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Tumuaki / Principal's Column

Kia ora e ngā whānau me ngā hoa o te Kura Tuatahi of Goodwood.

As Dorothy famously said “ there’s no place like home!”

It is great to be back after a wonderful sabbatical. I had the real privilege of visiting a number of schools, centres and universities across the United Kingdom. The generosity of the many teachers, leaders, researchers, children and families I met was truly appreciated.

My time away also allowed me to acknowledge just how special our school is, and I am looking forward to a great term ahead.

The trip allowed me to do two really important things. The first was to connect with leading researchers and educators as they grappled with a worldwide challenge in how to meet the increasingly complex learning and social needs of a wide range of learners. The second was to reflect on the work we are doing in Aotearoa, and at Goodwood in particular, by contrasting our practice with that of a completely different jurisdiction.

I was able to achieve both objectives. The work of the [Anna Freud](#) organisation was particularly inspirational. Established by the ‘founder’ of modern child psychology (and daughter of Sigmund) Anna Freud, the centre leads cutting edge research, professional development and consultancy as well as providing a school for students with high and complex needs.

Attending the UK national SENDCo (Special Educational Needs / Disabilities Coordinators) and Child Mental Health Conferences allowed me to connect with internationally renowned theorists and researchers. Visits to leading UK schools allowed me to view high quality provision at the ‘chalkface.’

Each experience has sharpened my thinking and helped me to develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of the complexities of supporting learners who are neurodivergent. Each experience also illuminated the wonderful work that is happening at our school. Many of the initiatives our team has implemented in recent years, including regulation stations, soft starts, explorer led clubs and preview are viewed as world class practice.

What was also clear was that our practice runs ‘on the smell of an oily rag’ and the generosity of highly dedicated school leaders and teachers (and whānau). Our operational funding for inclusion (determined largely by our equity / decile ranking) is around \$18000 or enough to fund half of one teacher aide. Our school finds almost 10 x this amount to provide six wonderful teacher aides who work across our 18 classrooms. In the UK a teacher aide per class was the norm for schools serving communities of a similar type and size to ours.

Due to inadequate funding to fully meet the increasingly complex needs of our explorers we need to work with innovation and creativity. We also need to work together as this is community work. My final report explores some of these ideas and I look forward to sharing it with you all

following its current peer review. I also look forward to extrapolating some of the ideas through future newsletters. This is important work.

Time to complete this work was a privilege and was only possible due to the dedication and hard work of our team. I would like to thank Marsha and Lynda and our teaching and support teams on such a successful term. Knowing that our school and explorers were in such great hands made my travel and study all the more enjoyable.

Have a great week.

David and your Goodwood team



Happy October birthday to:

Kaedyn W, Thomas N, Mackenzie S, Samuel S, Anah T, Ishi G, Summer V-W, Sherry M, Luca U-M, Stanley P, Echo L, Harry O'C, Hannah B, Adam S, Kade W, George C, Poppy F, Zara M, Louisa M, Connor M, Johnny L, Wyatt P, Quinn L, Thomas M and Nicholas D.

School App - have you downloaded?

All current information is available on our school calendar at...[GOODWOOD SCHOOL CALENDAR](#) and are also available on our school app for [Android](#) or [Apple](#) at present we have over 2000 downloads.

Every day matters!

You will have no doubt seen the new [Ministry of Education initiatives](#) to increase rates of attendance at schools. While details are still being developed we will be required to introduce a new 'stepped' (STAR) approach as determined by Associate Minister Seymour. Much of the new initiative will reinforce our current practice and you will know that we have been working in partnership with you on attendance matters for a while now. What is new is the government's 'steps' relating to levels of absence including directing the Ministry to take a more active role in prosecution processes.

So how are we going? Our term 3 data is hot of the press and shows that 60% of our explorers attended regularly (according to the MOE definition of >90% of the time) This is below the government's target of 80% regular attendance. Interestingly around a quarter of our term three absences were due to term time holidays.

Term 3 Summary

How many students regularly attended school this term?

 Regular Attendance

60%

Compared to 55% in Term 3, 2023

 Irregular Absence 26%

Compared to 30% in Term 3, 2023

 Moderate Absence 11%

Compared to 10% in Term 3, 2023

 Chronic Absence 3%

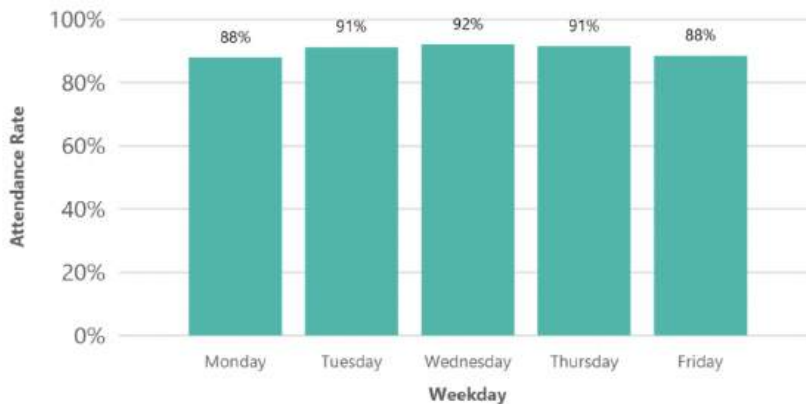
Compared to 5% in Term 3, 2023

What were the main reasons given for absence this term?

