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School Social - Thursday 15 September 2022

The Longford School Council have organised a social. This will be held in the school hall on Thursday 15th of September from 6:30-8:30pm. The theme this year is 'Back to the 80's'. There will be prizes for best dressed as well as best dance moves! Tickets cost \$4.00 and this money will need to be returned to school with the permission slip. On the night some snacks, drinks and glowsticks will be available for a cost of \$1.00-\$2.00. Permission slips, as well as payment for the ticket, needs to be returned to school by Wednesday 14th of September. Students can collect a permission slip from the office if they have not got one.

Miss Adams & school councillors

IMPORTANT DATES

- 1-9 Sep Life Ed Mobile Classroom
- 5-17 Sep Swimming Pool—closed
- 15 Sep School Social
- 20-21 Sep Gore High interviews
- 22 Sep Southland Kids' Lit Quiz
- 22 Sep Parent Interviews 1.30pm
- 23 Sep BOT Meeting—7pm
- 24-25 Sep Brick Show Stadium Sld
- 28 Sep SMAC Maths
- 30 Sep End of term—3pm
- 17 Oct Start of Term 4—8.50am

Report from the Principal

Kia Ora parents, whanau & caregivers
School Interviews

Thank you to the parents who have booked interviews with the classroom teacher of their child/children. These interviews will take place on Thursday 22 September from 1:30pm - 7:00pm. You can book your interview on the website schoolinterviews.co.nz and use the code **whqx5**. If you need some help with this please contact the school office. It is very important that we have representation from all whānau at these meetings so that the communication around the progress of your child is clear. You are more than welcome to bring your children to these interviews.

Please note: We will be sending students home at 12:45pm that day so we can all be available for interviews.

Attendance

Many of you will have noticed the media campaign that is currently running on television to promote full attendance of children at school. The majority of schools across the country are finding that student attendance rates are very low. We understand that there has been a lot of sickness among the students but unless a child is unwell they should be attending school. If your child is tired please ensure that they go to bed early, but tiredness is not a reason to be absent from school. We

have had an increased number of children who have not attended school because they have been involved in activities outside school and have been too tired or stiff to come to school the next day. This absence has a large effect on the academic and social wellness of your child. In a world where the resilience of children is a huge factor in how they cope with adversity, we need our students to be able to push through when conditions are not ideal. It is also a very frustrating time for teachers when they have a large number of absences throughout the week and they have to repeat their teaching a number of times for the students who missed it.

Life Education Bus

We have loved having Pip and Harold here with us this week. The students have learnt so much through having a different person and an exciting classroom space to learn in. Most of our students have learnt many life lessons in Harold's bus from the time that they started school and they still enjoy the experience.

Yvonne Catherwood
Principal

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

New World Garden Seeds

Some Rm1 students are growing the little garden seeds for our school garden. If anyone wishes to donate their seeds it would be greatly appreciated.
Marleen Cavanagh—Teaching Assistant



Gore High School Enrolment Interviews

GHS enrolment interviews have been changed to Tuesday 20 September and Wednesday 21 September 2022. Interview times will be sent out to the parents who have enrolled by the second week of September. If your child is not enrolled yet, please do so urgently.

The online enrolment link is across the bottom of this page. Please copy & paste this link from the email version of this newsletter into your web browser to take you to the page.
Barbara Shaw—GHS Admin

PTA meeting
Wednesday 28 Sept 2022
6.30pm—Everyone welcome

Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday 29 Sept 2022
Staff Room—7.00pm

50th Reunion 2023—more info soon.
Watch this space!

PRIDE Trophy—Ace Kelly

Ace is a very quiet and polite young man who loves a chat with his friends. He is kind, caring, compassionate and a good friend. Ace showed resilience and great determination with all of the challenges he tackled in CACTUS last term. Ace shows integrity in all that he does, he can consistently be found doing the right thing. Ace is one of those people who is happy to work with anyone in his class and he is a valued member of Tahī Takahē. Ace may be quiet, but Miss Adams has commented on his great sense of humour which is appreciated by his class. He has a great work ethic and always strives to achieve to the best of his ability. Ace, congratulations, you are a truly deserving recipient of the PRIDE trophy this week.



