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NEWSLETTER 3

Dear Parents and Caregivers - *Tena koutou katoa*

WELCOME TO GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL

Four new students have enrolled at GMS since our last newsletter. Lachlan Webber, Bella Papp, Maddison Arnold, Brylee White and Matilda Finnimore are all here as new members of our school. We welcome these children and their families to our school. We now have 430 students at GMS.

TERM 1 PARENT INTERVIEWS

We have been thrilled to have the interviews go so well over the past two evenings. Moving the interviews from mid-year to early in term 1 has been a very positive step — thanks to our school whanau for their involvement and contribution to this process.

In the last week of Term 2 we will have another series of conferences led by your children as they talk about the learning they have been doing over the first half of the year.

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL MEETING

There will be a meeting for parents of children starting school in Terms 2 and 3. The meeting will be held on Thursday 19 March in the school staffroom starting at 6.00pm.

EIT CANDIDATE TEACHERS

We have four candidate teachers who will spend much of this year in our school. They are:

Miss Sara Eglington
Miss Meschelle Rosvall
Miss Laticia Christie
Miss Madison Ferris

They commenced their placement with us last week and are present in school Tuesdays and Thursdays. We wish them all a very successful year ahead.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

A big improvement in the numbers of children wearing the correct uniform. Thanks for your support from home in having the students in their uniforms.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

These were sent out last Friday (have a look in the school bags if you haven't seen them ...!). Many thanks to those who have cleared their accounts already.

NO WALKING BUS

There will be a walking bus tomorrow morning—we are always looking for more passengers (they can ride their scooters or walk).

No walking bus next week—Thursday 12 March.

HOCKEY FOR 2015

One of the winter sports on offer at our school is hockey. There are three different grades for children to play hockey. They are:

- * Kiwi Sticks — Years 5 and 6
- * Ministicks — Years 3 and 4
- * Fun Sticks — Years 1 and 2

If you are interested in your child being involved in this sport talk to your child about a meeting we will be having next week. If your child is in Year 1 and 2 and you want them involved, please let your child's teacher know.

CRICKET DRAW

Friday:

GMS 3 v	Taradale Primary C	Nelson Park 8
GMS 2 v	Arthur Miller	Nelson Park 1
GMS 1 v	Tamatea Sixes	Nelson Park 2

Saturday:

GMS A v Port Ahuriri at Port Ahuriri
GMS B v Reignier A at Greenmeadows School
Remember to be at your game on Saturday by 8.30am.

GMS VALUES MEDALS

Congratulations to these children who were presented with medals at last week's school assembly-

Respect: Piper Stanley
Perseverance: Sophie Smith
Excellence: Molly King

Well deserved everyone — congratulations on receiving these highly prized awards.

Room 1	Zoe Perrin Mikayla Pollard	Room 2	Hemi Stephens Liam Solomann
Room 3	Sophie Smith Kenley Santo	Room 4	Aaron Newman Tyler Brinkworth
Room 5	Charlotte Brown Sarah Hansen	Room 6	Luca Theedom-Whyte Tori Gibbs
Room 7	Charlotte Field Max Fisher	Room 8	Joanne Li Blake Haines
Room 9	Ernest Woolward Summer Campbell	Room 10	Bailey Greeks Ella Ladd
Room 11	Matilda Burne Casey Thompson	Room 12	Hunter Harris Seth Watts
Room 13	Emily Carson Connor Morris	Room 14	Angelyn Zeng Clayton Terry-Moore
Room 15	Reuben Davies Luke Tibbitts	Room 16	Devlin Petuha Luke Marshall
Room 17	Sohie McLean Unique Tonihi		

PRINCIPAL AWARDS WEEK 4&5 TERM 1



PTA NEWS

GMS PTA FOOD FAIR—Friday 20 March

Clear the calendar for the annual food fair!!! We are just over a month away from the main fundraiser of the year. To get prepared we are on the hunt for the following:

- prizes for the winning wheel
- catering equipment
- deep friers

If you can assist please contact the school office or a member of the PTA.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

4 March	PTA Meeting 7.30pm Food Fair planning
5 March	Parent Interviews for Maths
13 March	Totara Cycle Trip Marine Parade
16 March	Pohutukawa Syndicate Swimming Lessons
19 March	Transition to School meeting 6.00pm
20 March	PTA Food Fair
2 April	Last day of Term 1

Look on our school website for additional dates and events: there are plenty!!!!

Ka kite ano,

*Mark Johnson
Principal*