-  (M) Illness / Medical Absence 59%
-  (G) Holiday 24%
-  (E) Accepted (but unjustified) 14%
-  (T) Unexplained / Trivial 2%
-  (J) Justified (other) 1%

Our overall attendance is interesting. Generally around 90% of our explorers are at school on a given day (regular attendance per explorer is a very different measure). Monday and Friday attendance is below that of the other week days!

What is your average attendance rate for each weekday?



We would like to see our rates of regular attendance increase this term. This is a partnership and we look forward to working with you to lift these rates - including by providing regular updates on overall attendance. Everyday matters.

Interschool Cross Country Results

Congratulations to our outstanding interschool cross country team who competed at the recent Cambridge Championships. Our team of 40 runners showed real GRIT in cold and windy conditions at the Mighty River Lake Karāpiro Domain. Special congratulations to Addy and Katie who are the 2024 Cambridge Champions for their age groups! Thank you to our wonderful parent helpers and to Mrs Miles who organised the event.

8 Year Olds		9 Year Olds	
Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys
8th Georgia B	6th Nikau J	1st Katie T 5th Beth I 9th Jack W	4th Baxter B 6th Solomon B
10 Year Olds		11 Year Olds	
Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys
1st Addy R 3rd Lulu T 6th Mackenzie S	5th Mase W	2nd Chloe P 4th Ava B 9th Olive O	3rd Josh C 7th Ty M

Mihi whakatau

We will be holding a mihi whakatau to welcome any new explorers, whānau and staff who have not been welcomed to Goodwood in this way as of yet.

The mihi whakatau starts in the - amphitheatre if fine - if wet horo / hall.

We are looking for a male whānau member to whaikōrero / speak on behalf of our new families and staff. We can give you lots of help - please contact david@goodwood.school.nz or 027 846 8959 if you may be interested in this exciting role - you explorer will be so excited (as will we!!)

Class placement - 2025

We are about to begin working on our school structure and class placement for 2025.

This process takes considerable time and thought. All teachers consider learning abilities and styles, peer friendships and support, class size, social and academic strengths to create equitable classroom environments for all explorers. We value each explorer as an individual and as a part of a class community.

Powerful reciprocal partnerships between home and school are important to us. As we consider class placement for 2025 we are seeking any additional information you think we need to know to help with placements.

This form is OPTIONAL for you to fill out.

This is not asking for teacher preference or to be placed with friends. Fill in a separate form for each child. Classroom teachers will be directing whānau to fill in this form to ensure your voice is captured as you intend it. You will find the form [here](#).

Any further comments or questions, see Marsha or David.

Staffing News

Katie Mackenzie has been on leave this year, to travel. She is thoroughly enjoying her travels to see places around the globe - so much so that she has resigned from her role at Goodwood to continue her travels and will not be returning in 2025. Katie does have some availability to relieve this term and we look forward to welcoming her back in the next couple of weeks.

Susan Campbell is taking a step back from full-time teaching for 2025 and has resigned from her position. Susan will complete her time with Goodwood at the end of this term.

We thank both Katie and Susan for their contributions to teaching explorers while at Goodwood.

Iceblocks - for sale Friday - Week 2 onwards...

Starting next week - Friday 25 October - iceblocks will be for sale at 3pm - in the amphitheatre.

Iceblocks are \$2. Cash is the best way to get your iceblock.



Group Day - Friday 25th October 2024

Hautapu School is hosting Group Day this year. If you would like to enter group day please complete the following form: [Hautapu Group Day 2024](#)

Finally bring you this year's
**Cambridge Students
Agricultural Club Group Day**
Friday 25th October 2024

Places to be confirmed

Once open it runs, registration is free, judging commences 10:00am.
H&A, riding & refreshments will be available for cash purchase.

Class	Lozels & H&A
1. Leading	1. Card, 10mins, run
2. Riding	2. Leading
3. Tying	3. Riding
4. Team of three	4. Team of three

Please fill in the entry form provided before Tuesday 23rd October
Any queries please contact Caroline at Hautapu School
admin@hautapuprimary.co.nz or phone 01 227 1100

Ag Day Prize Giving - 2024

Lambs		
Champion Call, Follow, Run	BW Marsh Jubilee Cup	Ella McCullough
Champion Leading	J Sharland Cup	Georgia Lea
Champion Rearing	D and H Heaslip	Florence Hayward
Supreme Champion Lamb	Overall Points Cup	Ellah McCullogh

Calves		
Champion Leading	Chamberlain Family Cup	Ella Ryan
Champion Rearing	J C SHaw Cup	McKenzie Shaw
Champion Type	G C Colquhoun Cup	Amelia Shaw
Supreme Champion Calf	Bruce and Nolene Hills Cup	Lachlan Shaw





Ag Day - bucket garden, miniature farm and scarecrow...