Mrs Gentle

PRIDE Trophy—Joel Kirby

Joel has only recently received his gold card, but he is a student who has really stood out to me for a variety of reasons and he displays his PRIDE values everywhere he goes. He is one of the most genuine students I have ever come across, he isn't afraid to be his own person and show his individuality, and the only student who never fails to say good morning and goodbye to me every day, even if it is just a little wave. Joel holds a lot of mana around the school, he is well respected by staff and students alike as he is always respectful of others. He is very popular and well-liked by others, he always has a positive attitude, he is someone that everyone likes to be around. This is due to his genuine and gentle nature. Joel is a loyal friend who sticks up for his mates and makes sure they are okay; he is someone you can depend on. When it comes to academia, Joel is very diligent, only handing in work that is to the absolute best of his ability. He is hardworking; he perseveres and shows resilience when work becomes challenging. Joel is always up for a laugh and an absolute bundle of joy to be around. Joel shows us what it is like to truly encompass the PRIDE values in everything he does. Congratulations Joel.



Miss Caughey

Wig Wednesday—\$160.20

Thank you to all those students who wore a wig or wacky hair yesterday, and gave a gold coin donation to support the Child Cancer Foundation we raised \$160.20.



Golf Tournament—Mataura

The Eastern Primary Schools Festival of Golf Tournament is scheduled to be held on Wednesday 19th of October at Mataura Golf Club. The link can be found on the Longford Sport Facebook page to register your child if they are interested.

<https://forms.gle/wy9vAakPjldX7PK96> or alternatively email bronnie@longford.school.nz for more information.

Southland Rep Touch

Teams train at Gore after the touch module. Touch Southland are now taking registrations for Junior Development teams for more information and to register your child copy & paste this link: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/199181>

Speech Final

A huge congratulations to Sam Matheson for coming 3rd in the Central-Eastern area speech finals at Gore Main School yesterday. He is now through to the grand final in Winton on Monday 19 September 2022. Good luck Sam!



Tag Touch Report

This year Touch Southland has given our Yr 7 & 8 girls an awesome opportunity to play 4-a-side, girls only Tag Touch Rugby at the MLT Stadium for 6 weeks. Longford had two teams entered in the competition with an emphasis on giving it a go, fun and developing skills.



WAKA WINNERS

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Soft Technology

On Monday Aidyn Soper Rm1 and his classmates made chicken burgers. Don't they look delicious?



PRIDE Awards

- 1CA Nevaeh Turipa/Katie Thomson
- 2CF Blake Burr/Tia Harrison
- 3PG Bella J Elers/Mason McDowell
- 7MH Malisha Kini/Saffron Barrow
- 8AP Dziah Topi/Clint Collins
- 9SC Mata Tua/Emily Merrett
- 10GM Lucas Grant
- S Tech Livy Barnett/Summer Karan
- Kiwi Can: Aidyn Soper/Chloe McHaffie
- PRIDE Trophy: Ace Kelly/Joel Kirby

Lit Quiz

Longford Intermediate is hosting the Southland Heat of the Kids' Lit Quiz on Thursday 22nd of September. This will be held in the hall from 10:30am -1:30pm. We have three teams entered this year. Parents and whanau are welcome to come along and watch.

Miss Adams

Daffodil Day—ANZ Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who helped raise \$220 for Cancer Daffodil day last week.—Well done!



**Fun & Creative
Netty Fest
Activities &
challenges for
Kids Year 5-8.**

WENZ NETTY FEST HOLIDAY PROGRAMME



Activities

- Fun Games
- Skills & Drills
- Netty Fest
- Game Play
- Wenz Challenges

**TUESDAY, 4TH
OCTOBER**

**at MLT EVENT CENTRE, GORE.
From 9am- 3pm**



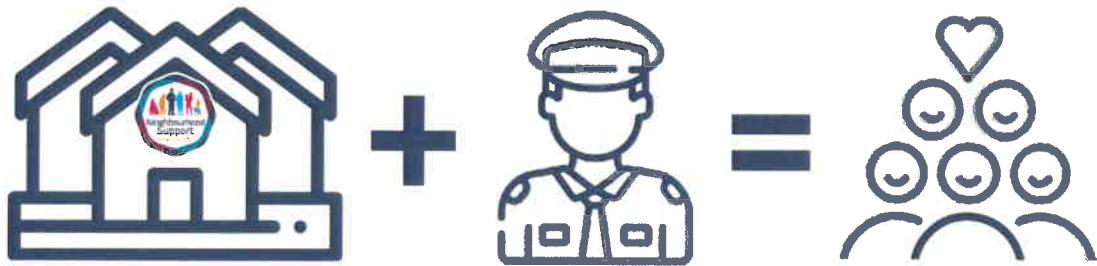
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Why join?

When you join you will have a great way to know your neighbours, receive emails with alerts from Police and community partners, gain tips to improve your safety and preparedness, and have access to free resources such as street signs and window / letterbox stickers to deter crime.



How do I get involved?

It's easy and FREE! You can either join an existing group or form a new one. You could:



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