GOVERNORS BAY SCHOOL—Te Kura o Ōhinetahi

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Dear Parents and Whānau.

Being a primary school principal is without a doubt a very complex and challenging profession and this is doubly true in a small full primary such as ours. However, it is the sense of pride and reward from student progress and achievement that keeps me smiling and passionate about the job I do. On Friday evening Midori and Maya both competed against Diamond Harbour and Lyttelton Schools in the inaugural Lyttelton Rotary Club Speech Competition at the Lyttelton Arts Factory. Both girls had worked so very hard and presented extremely polished speeches. Midori was announced as the winner with the prize of \$500.00 for school library books sponsored by the Lyttelton Port Company. Maya and Midori will have a wonderful time spending this money on books of their choice!

Today we had a new company taking our school photos. Again I felt so proud when they complimented us on how polite and receptive our students were during the process. Rebecca will let you know when the photos are available for viewing and ordering online.

Tomorrow I wish all our athletic competitors the very best for the South West Zone Competition. The level of commitment to training has been exceptional this year with the older students leading the training each morning for the last few weeks and over the weekend. As well our Bellbird Choir will be at the 'Kids for Kid's' concert rehearsal in the morning and the performance in the evening. Thank you to Mrs Rossie for providing the opportunity to experience being part of a choir both at school and by organising this event. Also thank you to all the parent volunteers helping with transport and making these special events possible.

Nga mihi nui~Kind regards,

Judy Cooke Tumuaki ~ Principal



School Notices

Calendar

November

Monday 4th School Photos

Tuesday 5th Kid's for Kid's Choir/Zone Athletics

Thursday 7th Zone Athletics Postponement

Monday 11th BOT Meeting

Thursday 14th Governors Bay School Show Day

Friday 15th Canterbury Anniversary Day—School Closed

Tuesday 19th Library Van

Friday 22nd Book Week Launch

Monday 25th Book Week

Wednesday 27th Primary Schools Triathlon

December

Tues 3rd—Thurs 4th Year 8 Trip to Wellington

Thursday 4th Primary Schools Athletics

Friday 6th Junior Tabloid Sports 9.30-10.30am

Wed 11th & Thurs 12th Student Learning Partnership Conferences

2.00—6.00pm

Monday 16th Talent Quest/BOT Meeting

Wednesday 18th Year 8 Leavers Lunch

Thursday 19th End of Year Assembly

Friday 20th Last Day of School Year—School Closed 12.30pm

Assembly Certificates

Congratulations to the following children who received certificates in Assembly last week.

Tui Rupert and Zoey

Korimako Meg, Brooke, Aria, Jack, James and Hunter

Piwakawaka Ella, Seb, Ryan C and Samantha

Kereru Luke, Elspeth, Ursula and Blake



School Notices

Governors Bay Community Pool

Finally some good weather, as with the previous years we are planning on opening the pool on Show day, November 15th. The council are working on a few jobs to get the pool ready for us, and then it is the community's responsibility to operate the pool for the summer. We need your help! We need volunteers to do pool duty for a week, which consists of morning and evening water quality checks, clearing the skimmers, checking chlorine container and changing as required (about once or twice in the week), recording filter pressures, and giving the pool a vacuum before you hand over to the next person. We will do a couple of training sessions at the start of the season. If you haven't done duty before please consider helping out, you could also share a week with another key holder. If you are able to help out let us know via this email address and list the dates you are available.

This year you will be able to pay for your key by internet banking, this is our preferred method of payment, the price for the season will remain at \$80, if you are a new key holder or if you have lost your key tag then there is a deposit of \$20, this reflects an increased cost of the tags, so please look after them. If you have key tag and are not planning on swimming please could you return it, as we can re-issue it.

If you are receiving emails from us and you are no longer in Governors Bay or not intending to use the pool please let us know and we will remove you from our email list.

Payments can be made to Account: Governors Bay Pool Acc No: 01-0811-0041586-00

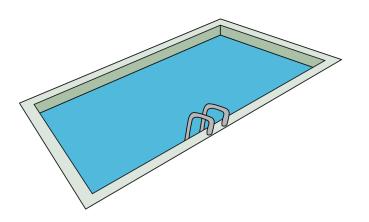
Please use name as reference and Key Tag Number (if you can read it). Last year we had some instances of families registering their keys under one name and paying with another name, if you are unsure please put both names when paying and also on the returned form.

Before we activate key tags you will have to read, sign and return the pool users agreement, which is a requirement by council. The form is attached and can be down loaded, signed and resent back via email, put into a drop box at the pool gate.

The success of the pool relies on volunteers so if you can help out please do, even if its scooping leaves out on a windy day or putting on the cover if you are last out of the pool at night.

Here's looking forward to a long hot summer.

Regards
Governors Bay Pool Committee.



Our Learning Highlights

The Korimako students went on a beach and foreshore clean up as Kaitiaki of Whakaraupo. Then they had a picnic lunch and built these amazing sandcastles- great team work and engineering!

Thanks to our wonderful Parent and Grandparent helpers.













