time so that they are ready to start class at this time. Road Patrol also finishes at 8.50am so for safety reasons please make sure children are here before that time so that they can cross the road safely.

Cross Country

Eastern Cross Country was held this week and our children represented GMS well with a positive attitude and amazing determination. Next week we will have 5 runners competing at Southland Cross Country. A huge congratulations to Hafeez, Charlie, Taryn, Jemima and Zoe.



Mangahigh Maths

Mangahigh Maths is an online maths competition where children compete against each other and against other schools in NZ. So far this year we have ranked in 1st place in March and 2nd place in May. For the month of May our GMS Champion was Kayla McHaffie. Well done Kayla

NZEI meeting

On the 17th June (Next Friday) Our teachers will be attending a paid union meeting which starts at 1.30pm. School will be finishing at 12.30pm and we ask that you make arrangements for your child to be collected at this time. There will be **NO** Subway or Heat ups next Friday.

GMS Kupu Māori Challenge

The Kupu Māori Challenge is in full swing at school. Our phrases for the last 2 weeks have been - Pukapuka (book) for juniors and Rorohiko (Computer/Chromebook) for seniors and our fun kupu is Tumeke - awesome/too much.

Next week our new kupu is **ātaahua (beautiful)**

Homai te pōro (pass me the ball)

Fun kupu - Wananei (Wicked)

Let's look at what our tamariki have learned so far.

Ngā Mihi - Thank you

Aroha Mai - Sorry

Pōuri ake - Excuse me

Mā te wā - See you later

Wehi nā - OMG

Pukapuka - Book

Rorohiko - Computer

Tumeke - Awesome/Too much

Rārangi - Line up

Pōro - ball

Kia tau - Relax and chill out

Tumeke GMS!!!!!!

GMS Board of Trustees

Hi everyone

We are halfway through Term 2 already!

We hope you and your whānau are all doing well and getting through these covid times ok together. Please get in touch with us if we can help you in any way.

It has been really nice to have families back on our school grounds again. It was great to see so many of you here for Mother's Day Lunch and our School Cross Country. Your support means so much to us all.

Board Elections come around every three years. This year they are being held in September. If you would like to be involved in the life of our School at a Governance level this is your opportunity! Please consider if this is for you and get in touch with me on 0274919048 or marionmcfadzien@goremain.school.nz if you are interested.

Nomination forms will be sent out in July and nominations close at the beginning of August.

Our next meeting will be held in the staffroom, Monday 27th June at 7pm.

Kind regards

Marion McFadzien

Board Chair

Junior School News

Room Five News

Kia ora and greetings from Room 5! We are having a great term.

In Week 2 we went on a day trip to Kamahi Scenic Reserve for a bush walk. Then we visited

Pioneer Park and experienced school life as it was 100 years ago.

We have completed some night sky Matariki art and also continue to practise poi and waiata. We have a growing knowledge of kupu (maori words) also.

Our hockey skills are developing superbly! We have enjoyed learning to play hockey with Sarah, our Sports Activator, and have been playing it in-between her visits to further improve our skills.

Our Inquiry into how we can improve Adventure World is exciting and we are learning new skills such as mapping. We are at the stage of researching some possibilities of what we might do as a class to add value to our amazing area. Key ideas to date are improving the vegetable gardens, planting native plants (to encourage native birds) and attracting more bees. This week we continue to research further ideas.

We continue to do our Friday afternoon learning in Bannerman Park. It has been fun recently, learning about the life-cycle of an oak tree and we have planted acorns in the hope of growing oak trees! We also continue to get to know many lovely local people (and their dogs) when we are at Bannerman Park!

We wish everyone a great weekend.

Senior Syndicate News

Room 7

Kia ora from Ruma Whitu!

Last week Room 7, 8 and 9 enjoyed one of our first outings in what seemed like forever! Our topic for Inquiry this term is all about improving Adventure World. So naturally, we needed to go and see some examples of great playgrounds around Gore. First we visited West Gore School and got to see their fantastic outdoor play areas.

Then we visited some local playgrounds in town before finally heading out to Dolamore Park. It was a fun day with lots of discussions, exploring, note-taking, and plenty of play! The children came back buzzing with ideas and we look forward to investigating these further.

Back in the classroom, we've been practising our te reo and creating our visual pepeha. We enjoy learning the new māori kupu each week and practising this in our daily talk.

