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Fortnightly Newsletter

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**LABOUR WEEKEND
SCHOOL CLOSED
MONDAY
24 OCTOBER 2022**

**TEACHER ONLY DAY
SCHOOL CLOSED
MONDAY
7 NOVEMBER 2022**

IMPORTANT DATES

24 Oct Labour Day—closed
26 Oct PTA Fun Day
27 Oct William Pike Kayaking
28 Oct WP—Tori Peeters Breakfast
3 Nov Eastern Athletics
4 Nov William Pike Kayaking
6 Nov WGS—Home & Garden
7 Nov Teacher Only Day—closed
10 Nov William Pike Ropes Course
17 Nov Longford Triathlon
19 Nov Southland Athletics
29 Nov Yr8 students to GHS
29 Nov Yr6 students to Longford
14 Dec Prize-giving—evening
15 Dec End of year—3pm
2023 18-27 June—Year 8 Camps

Tori Peeters Breakfast

Thomas Green

Friday 28 October 2022

7.30am—\$60

Proceeds to Cancer Society

Contact Shelley for tickets

027 540 6615

Longford Lit Quiz

Congratulations to our Lit Quiz teams who competed at the end of last term in the Southland heat.

Team 1: Sam Matheson, Sophie Winkel, Cassy Callick & Ava Wornall.

Team 2: Cael Galog, Summer Karan, Katelyn Horrell and Livy Barnett.

Team 3: Matthew Clinton, Elsie Connorton, Annelie Wilson and Charli Pearce.

Report from the Principal

Kia Ora parents, whanau & caregivers

Arriving at school

We welcome students to school after 8:30am but we are finding that some children are getting to school earlier and earlier with a number of them getting here well before 8:00am. This is a time that teachers need to be preparing for the day and so should not be responsible for supervising children. We have a bell that goes at 8:30am that is an indication that students can go into their classrooms, but until that bell rings they must stay outside. Please help us by ensuring that your child arrives at school between 8:30 and 8:50am.

Teacher Only Day

We will be having our final teacher only day for the year on Monday 7 November. On this day the teachers will be involved in curriculum reporting professional development. Please put this date on your calendar and we will put out a reminder before the day.

Reporting

Teachers are now gathering data on the achievement of their students to be able to

write their reports for the end of the year. These reports will be posted on their seesaw page. It is important that parents keep looking at what the students are posting on their seesaw page because it is an indication of the work that they are completing in the class and the level that they are working at. The reports will be posted on the Seesaw site on December 9.

Uniform

We have been very pleased with the way that our students have been wearing their school uniform this year. A big thanks to all parents as you have all ensured that your children have the correct uniform and that they are wearing it. We will keep on monitoring the uniform throughout term 4 as this is a time that the standard can fall a little bit and it would be a shame. Please remind your children that they need to bring their sports uniform for PE and other sports events.

Yvonne Catherwood

Principal

He waka eke noa – We're all in this together!

West Gore School
Home & Garden Tour
Flyer attached to this newsletter

**Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday 3 November 2022
Meeting Room—7.00pm**

PRIDE Trophy—Anika Duncan

It is my great pleasure today to award the PRIDE Trophy to Anika Duncan. I am lucky enough to be Anika's teacher this year and I have to say I could not be more proud of how far this young woman has come in the last three terms. When I first met Anika she was incredibly quiet and shy, there would be times when I would be sitting right beside her and be unable to hear her speak. Fast forward to today, Anika walks into the classroom at 8:30 every day with a massive, warm smile on her face and there are days I can't get a word in between her chatter and giggles. Anika will get up in front of the class and confidently perform a role play and even put up her hand and contribute to class discussions! Having only come to Longford at the end of last year, Anika has had to work hard to develop new relationships and now has a great small group of friends who she shows great loyalty to. Learning isn't something that has always come easy to Anika, but this is where she really digs deep and shows perseverance and resilience. Anika wants to learn and be the best that she can be, and she has developed some great strategies that work for her and her learning style. Anika, you consistently demonstrate Longford's PRIDE values and I am so excited to continue to watch you blossom in Term 4. Congratulations! Miss Adams



