

# Newsletter

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## DIARY DATES

### November

- 15th** Yr 5 Cardboard Cart Regatta  
Kitchen Garden Yr 4B & 4C
- 19th** 2025 Foundation Orientation  
Session 1
- 20th** Yr 4 Bee Incursion
- 20th-25th** Book Fair
- 20th-24th** Energy Breakthrough
- 21st** Prep PMP in the Park
- 22nd** Yr 5 SES Incursion  
Kitchen Garden Yr 4C & 4D
- 19th** 2025 Foundation Orientation  
Session 1
- 26th** 2025 Foundation Orientation  
Session 2
- 26th-29th** Keyboard Concerts
- 28th** Foundation Melbourne Zoo
- 29th** Kitchen Garden Yr 4A & 4B

### December

- 2nd** Guitar Concert
- 3rd** 2025 Foundation Orientation  
Session 3  
Yr 4 Space Dome Incursion
- 4th** Yr 6 Funfields
- 6th** P-2 Athletics  
Kitchen Garden Yr 4D & 4A
- 10th** 2025 Foundation Orientation  
Session 4 & Parent Information  
Session
- 12th** EOY Concert

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

### School Performance Report

New Gisborne Primary School recently received their school performance report. I am pleased to report that we have been rated in the highest category for learning and for wellbeing. We don't often celebrate our successes in wellbeing as these often involve adjustments made for individual students that we deem to be confidential, but the universal adjustments that we make for all students are also of the highest quality. The only area of wellbeing where we are not high is attendance which is adversely affected by family holidays.

### Cardboard Cart Regatta - Energy Breakthrough

We are excited to extend a warm welcome to parents and families across the school to join us tomorrow (Friday 15th November) for the **2024 Cardboard Cart Regatta**, from 2.30pm on the oval. This annual event is held to raise funds for the ongoing maintenance of the school's Human Powered Vehicles. Students are kindly asked to donate a gold coin on the day to support this amazing cause. This donation allows them to come dressed in the theme of their cart for race day.

We wish the students and their families all the best for the Energy Breakthrough next week.

### 2025 Class Placements for Students

Parents with specific reasons relating to their child's academic and/or wellbeing circumstances may make a request for consideration of class placement for their child in 2025. This request needs to be clearly expressed in writing and forwarded to me. Please do not assume that the teacher or I already have this information. If you consider that this is important, write it down and send it in. This must be done by **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**. Requests will be considered on merit and are not guaranteed. If classmates selected on a friendship basis depart the school after classes have been made, alteration to classes will be unlikely. Requests based only on a desire for a specific teacher will not be considered. Once finalised by the school, classes are very unlikely to be changed, as this impacts the entire class making process.

On **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December**, there will be a 'Step Up' morning, in which students will meet their 2025 teacher, classmates and see their classroom.

### Pupil Free Days

We have two remaining pupil free days for 2024 and these will happen at the end of the year on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> December. Staff will use these days to organise classrooms and programs for the start of 2025. Students will be dismissed for the year on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 3.20pm.

### Softball State Finals

Congratulations to our girls and boys softball teams who have both made it through to the state finals. We wish them luck for the day in Wheelers Hill and thank their parents and Mr Bell for their help and support.