Skipping has been a highlight for Room 7 this term. The children just love to practise each day in preparation for Jumping June. Many found skipping a challenge to begin with, but with perseverance and determination, we've now all learned to skip! Ka pai to the Ruma Whitu tamariki!

Have a great weekend everyone.
From Room 7



GMS Stationary List

All stationary lists are available online via our website or you can request a list at Paper Plus Gore. [Link to stationary list](#)

Shooting Star Awards

Room 1: Ellie Moyle - being an amazing leader in class.

Millie Walker - loves reading her books.

Duncan Welsh - has an amazing attitude to learning.

Lily Hughes - whose learning has skyrocketed!

Room 2: Rome Hufkie - working hard to use finger spaces & add detail to his writing.

AJ Watson - working hard to learn & remember his sounds.

Malachi Watson - excellent work with his sounds & numbers to 10!

Victor Leith - working hard to add description to his writing.

Room 3: Hunter Goodwin - amazing place value knowledge.

George McLeod - fantastic decoding skills during reading.

Mila Cameron - counting backwards to answer subtraction problems to 100.

Janina De Waal - decoding & reading fluently.

Room 4: Leon Rose - working hard to add interesting words in his writing & great handwriting.

Taylor Patterson - for working super hard at reading.

Penny Nicholson - for great writing about "Lions".

Tristan Chand - great work during reading & his fantastic diorama.

Room 5: Indi Shackell - excellent Year 3 learning

Liam Welsh - outstanding behaviour.

Neriah Watson - excellent focus & maturity.

Hunter Scott - advanced maths skills.

Room 7: Lucas Gilder - great process in reading.

Darcy Patterson - super poetry work.

Anneliese McFadzien - always completes her homework each week.

Connell Wilson - always has a fantastic attitude towards his learning.

Tae Andrews - for showing perseverance when learning to skip & helping others.

Quinn Hewlett - working hard to learn how to skip. Ka pai Quinn!

Room 8: Hugo Morrison & Jaxon Brown - awesome "story walk" writing.

Mikayla Moffat - showing great understanding when working with fractions.

Quade Hanigan - amazing writing & illustration on his storywalk.

Jazon Hurley - great effort & understanding of fractions.

Room 9: Zoe Grant - listening to feedback & working hard to improve your writing.

Trey Quertier - great clarifying of words during reading.

Mia Matakere, Mykaela & Noah Rauraa - settling into GMS & joining in on all our activities.

Values Awards

Room 1: Aaron Weir - always showing respect for his friends, teachers & school.

O'Riley Murdoch - who is an amazing role model of Respect.

Room 2: Rosie Stevenson - being respectful to everyone at GMS & the environment.

Indigo Middleton - always being a kind & caring friend & showing Respect.

Room 3: Lukah Quertier - being a kind, caring & respectful member of Room 3. You are a super star!

Blake McCall - always a kind, respectful & caring class member.

Room 4: Jur'nee Turipa - being respectful to all your classmates & the teachers. A great member of Room 4.

Isla Scott - always showing Respect to others.

Room 5: Ekamjot Hanjrah - excellent respect to everyone at GMS.

Medina Blythe - being respectful at all times.

Room 7: Hana-Opal Honeyman - Hana is a kind & caring member of Room 7.

Leme' le Grange - is a kind class member who is always willing to help others.

Ivory Manukau - is a very respectful member of Room 7.

Room 8: Sienna McCall - for always being a respectful caring class member.

Sophie Buchanan - amazing, kind & respectful member of Room 8.

Room 9: Marni Moody & Joanna Valera - always showing respect inside & outside the classroom.

Reo Rangatira

Room 1: Hayley Bradley & Kyle Johnson

Room 2: Hudson Tree & Demetrius Avramenko-Edwards

Room 3: Blake McCall & Evelyn Alderton

Room 4: Mitchell Green & Ivy Swindells

Room 5: Indie Copland & Kora Mercer

Room 7: Thea Davis & Charlie Grant

Room 8: Elijah Taylor & Sienna McCall

Room 9: Lucy Smith & Melanie Elliott

School Uniform

In Term 2 sun hats are not required. Please make sure that your child has an approved school jacket. Black jackets can be purchased from Southern Workwear and Blue fleece jackets from The Warehouse.

Merino Jerseys

We are approaching our cooler days here in Gore and now would be a great time to order your Merino Jersey as I am taking orders now. If any family would like to order one for their child please contact me. They are \$85 per jersey and if you would like to view sizes I do have samples at the office.

