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NEWSLETTER 15

Dear Parents and Caregivers - Tena koutou katoa

Tena koutou nga whanau, nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

The weather was very kind to us for the cross-country event last week. What a fantastic turnout of whanau we had and the runners were great in giving their best: persevering right to the end!

Below are the results of the races:

New Entrant Girls 1st Xian O'Brien 2nd Joey Li 3rd Sofia Parker

New Entrant Boys 1st Noah Walls 2nd Drew Glentworth

3rd Alizay Kaukau

Year 1 Girls 1st Victoria Pugh 2nd Emma Donnelly

3rd Lacey Skilton

Year 1 Boys 1st Brooklyn Sharplin 2nd Neme Andrews

3rd Charles Burne

Year 2 Girls 1st Rosa Angland 2nd Amanda Kinzett

3rd Eila-Jay Beams

Year 2 Boys 1st Samuel Ennor 2nd Kalal Miringaorangi-Turua

3rd Aaron Newman

Year 3 Girls 1st Jaimee Steed 2nd Maia Moore 3rd Rosana Sayer

Year 3 Boys 1st equal Carlos Bell & Mitchell Simes

3rd Tyler Parkinson

Year 4 Girls 1st Zoe Ennor 2nd Maddy Leipst

3rd Teaghan Jackson

Year 4 Boys 1st Jett O'Brien 2nd Dantae Delamere

3rd Rylin Glenny

Year 5 Girls 1st Maia Chernyshev 2nd Sarah Wedd

3rd Bonnie Wedd

Year 5 Boys 1st Rylan O'Shea 2nd Lochie Seerden

3rd Jesse Beals

Year 6 Girls 1st Rylee Moore 2nd Leila Burder 3rd Giana Weeks

Year 6 Boys 1st Judge Jury 2nd Cohen Batterham

3rd Braxton Bell

NAPIER SCHOOLS CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPS

Our team of forty-eight runners has been selected for the interschool championships at Park Island next Tuesday morning. All children involved received an important notice yesterday.

NZEI/PPTA PAID UNION MEETING

Just a reminder about this meeting that is being held on the morning of Wednesday 14 September. School will open at 11.00am and classes will begin at 11.20am. This will also be a Mufti-Day raising funds for Ronald McDonald House.

We all acknowledge the disruption this meeting may cause to some families. Please be aware it has been several years since there has been a meeting like this which has been called during school time. The purpose of these meetings is so all staff can find out exactly about what appears to be a very real threat to the way schools could be funded in the future.

There are fears about the potential negative impact on all schools and our community's children — so these meetings have a real importance to allow schools to be informed. If these changes go through, schools like ours will potentially be faced with having larger class sizes, pressure to have less teacher aides and the prospect of increasing school fees. Hence the importance of this meeting ...

TRAFFIC SAFETY ST MARY'S CHURCH CARPARK

The new road crossing on Osier Road is working well, especially with the reduced traffic flow with the roadworks. While many drivers are being very cautious around the carpark, we ask that you all take extra care and watch for children in this space. This includes entering the carpark, as well as exiting, which should be done from the eastern end.

Please remember this carpark was not designed with school-aged children use in mind, and we are very fortunate to have access to this safe drop off point.

Also we ask that all people crossing from the carpark use our Kea crossing — when children see adults modelling safe behaviour they are more inclined to do the same. Thank you for assisting us this way.



Room 1	Azura Ferguson	Room 2	Jake Demouth
Room 3	Joey Li	Room 4	Lochlan Clark
Room 5	Rosa Angland	Room 6	Max Weeks
Room 7	Paulina Feagai-Kingi	Room 8	Jordan Sullivan
Room 9	Jett O'Brien	Room 10	Ryley Wright
Room 11	Isabella Wishnowsky	Room 12	Riley Burke
Room 13	Jake McNatty	Room 14	Frankie Morrison
Room 15	Daniil Bailey	Room 16	Cris Moetu Dana Hogg
Room 17	Sophie Beere	Room 18	Lily McDonald
		Room 18a	Makea Hawkins Bella Knibb

PRINCIPAL AWARDS— WEEK 5 TERM 3



ABSENCES

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

- ring the school office on **8447024** and leave a clear message
- Or text **0279264452** before 9.00am

Please make sure you do this **before 9am** on the morning your child is going to be absent (**please also give a reason why they are away eg. Cold, cough, weekend away this is VERY important**) as the office staff are spending a lot of time contacting parents to make sure their children are safe

BORROWED CLOTHING

Any clothing that your child has borrowed from the school office e.g. shorts, skorts, tops and undies CAN they please be returned ASAP as we have now run out.

