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Dear Parents and Caregivers – Tena Koutou Katoa

## WELCOME TO GMS

A special greeting to the children and their families who have started at our school over the past fortnight. Our newest enrolments are Bradley Morris, Asia Ferguson, Paiyton Dixon and Liam Hammond.

The current roll is now 485. Kia ora koutou.

## EDUCATION IN THE FUTURE FOR GMS

We are currently in a unique opportunity for GMS. Our school is very fortunate to have internationally recognised education expert Mark Osborne available to run a parent information session. This will happen on Tuesday 12 September in the staffroom from 7.00pm.

Mark is a trained primary teacher who has been involved in the creation of new school learning programmes. He also has a lot of experience in the design of new learning environments for schools and the reasons behind the need to change from school buildings designed for learning in a far distant past. This meeting will take place in the staffroom. All are most welcome to come along and participate in this session.

Our school is currently designing a plan for developments over the next 25 years and we can share some of these ideas too.

## GMS CROSS-COUNTRY 2017

The weather was very kind to us for the cross-country on Wednesday. What a fantastic turnout of whanau we had and the conditions were perfect for some fast times. A delicious lunch from the PTA (thanks so much!) helped make the day even more successful. Thanks to the parents who came down early to help with supervising the children as they walked from school to Anderson Park.

### Here are the results of the races:

Year 0 Girls	1 <sup>st</sup> Tori Cahill 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sophie Penberthy 3 <sup>rd</sup> Kate Davis
Year 0 Boys	1 <sup>st</sup> Charlie Richards 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jeremiah Ounsworth 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jaxon Pain
Year 1 Girls	1 <sup>st</sup> Xian O'Brien 2 <sup>nd</sup> Gabriella Hall 3 <sup>rd</sup> Joey Li
Year 1 Boys	1 <sup>st</sup> Noah Walls 2 <sup>nd</sup> Drew Glentworth 3 <sup>rd</sup> Braxton Hooper
Year 2 Girls	1 <sup>st</sup> Emma Donnelly 2 <sup>nd</sup> Kaia Hohaia-Hall 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lacey Skilton
Year 2 Boys	1 <sup>st</sup> Richie Matson 2 <sup>nd</sup> Taylor Still 3 <sup>rd</sup> Archie Lancaster
Year 3 Girls	1 <sup>st</sup> Amanda Kinzett 2 <sup>nd</sup> Rosa Angland 3 <sup>rd</sup> Olivia Sinden
Year 3 Boys	1 <sup>st</sup> Samuel Ennor 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aaron Newman 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jonty Smith
Year 4 Girls	1 <sup>st</sup> Jaimee Steed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Maia Moore 3 <sup>rd</sup> Rosana Sayer
Year 4 Boys	1 <sup>st</sup> Carlos Bell 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mitchell Simes 3 <sup>rd</sup> Morgan Van Den Munckhof
Year 5 Girls	1 <sup>st</sup> Zoe Ennor 2 <sup>nd</sup> Teaghan Jackson 3 <sup>rd</sup> Calais Bell
Year 5 Boys	1 <sup>st</sup> Jett O'Brien 2 <sup>nd</sup> Casey Thompson 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dante Delamere
Year 6 Girls	1 <sup>st</sup> Kalla Hays 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lily Ware 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sarah Wedd
Year 6 Boys	1 <sup>st</sup> Rylan O'Shea 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jesse Beals 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lochie Seerden

Congratulations to these top 3 place getters - you will receive certificates for your achievements.

The overall house competition positions have been determined. The results are as follows:

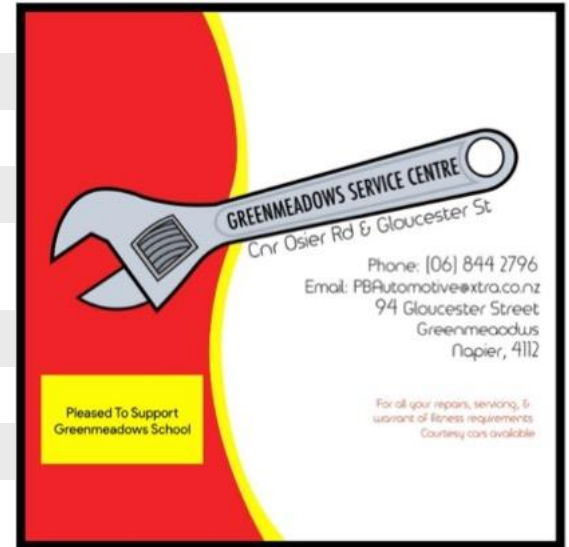
1 <sup>st</sup> Ahi	463 points
2 <sup>nd</sup> Moana	386 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> Marama	376 points
4 <sup>th</sup> Ngahere	295 points

## NAPIER SCHOOLS Y3 TO 6 CROSS-COUNTRY

The first six runners in each race from Years 3 to 6 have qualified to run in the interschool cross-country which will be held at Park Island on Tuesday 12 September. The forty-eight children that make up this team will be involved in training over the next few weeks to prepare for the event. They need to make sure they bring running gear to school each day in preparation. This will start from Monday 4 September.

## Principal's Awards - Week 5 Term 3

Team 1	Sammy Nevill	Team 1	Farrah Taylor
Team 2	Annabelle Heward	Team 2	Chloe Parkinson
Room 5		Room 6	Jett Durbin
Room 7	Kylah Hansen	Room 8	Max Li
Room 9	Cassidy Murphy	Room 10	Emma Hutchinson
Room 11	Harry Henricksen	Room 12	Lucy Duncan
Room 13	Tavian Roberts	Room 14	William Dine
Room 15	Eva Mackirdy	Room 16	Elai Harrison
Room 17	Rangimarie Jury	Room 18	Savannah Rose Terry-Moore Ashdyn Edwards
Room 19	Lakyn Moore		



## GMS VALUES MEDALS

Congratulations to these very worthy students who were presented with the GMS values medals in the last assembly.