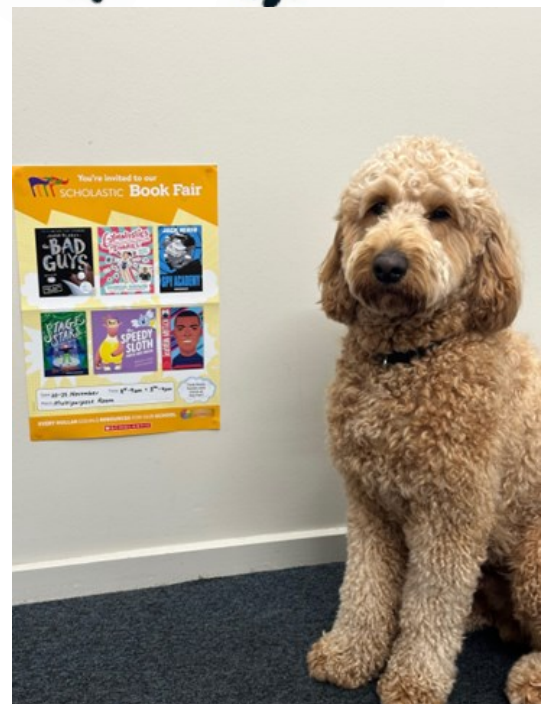
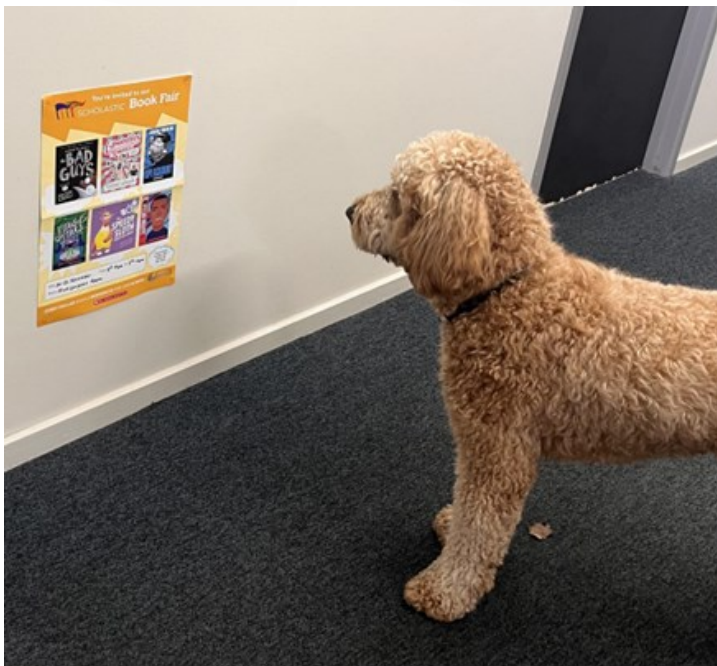
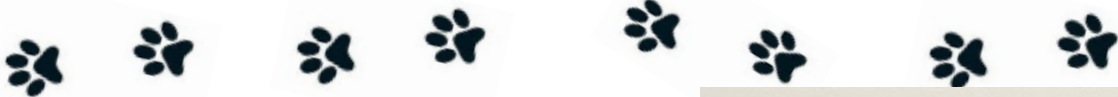
### Foundation transition sessions

The first of our Kinder/Foundation transition sessions happen next Tuesday so we expect car parking to be at a premium in the morning. Looking forward to getting to know all these new faces.

Shane West  
Principal

# Chester Chatter

Chester is delighted to be back amongst friends. He is excitedly looking forward to seeing all the entries in the colouring competition for the upcoming Book Fair. With last minute entries due today (or tomorrow morning 9am at the very latest). He is counting the days till the Book Fair begins next week on Wednesday 20th November.



# INDOOR ACTIVITIES

Monday

COLOURING &  
QUIET ACTIVITIES

Tuesday

GARDENING  
CRAFT

Wednesday

CHESS

Thursday

CONSTRUCTION  
ACTIVITIES

Friday

CARD GAMES

Everyone welcome!  
Find us in the  
Activities Room  
(near the Year 3  
classrooms)

# Canteen

## HUNGRY POSSUM ROSTER

**We are always looking for canteen volunteers!**  
**We require 1 person on Wednesdays and 3 to 4 people on Fridays.**  
**Any time you can spare is always appreciated:**  
**9am: Stickers on lunch bags & start lunch preparation**  
**11:30am: Counter Service**  
**12:30: Prepare and bag lunch orders**  
**Contact Brenda at [Brenda.Morgan@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Brenda.Morgan@education.vic.gov.au)**

<b>Friday 15th November</b>	<b>Wednesday 20th November</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Annika Karlsson</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Volunteer Needed!</b></li> </ul>
<b>Friday 22nd November</b>	<b>Wednesday 27th November</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sarah Holland</b></li> <li>• <b>Larissa Boyd</b></li> <li>• <b>Rebecca Millard</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chantelle Preaudet</b></li> </ul>
<b>Friday 29th November</b>	<b>Wednesday 4th December</b>
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<b>Friday 6th December</b>	<b>Wednesday 11th December</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Jenni Fleet</b></li> <li>• <b>2 Volunteers Needed!</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chantelle Preaudet</b></li> </ul>
<b>Friday 13th December</b>	<b>Happy Holidays!</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Larissa Boyd</b></li> <li>• <b>Rebecca Millard</b></li> <li>• <b>Kimberley Norman</b></li> <li>• <b>Rachael May,</b></li> <li>• <b>Bridgette Bubeck</b></li> </ul>	