GMS VALUES MEDALS

Congratulations to these fantastic students were presented with the GMS Values medals in the last assembly:

Respect	Aylah Bunn
Perseverance	Melissa Kinzett
Excellence	Charlotte Brown

CANTEEN CLOSED

The school canteen will be closed on Wednesday the 14th September due to school starting at 11.00am.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- Friday 2 September** - Jump Rope for Heart day
- Tuesday 6 to Thursday 8 September** - GMS Whanau class week
- Tuesday 6 September** — Napier schools Cross-country at Park Island
- Wednesday 14 September** School opens at 11.00am and classes begin at 11.20am
- Also—MUFTI DAY!!!! Gold Coin Donation
- Thursday 15 September** - Bangers and Maths parents evening with a problem-solving focus
- During Week 8** (12th to 15th September) - GMS kapa haka will perform at the Ngati Kahungungu festival
- Friday 23 September** - End of Term 3

Have a great week.

Ka kite ano,

Mark Johnson
Principal



If you are thinking about moving, let's work together to help both YOU and Greenmeadows School achieve a great result.

For every property that is listed and sold with us, we will give \$500 back towards Greenmeadows School for them to use to benefit your children. The next time they need library books, sports gear or IT equipment could be on us! Give me a call today, I would love to hear from you.



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SPORTS NOTICES

HOCKEY AND NETBALL UNISON MEDAL AWARDS

Each year one star performer from every HB Junior Hockey and HB Junior Netball team is recognised with a Unison Medal for showing their commitment to the three key qualities of fair play, great work ethic and discipline throughout the season. These medals are presented at a special Unison Medal ceremony for the nominated players. This year GMS is proud to celebrate the following players for their selection:

NETBALL: GMS Pulse - Kapri Phillips
GMS Mystics - Amelia Murphy
GMS Ice - Sarah Wedd
GMS Fire - Courtney Becker
GMS Storm - Brooklyn Mullins
GMS Titans - Myah Smith
GMS Steel - Teaghan Jackson
GMS Jets - Rosana Sayer

HOCKEY: GMS Rangers - Jessica Joe-Harrison
GMS Flyers - Caitlyn Walls
GMS Magpies - Brylee Pugh

Congratulations and well done to all of these players!!

BASKETBALL HB SEPTEMBER HOCKEY CAMP

Basketball HB are holding their popular school holiday camp from 26th - 30th September, 8:30am - 4:30pm daily at the Rodney Green Centennial Event Centre. The camp is open to players of all abilities from 5 - 18 years, and includes fun games, awards, a free t-shirt, competitions and great coaches. Family discounts and Oscar subsidies are available. Places are limited so early booking is advised. For full information and registration visit www.basketballhawkesbay.co.nz or ph 8336215.

GMS SPORTS SHIRT ANMESTY!!

We are preparing for the issue of our new sports shirts in Term 4, and as a part of this, need all of our existing sports shirts returned to the school office as soon as possible this term (if you are still using yours for a current sport team, please return it as soon as games are finished). So no questions asked - if you have a school supplied shirt, please pop it in to the office. Search wardrobes and drawers, under beds and in bags - we are missing many of our original supplies and need these back! And if you have any original shirts that you have purchased yourself or outgrown and no longer use - we would welcome the donation of these back to the school. We are able to put all of these to good use, and would really appreciate your generous help with this.

Greendale Tennis Club Opening Day

Saturday 10th September (if wet following week)

Juniors times:

Beginners 8.30 - 9.30am ages 3-7

Beginners 9.30 - 10.30am ages 8-12

All others 10.30 - 11.30am ages 12-19

For more info contact Ian Smith 844 3732



Kotahitanga

Next week, for three days beginning on Tuesday, the whole school will be arranged into whanau roopu (family groups) for a special learning time called 'Kotahitanga'.

Kotahitanga means unity and togetherness.

The goal of this learning time together is to foster positive relationships between learners across our school and develop a sense of unity as a Greenmeadows School learning family.

Each class will be made up of students from every area of the school. Special consideration has been made when selecting the whanau roopu to ensure all students are supported. Tomorrow, students will find out what whanau roopu they are in and who their whanau roopu teacher is for the three days of learning.

The whole school inquiry question we are exploring during this time is:

Kiwiana – What Makes Us Kiwi?

Students will direct this learning. Whanau roopu will explore this question in a variety of ways. The key curriculum areas we are focussing on during this time are The Arts, alongside Literacy and Maths. This will also be an excellent way to highlight our GMS Values – Excellence, Respect and Perseverance.

Students will begin each day in their normal home class and will move off to whanau roopu after the attendance register has been taken and classroom notices have been shared.

Whanau roopu will be meeting for the first time this Friday morning during the 'Skip-a-thon'.

