



# GOLDIE

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## GOLDEN BAY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRINCIPAL, LINDA TAME

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Tēnā koutou katoa

The weather is certainly providing us all with challenges, and we are acutely aware that for some in our community and school, the situation is especially challenging.

It is timely to remind whānau and parents that we do provide support services for our students. They are most welcome to visit Abbey Gilligan, our Guidance Counsellor, in

the Green House.

Something I really value is kindness, and I am finding that people are being very kind to me. Thank you! One example is that a teacher calculated all of the times I could face sunstroke on my way to work in the morning – invaluable and potentially lifesaving! Kindness does not need to cost anything, and like a smile, make both the receiver and the giver feel good. In these times of some upheaval I encourage everyone to find ways of being kind to others.

Tiny random acts of kindness are empowering.

It was fantastic to see so many parents at our Year 7 evening last week. Personally, I am really enjoying meeting you. We are looking for more and more ways of welcoming the community into our school. It was also wonderful to have 16 teachers at the evening – a great way to form and/or cement relationships.

The Year 13 students had an excellent leadership day at Onetahua Marae recently. (See photo below) After a powhiri the day was spent on a mix of group leadership development activities and personal reflection and goal setting. We are very grateful to be able to make use of the beautiful marae setting.

Easter Reminder: All schools are closed on Good Friday (30<sup>th</sup> March), Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday. Normal school resumes on Wednesday 4th April.

Ake ake kia kaha  
Linda Tame



**! Remember...  
NBS Takaka -  
Tinbum Triathlon !  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
at Pohara Top 10 Camp**

Course: 300m  
swim, 7 km  
mountain bike  
ride, 5 km run

**For more details  
check out our Face-  
book page  
Golden Bay Tin  
Bum  
A GBHS Fund-  
raiser!**



Our fantastic drumming teacher Carl "Groove" Woodward is leaving Golden Bay and moving to Dunedin. He will be deeply missed by all his students and friends and we wish him well for the next chapter. He has inspired many musicians here in Golden Bay, who have been guided by his talented and generous teachings ways. Please visit again soon, Carl!

photo: Carl jammin' on the kit with Abbie McConnon and Theo Feint.



## SO WHAT IS GOING ON?

I thought I would use this Goldie to catch parents up on what is currently being studied in English classes.

Level 3 English are studying a film called "Eye in the Sky". It is about a drone strike on a terrorist enclave. We are exploring ideas around privacy and also debating whether it is ok to sacrifice one life to save many lives. No clear decision has yet been made.

Level 2 students are studying either the film "The Dark Horse" or "Wild". The students are responding well to both texts. Speaking for myself I am loving teaching "The Dark Horse". Who would have thought so much fun could be had around a story about chess.

Level 1 students are studying either the film "The Green Mile" or "Whalerider". Both Ms Robbie and Ms Warner are inspired by the ideas and enthusiasm being displayed by their Level 1 students. FYI please encourage Level 1 and Level 2 students to work on their responses for the reading standard they are all completing in English.

For Year 10 this year we decided to stick to some NZ texts so we are pairing Taika Waititi's film "Hunt for the Wilderpeople" with David Hare's novel "The Bone Tiki". The students are really enjoying both texts. Again both of their teachers have been impressed by the high level thinking skills they are seeing in their Year 10 students.

Year 9 are embarking on a journey called "Forensic Literacy". The idea is that they are detectives learning to read the clues buried in the various texts they encounter. Currently they have looked at a number of short stories including R Dahl's "Lamb to the Slaughter" and some Sherlock Holmes stories. Ms Robbie's group have been writing about a significant memory. Feel free to ask your child to read his/her response to you. They should be finished next week.

The Year 8 students are studying First World War in Social Studies, therefore, in English we are pairing some David Hill writing with looking at some war poetry. They are also completing a unit of

work which is future focussed on their possible career paths and one group is studying the wonderful novel "Wonder". Yes, the book really is better than the film!

Year 7 are doing lots of work around "Words". This is aimed at building vocabulary but also at building an understanding of the power of words, where they come from and how they can be used to create effect. They are also reading about Arthurian legends.

Finally a huge thank you to all those Year 7 parents who came to last week's meeting with the teachers. It was an interesting and productive time for all those involved. Remember keep on encouraging your children to read, read, read!!!