Miniature Farm	1st	2nd	3rd
Year 0 - 2	Strada Brewer	Gracyn Forket	Arlo Jones
Year 3 - 4	Luca Hobbs	Keiza Jesani	Hannah Bradford
Year 5 - 6	Assif Regev-Dayan	Charlotte Jecks	Sofie-ella Hall

Bucket Garden	1st	2nd	3rd
Year 0 - 2	Paige Beattie	Isabelle Morrison	Lacey Tucker
Year 3 - 4	Anouk Miene	Blake Keene	Ashton Monk
Year 5 - 6	Emily and Charlotte Crooks	Sophie Haydon	Maddie Culph

Scarecrow	1st	2nd	3rd
Open category	Imogen Hinton	Lucas Beach	Jackson Crouch

Term 4 - pōtae/hats required - sun protection

Goodwood School aims to:

- protect our students and staff from excessive exposure to UVR while they are at school, or involved with off-site school activities, including sports and Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC)
- educate the whole school community about the harmful effects of excessive exposure to UVR, and how to keep themselves safe.

We inform and remind all staff, parents, and other members of the school community (such as coaches, volunteers, etc) about our sun protection policy.

We educate our students about sun safety by communicating age-appropriate information about sun exposure and protection. We provide this information annually in class programmes for every year level.

Timing of the policy



Our sun protection policy applies between 10 am and 4 pm, during terms 1 and 4.

Students are to wear wide brimmed hats. Goodwood hats are available at the school office for \$20.

Staff are encouraged to model appropriate sunsafe behaviour by wearing sun protective hats and clothing, sunscreen, and making use of shade whenever possible. Parents are also encouraged to wear sunhats and be positive role models when picking up children or participating in school activities.

All Goodwood School policies can be found at:
www.schooldocs.co.nz . Search for "Goodwood School" and "enter". When prompted enter goodwood (all lower case) as the username and explore (all lower case) as the password.

Term dates - 2024/2025

2024 - Term whā: Monday 14 October - Tuesday 17 December

2025 - Term tahi: Thursday 30 January - Friday 11 April

Weetbix Tryathlon

You can register and join the Goodwood Team: [HERE](#)

You can find out more about the event: [HERE](#)

Weetbix Tryathlon is an exceptionally well run and fun event. Goodwood explorers return year after year to take part.

DATE

Sunday 08th December 2024, 7:00 am

LOCATION

St. Peter's Cambridge

ENTRY AGE

Entry is open to all 6 to 15 year olds.
(Based on age on event day)

ENTRY OPTIONS

- Individual TRYathlon 7 – 15 years
- Splash & Dash 6 years
- Junior Team 7 – 10 years
- Senior Team 11- 15 years



Get to know the Goodwood Team

We asked one of our office team Caitlin the following 10 questions:

1. *What is your favourite pastime?* **Family Holidays**
2. *What is your favourite food?* **Chips and dips**
3. *What music do you like to listen to?* **Classic pop and rock!**
4. *Are you a night owl or morning person?* **Both**
5. *Where is your favourite holiday spot?* **New York City**
6. *What season do you like best?* **Autumn**
7. *What is your 'go to' board game?* **Scattergories**
8. *What was your first Primary School?* **Pamapurua School, Northland**
9. *If you could have a superpower what would it be?* **Magic**
10. *What is your favourite movie or book?* **Love Actually**



We will have another team member featured in the next edition!

Good News Goodwood

So good to welcome back our explorers for an exciting term 4! There was such a happy and excited buzz around our kura!

It was also good to welcome the sunshine and to see our explorers (and staff team) staying safe by wearing broad rimmed hats.

Hats are compulsory when learning and playing outside during term one and four. Goodwood hats are for sale in the office and any broad rimmed hat is fine.



Over the break Addy took part in the New Zealand Squash junior championships in Auckland - and is now the New Zealand under 11 girls champ!

Addy trains twice a week with coaches and then has some other self-training sessions with whānau. Addy's top tip to taking part in a championship is to 'play like its any other game'.

Ag Day inspired creations were underway in all our classes today. Explorers are working with their buddy classes to complete.





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Racing runs from the 24th of October to the 19th of December & the 23rd of January to the 13th of March.
Rego opens at 5:45PM, closes at 6:20PM.
Racing starts at 6:30PM.
3 tracks to choose from. Tracks for all skills, ages & fitness levels. Races last for 60 mins. Your best 10 races will determine this years summer series winners!
Free for Te Miro club members. \$5 non members.

Please pre-register for your first race by 4:00PM using the link provided or on our website under events.

Any questions please email temiromtbevents@gmail.com or contact 027 236 3778 A/H



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Splash Polo is an easy way for all children to be active while trying something new.



It's a great sport for building water confidence, learning new ball skills, learning to swim and be safe around the water all while in a shallow pool.

www.waikatowaterpolo.co.nz

The game is for primary aged children from Years 3 - 6

Splash Polo
Is a beginners version of water polo for young kids wanting to get in the pool and have some fun, learning new skills and making new friends.

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