Heat Ups

Heat ups are back for Term 2-3. Please ensure that all food is clearly labelled and that it only requires heating (Not cooking).

Subway

Subway orders are every Friday and must be placed before 8am each Friday morning.
PLEASE NOTE - NO SUBWAY NEXT WEEK THE 17TH JUNE 2022

School Fees

Just a reminder to those who still have outstanding fees if they can please get them paid **ASAP**. As mentioned in the previous newsletter if you are finding it hard to pay the full amount I am only too happy for it to be paid off. Remember the school still gets charged for these activities. I would also like to thank the families who have paid their fees.

Enrol Today

GMS is now only accepting enrolments from families who live in zone or who currently have siblings at school. If you have siblings starting this year and you haven't enrolled please do so asap.

GMS Discovery Time Transition Programme

Turning 5 and starting school can be a stressful time for 5 year olds and also for parents. At GMS we are making that transition as seamless as possible. When you enrol at GMS and from around 4.5 years old, you can bring your child along to Discovery Time. Discovery Time is every Wednesday from 1.30-2.30pm. This gives your child time to become familiar with teachers, classmates, older children and the principal. There is no limit to the amount of sessions you can come to. By day 1 your child will be running into school.

Dates Term 2

23rd May - Cross Country (Postponed)
24th May - Whānau Hui
30th May - Rugby Ambassador
30th May - BOT Meeting
31st May - Senior Trip to Dolamore Park
1st June - Rippa Rugby Tournament
6th June - Queens Bday
22nd June - Jumping June Day
24th June - Matariki
30th June and 1st July - Poetry Recital
7th July - Poetry Recital Final
8th July - Last Day of Term 2

Have your contact details changed?

If your contact details have changed or you feel as though you haven't heard from us in a long time then we might have the wrong contact information. Please contact Jan in the office today and let us know.

Storywalk - Hound the Detective

If you love a good mystery or fancy yourself a bit of a super sleuth- you need to check out the new StoryWalk® book *Hound the Detective!*

Meet Hound, a brilliant detective who ALWAYS solves his case.

But this latest trail of clues has him perplexed - could it be that he's missed something important?

As you take a walk through the autumn leaves, search for the clues and a green caterpillar hidden in each picture to help Hound to solve the mystery.

With glorious autumn-themed illustrations and a rhyming riddle that builds and builds, everyone is sure to love the Hound and this whodunnit tale!

Activities to complement the story:

- Collect your very own detective notebook from the start of the StoryWalk® and tick off the clues as you find them (Bring a pencil/pen)
- Find the green caterpillar hidden in every picture
- Test your observation skills on the *Spot the Difference* page at the end of the walk.

Hokonui St John

We here at Hokonui St John are trying to grow the Hokonui Youth Division. This is a great way for children to start the journey in first aid if that interests them.

The children get the opportunity to go to competitions and it is a great way to make new friends. The St John Youth programme focuses on teaching young people first aid, health care, leadership, and life skills. There are fantastic opportunities to meet new people, have new experiences and of course, have fun! As well as acquiring valuable skills, youth members work towards various badges.

Hokonui St John Training Room

35 Charlton Road, Gore

Cadets (8-18 years) - Tuesdays 6.30-8pm

Hokonui Marching Team



The poster features a black background with a white Hokonui logo at the top. On the left, there are three small photographs: the top one shows two girls in marching uniforms, the middle one shows a group of girls in uniforms, and the bottom one shows two girls in uniforms. The text on the right is in white and red. It reads: 'HOKONU' in large red letters, followed by 'Under 12's & OFC Marching Teams.' in white. Below that, it says 'Invites you to HAVE A GO' in red, with 'Sunday, 26th of June, 1-2.30pm' in white. The location is 'at Longford Intermediate School hall'. There are three questions in white: 'Do you want to try something new or return to Marching?', 'Do you want to have fun and love to dance?', and 'Do you want to make new friends and be part of the Hokonui family?'. It then says 'WE WOULD LOVE TO MEET YOU!!' in white. At the bottom, it lists 'Hokonui U12s Competitive, ages 7-12' and 'Hokonui OFC Non-Competitive, ages 5-10' in red. Finally, it says 'FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT LEVANA & AALIYAH 021 264 5708' in white.

Coming Soon: Penguins (6-8 years) - Tuesdays
5.30-6.30pm
For more information or to register your interest
contact :
Marilyn 027 637 2008
Debbie 027 606 6689.
(Especially if you are a Penguin wanting to join)

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