Jan Stark HOD English



## SPORT REPORT

Unfortunately, with losing access out of the Bay for a couple of weeks, we have had to postpone the Ki-o-Rahi tournament that we hold here for Tasman Secondary Schools, and also pull out of the Senior Touch which was disappointing as our students and myself had put extra time into training. The Ki-o-Rahi has been postponed to April as the other schools in the district that attend wanted us to still be a part of the tournament; it is wonderful to hear that they support us.

## SQUASH



Last weekend Kayla Harvey, Kye Childs, Archie Balck and Paul Childs competed in the Nelson Squash Open Tournament. I watched Kayla and Paul but unluckily missed seeing the boys play. Having the opportunity to watch our students stack up against others is always great. It was also good to see past students, parents and grandparents do well.

Div 2 Womens – Special Plate

Runner up: Kayla Harvey

Mixed Div 1 – Consolation Plate

Runner up: Kynan Childs

Mens Div 4 – Special Plate Runner

up: Paul Childs

Mens Div 7 – Consolation Plate

Runner up: Archie Balck

## NETBALL

It has been great to see the number of girls coming to fitness on a Wednesday for some pre-season work outs that Jodianna and I have been running. On Monday night, Pam Goffriller ran a fitness class for them at the Rec Centre and it was pleasing to see the number of girls who could make it despite short notice. Thank you so much for your valuable time, Pam!

Netball numbers have increased again this year which is awesome and this means that we are looking at entering three teams into the

Nelson competition on a Saturday morning. However, this will be all dependant on what is happening with our hill for travelling. Our three teams will also be playing in the Golden Bay competition as this is a week night competition. We are also looking at having two or three teams for the Saturday Junior competition at the Rec Park.



## LOOKING FOR COACHES

If you are keen on coaching sports we are looking for coaches at the moment. We are in need of a Senior Boys' Football coach and some Netball coaches for our Junior teams. Please contact myself on [cheriecc@gbh.school.nz](mailto:cheriecc@gbh.school.nz) or 0274081357 Cherie

## UPCOMING SPORTS EVENTS

13 March – GBHS Swim Sports

14 March – TSS Athletics

15 March – GBHS Y9-13 Netball trials

28 March – TSS Mountainbiking

Cherie Chamberlain

## WAKA AMA AT LAKE ROTOIITI



Photo above: rangatahi just about to start their (winning) race



Photo above: Ihaka in seat 1 leading the waka, Stella in seat 2, ready to start.

On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February, six Golden Bay High School students took part in Waka Ama races at Lake Rotoiti for Nelson club Maitahi's annual meet "Tuna E Hoe Ana".

The rangatahi team of Areta Milne, Maya Lewis, Stella Bacci-Rowe, Shaye Oates and Kathy Shaw steered by Anja Van Holten, took out the youth trophy, winning their category (and special edition 10

year anniversary medals) which included two rangatahi teams from Motueka High School.

In the afternoon Ihaka Griffith, Stella and Shaye again raced in with the mixed adult teams with great strength and stamina.

Both races were 10km long. A massive effort for these students! Well done to all our participating students! (Submitted)



## \*\*\*LIBRARY NEWS\*\*\*



We would like to introduce our student librarians for 2018 —

Kate, Zoe, Olivia, Ashley, Caitlin, Lily, Rosie, Phoebe and Tara. These students do a wonderful job helping us in the library—tino pai!

Don't forget to come and see us if you need assistance in selecting a book for the Great Reading Race - we are happy to help.

**Need help, or just want to get ahead, in Maths, English, Science, Biology, Chemistry or Physics?**

Check out this site - <http://www.studyit.org.nz/>



### Notes from the Office:

Invoices are being sent out this week, mainly by email. It is expected that Trips, Workbooks and Projects be paid for.

The Activities Levy is a donation towards activities such as sports and cultural events, performances, the school magazine, and school visits.

The Curriculum Donation helps to cover some of the costs of materials used in class.

While these payments are voluntary we remind parents that the school is expected to raise these funds locally as part of the operating costs; the government does not fund the full cost of education.

Some parents set up regular automatic payments through their bank to make payment of fees and other school costs as painless as possible. If you would like to do this, our school bank account number is 03-1354-0370134-000. **Please ensure you use your student's name in the reference column.**

Thanks from Rosie.

