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Dear Parents and Caregivers – Tena Koutou Katoa

WELCOME TO GMS

The latest enrolments at Greenmeadows School have been: Jikoby Paraore, Ethan Greig, Jivahn Paramore, Ava Chrystal, Eli Newsome, Kora Chrystal, Ella Greville-Jones and Bianca Hopkins. A very warm welcome to you all.

Well ... today is a momentous day for Greenmeadows School: our roll surpassed 500 students this morning with the latest enrolments. Talking to Mr Trevor Atkins who was the Chair of the GMS Centennial Committee which we celebrated in 2011, he recalls the school having a mere 63 pupils when he attended!

2018 ENROLMENTS

It has been so helpful to have the names of some new potential enrolments coming for next year.

We need to know the children starting, to help us prepare for class rooms next year. This information is very important for our planning. It includes any child turning five years of age during 2018.

If you, or anyone you know, has a child due to start with us in 2018 please email the office saraa@gms.school.nz to confirm

TERM 4 FULL OF ACTION!!!

Those of you following the GMS Facebook page will have seen plenty activities and events going on when our children have been doing some amazing things ...

DigiAwards Ukettes The GMS Chess team at the NZ Champs
The trophy winning Jump Jammers both our Kapa Haka groups

The list just goes on and on ...!

Special mention to Year 2 student Emma Donnelly who was the 'Supreme Winner' at the Digi Awards out of all the finalists from the nine schools involved. What an achievement!!! Emma is the third Supreme Winner from Greenmeadows School in the six years of the competition there have been. What a great tradition has built from GMS in ICT!

There is still so much going on ... Term 4 is the craziest term!!!

STAFFING NEWS

The school received news today that our Deputy Principal Mr Maaka Papuni has been appointed as Principal of Porritt School. Maaka will take up this role in Term 1 2018. This is very exciting news for him and a very well deserved promotion. He has made an indelible impact on our school since starting in the middle of 2014, and will be sorely missed. We will officially farewell Maaka later towards the end of the term.

Miss Kate Millner has been successful in getting a Year 2 position at Crofton Downs School in Wellington. Kate has been a wonderful teacher in Team 1 alongside Mrs MacKay and has made a fantastic start to her career in teaching. We wish her all the very best as she returns to the capital city for the coming 2018 school year.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Tomorrow is the day set for school photographs. If you are ordering with cash or cheque tomorrow morning is the last day. No late orders will be accepted. You will still be able to order online at www.lcscott.co.nz up until 9.00am.

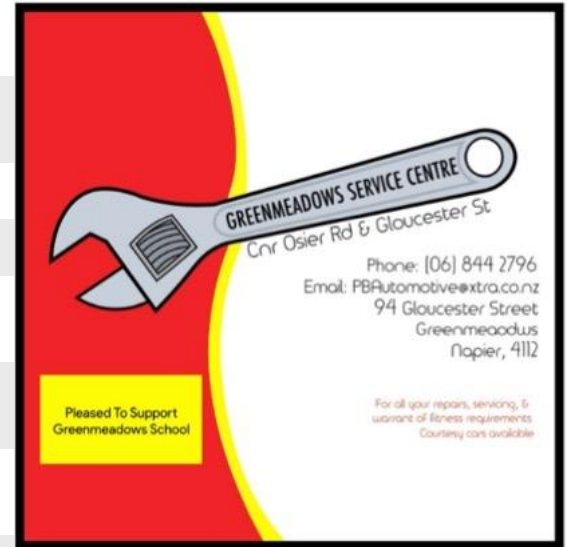
SCHOOL SURVEY

The numbers responding to our survey are so encouraging - in only four days the online survey has been completed 120 times! Thanks so much for all the responses - it is so helpful from our point of view. We are aiming for at least two hundred returns so please keep that electronic link being used if you have not responded so far.

There are also paper copies of the survey that can be completed and returned to the office if that suits you.

Principal's Awards - Week 3 Term 4

Team 1	Claude Turner Reggie Turner	Room 19	Jacob Fox
Team 2	Sofia Dine, Liam Meyer	Team 2	Annabelle Heward
Room 5	Troy Hannah-Morris	Room 6	Amy Liu
Room 7	Archie Lancaster	Room 8	Holly Menzies, Ryley Wright
Room 9	Dillon Hepburn, Mattie Geange	Room 10	Baylee Martin, Reuben Berkahn
Room 11	Matilda Finnimore, Ryan Hansen	Room 12	Sophie Martin, Hannah Thompson
Room 13	Daniel Hoffmeister, Maia Bosman	Room 14	Rose Jury, Raven Howse
Room 15	Courtney Becker	Room 16	Louie Hodgson, Dylan Simes, Caleb Hunt
Room 17	Sarah Wedd	Room 18	Camryn Jack, Morgan Van Den Munckhof Caitlyn O'Shea, Luke Sharp
Room 19			



GMS VALUES MEDALS

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

Respect:

Alizae Corby

Perseverance:

Lucas Withey

Excellence

Liam Tane –Foulds

Last Friday was our first assembly of the term ... and it was a great celebration of so many wonderful things about GMS.

2018 we will have our school hall back once all the renovation work is completed in Rooms 14 to 17. It will be great to have options for assembly that can cater for all weather conditions!



Pictured: Our Kapa Haka group performing in the Taradale Schools festival in Week 2.

TEAM UP
WITH TREMANS

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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GMS ATHLETIC SPORTS

The Athletics Day for our school is this Wednesday for Pohutakawa and Totara students.

The weather is not looking that great but we will see how that all plays out. If not, Thursday as postponement day is looking pretty beautiful.

Students are able to come to school dressed for competition (that means they do not have to wear uniform) and also dressed to support your House Group in their house colours. Everyone must have a hat.

Also remember to put on sunscreen before you come to school. It is recommended having a drink bottle with the children when you go along to each event. Parents are most welcome to come along to watch throughout the day. You might even end up running against the children if things go according to plan ...!

SUMMER SPORTS

The number of children playing in the wide range of sports this term is amazing!!! Great to see so many of our tamariki out and keeping active. Thanks to all the coaches and managers who are there giving up their valuable time.



The Jump Jam team with their trophy!!!!

They were the GMS Groovers ... but it looks like they became the Freaks!!!!

Third in the Advanced Open class at the nationals ... very impressive. Challenge: can you work out who they are??

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

BOT elections are coming up for three out of our six parent representatives. Do you fancy being part of the group helping for the future of our great school? Work alongside our fantastic staff and make a contribution to our school? We are looking for people to step up from within the school community to become board members.

The Board of Trustees meet once a month and help set the overall direction of the school. Trustees come with a wide variety of experience and when on the board there is the opportunity to sit on various portfolios such as property or health and safety. You don't need any previous experience just a willingness to help in setting the strategic direction of Greenmeadows School. Nominations close Friday November 17th.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS!

Check the school App or www.gms.school.nz website for details on the events coming up.

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| 7 November | School photographs |
| 8 November | GMS Athletics sports |
| 9 November | GMS Athletics postponement date |
| 13 November | School camps commence – Wellington and Omatua |
| 6 December | Parent and Community helpers morning tea |
| 13 December | School breakup and prize-giving 6.30pm start |
| 15 December | End of Term 4 |
| 29 January | Start of Term 1 |
| 6 February | School closed (makes a four day weekend Sat- Tues) |

Nga mihi nui. Ka kite ano.

Mark Johnson, Principal