### Perseverance:

Tayah King

### Respect:

Isabella Wishnowsky

### Excellence

Dylan Papp

Wear those medals with pride kids and well done!

## SPOONER SHIELD 2017

The Spooner Shield has been returned to GMS after a six year absence when our school teams performed so well on the 18 August. What a fabulous effort by the entire group - we are able to reverse last year's very close result in competition with Taradale Primary, the 2016 champions.

Congratulations to the netballers who gave great performances and finished sharing the Hazel Gillies Shield with Porritt School. GMS ended up second in the rugby tournament, despite having the smallest team there. The boys football team were a very close runner up in their competition as well, and had an excellent day. Our girls football team finished third equal which was a marvelous effort, and the hockey team gathered 15 points which were so valuable in the final tally.

Many thanks to all the supporters, coaches and managers who came out during the day making it such a memorable event. Pictured below are the team and their prizes!!!



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 school trip, the new playground equipment - it could be on us! Give me a call today, I would love to hear from you.



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## AMAZING SUCCESS FOR THE GMS CHESS TEAM

Our school chess club took part in the HB regional competition earlier this week. Sixteen children took part representing our school. They all did extremely well considering they were playing against older children from intermediate schools. The end result was that our top team made up of Zhiheng Zhou, Beau Makea, Finn Taylor and Emma Blake qualified for the NZ National Champs in October! What a great achievement for our players. This is a result of all the practice and regular playing at school over the past few months. Great mahi!!!!



## INFO ABOUT SCHOOL EVENTS

Our school has an incredible amount of different activities and events that children are involved in. Your children are so fortunate that they have access to so many different things that interest them.

We do everything we can to keep parents and whanau informed about the things your children might be involved with. This happens with:

newsletters (a copy of each is on the school noticeboard)      our school website

Seesaw      Facebook      the GMS smart phone App

We ask that you make these the first places to look when you are looking for times and details about events. It gets very difficult for the office staff when we get multiple phone calls asking about information that we have already published. We all want to help and be cooperative, but our office staff are extremely busy and do a fantastic job. We put out notices so that the community can get the information they need.

The school also receives phone calls from whanau asking to pass messages onto children. We always endeavor to do this, but do wonder how important some of these messages sometimes are. To deliver them the office can be left unattended. Please do not hesitate to ring in case of emergencies and messages concerning the health and safety of your child. If you need to communicate something to your child, please do this before 2.00pm.

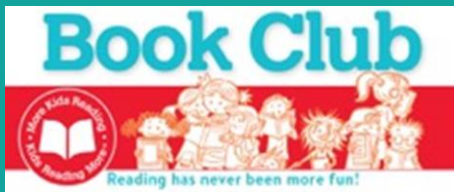
Also, the school's text number is for absences only. Please do not leave messages or send texts to it, as it is not checked after 9.30am. Many thanks for your cooperation.

## TERM 4 SPORTS NOTICES

Spring today means that summer sports are now about seven weeks away from starting. Keep an eye out for the Term 4 sports options coming home next week.



## LIBRARY CORNER



Book Club Issue 6 catalogue is jam-packed with over 350 items!

Register for LOOP (online ordering) and earn **Bonus Books**.

Details of how to register are in the catalogue.

Issue 6 is being sent home this week and orders need to be placed by Friday 15 September. Cheques must be written to 'Scholastic NZ Ltd' or by cash.

Orders will be collected from the classrooms each morning.

## Greendale Tennis Club Junior Opening Day

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September (if wet the following week)

### Juniors times:

Beginners 8.30 - 9.30am ages 3-7

Intermediate 9.30-10.30am ages 8-12

Senior 10.30 - 11.30 ages 10-18 (must be able to serve)

For more info contact

Ian Smith 844 3732

## Chess Club

A Free Chess Club is starting up on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm at Napier Intermediate in the Library for school age children. All welcome.

## GMS SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to the following hockey and netball players who have been nominated as the recipients of their teams Unison Medal for the 2017 season. This award is given to one player from each team who has shown their commitment to the three key qualities of Fair Play, Great Work Ethic and Discipline throughout the season. They will receive their medals at the special Unison Medal Ceremonies on 5<sup>th</sup> September (Netball), and 12<sup>th</sup> September (Hockey).

### HOCKEY

GMS Rangers - Nick Catley

GMS Magpies - Rosa Angland

GMS Eagles - Charlotte Field

GMS Titans - Grace Lee

GMS Flyers - Wyatt Blunsdon

### NETBALL

GMS Renegades - Ella Martin

GMS Pirates - Teaghan Jackson

GMS Storm- Baylee Martin

GMS Outlaws - Keely Butler

GMS Bandits - Zoe Ennor

GMS Steel - Olivia Field

## YEAR 3 & 4 RUGBY

We had a wonderful first up game against Arthur Miller last week - well done team! Our game next week at Bledisloe School will now be played on Thursday 7 September. Kick off will be at 12.45pm. The team will walk around to Bledisloe for the game. All parents are most welcome to come along and watch.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS!

Check the school App or [www.gms.school.nz](http://www.gms.school.nz) website for details on the events coming up.

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| 12 September | Napier & Districts School Cross Country             |
|              | Future of schooling GMS Parent session Mark Osborne |
| 14 September | Cultural Concert – St Mary's Church                 |
| 22 September | GMS Quiz Night                                      |
| 29 September | End of Term 3                                       |
| 16 October   | Term 4 begins                                       |

Have a great week. Be safe and relax!!!!

Nga mihi nui. Ka kite ano.

Mark Johnson, Principal