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NEWSLETTER 2

Dear Parents and Caregivers - *Tena koutou katoa*

The third week of the term is upon us, and the warm weather is allowing us to do so much outside. It is neat to see all the children wearing their hats and getting protection from the sun. Well done GMS!

WELCOME TO GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL

The new enrolments just keep coming for our school – we welcome these new students to our school:

Maddison Smith, Ceira-Jane Savage, Greer Hambleton & Taylor Still.

These enrolments take our school roll to 418 students.

PARENT INTERVIEWS

Thank you to the parents who have already booked an interview time to meet with class teachers in Week 5 on Monday 29 February and Tuesday 1 March.

We have well over two hundred interviews booked already. There are plenty of spaces left for those who haven't booked an interview, so please do so through our school website. Ask at the office if you require any assistance. We aim to have an interview for every child in the school.

A reminder that because of the interviews, school will close at 2.00pm on Monday 29 February and Tuesday 1 March. Supervision will be provided here for children not able to be picked up until 3.00pm on those days.

SPORTS AT GMS

From the start of Term 4 2015 our school received funding from Sport HB to employ a sports coordinator, Nicki Sunley. Since taking on her role, Nicki has worked tirelessly to get children and families organised into a whole range of sports.

What a success this has been! The numbers of children involved in sports has increased markedly from twelve months ago – which is fantastic! Thanks to Nicki, as well as all the teachers and parents in our school who help offer our children so many opportunities in sports.

TRIATHLON

The numbers participating in the triathlon have really grown this year. Tomorrow more than fifty children are taking part in the Weetbix Triathlon in Hastings. We wish them all well for what will be a wonderful day. The training sessions we have at school on Wednesday lunchtimes are planned to continue for the rest of the triathlon season which runs for most of Term 1.

Last Sunday fourteen GMS triathletes entered the first club event of the year. Competitors from our school had performances to be very proud of. Grace Henriksen was the first swimmer out of the pool, and the team of Beau Makea and Dante Delamere came first. Judge Jury finished a very close fourth competing as an individual.

Great



effort everyone!

ART DECO DRESSING UP

In previous years we have had an Art Deco day at the same time as the Napier Art Deco weekend. Later on in the term we have a school learning focus on the 1931 earthquake and will have a day where everyone is encouraged to dress up and attend a school picnic. Rather than lose the novelty of the dressing up at that time (although some would love to do it every day ...) we will make that day later in the term for dressing up. More details to follow.

EMAILED NEWSLETTER

The next newsletter in a fortnight's time will be emailed out to families. Enjoy your paper version today ...

PRINCIPAL AWARDS WEEK 1&2 TERM 1 2016



Room 1	Neme Andrew Ysabel MacKrill	Room 2	Thomas Wilkie Cooper Wright
Room 5	Tristin Symes Rosa Angland	Room 6	Connie Zeng Amber Bryan
Room 7	Adam Catley Olivia Sinden	Room 8	Tyler Grant Eli North
Room 9	Bree Martin Jessica Pyott	Room 10	Charlotte Brown Holly Menzies
Room 11	Emma Duncan Ashdyn Edwards	Room 12	Ameila Burgess Blake Haines
Room 13	Caitlyn Walls Emily Davidson-Payne	Room 14	Cohen Batterham Eddie Lorrigan
Room 15	Matthew Harrison Garret Chan	Room 16	Judge Jury Upashna Sundar
Room 17	Nathan Stone Nathan Kinsey & Logan Ide	Room 18	Nick Catley & Micah Talo-Tyler
		Room 18a	Nicolas Ratcliff & Morgan van den Munckhof

SCHOOL HOUSE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to the following students who are our house captains for 2016:

Ahi: Emma Anderson, Rylee Moore, Eddie Lorrigan and Ryder Moore

Marama: Lydia Wilkins, Leila Burder, Luke Johnston and Judge Jury

Moana: Maia Driver, Melissa Kinzett, Cohen Batterham and Cooper Fox

Ngahere: Kaitlyn Barra, Jorja McIntyre, Aaron Jones and Kyran Walls.

These roles are highly sought after and there is a lot of competition for the positions.

GMS VALUES MEDALS

These students received a medal at the last two assemblies.:

Perseverance	Clara Newman Olivia Gilray
Respect	Abby Plapp Brooke Ells
Excellence	Aaliyah Mitchell Izaak Ferguson

A wonderful achievement for you all!
Congratulations—enjoy having those medals at home for the week.

GMS PTA FOOD FAIR

There will be a meeting to plan for the GMS PTA Food Fair on this evening at 7.30pm in the staffroom. All are welcome to attend. Many thanks for those people who responded already with offers to support the Food Fair following the notice sent home yesterday. It promises to be another fantastic event!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

18 Feb	Weetbix Tryathlon
29 Feb/1 Mar	Parent Interviews
11 Mar	GMS PTA Food Fair 4.30 to 6.30pm
25 Mar	Good Friday
28 Mar	Easter Monday
29 Mar	Easter Tuesday (school closed)

Have a great week — and keep enjoying the summer!

Ka kite ano,

Mark Johnson
Principal