### STOP PRESS!

SWIMMING SPORTS will be held this coming Tuesday 13th March, weather permitting. Parents are very welcome to come along and show their support. Parents, please encourage your students to enter; they have another chance to do this on Monday.

2018 SWIM SPORTS PROGRAMME

9.10 Medley

9.30 33 Breaststroke Heats

10.10 66 Freestyle Timed Finals

10.30 33 Backstroke Timed Finals

10.45 Morning Interval

11.15 33 Freestyle Heats

12.00 66 Backstroke Timed Finals

12.15 33 Butterfly Timed Finals

12.30 100m Freestyle Timed Finals

12.45 33 Breaststroke Finals

1.00 Lunch break

1.50 66 Breaststroke Timed Finals

2.10 33 Freestyle Final

2.30 House Relays X 6 swimmers per team

2.45 Staff v Year 13 Relay



**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

This term we have two students with us from Germany. Lilly is in Year 9 and is the sister of a student that was with us a few years ago, Patrick Seyerlein. Anna has joined the Year 12 form and is here until August. Both girls are keen to experience as much as possible during their stay in Golden Bay.

Our International Student programme is very small at Golden Bay High School, but we do have a steady number of students arriving at various points during the year that need home stays. If you are keen to host a student in the future and would like to find out more then please email [katrina@gbh.school.nz](mailto:katrina@gbh.school.nz) and I will contact you with more details. On that note, we have a female student from Germany arriving in May who would like to stay on a farm.

*Katrina Robbie (International Student Dean)*

Lilly Seyerlein

My name is Lilly Seyerlein. I come from Frankfurt in Germany. I am 13 years old. I have two older brothers and a cat. I love horse riding. I am staying with the Foxwells in Wainui and I am very much enjoying the family.



Lilly Seyerlein and Anna Gassner

Anna Gassner

Hey, my name is Anna and I'm an exchange student from Munich in Germany. I am so happy that I can live here for the next six months, although it really is a big change between a large city and Takaka. I am hoping to experience as much as I can while I am here as I love nature and adventure. I am enjoying kayaking as I am living by the sea in Rangihaeata with Fiona and Chloe.



**House News**

By now we would have hopefully had our Athletics Sports. The houses were all ready to go, with banners and chants prepared for the swimming sports. Here is a sneak view (above) of the banners

that the students have produced.

The house leaders are doing a great job of supporting their younger members, and building house spirit. We are all looking forward to a great competition over the year.



Photos below: PE with 7P carrying the mat. Demonstrating teamwork  
Dan Padial



Year 9 Outdoor Education being instructed by Year 13 Outdoor Education students on flat water, Takaka river. Greg Allum



# The Reading Kids on Flying Squids Book Club

You can join anytime!

A fun book club for kids 9-12 years  
Share - explore - quizzes - games - imagine

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month during term time  
3.30pm - 4.30pm

Takaka Library  
Corner Durb's Gymnasium  
Phone: 03 525 0599

## THE WILLIAM PIKE CHALLENGE AWARD

A new initiative that we have signed all of our Year 8 and 9 students up for this year is the William Pike Challenge Award.

All Year 8 and 9 students have been invited onto the hub for this challenge and will track their own progress. They are required to complete five outdoor activities (nearly all of which will be covered by Year 9 Camp or Year 8 Camp, and the Sailing opportunity coming up in the last week of this term); 20 hours of a new Passion Project and 20 Hours of Community Service.

Attached with this Goldie email is some more information about the Challenge. Ask your child who William Pike is and why he's famous! Then get them to sign you into their hub page so that you too can see how they are doing.

If you have further questions or ideas for this exciting challenge, please get in touch with Sue Mitchison at school [sue@gbh.school.nz](mailto:sue@gbh.school.nz)

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

7<sup>th</sup> March:

Abbie McConnon and Lily McRae



For organizing and running a beach clean-up at Pohara on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018

