**TERM 1 SPORT 2025**

3rd February 2025

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Greenmeadows School is pleased to be able to offer Junior Netball (Years 0-4), Basketball (Years 0-6), Kiwi Cricket (Years 3-6), Volleyball (Years 5-6), Summer Hockey (Years 3-6), Funsticks Hockey (Years 0-2), Water Polo (Years 3-6), Canoe Polo (Years 5-6), and Futsal (Years 0-6) as team sports for boys and girls during Term 1. There is something for everyone!!

This is the first time we have offered Futsal and as such we must make our registrations immediately with the governing association who accept entries on a first in first served basis. Team numbers are capped due to venue size and availability. FUTSAL ENTRIES MUST THEREFORE BE MADE VIA KINDO BY MIDDAY **WEDNESDAY 5TH FEBRUARY**.

REGISTRATIONS FOR ALL OTHER TERM 1 SPORTS (except for FUNSTICKS hockey – see below) MUST BE MADE VIA KINDO BY MIDNIGHT ON **SATURDAY 8TH FEBRUARY**. This link can be accessed from our Greenmeadows School website, [www.gms.school.nz](http://www.gms.school.nz), under the Sports tab. Payment must be made at the time of registration using credit card, debit card, manual internet bank transfer, or POLi.

All children and families must also read and understand our GMS Sports Code of Conduct when registering to play. This can be viewed on our school website under the Sports tab.

PLEASE NOTE: If paying by manual internet bank transfer this will take two days to clear with Kindo. Your registration into a team WILL NOT BE RECEIVED BY GMS unless your manual payment is cleared BEFORE Sunday 9th. It is therefore recommended that you complete your registration and bank transfer by THURSDAY 6TH FEBRUARY if paying by this method. **For any questions regarding use of the Kindo site or to check if your registration has gone through correctly, please contact Kindo directly via phone 0508 454636 or email** **hello@mykindo.co.nz****.**

All team sports are only able to go ahead if we have sufficient numbers to form teams. If we are unable to proceed with any particular sport, every endeavour will be made to provide an alternative for those registrants. If there is no suitable alternative, then refunds will be made back to families via Kindo.

Children may register to play more than one sport during Term 1. They must be available and committed to their games as well as any practice sessions during/after school.

As always, assistance is sought for the coaching/managing of teams. Without parental help in these roles we cannot enter teams in the various competitions. **Please indicate on your online registration if you are able to help in any way –** no previous experience is necessary, it is your time and enthusiasm that enables our children to play. We welcome and thank both returning coaches and those parents volunteering for the first time.

TERM 1 SPORTS INFORMATION:

**JUNIOR NETBALL – Boys and Girls Years 0-4**

WHEN: Thursdays after school from 27th February to 3rd April, at the Onekawa Courts.

WHAT: Played in the Summer terms to be more user friendly for junior players, this programme is a great way for children to get started in netball, to develop basic skills and to have fun playing. Sessions start with skills training, followed by modified games (4 aside for Yr 1/2 teams, 5 aside for Yr 3/4 teams), that encourage maximum involvement from all players.

FEES: $30 per child

UNIFORM: GMS school sports shirt (issued by the school), players supply own navy shorts/skort, with ankle sports socks and appropriate sports shoes for the outdoor surface.

COACHING: Support required for all teams, new and existing coaches/helpers welcome, no previous experience needed. All resources are supplied and training for parent helpers is provided by HB Netball via a free coaches workshop held on Thursday 20th February, 5pm - 6pm at the Onekawa Courts. Please indicate on your Kindo registration if you are keen to attend this workshop.

**KOWHAI and POHUTUKAWA SYNDICATE MINI BASKETBALL – Boys and Girls Years 0-4**

WHEN: Tuesdays after school from 25th February to 1st April at the Rodney Green Centennial Events Centre, Latham St, Napier,

WHAT: Designed for children to experience basketball at a level appropriate for their age, with fast and exciting 3x3 games using the traditional 2 hoop format. Lowered hoops and modified rules ensure all players are involved, having fun, and developing their skills. Games are played in grades of Yr 0-2 and Yr 3-4. New and existing players welcome.

FEES: $35 per child

IMPORTANT: From 2025 in addition to your Kindo registration for basketball, all players must now register as an individual with Basketball NZ and pay a **$5 Player Registration Levy** directly to the association. This levy is paid only once per calendar year. Those who register to play for GMS via Kindo will be sent the relevant link and information to complete this easy online registration by 21st February.

UNIFORM: GMS school sports shirt (issued by the school), players supply own navy/dark blue shorts, ankle sports socks and appropriate sports shoes for the indoor surface.

