



GOLDIE

Golden Bay High School Newsletter
11 September 2009

From the Principal

Student Achievement: Congratulations to Melissa Wells (Year 13) who has recently passed the grade 8 violin Trinity College exam with merit. This is a wonderful achievement and follows up her participation earlier in the year with the New Zealand Secondary Schools Symphony Orchestra.

A number of students competed in the International Schools Science Competition. Three students achieved significant awards: Oliver Bailey (Year 9) was our top achiever, gaining a distinction award by being amongst the top 6% of students nationally in his year group. Also in Year 9, Hamish Clark, as well as Year 7 student Alex Chubb, achieved a credit award by being in the top 25% of their year groups. Well done also to Rani Jiminez, Louis Kraase, Levi Lindsay, Callum Solly, Shane Hutchinson, Zak Gibbs and Lola Clouston, who all received certificates of participation.

40-hour Famine: the school has received a silver award from World Vision to acknowledge our **students' efforts in raising over \$4,000 in this year's appeal.** This puts us amongst the top 12 secondary schools in the South Island, a great effort and one that acknowledges the hard work put in by our organisers, Dan Reilly and **Jen O'Byrne.**



Year 10 "Colossal Crunch:"

Well done to all students and teachers who participated in this event last week. This annual challenge is always eagerly awaited by the students. The timetable is abandoned for the week and students take a cross-curricular approach, with teachers involved from a range of subject areas. The goal was to design and market a biscuit with a distinctly New Zealand theme and as usual there were lots of creative ideas and some very interesting and tasty products. The initiative is led by Year 10 dean Justine Butler, but also depends heavily on the support and involvement of many other teachers.

Health Education Consultation: parents/caregivers should all have received a letter about the Health Education consultation process. I ask that you read the information carefully, complete the accompanying form and return it to school. A box is placed at the front reception desk for the returned forms. Your feedback is very much appreciated

by the Board of Trustees, as well as Health Education teacher, Annette Compton.

End of Year Dates:
Last day of formal classes for students in Years 11, 12 and 13 is Tuesday 10 November
Senior Closing Ceremony is Wednesday 11 November
Junior Closing Ceremony and last day of term 4 is Friday 11 December
Roger File

Term 3 Calendar	
14 Sept.....	BOT Meeting 7pm
16-18 Sept....	Outdoor Education Trip
17-18 Sept....	Yr 12 First Aid
19 Sept.....	SI Rock Climbing Champs
23-24 Sept....	Junior Production
25 Sept.....	Goldie
25 Sept.....	Term 3 End

Thank you

to all those parents and caregivers who have recently paid their accounts especially for exam fees and Camp payments. While the curriculum and activity donations are voluntary, we remind you that these funds are vital to the effective running of our school. If you would like to set up an automatic payment with your bank to pay off your account, the school bank account number is: 02-0764-0086983-00

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** Levi Lindsay from Yr 7 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 11 September issue of Goldie:

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

Year 8 Social Studies Project



Emergency Items Survey

By Calum and Marco

8B did a survey on how prepared we are for an earthquake in our homes. A worrying 9% of households had enough bottled water for three days.

Another horrifying fact is that only 22% had enough tinned food stored to last three days. The recommended amount of food is three tins per person per day and for water, you're meant to have 3litres per person per day.

On the good side, everyone had a manual can opener, ways of cooking, disposing of waste, blankets for keeping warm and a first aid kit.

70% of people had spare batteries for radios and everyone had candles or torches.

This shows that not many people are fully prepared for an earthquake, and we need to make a change especially to do with food and water.

Emergency survey

By Zoe Mead and Isabella Knight

A survey conducted by 8B social studies indicates that we are unprepared for a natural disaster. Only 22% of the class had enough tinned food for three meals per person for three days and 9% had bottled or stored water which is concerning because not many of us would be able to provide for ourselves.

