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NEWSLETTER 4

Dear Parents and Caregivers - *Tena koutou katoa*

Our school has certainly had an incredible last few days ... including:

- *a magnificent cycling day for the Year 5 and 6 classes last week*
- *Pam the cyclone*
- *GMS students performing for rock legend Joe Walsh*

The bad weather has caused some cancellations for various activities such as the Pohutukawa trip to the rocky shore as well as the Beach 5s rugby scheduled for Ocean Beach.

We have eleven days of school left this term with so much to do ...!!! Friday's Food Fair will be held in gloriously fine weather and promises to be the best yet. We look forward to seeing you all along for dinner.

WELCOME TO GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL

Two new students have joined GMS in the last two weeks. Tiarna David and Maddison McDonald are the latest happy faces to start in our junior classes. These two have enjoyed coming to school with their older brothers and sisters.

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. All are welcome to come along and find out about some of the key things involved in starting school.

GMS PTA FOOD FAIR — FRIDAY 20 MARCH

A notice was sent home yesterday giving the latest update about this Friday's Food Fair. A reminder that the cakes can be delivered to the school hall on Friday

We are still on the hunt for parent helpers, so please let the office know if you are available to assist, even if it's just for a short time.

HELP!!

The school office is running low on spare clothes and underwear, if your child has come home in a change of clothes from the office please return asap.

NO SCHOOL ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK

Plenty going on this Friday in the very busy GMS school ... with Food Fair preparations we will not have assembly this week.

SWIMMING POHUTUKAWA CLASSES

A reminder that all six classes in Pohutukawa are swimming from this Friday — so please pack togs and towels on Thursday night.

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. Remember we have EFT-POS in the office as another way of payment.

CRICKET DRAWS

Friday: no games due to the Food Fair
Saturday: the draw will be given to the team members

SCHOOL ABSENCES

If your child is going to be absent from school do one of the following:

- please ring the school office on 8447024
- or text **0279264452** before 9am

This saves the office staff a lot of time as they do not have to contact each parent. Thank you.

UNIFORM PURCHASES FROM THE WAREHOUSE

Just a reminder when purchasing uniform items from The Warehouse, please nominate our school.

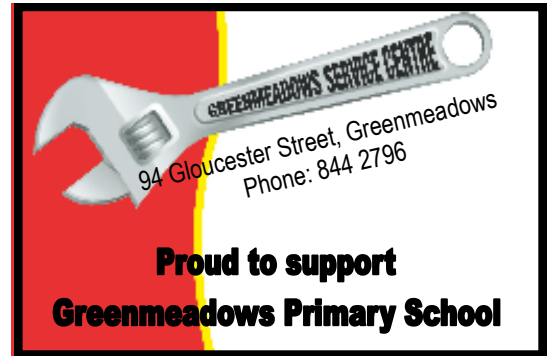
When our School is nominated we qualify for Schooltex rewards which come in the form of a dollar percentage of all uniform items sold.

PTA MEETING THIS EVENING

Final planning session for the Food Fair. Starts at 7.30pm

PRINCIPAL AWARDS WEEK 6 TERM 1

Room 1	Tiarna David	Room 2	Lochie Webber
Room 3	Ave Moylan	Room 4	Sithumi Ellegala
Room 5	Max Li	Room 6	Ellie Goodson
Room 7	Luca Greville-Jones	Room 8	Matthew Harrison
Room 9	Saffron Barnett	Room 10	Gordy Owen
Room 11	Olivia Gilray	Room 12	Jesse Beals
Room 13	Zhiheng Zhou	Room 14	
Room 15		Room 16	
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UKETTES MIGHTY AT EIT

Pictured left are some of the GMS Ukettes with Joe Walsh from The Eagles. The children performed at EIT yesterday afternoon, and were fantastic representatives of our school. They wowed the crowd with their version of 'Hotel California' and Joe was so very complimentary about the way they performed!! Ka mau te wehi!!!!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

18 March	Food Fair Meeting GMS 7.30pm
19 March	Transition to School meeting 6.00pm
20 March	PTA Food Fair 4.30 to 6.30pm
2 April	Last day of Term 1
20 April	Term 2 begins

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

Ka kite ano,

*Mark Johnson
Principal*

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