# Cardboard Cart Regatta

## *2024 Cardboard Cart Regatta*

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

Race begins at 2:30pm on the oval

*NGPS supporting the Energy Breakthrough Team*

### **Bob Bike**



**Gold coin donation  
for students to come  
dressed in the theme  
of their cart  
SunSmart policy  
applies!**

# Parents' Association



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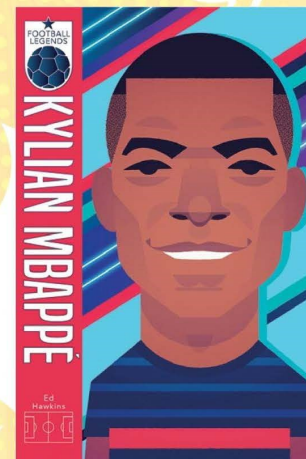
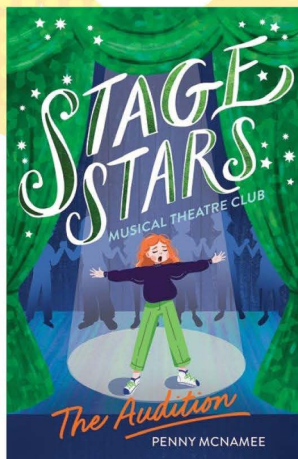
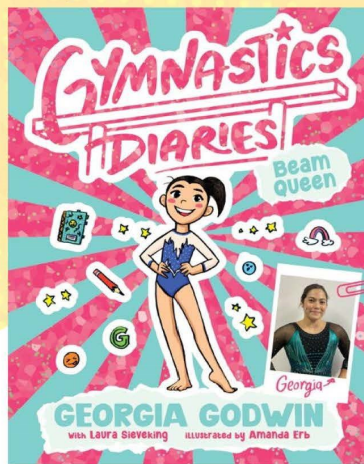
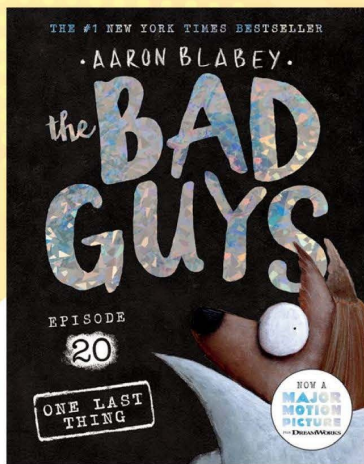


NEW GISBORNE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
**COLOUR  
FUN RUN**  
*Fundraiser*





You're invited to our  
**SCHOLASTIC Book Fair**



Date 20-22 & 25 November 2024 Time 8:15-9am & 3:20-4pm  
Place Multipurpose Room (at front of school)