## TERM ONE 2018 CALENDAR

- 13 Mar..... Swimming Sports
- 14 Mar..... TSS Athletics
- 18 Mar..... TinBum Triathlon
- 19- 20 Mar..... Yr 12 First Aid
- 21 Mar..... Wednesday, school closes at 2:15pm
- 21-23 Mar..... Science wananga - Onetahua Marae
- 23 Mar..... Goldie
- 26 Mar..... BOT Meet 6.30pm
- 27 Mar..... School Photos
- 28 Mar..... TSS Mountain biking
- 28 Mar-3 Apr... Waitomo Caving Trip
- 30 Mar-3 Apr... Easter Break
- 4 Apr..... Wednesday, school closes at 2:15pm
- 10 Apr..... Immunisation Yr 7 & 8
- 11-13 Apr..... Yr 7 & 8 Sailing
- 13 Apr..... Goldie
- 13 Apr..... End of Term One
- 13-15 Apr..... Secondary School Adventure Racing Champs
- 30 Apr..... Start of Term Two
- 9 May..... Wednesday, school closes at 2:15pm
- 11 May..... Goldie

Hamish and Dante enjoying a Year 10 Science practical recently.



On these hot days, drink luscious healthy water. Brain juice!



Good for your concentration, teeth, diet, health, skin, & digestion.

Take care though, as inhalation can be fatal!

## SCHOOL UNIFORM DRESS CODE

(Years 7 - 11 Uniform)

Wearing of the School Uniform is Compulsory.

All items must be purchased from the Home and School Uniform Shop and must be embroidered with the school name/logo. *This shop is open fortnightly from 1 -2 pm on Tuesdays and is next open on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March.*

### A. GIRLS

- Black shorts or skirt: no more than 5cm above the knee
- Plain black trousers
- Plain white blouse or green polo shirt
- Black tights (70+ denier) or knee-high plain black socks may be worn under a skirt or shorts in Terms 2 & 3 (sold at school)
- Plain black or plain white socks

### B. BOYS

- Plain black trousers/cargo pants or shorts

- White shirt or green polo shirt
- Plain black or plain white ankle socks

### C. ALL

- Bottle green polar fleece vest or bottle green jersey
- Black jackets – plain black weather proof jackets, with full length frontal zip, no writing and no colours, are acceptable but must not be worn in class time or at assembly
- White polyprop/singlet may be worn under white shirt/blouse; black polyprop under green polo shirt
- A plain black belt may be worn



### D. SHOES

- Shoes must be plain black and flat. No knee high boots.
- Black sandals with a back strap are permitted

### E. PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM

- Plain black taslon shorts bearing school logo or initials GBHS
- Plain house coloured T-shirts
- Tracksuit pants and sweatshirt or rugby jersey – plain
- One-piece swim suit
- Sport shoes - clean and non-marking
- All gear must be clean for each lesson and without writing or advertising

### F. HATS

- The wearing of sunhats outside is encouraged
- Hats and jackets are not to be worn in classrooms or assembly.
- A warm hat may be worn when it is cold

**YEAR 11 EARTH SCIENCE FIELD TRIP**

On Monday 26th Feb, less than a week after Cyclone Gita struck the Bay, Level 1 Science students were out and about on a field trip to "Surface features of Te Waikoropupu Aquifer".

This began at the Pupu Springs,



where students squelched through the light drizzle to meet Geoff Rennison, who generously gave his time to speak to the students about experiments that have been done to trace the origin of the water resurging there. Students saw first hand the tell-tale "boiling" of the water rising up, indicating the confined nature of the spring.



From there, students migrated south to Ironstone Creek where they observed the dry karst valley only days after one of the biggest rainfall events in recent times.



They also visited Green Bower cave to observe water flowing



out from beneath the Canaan, and heading under the Takaka river, presumably on its way to the springs.

From here the group slogged up the hill to see Mitchell's tomo, a collapsed doline with dimensions 50m x 50m x 50m; one of the biggest in the valley. Thanks to Roger Rosser for allowing us access across his farm to this enormous feature.



Done with the lowlands, the group headed up to Canaan, taking in the Homestead Creek polje, where water destined for Gorge Creek first leaves the granite and heads underground into the marble.



Finally, we topped off the day by heading down to Harwood's Hole, the deepest vadose shaft in New Zealand, and (after carefully checking that no abseilers were present) marvelled at the time it took for the sound of a thrown rock to echo up from the bottom.



The day done, we headed back to school, arriving there for a 6pm finish, maximum value successfully squeezed out of the daylight hours.



above: Kye at the polje and below: Kye in a hole



(below) Ochre (kokowai)