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NEWSLETTER 11

Dear Parents and Caregivers - *Tena koutou katoa*

WELCOME TO GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL

A very warm welcome to these children and their families to our school: Amelia Stewart and Leo Goodson.

They are all making a wonderful start to their time at our school and settling into learning fantastically. These student enrolments bring our roll to 444.

FAREWELL TO MRS JOHNSON

This Friday is the final day at school for Mrs Nicole Johnson as she starts her maternity leave next week. Nicole and Ashton are expecting their first child in the coming weeks - we wish them well for the very exciting time ahead! Mrs Jane Lee will be in Room 17 for the final three weeks. Ms Kim Davidson will be the teacher in this class from the start of Term 3.

ROOM 17 STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

Mrs Johnson departing before the end of the term meant that Room 17 had their Student-Led Conferences this week. They became the first class at Greenmeadows School to lead their parents in one of these conferences on Monday 8 June.

What an excellent job they all did! All children were involved during the evening and they very capably shared examples of their learning. Congratulations everyone!

GMS MATARIKI CELEBRATIONS

Matariki celebrations are due to be held at school tomorrow evening. We want those children and families attending to assemble by 6.00pm in the Heart of the School. All those involved need shoes and warm clothing. We will have a hiko in the dark walking along Osier Road and turning the corner into Gloucester Street before entering via our school again through the gate in the far corner of the field. A sausage sizzle will be operating (thanks PTA!!!!) and we will get the chance to toast marshmallows.

Wet weather will cause a cancellation of this event, although we will do everything we can to ensure it goes ahead. Watch our texts/Facebook for any updates tomorrow afternoon.

STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES MONDAY 29 JUNE

Bookings are currently being taken for the Student-Led Conferences. We have nearly two hundred conferences booked in already - so don't miss getting your preferred time slot for Monday 29 June. **All children** and their families need to be involved, so either book online through our school website, or contact the school office and they will organise a time for you.

NO WALKING SCHOOL BUS THIS WEEK

No Walking Bus tomorrow. See you all next week.

RIPPA RUGBY TOURNAMENT

All the very best to our teams who are taking part in the Napier tournament for the first time this Friday. Have a great day out!

SPORTS DRAW FOR HOCKEY

Hockey Saturday 13 June 2015

GMS Smashers v AMS Cougars, 9.10am, Park Island, HB1D

GMS VALUES MEDALS

Congratulations to these children who were presented with medals at the last two school assemblies-

Respect: Kenley Santo

Ellie Haines

Perseverance: Kate Skeels

Tavian Roberts

Excellence: Upashna Sundar

Tiarna David

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

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

11 June GMS Matariki celebration 6.00pm

25 to 30 June Scholastic Book Fair in the school Library

29 June Student-led Conferences
(school finished at 12.50pm)

3 July End of Term 2

20 July Start of Term 3

4 Sept Teacher Only Day (school closed)

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

Room 1	Maddi Arnold Wyatt Blundson	Room 2	Zach Dalanon Matty-Jae Harrison
Room 3	Charlotte Wilkins Elia-Jay Beams	Room 4	Jakob Hansen Amanda Kinzett
Room 5	Tyler Grant Tyla Motley	Room 6	Nicolas Ratcliffe Charlie Matson
Room 7	Karn Johansen Ena Huata	Room 8	Jovi-Lee Billing Eva MacKirdy
Room 9	Jett O'Brien Macy Penn	Room 10	Grace Henriksen Raven Howse
Room 11	Tyler Scott Kylah Thompson	Room 12	Cree Eden Courtney Becker
Room 13	Mila Wishnowsky Sarah Wedd	Room 14	Blake Fryer Tabitha Francis- Thickpenny
Room 15	Kees MacKirdy Mara Dehn	Room 16	Ella Parnell Faith Te Kowhai
Room 17	Joshua Pyott Giana Weeks	Room 18	

PRINCIPAL AWARDS WEEK 6 & 7 TERM 2



PANDEMIC PLAN

The Ministry of Education has instructed all schools to plan for an influenza pandemic as part of each school's Emergency planning activities. Therefore, we **have developed** a Pandemic Plan so that we are prepared and know what actions to take in the event of a pandemic emergency.

We have been advised that schools will be closed to prevent the spread of infection as soon as a handful of cases have been identified in this region. For this reason, it is vital that we have accurate contact information for caregivers of each child, and that we reconfirm this with you regularly.

Another part of our plan is to reinforce basic hygiene messages - even when no specific illness is in the community. Please help us by encouraging and reminding your children to:

WASH HANDS	Wash their hands before eating and after going to the toilet – by rubbing their hands together for about 20 seconds in warm soapy water, and then drying them on a clean towel.
COVER MOUTH	Cover any coughs or sneezes with a tissue, or even with their upper sleeve (but not their hands).

In addition, if your child is ill, please keep them at home.

If you have any questions about our school's pandemic preparation, please visit our website: www.gms.school.nz



After School Care 3.00pm - 5.30pm. Afternoon tea provided. Outings when the weather is fine. Pick-ups available from school

Holiday Programmes 8.00am to 5.30pm. Outings and fun activities

Cost \$5 an hour. WINZ subsidies available