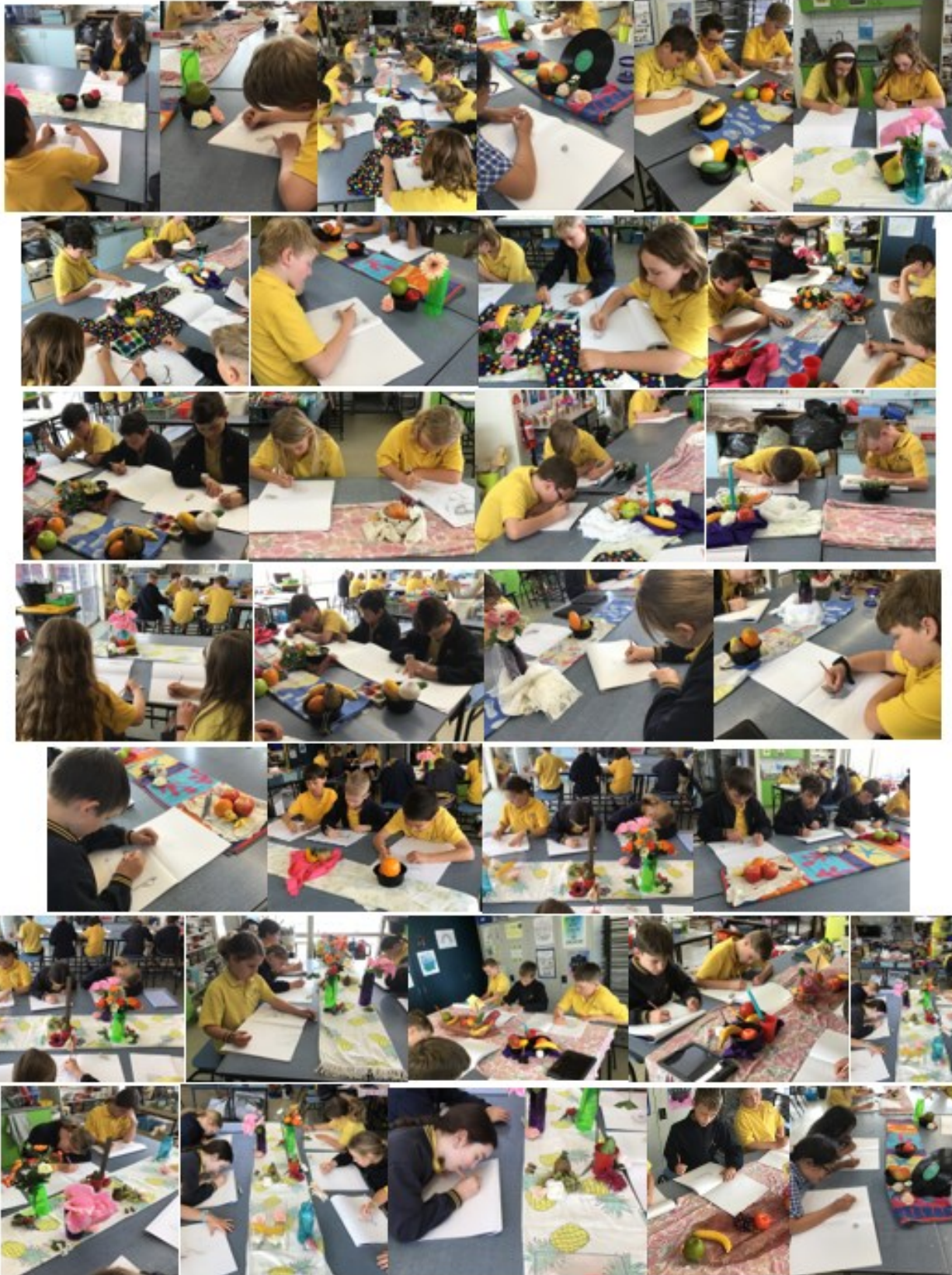
Find these books and more at the Fair!

EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL





## Year Four– Still Life Sketches





## SELAMAT DATANG (WELCOME)



Over the past two weeks in Indonesian all of the classes have been learning about Diwali, also known as the Festival of Lights. The students have been very intrigued as to how the Hindu people of Indonesia celebrate this festival and have enjoyed creating their own rangolis and paper lanterns. Stay tuned for photos of these in the next week or so.

Diwali is a very special celebration for Hindu people and is widely celebrated in Indonesia, and especially on the island of Bali where the majority of islanders are Hindu.

Diwali is a celebration to welcome the New Year and the victory of good over evil, light over darkness and knowledge over ignorance. Diwali takes place every year and lasts for five days with the third day being the most important.

The dates for Diwali change every year depending on the Lunar calendar and when the new moon falls but is usually between October and November. The date for Diwali this year was Thursday the 31st of October.

The festival usually honours Lakshmi, the goddess of wealth. The lamps in peoples homes are lit on the new moon night, and doors and windows are left open to guide Lakshmi into their homes in the new year bringing wealth and good fortune with her.

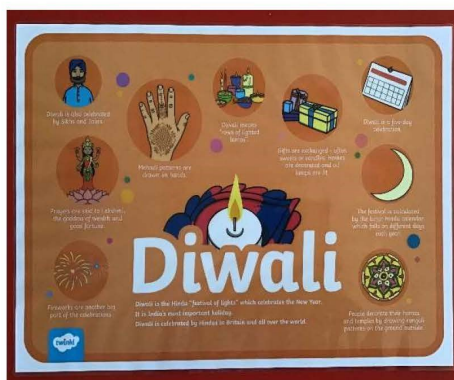
During Diwali families clean and tidy their homes, visit the temple, light diya lamps, decorate their homes inside and outside with lights, make rangoli patterns (usually out of coloured rice, powder and flowers), prepare family feasts and put on fireworks displays.

