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ARGYLL EAST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Live, Learn, Grow!

Term 1, Week 5 Thursday 29th February 2024



Congratulations to our Students of the Week for displaying the School Habits and Values as follows:

Flick Butler for All the Argyll East Habits and Values - You have had an incredible start to 2024. You have come back to school eager to learn and participate in all your learning. You are enjoying learning new words and then reading them in your books. You are sounding out the sounds of words and using your finger spelling as you write. Thank you for being so helpful and showing our new students what to do. I can't wait to see what you will achieve this year. Flick, keep being you!



Jacob Dingle for All the Argyll East Habits

and Values - Jacob, it has been great seeing you come back to school with such an awesome attitude and growing confidence. You are remembering what you learnt last year and are using those strategies and spelling concepts to jump back into learning.

It's great that you can hold a conversation and I enjoy our chats with listening to your wonderful stories about what's happening in your life.

I can't wait to see you grow your knowledge more this year Jacob.

Indie Godinet for All the Argyll East Habits and Values- You are an amazing role model to have in our classroom, Indie. We can rely on you to always do the right thing. Your work is consistently of a high standard, through your perseverance and thinking. You participate fully in class activities and discussions, showing initiative when things need to be done. You help others and share your knowledge and understanding with positivity and kindness. You are a wonderful person.

Braydon Wairau-Jelbert for All the Argyll East Habits and Values – I have loved getting to know you as you settle into the senior classroom Braydon. You bring kindness, a sense of humour and show respect in all that you do. You show enthusiasm for learning and are beginning to share your ideas and thoughts in small group learning sessions. It has been great seeing you work hard at Structured Literacy time - with excellent results!

Keep up the great work - Kia mau ki nga mahi pai!

Kia Ora families and friends.

Autumn is in the air and the mornings are starting to cool down.

Congratulations to Mrs Morison who returned to school this week after marrying Matt. It's lovely to have you back and we are really happy for you Mel. We wish you many happy years together!

Tomorrow we have our fun Splash and Dash and all classes have been practising for the race. Everyone is getting excited and the weather looks promising.

We have added our Strategic Plan to our school website. Just google Argyll East School to find us and then look under the "Our School" tab. Our strategic plan sets out our plans for the next two years and is our school's guiding document.

Today you are receiving our Health Survey, giving you the opportunity to prioritise what you think is most important for us to include in our health curriculum. It is a google form. We will send it via email or you could access it through this link 2024 Argyll East School Health Survey Please feel free to add any further comments if you think there are other areas of health that you would like us to address.

Last night I attended the Home and School meeting and plans for the Argyll East Home and School Ball, Series 2, are well underway. This promises to be another wonderful evening and is a great fundraiser for our school. H & S also has some other exciting plans in mind to enhance our school environment and we look forward to working with them over the coming months.

It's been great to see so many children taking up guitar this year. We also have a good sized group for our choir every Thursday at lunchtime. Well done everyone for getting involved!

Thanks for supporting the Rūma Whā camp fundraising efforts. Ice blocks will be available again tomorrow for \$1.00

Have a great week everyone, Julie

Congratulations:

Britta Oliver and Aurora Gregory who were successful in their application for Sports Academy this year. We know they will be great representatives of Argyll East School. Well done girls!



PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

To Evie Cameron for demonstrating our vision and values.

Evie, this award is for the way you show kindness and care for everyone around you. When someone is hurt, you are there to help. You show leadership in your classroom, at swimming, in the playground and in all aspects of



your learning. We think you are super-duper and we are so happy that you are an Argyll East student. Tino kino te pai Evie!

Thumbs Up

Ian Cameron for dealing with the German wasp nest in the wetland. We really appreciate you.

Mitre 10 Waipukurau for the discount on the children's gardening gloves.

Last Chance:

To buy an Argyll East School Cookbook. Contact the Office if you are interested.

Sports

Mitre 10 Tough Kids

Thursday 7th March - Mitre 10 Sports Park Hastings

For those new to the event - The Mitre 10 MEGA Tough Kid® is a fun and challenging obstacle course designed for primary (Yr 3-6) school children. The aim of the day is participation and fun in a "challenge by choice" philosophy that promotes confidence-building and personal achievement. The course includes lots of running with obstacles the kids need to navigate such as cargo nets, cable reels, climbing wall, bank climb & slide as well as lots of other challenging and fun tasks.

The cost to enter is \$3 per child. If you would like your child to attend, parents will need to be able to transport and supervise their own child/children on the day.

Registrations close 5pm Tuesday 5th March, but if at full capacity may close earlier. There will be no on the day registrations. More information about the day can be found at the online registration

form https://events.onetime.sport/event/1521

CHB Junior Football

Registrations for the 2024 CHB Junior Football Season are open. These close on the 12th April. The season begins on 11th May at Russell Park, Waipukurau. More information can be found on the CHB Junior Football Club Facebook page.

Registration link

- https://www.sporty.co.nz/chbjuniorfootball/registrations-1

Yummy Stickers

Collect the Yummy apple stickers and the Yummy cut-out labels from the bags for Argyll East School. All stickers and labels help with getting FREE Sports Gear for our school. Please send these to Ruma Tahi by the end of Term 3.

Farm Club

We decided at our first meeting to clean out the fish pond. Bring old clothes on Friday 1st of March.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March

Friday 1st Friday 15th Splash & Dash Duathlon CHB Swim-a-thon

APRIL

Thursday 4th Saturday 6th School Swimming Sports Argyll Home & School Ball, #2 Shear the Night with Us 6:30pm-12am

Eaas

Eggs for sale from our school. \$4 for $\frac{1}{2}$ a dozen, \$8 a dozen. Your sales help us to feed the chickens and give children the opportunity to look after animals at our school.

Message from the Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees met this week for our first meeting of the year. We commenced with a walk around the school. The old school building upgrade is going well, thanks to Cam Ritchie and the grounds are looking great, thanks to our caretaker, Wade. We discussed some exciting developments of outdoor areas which will be commenced later this year. We looked at the Strategic Goals for 2024. There will be a continued highlight on writing and a re-introduction of structured literacy throughout all year groups. There will be increased professional development to support our neuro diverse students. Rūma Whā is trialling a new PRIME maths programme which the students are engaging with well. We are getting closer to finalising the school logo and hope to have a final version ready to present to the community soon. SchoolDocs will soon be up and running for parents and the community to review school policies. We will communicate this with you when it is available.