PRIDE Trophy—Saffron Barrow

It is my pleasure to be awarding the Pride Trophy this week to Saffron Barrow. I was very lucky this year and I was able to go to the year 8 camp with Saffron's class. It gave me the opportunity to get to know Saffron in a different way. Saffron's kind and caring nature makes her a joy to be around. She looks out for her peers and is a loyal friend. She is well respected by both staff and students. Saffron is very dedicated to her work, she strives for excellence and produces work to a high standard. This is very evident in the science board she has produced this term. Saffron is an inclusive member of Longford Intermediate ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to be involved. Saffron wears her uniform with pride and is an active member of the school community participating in sports as well as being one of our Kapa Haka leaders. Saffron is particularly good at basketball and I have had the pleasure of being able to watch her play on a few occasions. Saffron you are a very deserving recipient of the pride trophy, congratulations. Miss Forbes



BOARD UPDATE

Kia ora and welcome back to Term 4. As you will be aware we had Board of Trustees Elections last term, so I would like to take this opportunity to introduce your current Board members:

- Leah Wilson (Presiding Member)
 - Erin Howes
 - Damon Topi
 - Gary Iddenten
 - Chris Carson (Selected Member)
 - Lynne Grant (to be co-opted on)
 - Nicky Millar (Staff Representative)
 - Yvonne Catherwood (Principal)
- Due to us only getting two nominations we did not need to hold a vote and were also one member short, so after asking our school community if there were any issues with selecting a member on we have selected Chris Carson, who is one of our past members. We look forward to giving you an update soon on the proposed merge with Gore High, but are still waiting on the Minister of Education to approve this.
- Thank you,
Leah Wilson (Presiding Member)

Eastern Basketball

U13 B Grade Champions

Five Longford students were very successful at a recent tournament: Livy Barnett, Ashley Lithgow, Narisha Honeyman, Saffron Barrow and Gabby Callick. Congratulations—well done everyone.

Cancer Fundraiser—Baking

Thank you to the following students and the Cancer support ladies who supported our students with baking for the community.

Charli Pearce, Paige, Harris, Eden Knapp, Katelyn Horrell, Sophia Hadfield, Matthew Clinton, Marie Blondell, Heidi Lucassen, Bella McKenzie, Annelie Wilson, Cael Galog, Sophie Faulks, Emily Watt, Jackson Rufford, Sophie Winkel, Ashley Lithgow, Ashley Newland, Tess Blondell, Summer Karan, Livy Barnett and Jaicee Peterson. Well done everyone.

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Sports Information—Term 4

For further details on all sports available this term please go to the Longford Intermediate Sport Facebook page.

Cricket

Cricket Registrations are now open for Term 4. The students options are Girls Smash Tuesday night and either boys/girls can register for Friday night cricket.

Cricket starts in the first week of November - 1st & 4th.

The signup page for Longford Intermediate cricket is at this link here: <https://www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/org/longford-intermediate/2e64d68c/register>

Softball - Yr 7 & 8 Tournament in Invercargill, Sunday 6th November. If your child is interested in being in a team please comment on Sport FB page or register with Mrs Allison at the office.

Tennis Coaching - Thursday afternoon's - see FB page for more details.

Touch Rugby - Thursday afternoon's starting today - bronnies@longford.school.nz if your child is not registered for that.

PRIDE Awards

- 1CA Nate Kirby/Muqtasid Mohammed
- 2CF Heidi Lucassen/Paige Harris
- 3PG Jaicee Peterson
- 7MH Ava Wornall/Mario Rowe
- 8AP Summer Porima/Lily Johns
- 9SC Ashley Lithgow/Benji Pasco
- S Tech Elsie Connorton/Brodie Johnston
- H Tech Iraia Kahakura/Jackson Rufford
- Kiwi Can: Ben Greer
- PRIDE Trophy: Saffron Barrow and Anika Duncan

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All of the Longford School policies can be accessed through the SchoolDocs website by searching schooldocs.co.nz. The user-name is longford and the password is pride.

Eastern Basketball Tournament



We competed in the Regional Ashburton tournament during the school holidays in the A grade competition. Our boys played with determination and implemented game plans with success. We played two games every day in highly contested matches. These boys represented Eastern Southland with pride and are a credit to their whānau. They made this an enjoyable experience for everyone and demonstrated excellent fair play skills and sportsmanship on and off the court. Dana Turnbull

Back row (left to right): Jayden Hunter, Jack Wilkins, Brodie Johnston & James Grant.