The following links are great resources to share with your children

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKCisZeb300> - All About Diwali for Kids

Stunning Rangoli Patterns

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o9T0Oq7ds2E> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aeSLXGdc03I>



# Victorian Container Deposit Scheme

NGPS is collecting drink containers purchased through the canteen to raise funds via the Victorian Container Deposit Scheme.

These funds will go back into the **Sustainability Program** at NGPS.

We are encouraging students to check the container labels to see how items can be disposed of.

We're keeping an ongoing tally of the number of containers we have kept from landfill and an ongoing tally of funds raised.

It would be great if we could collect all 250 containers purchased weekly!

## NGPS Collection Point - Outside Mr Bell's Classroom

Before placing an item at this collection point:

- Ensure the item has not been squashed
- The barcode is visible
- The contents have been emptied





# Nude Food Day

**EVERY MONDAY**

BRING YOUR FOOD IN  
CONTAINERS,  
REUSABLE WRAPPERS  
OR BAGS TO WIN  
YOUR CLASS POINTS!



# Community



## We're in town

See you soon, Sunbury  
18 to 26 November



**Sunbury**  
Pop up Blood Donor Centre

Hume Global Learning Centre Library  
44 Macedon Street

See website for Opening Hours

Book your donation now



13 14 95

give blood



## Join us for the Community-Led Safe Space Launch Event!

**Date: Wednesday November 20, 2024**

**Time: 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM**  
**BBQ PROVIDED**

**Location: Woodend Neighbourhood House**  
**47 Forest St, Woodend**

Scan here or visit [mrspag.com.au](http://mrspag.com.au) for more info



## GO EXPLORE

# Orienteering

An adventure activity the whole family can enjoy.

All ages and fitness welcome

## WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

<b>NOV 13th</b>	<b>MACEDON</b>	Ash Wednesday Park, Smith St
<b>NOV 20th</b>	<b>SUNBURY</b>	GalaxyLands, Betula Terrace
<b>NOV 27th</b>	<b>WOODEND</b>	Information Centre, Margery Cres
<b>DEC 4th</b>	<b>ROMSEY</b>	Lions reserve, Main St
<b>DEC 11th</b>	<b>GISBORNE</b>	Jackson Creek Reserve, Brantome St

Rego 6.00 pm - 6.30pm  
Start 6.30 pm - 7.00 pm  
Finish 8.00 pm

**\$5 per participant**

Up to 1 hour to complete your adventure

*Coaching, coloured maps & electronic timing included.*



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# ROOKIES NETBALL PLAYERS



Gisborne Rookies Junior Football Netball Club are now taking expression of interests for netball players for the 2025 season. New or returning players are welcome.

## AGE GROUPS

- 9 & Under
- 11 & Under
- 13 & Under
- 15 & Under
- 17 & Under

<b>PRESEASON SESSIONS</b>	<b>9 &amp; UNDER/ 11 &amp; UNDER/ 13 &amp; UNDER 5-6PM</b>
<b>MONDAY 25TH NOVEMBER &amp; MONDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2024</b>	<b>15 &amp; UNDER/ 17 &amp; UNDER 6-7PM</b>
	<b>GARDINER RESERVE</b>

Team selections will take place in early February 2025.

For more information contact GRJFNC Netball Coordinator Maxine on 0407 348 596 or [Rookiesnetballco@outlook.com](mailto:Rookiesnetballco@outlook.com)



SCAN THE QR CODE TO EXPRESS INTEREST





Put on your Happy Feet and dance the night away!

4pm: Devonshire Tea and Face Painting

7pm: Dance Band - Trio Plus One

Traditional Country Supper. (Ladies please bring a plate - sandwiches or cakes.)

BYO and licensed bar available.

Entry - Donation

Kerrie Hall invite you to celebrate our

## 90th Birthday Dance

Saturday 23rd November

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## Country SPRING FAIR

SATURDAY  
23 NOVEMBER 2024  
10AM - 2PM

IN THE PARISH HALL  
CNR FISHER & BRANTOME ST,  
GISBORNE



ANGLICAN PARISH OF  
**GISBORNE**  
MACEDON | RIDDELLS CREEK | GISBORNE