

**Newsletter: Week 4, Term 1, 2025**

Kia ora koutou,
We have had a great week. The Beach Day was amazing, as were our staff who put in so much effort to keep our ākonga safe.

**Important Dates**

**March 14th-** Staff Only Day

**April 11th-** Last Day of Term 1

**April 28th**- Term 2 starts

**Staff Only Day**

On the 14th of March, we will be closed for instruction. Our staff will be visiting Ngāhutoitoi Marae for an official welcome. This visit will allow us to gain a better understanding of our local history and build connections with local Iwi and hapū.

We will also use this day to learn about structured literacy and how we can implement it throughout the school this year. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

**HERO Absences**

Please use the Hero app to inform the school if your child will be absent and provide the reason. This information helps us plan our staffing and is also used for reporting to the Ministry of Education.

**Beach Day**

 Huge thanks to:

Sea Containers NZ, Waihi Beach Volunteer Coastguard Service, Carters contractors, Owens Flooring Waihi Beach and Poppa Porter for donating your time, services, and products.

Toes in the Water Whangamata & Live Well Waihi Beach – for providing beach wheelchairs.

Our wonderful whanau – we couldn’t do it without your support.

Greenline Buses, Peddle and Paddle Whangamata & Tamariki Transport – for your invaluable service.

**Individual Education Plan (IEP) Meetings**

IEP meetings are currently underway. Please make every effort to attend these hui. We are aiming for 100% attendance, which will result in better student outcomes for your child and all our ākonga.

**Uniforms**

If you are having trouble purchasing a school uniform, please contact the school to discuss the parental support options available.

**Policies and Procedures Review -Health, Safety and Welfare**

**Summery:**

The board’s main goal is to keep Goldfields School a safe and healthy place for everyone—students, staff, and visitors. We follow government rules and regularly check that safety measures are working well. Everyone at the school, from the board to the teachers and support staff, shares the responsibility to identify and reduce risks, provide training, and make sure the school environment stays safe and welcoming.

You can submit a comment by searching Health, Safety and Welfare and clicking on the green button. 

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