



GORDONTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Anchored in MANA - Manaakitanga - Awhina - Ngākau Pono - Ako



HARD COURT DAY

THIS WEEK'S WHAKATAUKI

**Whakatauki Pai tu,
Pai hinga, na wai ra
ka oti**

Good to stand, good
to fall. Continue on
and eventually the
work is complete.
Not everything is
smooth sailing, but
we keep moving
forward.

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome to Week 4. The term is racing by already.

Children are currently preparing for speeches and will be getting into production soon. Get ready to start hearing them sing the same songs over and over. Practice makes perfect!

**PTA MEETING
WEDNESDAY 18TH
AUGUST 3:00PM
IN THE STAFFROOM**



PIEDAY FRIDAY
Get your orders &
payment in by
Thursday 12pm



DAFFODIL DAY
Friday 27 August
Dress in YELLOW



AG DAY
Friday 22nd
October



**BULL CALF
FUNDRAISER**
See below for
details

Over the last couple of weeks I have attended meetings with Principals to re-join the Community of Learners. Last week I attended a meeting where we were welcomed to re-join the Te Pae Here Kahui Ako. We are excited about this great opportunity to be part of a Community of Learners that share similar interests in developing localised curriculum and improved engagement and achievement for our akonga (learners).

Manaakitanga-Kindness, care & respect

Thank you to those who have asked about Keith. He is doing well at home, if a little bored. He is well on the road to recovery.

In Keith's absence, Grant Carter is our Acting Deputy Principal and is helping me run the school. Grant will still be in Room 4 but is in the office for 2 days a week, to help me out. As usual, Dee Robertson is taking good care of us in the office.

Ngākau Pono-Integrity, loyalty & honesty

Thank you to Mrs Conder and the team who went to EWCS Hard Court Day. The days started off nicely with a rather abrupt end caused by a downpour of rain. As usual, our tamariki showed they were anchored in MANA and had a fun time.

Ako-Quality teaching & learning

This week our Year 3 - 8 students start learning about financial literacy through ASB Getwise. This is a great opportunity for them to learn about saving and the value of money. Unfortunately ASB no longer offer the programme to Year 1 and 2 children which is why they are not part of this programme.

Conferences

We have conferences coming up in a few weeks. This is an opportunity for you to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their learning so far and next steps moving forward. Conferences are on Wednesday 1 September and Thursday 2 September. We will close at lunchtime on Wednesday 1 September. Please find details later in the newsletter on how to book your conference.

Awhina-supporting others to be the best they can be

Last week, some of our AIMS girls went to Stark Properties to thank them for sponsoring their uniforms for AIMS.



Thank you to Stark Properties for helping our girls get to AIMS Games. Only a few more weeks before the girls compete.

Coming up next week is Daffodil Day. We will be supporting the Cancer Foundation with a gold coin donation and encouraging children to dress in yellow.

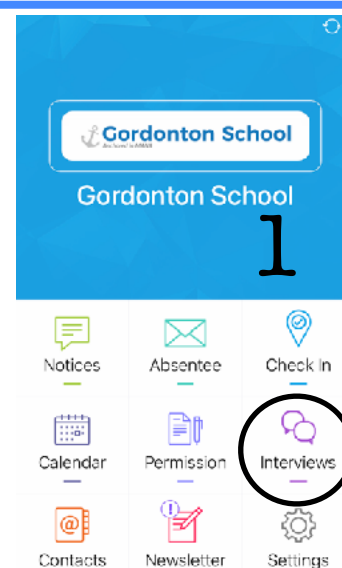
More than 25,000 New Zealanders are diagnosed with cancer every year. Daffodil Day symbolises hope for all New Zealanders impacted by cancer. Please give generously on Friday 27 August.

Kia pai tō Wiki (Have a lovely week)
Tania Rogers, Acting Principal

BOOKING PARENT CONFERENCES

Please download the **SKOOLLOOP** app.

1. Click on the INTERVIEWS BUTTON
2. Select the TEACHER
3. Select the DAY
4. Select the TIME
5. Enter in your CHILD'S NAME, YOUR NAME and your EMAIL ADDRESS
6. SIGN the form
7. Click BOOK INTERVIEW



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Select the teachers...

- Room 1-Marian Conder
- Room 10-Andrea Grayburn
- Room 11-Neska Steenekamp
- Room 12-Lucinda Ransley
- Room 2-Catherine Thomson
- Room 3-Hayley van Hellemond
- Room 4-Grant Carter
- Room 5-Peter Hunt
- Room 6-Brooke Kane
- Room 7-Fnva Smuts

Select Teachers

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Room 3-Hayley van Hellemond Change

Select a date...

Wednesday, Sep 1, 2021

Thursday, Sep 2, 2021

Select Date

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Room 1-Marian Conder Change

Wednesday, Sep 1, 2021 Change

Select the times...

- 1:15 PM - Room 1-Marian Conder
- 1:30 PM - Room 1-Marian Conder
- 1:45 PM - Room 1-Marian Conder
- 2:00 PM - Room 1-Marian Conder
- 2:15 PM - Room 1-Marian Conder
- 2:30 PM - Room 1-Marian Conder
- 3:15 PM - Room 1-Marian Conder
- 3:30 PM - Room 1-Marian Conder

Select Times

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Teachers: Room 1-Marian Conder

Date: Wednesday, Sep 1, 2021

Times 2:30 PM

Room 1-Marian Conder - 2:30 PM - Student/child name:

John Smith

Parent/guardian name:

Jane Smith

Email (optional, we'll send you an email confirming this booking):

jane@example.com

Signature (tap to edit):

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FAQ

1. YES, you will receive an email confirming your interview time.
2. YES, you will need to do this for each child
3. Can't download the App? Please contact Dee in the office, she will book a time for you - admin@gordonton.school.nz
Please note: Teachers are unable to book times for you, please see Dee.

Hi all.

We are now taking registrations for the Gordonton School Annual Calf Fundraiser. This is one of the bigger fundraiser for our school . Farmers and non farmers can get involved.

Early indications are pointing to a not very strong bull market this year unfortunately, however, things can change. So this might be the year of The Virtual Calf.

The Virtual Calf means non farmers can get involved and make a donation to the school as well. Email the school for the PTA bank details. This is an easy and simple way for our community to support Gordonton School.

We need our children to get the best out of their school. So 100% of all proceeds raised go directly to improve Gordonton School in areas where the Ministry of Education do not put money into or not enough.

I am pleased to announce Jamie Haultain has jumped onboard to continue this great fundraiser as, sadly this year is our last year with Gordonton School. Jamie and I are more than happy to talk to anyone wanting to know more about the calf fundraiser.

Thanks Wayne and Jamie

Please Ph Jamie Haultain 027 646 3618
Wayne Lucey 021 289 2038



Pie Day Friday **CONTINUING FOR TERM 3**

Reminder to get orders and payment in by 12pm Thursday. We only order what we need and the orders are made on Thursday afternoons so please make sure your order is in on time.



Sausage rolls are \$2.00, pies are \$3.00 and Butter chicken wraps are \$4.00.

Orders for Pie Day Friday will be online and payments will need to be made by **12pm Thursday** for orders to be filled.

Here is the link to order pies. [**PIEDAY FRIDAY**](#)

