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## NEWSLETTER 10

### Dear Parents and Caregivers - Tena koutou katoa

*One thing we are so proud to share is the wonderful group of senior students we have at the moment. Just one example is the way the 'Ukettes' (our senior ukulele group) support each other and persevere with their practising. They do this independently, by making it fun and with total focus and concentration. Ka rawe – awesome!*

### LATEST ENROLMENT

We would like to welcome Charlotte Burgess to our school. She has started in Room 3 with the other keen learners in Mrs MacKay's class. Kia ora Charlotte!

### WIG WEDNESDAY

Yesterday's wig wearing adventures meant we had a lot of fun at school with some amazing hairstyles on show. Many thanks to all those who supported this day and helped to raise funds for the Child Cancer Foundation. Greenmeadows School raised \$549.30 for this cause – an outstanding effort

### MATARIKI ON THIS EVENING

Our school's Matariki celebration is definitely on this evening. Wrap up warmly and head down to school for a 5.45pm start. Assemble in the Heart of the School. Bring torches as everyone will go on a hikoi along Osier Road and enter the school gate off Gloucester Street.

Sausages will be on sale. Marshmallows will also be sold by the PTA. Some skewers will be provided, but families are free to bring along their own. The evening will conclude with the school's kapa haka group singing a waiata and then performing our school haka. This will happen at about 6.45pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

### NEW DRINKING FOUNTAINS AT SCHOOL

Last year the students were given the opportunity to give their ideas on what the 'Give It Up for GMS' funds could go towards. One of the most popular suggestions was for the school to get some improved drinking fountains. So this is what we have done! First we had to upgrade the water lines under the main block which we did in Term 1. Then we had constructed two amazing new drinking fountains. These allow two children to drink at one time, as well as filling up a drink bottle at



the same time.

### STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

Plenty of families have been booking times for the student-led conferences on Monday 4 July. Please get in quickly and secure a time. Do this by using the School Interviews website link or making contact with our school office.

Remember that students are free to go home from 12.50pm on Monday 4 July.

**All families** are expected to attend their child's Student-Led Conference. This includes all children from Year 1 to Year 6. The children spend a lot of time preparing for these and take a lot of pride talking about the learning they have been involved in and where they are going to next.

### SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This will be held on Friday (weather permitting) starting 12.20pm.

### SPORT-LADEN WEEK NEXT WEEK

At GMS the children are involved in so many different sports. Next week we have a large number of students involved in the gymnastics festival on Tuesday. On the same day a team of ours will take part in the Hawkes Bay Ripper Rugby qualifier tournament, as well as another session of lessons on football for the senior students. And that is just one day!



Room 1	Neme Andrews Piper Tutt	Room 2	Sophie Thompson Aylah Bunn
Room 3	Alizay Kaukau	Room 6	Jordy Hill Logan James
Room 5	Lucas Fordyce Harry Henrickson	Room 8	Maraea Simpson-Stafford Shamrock Huata
Room 7	Ella Ashton	Room 10	Mitchell Simes
Room 9	Keira Stewart Christopher Whyte	Room 12	Elai Harrison Jesse Beals
Room 11	Seth Langridge Emma Hutchinson	Room 14	Andre Adlington Tyla Joros
Room 13	Eshal Ali Matilda Burne	Room 16	Maryanne Skea Josh Pyott
Room 15	Emma Anderson Joshua Ratcliffe	Room 18	Sarah Hansen Chloe Fletcher
Room 17	Maia Driver Georgina Hunuhunu	Room 18	Logan Hansen Piper McKnight

## PRINCIPAL AWARDS— WEEKS 6&7 TERM 2 2016



### GMS VALUES MEDALS

These students were presented with the GMS Values medals in the last two assemblies. They were:

<b>Respect</b>	Connor Blunsdon Casey Prichard
<b>Perseverance</b>	Brylee Pugh Luke Hawkins
<b>Excellence</b>	Madison Smith Luke Sharp

### FREE MINI KIDS TAEKWON-DO CLASSES

**BEGINNERS** classes are being held at Taradale St Johns Hall during the 2nd week of the school holidays from 18 to 22 July. These fifty minute lessons introduce children to a disciplined art of self defence. They are suitable for ages 5 & 6 years and go from 10.00am-10.50am. On line enrolment is essential at [www.rtrtkd.co.nz/free-school-holiday-program.html](http://www.rtrtkd.co.nz/free-school-holiday-program.html) More information can be found at [rtrtkd.co.nz](http://rtrtkd.co.nz)

### JUNIOR ORIENTEERING

This week Year 5 & 6 classes have done Orienteering at school and thoroughly enjoyed it. For more

information about this sport visit [www.hborienteering.com](http://www.hborienteering.com).

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

23 June	Matariki celebrations
1 July	Midyear reports home
	PTA Discos Junior and Senior
4 July	Student-led Conferences (early closure of school)
6 July	Next PTA meeting
8 July	End of Term 2
12 July	GMS Library open 10.00 to noon
19 July	GMS Library open 10.00 to noon
25 July	Start of Term 3
27 July	Board of Trustees meeting 5.30pm

Have a great week.

Ka kite ano,

Mark Johnson  
Principal

