

School Newsletter

Responsibility - Tū tika . Resilience - Tū kaha . Kindness - Atawhai . Respect - Manaaki

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 3 AT GULF HARBOUR SCHOOL

One of our core school values is the virtue of responsibility. This term we will be focusing on how to be responsible for ourselves, each other and our environment.

To help our students make informed and responsible choices, we encourage them to make positive decisions by:

- Stopping and giving them the time to think
- Encouraging them to look at all their options
- Think about the consequences of each option
- Decide what is best for most people involved



How can you help at home?

Chores are an important part of being responsible. The best way for children to get better at taking responsibility for their actions is by giving them responsibilities and then **getting out of their way**. At home chores are daily tasks that need to be done, like folding laundry, setting the table, or making a bed. At school chores can be, helping with classroom management or simply completing homework and projects. Consider these reflection questions with your child:

- Which chores/jobs is your child willing to do?
- How will your child keep track of chores/jobs?
- How often should chores/jobs be done?
- What are some rewards for doing their chores/jobs?
- What are some consequences for not completing their chores/jobs?

Please encourage your child take responsibility by making their own lunch box, packing their school bag and remembering their book bag each day. Ensure your child knows that it is also their responsibility to return home each day with their school fleece and footwear.

LEARNING FOCUS

Year 1 & 2's - This term our focus is Celebrations - we will be comparing the different way celebrations take place in various cultures. We will be linking this with our P.E and Art and looking forward to presenting our learning to parents when you come to GHS Celebration of Learning at the end of the term. Another focus for us is training and building up our fitness in preparation for the Teina Whanau Cross Country - also at the end of the term.

Year 3 & 4's: Our theme this term is 'Trolls'. Through this we will be learning about bridges in Technology, fairy tale narratives in Literacy and measurement in Maths. The performing arts will be continuing on a Friday with dance and drama.

Year 5 and 6's: This term our main theme is Forensic Science. A crime has been committed at Gulf Harbour school and using a variety of science skills, we are going to track down 'who did it'!! This theme will spread throughout Literacy, Maths and Art.

All of our Tuakana Whanau are training hard for cross country in week 3. Excitement is mounting for our Kapa Haka and Choir, who will be preparing for a celebration concert on 1st November. More information about both of these events will follow.

SPORTING SUCCESS

NETBALL



Our Year 5 & 6 Mystics netball team came joint first place at the North Harbour School Competition on Sunday. We are so proud of them and would like to thank Mrs Taylor and Tiona Tekiri for being such great coaches. **TRUE TEAMWORK!!!**

SOCCER

We were lucky enough to have the NZ under 20 All Whites Team visit us on Wednesday. Our budding GHS soccer stars got a chance to play against them and learn some new tricks.



NEW ENTRANTS

It was a very exciting day on Monday as 17 new children started big school for the first time. Many of these children have started in Room 2 with Mrs Diana Basset and Miss Nikki Bassett. We welcome Nikki back to GHS after 9 months of maternity leave. Other children have joined Room 6 and Room 1. We wish them well as they start their learning journey with us here at Gulf Harbour School. We love having you as part of our big GHS whanau.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

This week we have welcomed 47 international students from Asia. It is an absolute pleasure to host these children at our school and we are enjoying learning about different cultures. Thank you also to our families who are proving homestays - we really appreciate your support.

ALL BLACKS TICKETS



SCHOOL FUNDRAISER - Please support us by selling just 3 of our special \$10 raffle tickets. You have the chance to win one of four ALL BLACKS vs AUSTRALIA DOUBLE PASSES. Raffle drawn on Friday 10th August.

MOTUORA TEAM were Term 2 House winners

SO...

On **TUESDAY 31st JULY** any student in Motuora Team can **wear mufti to school** (leave your school uniform at home!)

AND

at **lunchtime** they will have a shared pizza lunch (bring your morning tea and extra snacks as normal)

Yay!



Today we had a visit from the Mud Monster promoting an awesome family event being held on the 8th & 9th September at Massey University in Albany. Visit www.mudmonstermudrush.co.nz if you fancy some messy family fun.



It's Time – Kua Tae Te Wa



Teachers are working hard to campaign for our children's education. Friday 3rd August is a nationwide

day to show the country that we support our teachers. At Gulf Harbour School we are inviting the students to dress as teachers for the day – this could be Miss Frizzle, Miss Honey, The Trunchbull, or your favourite GHS teacher. Use your imagination – Talk to the teachers about the campaign – and show your support for better education in New Zealand.

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