



GOLDIE

Golden Bay High School Newsletter
19 June 2009

Influenza Update: Included in this Goldie is a letter updating you about the school's pandemic plans. While it is important that everyone reads this, it is especially important for those of you who might be planning overseas travel around the school holidays.

Senior School Production: Written and directed by our HOD English, Jim Barnes, "Another Spring" was staged over three nights last week. The play posed some real challenges to our senior students. They rose superbly to this to meet those challenges and, well supported by a number of staff, the production was a major success. A huge amount of time goes into this and I wish to acknowledge all of the students involved as well as the staff who showed such commitment.



Student Achievement: Congratulations to Year 12 Business Studies student, **Millie Eggers**, who has been selected to participate in the "International Enterprise in Action Weekend 2009" at Massey University, Albany. Millie gained selection from a large field of high quality

applicants from Young Enterprise Schools around New Zealand. The forty-eight hour event includes the Fed-Ex Express JA International Trade Challenge and the Global Enterprise Challenge. Congratulations also to Year 10 student, **Jessie Renton**, who competed in the Junior English section in Nga Manu Korero competition for schools from Te Tau Ihu o te Waka a Maui, the top of the South Island, held at Waimea College. Jessie finished in 4th place, but her speech most certainly matched those of the higher placegetters, and we are very proud of her effort.

Report Interviews:

Details of meetings have gone out with student reports, along with interview booking information:
Years 7 – 10: Tuesday 23 June, 5.00pm – 8.00pm, in the hall
Years 11 – 13: Tuesday 30 June, 5.00pm – 8.00pm, in the hall
The interviews are a critical part of the education process and I can't emphasise enough the importance of the parent role. The interviews provide an opportunity to have an informative conversation about your children's learning and achievement. From Year 10 up, it is absolutely essential that the student participates in that conversation and attendance of the student at the interviews for Year 10 and upwards is strongly recommended. Student attendance at Year 9 may also be helpful. Questions that you could ask

include:

- Is there anything that is preventing my child from learning and achieving in this subject?*
- What does my child do well at?*
- What feedback have they had and how do they respond to feedback?*
- What can I do to help my child in this subject?*
- How well does my child get along with others?*
- Does my child participate well in class?*
- Are there any general concerns about attendance, poor behaviour or homework not being done? If so, what can I do to help solve the problem?*
- What's the best way to contact you if I have a concern?*

Roger File

Term Calendar	
23 June.....	Yr7-10 Parent Interviews
22-24 June...	Yr 13 Geography Trip
22-23 June...	Tasman Climbing
3 July	Goldie
3 July	End of Term Two
4 July	Senior School Ball
20 July.....	Term 3 begins
29-30 July....	Lipsync

To give away to a good home (not for dinner!)
Small white,
1 year old,
female rabbit
Ph 525 9554



Goldie Return Slip

Get your parent to sign this slip and put it in the box at the office to go into the next draw to win a \$5 canteen voucher. **Congratulations to this week's winner** Chris Steer from BKGR please pick up your voucher from the office. (If you receive your Goldie by email and would like to enter your student into the draw, send an email reply and I will pop their name in the box.)

Yes, I have read the 19 June issue of Goldie:

Student's Name: _____ Year: _____ Signed: _____ (Parent/caregiver)


Tapawera sports Exchange

We had an amazing couple of days with Tapawera and **couldn't have asked for better weather. All games were played in the best of spirit.**

I have a huge thank you list and I hope I have remembered everyone, but if I missed you off this list please accept our sincere gratitude for all that you did.

THANK YOU TO: Stuart Grace, Jeanine Taylor
 Coaches: Glenda , Jessica Patchett, Paul C, Gareth B, **Gaylene, Luken Chamberlain, Jen O'Byrne,** Xanthe Sangster, Kevin Winter
 Referees: Kaye Stark, Pete Mitchison, Pete Solly, Guy Northover, Jojo Turnbull, Rachel Packard, Jonny Anderson, Caydie Clarke, Cyrenne Brownlie, Justine Butler
 Basketball Scorers: Raewyn Solly and Graeme & Shem , Kathy Mason & Maddy King
 Luncheon: Ann Freeman, Nicky Packard, Glenda Allinson, Annie Wells, Jen, Xanthe and Glenda
 Billets: Thank you to all the families for assisting with this. We hope that they were as good for you as mine were for me.

Powhiri: Margie, Phil, Xanthe, Jean, Annie & Hamish

A HUGE SPECIAL THANKS goes to RYAN ROBERTSON for taking the time off work to referee all the rugby games.

Results:

Y7/8 - 10 wins, 2 losses.
 2 wins were extremely close. (Boys basketball 22-20 and Boys Rippa Rugby 13-12.)

Y9 and up - 6 wins, Ki-o-rahi was a draw for both girls and boys, 2 losses; one being the rugby that was whitewashed. The A netball team won 35-24 in a very close game which we knew would be a tough match as Tapawera were placed 2nd in the SISS Netball tournament in Dunedin last year in the C Grade. We have agreed that we need to have a few more matches, meeting in Motueka, before we travel to Timaru this year.



