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Welcome back to our third term. We are now half way through the school year and although we have had so many changes and distractions earlier in the year, hopefully the next two terms will be more settled and everyone will fully enjoy the unique culture of this awesome school.

I have thoroughly enjoyed the last three months here and appreciate all the support I have received.

The staff at Governors Bay are incredibly hardworking and fun-loving, always being focused on providing the best teaching and learning outcomes for these lovely students. I very much appreciated the opportunity to get to know so many friendly, lovely people within the community (Board members, visitors, parents and staff).

We are very excited to be welcoming our new Principal, Meagan Kelly next Monday morning. The school has organised a Mihi Whakatau (a formal welcome) at 9am. All members of our school community are warmly welcomed to be part of this ceremony so we look forward to seeing you here.

Many thanks to the parents who have put their hands up to help out at the Cross-Country tomorrow. A special shout out to Sheena who has volunteered to be a Marshall. It is great to see such a high level of support. Congratulations to the senior students who are representing our school at Halswell Quarry.

Roisin, Taylor, Kate, Fynn, Bradan, Finn, Ryan, Angus, Connor, Saori, Ella, Sasha, Sienna, Paige and Amy.

We wish you all the best for a great day!

Thank you to Alice for her offer to help in the Junior School on Fridays. This discovery afternoon will be more effective if we can increase the ratio of adults to students. Please contact Liza or Rachel if you have the time to support them.

Ngā mihi

Margaret Coleman Relieving Principal

Update

Calendar

July

Tuesday 28th Zone Cross Country/PTA Meeting

Wednesday 29th Year 8 Wellington Parent Information Evening

Thursday 30th Year 4-8 French Day

August

Monday 3rd Mihi Whakatau for Meagan

Monday 17th BOT Meeting 6.00pm

September

Monday 14th –18th Maori Language Week

Monday 21st BOT Meeting 6.00pm

Friday 25th End of Term Assembly

Year 8 Leader

It was lovely to be able to finally present our Year 8 Leaders with their Leadership badges at assembly on Friday. Thank you to the parents and whanau who came to celebrate this with us and to the Year 8's for their patience in receiving these.

A reminder of our Leadership team:

Co-School Leaders: Bethany and Bradan

Student Council Leader and Deputy: Millie and Sasha

Arts Leader: Charlie

Sports Leaders: Finn VK, Ella and Alistair

Blue House Captain and Deputy: Hayley and River

Green House Captain and Deputy: Fynn A and Finn R

Red House Captain and Deputy: Zoe and Jack

Bees Wax

A big thank you to the "Honey Man" from the Lyttelton Market for donating blocks of bees wax for the Juniors to make bees wax wraps this week.

Rail Trail Rampage—Sunday 11th October

The Rail Trail Rampage has the following events: 24km Mountain Bike, 24km Trail Run, 12km Mountain Bike, and a 12km Trail Run/Walk event. The Mountain Bike events have both a FAMILY TEAM and SOLO option. Please refer to the website www.railtrailrampage.com for more information.

Update

Kereru Class

It was a fabulous first week back in the Kereru room with a strong focus on creativity. We jumped straight into our Poetic Writing unit, writing some lovely descriptive 'Haiku' and 'I Remember' poems about our school holidays. The Year 6's finished off their space art on Friday afternoon. These are displayed in the Hub if you would like to pop in and see them. And our 'Amazing Race NZ' photo's are now framed and up on the wall.

Staring eye to eye Webbed feet with a pointing beak A feathered body

By Finn Read

Eyes scamming the scope Feet hovering over snow The toboggan slips

By Sasha Harwood

I remember the crunchy white snow crumble under the wrath of my feet. I remember the juicy souvlaki being loaded into my mouth. I remember the sound of little raindrops on the roof as I lie awake in the dark abyss of midnight.

By Orlando