100% of the class had warm clothes, cell phones, cooking devices and things to dispose of human waste. Everybody had a manual can opener, but what good is a can opener when you don't have tinned food! Only 48% had a battery powered radio, so 52% of us would not know what was happening or when help was arriving. This survey shows that most of us will not be able to look after ourselves after a disaster hits especially if shops and water are inaccessible.

Are you prepared?

Test yourself with this Earthquake safety check: (List for 3 days)

- 3 litres of water per person per day
- 3-4 Instant meals or imperishable food per person per day
- Manual can opener
- First aid kit
- Portable cooker
- Extra fuel for cooker
- Blankets and sleeping bags for everybody
- Warm set of clothes(long pants, wind proof and rain proof jackets, sweatshirts
- Hand or battery powered torches and radio
- Extra batteries
- Pots and pans
- Plastic plates, bowls, cups and cutlery
- Plastic bags for disposal of waste
- Waterproof matches
- Energy food for everyone (chocolate, lollies)
- Toiletries (toilet paper, toothbrush, towel, flannel, soap/liquid soap)
- Spade and axe
- Candles
- Pet food(cans, biscuits, milk/water)

By Reuben Sage

Golden Bay High School Presents

A Year Seven to Ten Production

The Arabian Nights

(The Tale of the Speaking Bird)

By Lowell Swartzell

Directed by Ronnie Short



When: Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th September

Where: Golden Bay High School Hall – 7.00pm

Tickets : on sale at Take Note and the Golden Bay High School office from Monday 14th September

Cost: Adults \$8.00 Children \$4.00 (under three's free)

This is a family show – suitable for all ages and supper is available

The Colossal Crunch *by Annie Wells*

The Colossal Crunch went for an intense week. It was a week where you had to make and design a biscuit from scratch, and complete tasks involved in marketing and selling your biscuit.

Monday, last period, we began with our planning. We had to come with a cookie shape, flavour, name, a radio and video advert. We all got told the rules for the week and classes were allocated to us. Miss Butler and Ms Stark showed us timetables and schedules so we knew what classes were open at what time.

Then rolled on Tuesday and we were all allowed to wear mufti which was a big plus. We went to our allocated rooms and began the serious work. By interval people were amped and ready for the week ahead. The start was the hardest

because each person had different ideas and you had to put them all into one, but once that was done, the fun began.

Then came Wednesday. It seemed every day went quicker than the last. By Wednesday most people knew what they were doing and got on with their tasks. Each group had to come up with a portfolio, radio and video ad, a point of display sale, voting box, nutrition information, logos, stickers, business cards, and of course our biscuits. These were heat sealed in little bags. On Friday we had our grand finale where we displayed all our hard work to a very appreciative audience.

The Overall winners were 'Farmers Friend's'. This team included: Oscar Stone, Dylan Winter, Ryan Winter, Jaymalla Morgan - Lakeman, Quinn van Hilst and Bill Salmon.

I had a fantastic week! I learnt lots about team work, and it was great to use all the skills I'd been learning from my classes. The best bit was teaching Miss Butler how to speak the lingo! It was an all 'Gee' week!!



From the LIBRARY

MAGAZINES

We have a variety of magazines to cater for our students reading needs, the ones listed below are available for borrowing. These are:

- Girlfriend (magazines older than 12months)
- NZ Adventure
- NZ Rod & Rifle
- NZ SpeedSport
- Organic NZ
- Pet New Zealand
- Sport Unleashed
- Tearaway
- Upstart



We ask that students look after these magazines when they borrow them so that others may have the benefit of reading them also.

A special thank you to Colin Neighbours, of Nelson, for his generous gift of a subscription to the Organic NZ magazine for our library.

