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## NEWSLETTER 19

Dear Parents and Caregivers - *Tena koutou katoa*

### WELCOME TO GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL

Our school has had a number of new enrolments over the last fortnight. A special GMS welcome to:

Troy Hannah-Morris, Dion and Paige Zhan,

Alice Ratcliffe, Jacinta Hopkins, Belle Hambleton, Annabella Wilson, Thomas Wilkie and Abby Plapp

All nine students have settled in beautifully! We wish them well for the time ahead of them at our school.

Our roll currently stands at 470.

### STAFFING

Mrs Dallimore has informed the Board of Trustees that she will be giving up full time teaching at the end of the year. Linda has been an outstanding teacher at Greenmeadows School for the past twenty-five years. She has had an enduring and inspiring influence on hundreds of learners over this time. However Linda will not be lost to our school as you will still see her around GMS in 2016 relief teaching.

### KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL

Our Kapa Haka group performed over two nights at the Taradale schools festival last week. To all those who were able to see the GMS performances, I am sure you will agree that you witnessed something amazing! Each year the levels of dedication and commitment shown by this group constantly strive for excellence. Tino pai!!!

### TRAFFIC DISRUPTION

From Wednesday 28 October major works will be taking place on Guppy Road with a storm water and sewer main upgrade. This means that Guppy Road will be closed to northbound traffic between Osier Road and Tait Drive. This will interrupt the traffic flow along Osier Road with:

- northbound cars being diverted to McKeefry Avenue
- heavy vehicles along Osier Road to Gloucester Street

This will be the case for up to four weeks. At some stage the stormwater upgrade will disrupt Osier Road outside the school (hopefully during the holiday break).

### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School Photos are being taken on the 3rd and 4th of November. Please have your orders in by Monday the 2nd of November — note we can not accept any late orders.

### SCHOOL SURVEY

It is great to see the numbers of completed survey forms being returned to date. Please keep them rolling in! A few surveys have been returned without a name on them, yet the survey states children are allowed a lollipop — this makes it difficult to work out who to reward!

### GIVE IT UP FOR GMS

Give It Up for GMS' is on next week. A notice will go home today for the children along with a sponsorship form for the wonderfully successful 'Give It Up for GMS' fundraiser. This year we will liaise with the Student Council on how best to spend the funds that the children raise. Please support this fundraiser. There are prizes on offer for those who participate, including:

- Separate spot prizes for the Year 1 to 3 and Year 4 to 6 groups
- The top three fundraisers
- The classes with the highest percentage of fundraisers involved
- The most original things to go without!

### GMS VALUES MEDALS

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

**Respect:** Sachleen Bedi

**Perseverance:** Nate Sinden

**Excellence:** Calais Terry-Moore

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

### GMS OSCAR

The Greenmeadows OSCAR AGM will be held at 6.00pm on Tuesday 17 November in the OSCAR building.

Room 1	Hunter Bickers	Room 2	Madison McDonald
Room 3	Jonty Smith	Room 4	Swimming
Room 5	Joel Parker	Room 6	Swimming
Room 7	Swimming	Room 8	Lockie Seerden
Room 9	Aaliyah Mitchell	Room 10	Cohen Worsnop
Room 11	Eshal Ali	Room 12	Caleb Hunt
Room 13	Luke Hawkins	Room 14	Maia Driver
Room 15		Room 16	Cohen Batterham
Room 17	Kiana Bowman	Room 18	Brooklyn Sharplin

## PRINCIPAL AWARDS WEEK 1 TERM 4



### FRIDAY ASSEMBLY

Due to the increasing intensity of the sun, we will move Friday assembly times to 9.15am. These assemblies will be in the Heart of the School, weather permitting.

### JUMP JAM TRIP TO CHRISTCHURCH

It is just over a week now until our sensational Jump Jam team leaves to travel to Christchurch for the national schools competition. Give it your very best and we know you will do us proud!

### GMS PTA NEWS

We are so lucky to have such a supportive PTA. At their last meeting they generously provided funding for the following:

- new kapa haka uniforms as we have so many children who keep joining
- the Jump Jam costumes for our group travelling to Christchurch
- Year 6 school camp

Many, many thanks PTA!

### PTA CALENDAR ORDERS

Calendar orders need to be returned by the 3rd November, these are great for Christmas presents as its only 9 weeks away.

### FESTIVAL DAY FOR YEAR 1-4 NETBALL PLAYERS

Netball New Zealand are holding a Netball Festival Day with Irene van Dyk at the Hawkes Bay Netball Centre on 31st October, 11am-1pm for years 1-4 players. This is a free event and you can register at [www.netballcentral.co.nz](http://www.netballcentral.co.nz).

### MUSIC LESSONS

Give your child the gift of music. Guitar, baritone ukulele & keyboard lessons are available. Spaces currently open for this term. Contact David on 876 9261."

### PACIFIC SURF LIFESAVING CLUB

#### MARINE PARADE, NAPIER

Pacific Surf Lifesaving start their summer junior surf sessions soon ... if you are keen to be involved in surf lifesaving then head along to their open day on Sunday 1st November to meet their team.... Starts 10am at the Pacific Surf Lifesaving clubrooms on Marine Parade. You can contact them on:- [pacificsurfnz@gmail.com](mailto:pacificsurfnz@gmail.com)/ text 027 9377898 or go to <http://pacific.surflifesaving.org.nz/>

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

2nd Nov	Rooms 1, 2, 3, 18 Start swimming lessons at Greendale pools (last day 13th Nov)
3rd Nov	School Photographs
4th Nov	School Photographs
5th Nov	School Athletics Day
18th Nov	Interschool Athletics Day
30th Nov	Year 5 and 6 camp week
15th Dec	School breakup and prize-giving
17th Dec	Last day for 2015
1 Feb	First day of 2016

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

Have a great week everyone.

Ka kite ano,

Mark Johnson

Principal

