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Newsletter 10

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Celebrating Students' writing

Room 10 have been working on serial commas to make their writing more interesting.

Under the house smelt of dead rats, ants and the cats business. Cooper Fox

My school bag smelt of rotten apples, squished bananas and awfulness! Melissa Kinzett

The dental clinic smelt of toothpaste, mint and fear. Kaitlyn Barra

The movies smelt of crushed popcorn, canned drinks and excitement! Maddie Day

My lounge smelt of cat vomit, dead fish and trouble! Evan Gray

Forthcoming Events

Queen's birthday weekend

No school this Monday.
Have fun and keep safe!



Dear Parents & Caregivers –
Tena koutou katoa

GMS staff, children and community would like to extend their congratulations to Dan Ball and Eva on the birth of their daughter. Exciting times ahead.

Arrival



Maddie May Ball

Farewell

We would also like to congratulate Darren Holloway on securing a permanent position at Bledisloe School. We will miss him but wish him all the best in his new role.

Have a fantastic long weekend.

Regards

Allyson Ross

Young Leaders Conference

On Tuesday 27 May, a group of 25 students went to the National Young Leaders Day in Palmerston North. We started at 9.30am and finished at 2.30pm. The main speakers were Jamie Fitzgerald, Angela Swan-Cronin, Charlie Laumatia, Nakita Turner and Cam

Calkoen. They were all very inspiring. Our favourite quotes were:

“Pain is temporary, quitting lasts forever.” and

“Dream big, achieve more.”

This was a wonderful day and we are now inspired to become better leaders. Ella Herekiuha & Lucy Cairns



Perceptual Motor Programme

PMP

PMP started this week and the children are loving it, as you can see from the photos. This is an amazing programme that assists the children to develop motor skills, memory and develop oral language. We are very thankful to our teacher aide, Kirsten Martin for her knowledge of the programme and setting up the activities for the children. A big thanks to the parents who have offered their help. We hope you enjoy the programme as much as our children do.

We still need some extra helpers. At the moment we have 1-2 helpers for each session and ideally we would like 3-4 helpers. If you can give us some time, please ring the office and let us know, or let your child's teacher know.

Values Medals

Perseverance



Oscar Hayes

Excellence



Jorja McIntyre

Respect



Piper McKnight

Congratulations to our Values Medal Winners. We are proud of you.



GMS Principal Awards

Congratulations to these children who were presented with certificates at assembly last week.



- Room 1
- Room 4
- Room 7
- Room 11
- Room 15

- Tyler Grant
- Chloe Wilson
- Carlos Bell
- Luka Jones
- Emilie Robb

- Room 2
- Room 5
- Room 8
- Room 12
- Room 17

- Lennox Burton
- Leila Weeks
- Casey Pritchard
- Matthew Harrison
- Tupara Harrison

- Room 3
- Room 6
- Room 10
- Room 13

- Samuel Ennor
- Hazel Cullen
- Maddie Day
- Joshua Ratcliffe



On Thursday Elgregoe, the Magician came to visit. The school has subsidized his performance but a charge of \$4.00 will be added to each child's school account. He had a strong anti-bullying message and the children were very responsive and excited by his performance.

“He was fantastic and I liked all of his magic tricks.

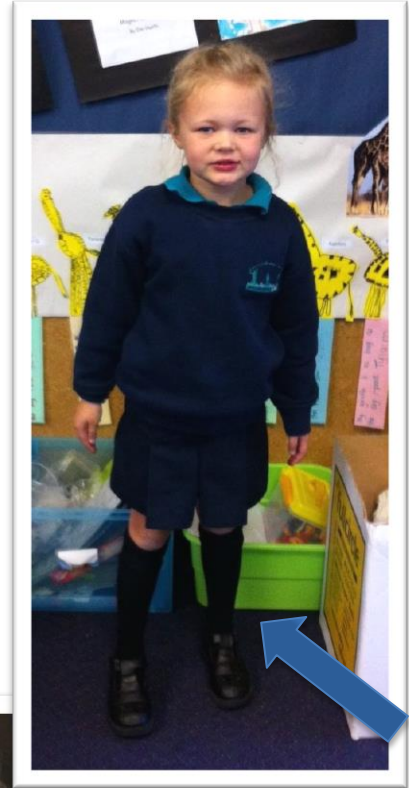
W = walk away I = ignore T= talk to someone

S =say Stop “ by Emma Blake

Celebrating our school uniform

Eli is wearing the school cargo pants.

Ena is wearing the school cargo pants.



Stella is wearing navy tights with her school uniform.



Tyler is wearing long black socks and black school shoes.



Charlotte is wearing the correct colour polyprop

Thank you to some of the Room 1 children for modeling examples of the correct school uniform. They look so smart. Uniform reminder: No jewellery, except stud earrings, watches, medic alert bracelets or an item of family or cultural significance that has been discussed with the school. Polypropylene tops need to be navy or black only. Shoes need to be all black, not boots. Please refer to the school uniform policy on our website for more detail and keep our uniform looking fabulous.

Tough Guy and Gal

Squelch, squelch, squelch. That was the sound of our feet getting sucked into the mud at the bottom of the swamp. All of the children competing in the Tough Guy and Gal Challenge, held at Clifton Station, were walking out of the swamp drenched in water, sliding down the mudslide, scrambling over the fence then a quick run around the paddock to the last obstacle. Zap! Zap! Zap! That was the sound of kids running through the wires and getting zapped.

While panting heavily over 400 children in the 9-11 year old section headed around the course to complete their second lap. Across the paddock, through the fence and bracing themselves for the challenge of crawling under the sharp barbed wire. Ten rows of it, which were half a metre above ground level. Next up were some low, dark and very muddy tunnels. Mud covered children exited the tunnels and ran across the beach, feet sinking into the hard stones. Around the corner was a deep, muddy swamp.

You could hear your feet squelching through the mud and the smelly swamp water was waist high. Soaking wet children were climbing out of the swamp with mud all the way up to their waists. But of course it was about to get muddier. Finally the last challenge, the electric wires. The finish line was in sight, just a short run left to go.

When you crossed the finish line you were handed a Hydr8 Zero drink and told to go and get your free sausage sizzle. There were fantastic hot showers to clean off all of the mud. There were fifteen spot prizes handed out including some "Ice" watches, soft toys, large bags of popcorn, boxes of peanut slabs and vouchers. Five children from Greenmeadows won spot prizes. The children who came 1st, 2nd, and 3rd also received amazing medals, Cohan Batterman was third place in the male 7/8 year old section. Every competitor in the Tough Guy and Gal Challenge got a great goodie bag full of yummy treats. The first Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge held in Napier had 700 children entered and was a great success!

Isabella Davidson-Payne Room 14