OUR LIBRARY WEBSITES can be found here:

NCEA WIDE READING WIKI
<http://nceawidereading.wikispaces.com/>

LIBRARY BLOG
<http://gblibrary.blogspot.com/>

Under 15 Rugby trip to Invercargill

On Sunday 30th August the Under 15 Rugby team gathered at Nelson Airport to fly to Invercargill to participate in the South Island Secondary School tournament. Due to a problem with our plane we were split into two groups. One group went via Wellington and the other via Christchurch. For some of the boys this was their first time flying and was a big thrill for them. We touched down in Invercargill to a bitterly cold wind, and after claiming our baggage we jumped into mini-vans and headed off to our accommodation.



We stayed at a holiday park just down from our games venue, along with two other teams. After settling in and deciding who slept where we had some free time before heading into town for tea.



Monday saw our first game was against Blue Mountain. It was a good physical game but we came away with a loss. Our next game was against Central Southland B. This was a brutal game and we came away with a great win. With our games over for the day we headed for the Aquatic Centre. We had a great time in the hot pools wrestling with Mr Childs, Mr Batten, Hamish and Mike, going down the water slide, even though some of us were asked to remove ourselves for holding up the line (no names mentioned Buddha) and then it was out for tea.

Tuesday morning arrived wet and windy. A storm had blown up from Antarctica and with thunder and lightning was brutally lashing Invercargill. The boys were not to be deterred and were looking forward to another round of games. We were up early and took a drive to Bluff so we could say we had been from the top of the South Island to the very bottom. With 3 vans in convoy we headed off to find the monument on top of Bluff hill. The road up the hill was so steep we didn't think Mr Childs or the other vans were going to make it and that we would have to get out and push, but with the vans in first gear and the engines screaming we managed to get to the top amid cheers from the boys. We quickly ran up to the monument, had a photo taken, and then back in the vans and back to Invercargill for our third game. The weather was freezing as we played St Peters. We endured rain, hail, sun and strong winds during the game. We lost it, but it was a good game. Our 4th game was against James Hargest. This was a really hard battle (as this was the top team in our division) the boys did their best to secure a win but were unable to.

Wednesday was our last day of play. We had 4 games to play. Although we tried hard for a win it wasn't to be. Finally the tournament was all over and we headed off for a very welcome hot shower. Some of the highlights of the trip apart from the games were the ten-pin **bowling, the great meals, the movies, seeing Burt Munroe's motorbikes on display and the awesome support of the parents that came with us.** A big thanks to Mr Childs and Mr Batten for organising everything and to Hamish for helping with trainings and coming down to support us. Cheers.

By Kyle Davies





Sportfit



SISS NETBALL

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of my girls for the wonderful work that they did in very trying conditions.

We got a pleasant surprise when we turned up for the first game to find Darren standing there ready to cheer us on. This made a huge difference to the girls, as they play better when they have supporters they know. Darren stayed for two days then had to go, but he was replaced by Del and Brent for the next two days, then Graeme, Tyler and Luken arrived on Thursday. I would like to say a special THANKS to these supporters, and **to Kate and Louise O'Byrne who travelled with us for the week.**

Our first match was a hard one, making getting into the top 16 a big mission. Outstanding players for the first day were Jen, against Wakatipu, and Arna and Kate against Bayfield. On the second day against Garin it was Courtney, shooting 18 from 19, then against Mackenzie B it was Jana who shot really well. The third day we played against Darfield. All the girls played in this match. Last year we lost to them, but this year we came away with a win. Player of the game was Ella who had to run the court as well as shoot. Our second game for the day **didn't start very well as we had lost Courtney, who has had back problems for most of the season, and was not able to continue playing.** April played really well and this **earned her 'Player of the Game'.** Thursday was our final day of netball (still not having Courtney to rely on for her height) we played Westland, who we had previously played at the end of term two. We knew this match was going to be hard, we found it difficult to get the ball in the circle to shoot, but the shooters did well. Overall Millie stood out for her defensive play in this game. Our last game against Timaru Girls was playing off for 23 or 24th place. Courtney decided she was going to forgo her back injury and play anyway. The girls fought well but unfortunately they came away with another loss. The outstanding player in this game was Caydie, who just gave it everything and played beyond her age and size. There was one funny moment in this game that had the girls in fits (sorry Ella, I have to tell) Ella was driving in to intercept a pass, she turned to see where she was going to pass to, and grabbed at the ball **to go "Oh my God there is hair on this ball" but in fact she had grabbed the opposition centre's head. This (you have to agree) earned her a wooden spoon.**

Overall player of the Tournament was Jen O'Byrne for eight games at Centre running tirelessly, but she was pushed for this position by Kate Gill who played some amazing defence.