COACHING: **Support required for all teams**, new and existing coaches and managers welcome. **No umpiring or scoring required,** as this is all done by representatives from the Basketball Association. Acting as a basketball coach/manager is easy and fun – and with only small numbers of children per team all parents are encouraged to indicate their support on registration forms where at all possible. Any training, rules and resources needed are supplied by the school, and games themselves are run by the on-court Basketball HB refs.

**TOTARA SYNDICATE MINI BASKETBALL – Boys and Girls Years 5-6**

WHEN: Mondays after school from 24th February to 31st March at the Centennial Events Centre, Latham St.

WHAT: Fast and exciting games of modified basketball using the new 3v3 half court 1 hoop format. New and existing players welcome, rules are easy to follow and ensure all players are involved, having fun, and developing their skills.

FEES: $35 per child

IMPORTANT: From 2025 in addition to your Kindo registration for basketball, all players must now register as an individual with Basketball NZ and pay a **$5 Player Registration Levy** directly to the association. This levy is paid only once per calendar year. Those who register to play for GMS via Kindo will be sent the relevant link and information to complete this easy online registration by 21st February.

UNIFORM: GMS school sports shirt (issued by the school), players supply own navy/dark blue shorts, ankle sports socks and appropriate sports shoes for the indoor surface.

COACHING: Support required for all teams, new and existing coaches and managers welcome. **No umpiring or scoring required,** as this is all done by representatives from the Basketball Association. Acting as a basketball coach/manager is easy and fun – and with only small numbers of children per team, all parents are encouraged to indicate their support on registration forms where at all possible. Any training, rules and resources needed are supplied by the school, and games themselves are run by the on-court Basketball HB umpires.

**KIWI CRICKET – Boys and Girls Years 3-6**

WHEN: Fridays after school (Yr 3/4) 3:30 – 5pm from 14th February to 21st March at Nelson Park.

 Saturday mornings (Yr 5/6) 9am – 12pm from 15th February to 22nd March at local school venues.

WHAT: Year 5/6 Division One, Two and Three grades follow modified cricket rules using a hard ball, batting pads, gloves and helmets. Games are played 8 aside, with each team bowling 20 overs on a shortened pitch, and all team members bowling and batting during each game. Year 3/4 teams also play 8 aside, using a soft ball on a shortened pitch. Pads and helmets are not required. Each team bowls 16 overs, and all team members bowl and bat during each game. Rules for all grades are structured to encourage development of skills, team play, maximum participation, understanding and enjoyment of the game.

 NOTE: Year 5/6 girls may choose to play either Friday afternoon soft ball cricket, or Saturday morning hard ball cricket. Please indicate this on registration forms.

FEES: $15 per child

UNIFORM: GMS school sports shirt (issued by the school), players supply own navy shorts and appropriate covered sports shoes. All Yr 5/6 Saturday morning players are expected to wear their own white cricket trousers.

COACHING: Support required for all teams, new and existing coaches and managers welcome. Training and resources supplied by the school and HB Cricket.

**VOLLEYBALL – Boys and Girls Years 5-6**

WHEN: Wednesdays after school from 19th February to 9th April at the Rodney Green Centennial Events Centre, Latham St, Napier.

WHAT: Modified volleyball games played 4 aside with a soft lightweight ball. The emphasis is on participation and keeping the ball alive, this is great fun game with simple rules and bonus points awarded each time a team plays the ball between them before returning it over the net. Games are played each Wednesday between 3:45 and 6pm, (usually 1-2 games per night).

FEES: $30 per child

UNIFORM: GMS school sports shirt (issued by the school), players supply own navy shorts, ankle sports socks and appropriate sports shoes for the indoor surface.

COACHING: Support required for all teams, new and existing coaches welcome, no previous experience needed. Training and resources supplied by the school.

**SUMMER HOCKEY – Boys and Girls Years 3-6**

WHEN: Tuesdays after school from 25th February to 1st April at Park Island Hockey Stadium.

WHAT: 6-aside hockey played on quarter and half fields for Mini Sticks (Yr 3-4) and Kiwi Sticks (Yr 5-6) grades. Fast and fun games, and a great way for all levels of player to develop their hockey skills and understanding of the game. New and experienced players welcome, teams are graded to cater for appropriate skill levels.

FEES: $30 per child

UNIFORM: GMS sports shirt (supplied by the school), players supply own mouthguard (compulsory), navy shorts, navy blue knee length sports socks and appropriate covered sports shoes for the turf surface. Players to supply own hockey stick and shin pads.

COACHING: Support required for all teams, new and existing coaches welcome. Training and resources supplied by the school.