Boredom Busters

The Winter school holidays aren't too far away so look out for the Boredom Buster Mag at your school, the library, TDC office or the I-Site. The mags will be out about Thursday 25th June. There's a couple of activities that we are reintroducing and some new ones like "Body Jam" fusion dancing for 11 years and over plus archery. In the past we've had to limit the numbers at the full day OSCAR sessions due to lack of space at the G.B. Community Centre. These holidays the first week's activities will be held at the Takaka Primary School Hall. We're looking forward to basing the Golden Bay OSCAR programme there because of the large space both indoors and out doors.

As registration forms are no longer on the back page of the BB Mag, I can e-mail them to you. Just let me know <recreation@gbcw.co.nz>

Dave Myall

OSCAR/Boredom Buster Programme organizer



July Holidays Tennis Camp

The Golden Bay Tennis Club is hoping to hold a tennis camp on July 16 and 17, taken by professional coaches from the Tasman Tennis Centre. Each day would consist of two three-hour sessions, covering all aspects of technique and match play. All ages welcome, groups kept to a maximum of 8. Cost depends on the numbers attending, but will be approx \$25 per day, you can attend one or both days. Club members will be partly subsidised. For more info or to register, ph Margie 525 8761



School Ball Specials

* **Upstyles:** \$45
 * **Colours:** Get a colour before the ball and only pay \$30 for your upstyle

* Conditions apply

INFLUENZA UPDATE

The government this week announced that New Zealand is stepping up its pandemic influenza response plans. *As of 16 June there have been over 100 confirmed cases in New Zealand and the World Health Organisation reported on 11 June that 73 countries had officially reported 28,774 cases of swine flu. As of 10 June there have been 1224 confirmed cases of swine flu in Australia, the majority of which are based in the state of Victoria. Community spread or transmission between people, who have not travelled to countries of high risk or do not have direct contact with someone who has, is now confirmed in the USA, Canada, Mexico, Japan and Australia.*

Our school is talking with public health officials and our school will remain open until further notice. Our own pandemic plans mean that we have systems in place to help us cope if anything changes.

If you intend travelling overseas to countries of high risk, you should seek advice from the Public Health Office prior to travel. The Ministry of Health has made some suggestions regarding people returning to New Zealand from affected areas overseas.

IF YOU ARE WELL THE RECOMMENDATION IS TO CARRY ON AS NORMAL.

However, AFTER TRAVELLING, YOU MUST CONTACT THE SCHOOL BEFORE RETURNING TO SCHOOL. We will consider each case individually and may take the following action:

EVEN IF YOU ARE WELL

You may be asked to remain at home for up to one week of school if:

1. You are returning from a high risk area.
2. You are returning from a country that has a significant number of suspected cases of swine flu.

If you have been to these areas and ARE UNWELL within 7 days of return or have been in contact (within 2 metres) with someone who has been to these areas in the last two weeks

and they are unwell, please:

- ✦ Stay home, phone your doctor (do not go to your doctor) and telephone the School on 5259914



Contact the Nelson Public Health Office on (03) 546 1537

IF THE SCHOOL IS DIRECTED TO CLOSE BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICE –

- ✦ Your child will be sent home and asked to remain at home. Appropriate steps will be taken to ensure all students arrive home safely. Staff will be sent home.

You will then receive further instructions.

The most important thing you can do as parents and caregivers is reinforce healthy messages:

- Teach your children the importance of hand washing and drying. 
- Teach your children to use a disposable tissue when coughing or sneezing. 
- Dispose of tissues in a covered, lined rubbish bin.
- Stay a metre away from sick people where possible.

The symptoms of flu are:

Sudden onset of illness

Fever about 38°C

Fatigue and muscle pains

Runny nose/cough/sore throat

In some cases vomiting and diarrhoea.

Up to date information can be accessed via the Ministry of Health website www.moh.govt.nz or the Health Helpline – 0800 611 116

The Board of Trustees and I are working to ensure that all students at our school are kept as safe as possible. We will notify you of any changes to this information. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me directly.

Roger File

“ANOTHER SPRING” Wows Golden Bay Audiences

As director and writer of the script for the senior production, I can easily say that this was one of the best and most directable groups of young people I have ever worked with in my 22 years experience in school productions both here in New Zealand and the U.S. Each actor took up his or her role with a depth of effort and a scope of acting skills they had not imagined they possessed. Of course, there were the occasional **glitches**, but then who's to say that the catching of Gaia's flowing veils under her throne was not actually an intended symbolic act?

I am grateful to all those in the community who turned out to support the cast and crew and discovered that the show was of such a high calibre, they found themselves in tears and laughter from such well-developed performances. The students will carry the memories of this experience with them throughout their lives and having taken up such a challenge will become the “sea air that lifts their wings” into their bright futures. Jim Barnes



LipSync

is
coming...



... End of July.
Listen to daily notices for
more information

The Lady Killers, Live in Concert



**Saturday July
11th 7.30pm
Golden Bay High
School Hall.**

Pre sales \$30 from
Brief Affair,
51 Commercial
Street, Takaka
Door sales \$35

Computer Animation Games Design

Have you ever wondered how computer games and 3D movies like Shrek are made? Learn the latest in 3D Animation and Games Design on a Bubble Dome School Holiday workshop this July. Located at Waimea College. All ages and experience levels catered for. Phone: 0800 GET BUBBLE (438 282) or Email: infobubbledome.co.nz. We also have pamphlets available on the counter at the school office.