INTERHOUSE SNR VOLLEYBALL

We started this yesterday at lunchtime and we should be all wound up early next week. The Red house Intermediate team won their competition. I will have full results in the next Goldie.



It's Debatable



"We shouldn't trust anyone over 30"

Teenagers vs. Adults

Hamish McDonald Jan Stark
Kip Clere Hans Stoffregen
Millie Eggers Maria Polglase

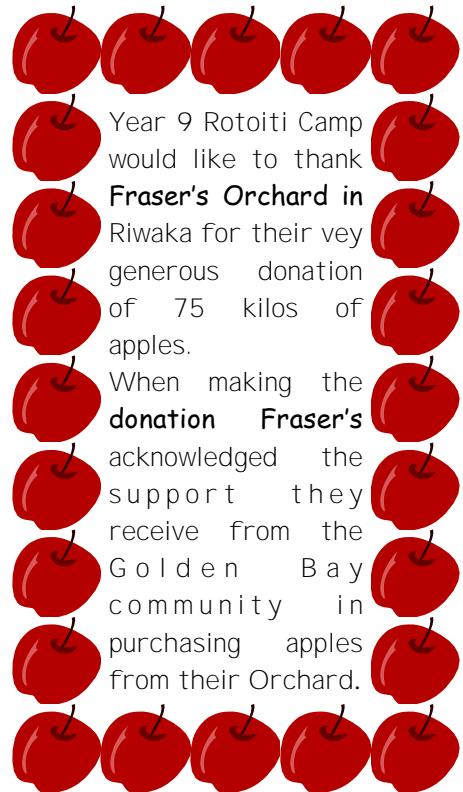
Chair- Neil Wilson

Winner by public acclaim

Takaka Public Library

Tuesday 15 Sept '09.

7.30 pm - Supper to follow



Year 9 Rotoiti Camp would like to thank Fraser's Orchard in Riwaka for their very generous donation of 75 kilos of apples.

When making the donation Fraser's acknowledged the support they receive from the Golden Bay community in purchasing apples from their Orchard.

Boredom Buster School Holiday Programme

The Boredom Buster School Holiday magazine will be available from schools, Library, TDC Office, Community Centre and I-Site from about Wednesday 16th September. Jocelynne is back so there will be stone carving, and archery was so popular there will be two sessions. Programmes and registration forms can be e-mailed. Contact me on 525 8876, fax 525 7928 or e-mail recreation@gbcw.co.nz.

The BB Programme is also on the TDC website.

Dave Myall

OSCAR/Boredom Buster Organizer

Spring Holiday Tennis Coaching

Mon/Tue Sept 28 and 29,
Pohara Courts

Tasman Tennis Centre professional coaches Ngaire and Riley will hold two coaching days in Golden Bay in the holidays:

Mon 28th, group coaching for junior/teen players 9-3.30pm, cost \$35 for the day

Tue 29th, private coaching, \$40 per hour, junior/teen or adults (up to 2 in group)

To sign up or for further info contact Margie 525 8761

Motueka's Imagine Youth Theatre

Presents

THE CAGEBIRDS

On stage at

The Play House

Takaka

One night only

Saturday 12th September

7.30pm

Tickets \$8 at the door

See posters and reviews around the school

Anyone interested in coached after-school gymnastics, please contact :
Kirsty Richmond 525 9319

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Child's cot and mattress. Must be in very good condition.
Please phone 525 9195

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