Middle row: Max McGregor (St P), Hugo Howes & Bain Turnbull (St P).

Front row: Peter Howes (Coach), Hosea Pasco, Will Abernethy, Mike Johnston (Co-coach) & Dana Turnbull (Manageress).

Mataura Golf Report

Yesterday Longford Intermediate entered a golf tournament. Four teams of 4 players travelled to Mataura Golf Club to compete against other schools, but most importantly, to have fun. Thank you to the parents who took the teams down. A funny thing happened when one of the Longford golfers hit a ball into a tree and as it came down it made a ding noise on every branch it hit. For some of us it was the first time we played golf and we look forward to trying it again. Bentley Rowe 3PG.

Congratulations to two of our teams who have qualified to play in the Southland tournament later in the term: Longford 2 – Tex Andrews, Daniel Udy, Riley Reed, Elsie Connorton 6th place. Longford 1 - Cory Holland, Will Abernethy, Max Heaps and Phoebe Carson 7th place.



William Pike Challenge

Tramps—Several students and their parents took part in a tramp at Glenorchy last weekend. Thank you to Bronnie Grant and Maggie Harvey for organising this activity. Hope you all had a great experience and lots of fun.

Kayaking—Students are invited to register for this activity on the 27 October or 4th November. (Students will be allocated to one of these dates.) This will be run by Adventure Southland instructors for an hour session. Cost is \$20 per student. Please register by completing the form on the William Pike Facebook page.

Ropes Course—To be held at Adventure Southland's Rope Course (Lorneville) on Thursday 10th November. Cost is \$25.00 per students Please register by completing the form on the William Pike Facebook page.

The Great Little Train Show

22-23 October 2022

10am – 4pm

SSME Club Grounds & Badminton Hall

Surrey Park Invercargill.

Gore High School Coaching

Year 8 students have been enjoying coaching sessions with Gore High School, Year 12 P.E. students recently. They have been learning and playing Turbo Touch. This has been a wonderful experience for our students to make connections with senior students before next year as well as a lot of fun. Students will enjoy a couple of more sessions this term.



Longford Girls' Rugby 10's

This year Rugby Southland put on a competition for year 7 & 8 girls to play rugby which has been awesome! Longford got a team together even including some girls who have never played rugby before. We had a dad, Chris Duffy put his hand up to coach (Thanks very much!) and had two local women's rugby players who helped with coaching too which was awesome (Thanks Mary-Ann and Georgia- you guys were really inspiring for the girls). Getting into the action of playing was a bit daunting to start with but everyone put their all into the games and with more listening and training they all improved so much throughout the 4 weeks of games. For the last week all teams from southland came together for a festival and we played two different teams from southland beating them both! First game was against James Hargest winning 6-5 tries and the 2nd game against Waiau we won by 13-4 tries! The girls were absolutely stoked with this result. Its been a great experience for them all and hopefully they will be keen to play again next year and onwards!

Back row: Tui McWilliam, Te Tipua; Charlotte McDowall, Narisha Honeyman, Kymarii Hetet, Bella J Elers, Tiana Maguire, **Middle row:** Georgie Nicholls, Te Tipua; Katelyn Horrell, Paige Harris, **Front row:** Katie Duffy and Kim Green.



RDA Tuesday Afternoons

On Tuesday afternoons during the term we have students attending RDA. From left to right: Aidyn Soper, Hayden Young, Damian Richardson, Otis Hare and Ruby Cupit, pictured with their favourite horses.



BAYLEYS

ARE PROUD TO SUPPORT

HOME & GARDEN TOUR

10am to 4pm, Sunday 6 November 2022

Tickets with included picnic lunch are available for \$40 each (must be ordered before 31st October 2022) Standard tickets available for \$25.

Purchase your tickets online via bit.ly/3TOJXFh, from West Gore School, or Bayleys Gore. Limited tickets will be available on the day from West Gore School.

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Friday 28th October

\$60 per ticket

Includes Breakfast

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Doors Open 7:30am

Raffles will be available

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE CANCER SOCIETY



CONTACT SHELLEY FOR TICKETS ON 027 540 6615



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