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**SUMMER FUNSTICKS HOCKEY – Boys and Girls Years 0-2**

WHEN: Mondays after school from 24th February to 24th March, 4:30 – 5:20pm, at Park Island, Napier.

WHAT: Skills and modified fun games run entirely by the HB Hockey Association, designed to encourage the development of young players in an age appropriate manner and environment. Two grades are available, Funsticks Development for Year 0-2 participants new to the game, and Funsticks for Year 2 participants who have previously played in a Funsticks program. For both these grades, HB Hockey coaches place emphasis on participation and enjoyment, ensuring all children are involved and having fun whilst developing their skills and knowledge of the game.

FEES: $50 per child. **NOTE: Registration and payment for this program is made directly through the HB Hockey Assn at** [**www.hbhockey.org.nz**](http://www.hbhockey.org.nz)**. Follow the links to Summer Hockey Funsticks. DO NOT MAKE PAYMENT TO GMS VIA KINDO. REGISTRATIONS CLOSE SUNDAY 16TH FEBRUARY.**

UNIFORM:Players wear own GMS school uniform polo shirt, knee length sports socks and appropriate covered sports shoes for the turf surface. Players to supply own shin pads and mouthguard (compulsory), hockey sticks are supplied by the association for those who do not have their own.

COACHING: All provided by HB Hockey.

**WATER POLO – Boys and Girls Years 3-6**

WHEN: Sunday afternoons throughout Term 1 from 16th February, at the HB Regional Aquatic Centre (indoor pool), Percival Rd, Hastings.

WHAT: This fast growing sport is tons of fun, teaching the basics of water polo to Primary School aged children using a range of ball skills, swimming and team work. This year also sees the introduction of a Year 3-4 grade which we are excited to offer to GMS. Games are played 7 aside in a pool depth of 1.35m, so players can touch the bottom but require water confidence. New and existing players welcome.

FEES: $60 per child

UNIFORM: Players wear their own togs in the pool, with water polo swimming caps provided by the association for identifying teams.

COACHING: Support required for all teams, new and existing coaches and managers welcome. **No umpiring required,** as this is all done by representatives from the Water Polo Association. Acting as a coach/manager is therefore easy and fun with no previous experience required, as the games themselves are run by the association refs. Please indicate on your Kindo registrations if you can help in any way.

**CANOE POLO – Boys and Girls Years 5-6**

WHEN: Saturday afternoons from 15thMarch (grading games), with 3 rounds played in Term 1 at the Mitre 10 Regional Sports Park, then games are played during Term 2 from 3rd May – 14th June at the Clive Pool.

 An afternoon team training session will also be held on Sunday 2nd March at the Regional Sports Park.

WHAT: F grade Canoe Polo, aimed to teach the basics of the game to Primary school players. All equipment supplied including canoes, paddles, spray decks, buoyancy aids and helmets. No previous experience necessary, however all participants MUST be confident independent swimmers, and be able to coordinate a canoe, paddle and ball all at once! Players can be prepared to get wet, and prepared to have tons of fun. Two games per afternoon are played.

FEES: $80 per child.

UNIFORM: Own swimming attire, bare feet, and t-shirt or rash shirt for wearing in the pool.

COACHING: Support required for all teams with training and resources supplied by the school and HB Canoe Polo Club.

**FUTSAL – Boys and Girls Years 0-6**

WHEN: Years 0-4 Fridays after school from 21st February to 11th April at the Pettigrew Green Arena, Taradale.

 Years 5-6 Mondays after school from 17th February to 7th April at the Pettigrew Green Arena.

WHAT: Come and have a go at one of the world’s fastest-growing indoor sports!! Futsal is the only FIFA and NZ Football approved version of 5v5 football (soccer), played with a low bounce ball on a court without rebound walls or nets. It is a game that combines fun, creativity, speed, technique, teamwork and quick thinking. Teams are graded according to age and the rules are simple, designed to keep the game flowing and players all involved. New and existing players welcome.

FEES: $60 per child.

UNIFORM: GMS sports shirt (supplied by the school), players supply own navy shorts, navy blue knee length sports socks and shinpads, with appropriate covered sports shoes for the indoor surface.

COACHING: Support required for all teams with training and resources supplied by the school and Central Football, who also endeavour to supply refs for all games. Please indicate your support on registration forms if you can help in any way so we can get GMS involved in this sport for the first time.

***Registrations for FUTSAL close on Wednesday 5th February. All others (except for Funsticks Hockey) close on Saturday 8th February. Visit*** [***www.gms.school.nz***](http://www.gms.school.nz) ***and follow the links to Kindo under the Sports tab. ALL MANUAL INTERNET BANK TRANSFERS SHOULD BE COMPLETED 2 days before close of registration.***

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