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Thursday 5 September 2024

### This week's PB4L Focus: Acting Responsibly: Appropriate Playground Behaviour & Language



This week, we've been focusing on what it means to act responsibly, especially when it comes to our behavior and language in the playground. Our discussions have centered around the importance of playing sensibly when outside and being mindful of those around us. We've talked about how high-pitched screaming can hurt others' ears and how it's important to be considerate of everyone sharing the space.

We've also addressed the use of language. It's essential that we choose our words carefully, not just to avoid hurting others, but also to set a positive example for those around us.

### He aha te tupu i Tirimoana! What's happening at Tirimoana!

Dear Parents and Whānau



This week I have spoken with children and their teachers about using appropriate language at school. It has come to my attention over the past few weeks that too many children have been heard using swear words, inappropriate offensive language, and occasionally racist language.

I have reminded children of the school's expectations about using polite, respectful language and that swearing is not acceptable at school. Most children never swear or use bad language, but we are aware that some do.

In my talk with children I have explained that although you might hear swear words in films or on TV, or you might overhear adults using swear words, or you might hear other young people using swear words in the community, it is never okay to use them at school. I explained that adults do not swear at work, and for children their "work" is school.

Teachers will intervene immediately upon hearing bad language, or if another child reports overhearing bad language. Children will be removed from the playground for a time, and if necessary their parents will be informed to also follow up at home. We intend to significantly reduce or eliminate bad language at school.

Please support us by reinforcing this message with your children at home.



### A Passing of Note

This week the country learned of the sad passing of the Maori King, Tuheitia Potatau Te Wherewhero. He was a widely respected leader in Maoridom, and was the leader of the Kingitanga affiliated iwi and hapu. We flew the New Zealand flag at half mast, and I shared this news with the whole school.

Moe mai ra, Kingi Tuheitia.



### **Senior School Speech Finals**

### **Congratulations to:**

Rome Hipa, 1st place, for 'Why kids should get paid to go to school'; Carter Dunn, 2nd place, for 'Junk food is good for you'; and Emma Tolley, 3rd place, for 'Roller Coasters'.





### **Locking School premises**

Please be aware that for the safety and security of our school grounds, our caretaker is required to **lock the gates and toilets** after school hours. If you are supervising your children playing on the grounds after school, please ensure you leave via the main Kokiri Street entrance.



The lost property box is full of non uniform items and school shoes. These items will be out on display today and tomorrow outside the hall. Please ask your children to check for any items.

Parents if you are in the school grounds please check these items as well. Thank you.



### Pasifika Community Consultation 2024

This consultation is for the families of children who are recorded on our school system as being Pasifika, (identifying as Samoan, Tongan, Niuean, Tokelauan, Tuvaluan, Cook Island Māori, Fijian or Other Pacific Peoples).

We are inviting families to share their views about how well the school provides for Pasifika children.

You are able to complete this survey in different ways

- via an online form (this will be sent out to Pasifika families tomorrow)
- by filling in and returning a paper copy (this will come home on Friday)
- **OR** in person at school. You are welcome to come to the library on Tuesday 10th September between 8.15-8.45am or Thursday 12 September from 2.45pm-3. 30pm to chat with us.

To thank you for your time in completing this consultation, (using one of the ways above), you will be in the draw to win 1 of 3 \$50 Woolworths vouchers.

Please complete the survey by Thursday 12 September.

\*\*Please note that we will also be surveying Māori and all other families at a later date. \*\*

# **TOMORROW: Friday-Y1 & 2 Disco**





### Have you changed your address?

Please let the school know if you have moved and your address has changed. This does not change your enrollment status.

Email or phone the office to let us know your change of address.

## Next week- Events to support Year 6 Camp fundraising



**FRIDAY 13 SEPTEMBER** 



# Term 4 After School Summer Hockey- all ages

Is your child interested in playing After School Hockey?

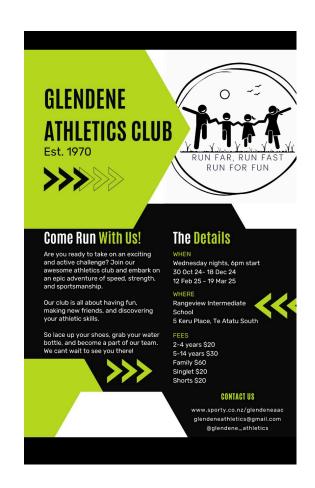
This will take place in the last 6 weeks of term 4.

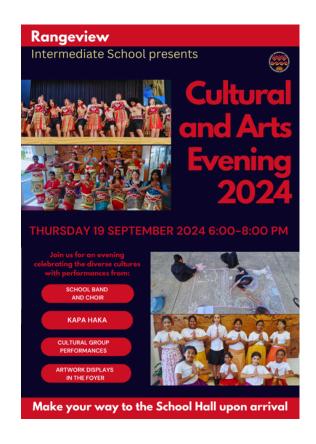
- Games are played at Henderson High School turf from 4.00pm
- Games are 30 mins long
- Your child will need:
  - o shin pads,
  - o a (moulded) mouthguard
  - water bottle
  - o sneakers.
  - o a stick can be borrowed from school or buy their own.

#### Practices will be held in term 4

More information will be coming soon.

	Tirimoana School Events				
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 7 2-6 September					Year 1 and 2 Disco at lunchtime (Gold coin donation)
Week 8 9-13 Sept			Year 0/1 trip to Museum		Year 3 and 4 Disco at lunchtime (Gold coin donation)
Week 9 16-20 Sept					Year 5 and 6 Disco at lunchtime (Gold coin donation)
Week 10 23-27 Sept	Ye Wiki a te Reo Māori	Te Wiki a te Rea Māari Art Expo Opening evening	Te Wiki o te Reo Māori	Te Wiki a te Rea Māari	Ye Wêkî o te Rea Māarī Last day of term 3
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