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Dear Parents and Caregivers – Tena Koutou Katoa

WELCOME TO OUR NEW TAMARIKI

A few weeks have passed since our last newsletter, so let's see what has been happening lately ...

We have had some new enrolments - four new faces are being seen around school who have started this term. We welcome Troy Beck, Parker Smith, Luca Taylor-Chaffey, Aria Horton and Inde Jones. It is fantastic to have you all here with us! These latest arrivals bring our roll to 467.

MAGICIAN PERFORMANCE

It has been such a long time since we had an outside performer in our Hall. On Wednesday 6th June we are having a magician visiting our school. Vas Kovalski will perform to all the Kowhai and Pohutukawa students in two performances - one at 9.30am and the second at 11.30am. His show is based around the theme 'Be Bright, Eat Right'. There is a small cost of \$3.50 for each child which will be charged to your child's student account. If you do not want your child to be part of this please let the office know prior to the show. Sounds exciting ...!

STAFF UPDATE – TEAM 2

It is very heartening to be able to inform you that we can confirm the teachers for the remainder of the 2018 year in Team 2. Mrs Wendy Currie will not be returning this year. Mrs Jane Carter will be joined by two experienced teachers working three and two days each per week until the end of Term 4.

Mrs Christina Heap, who has done a considerable amount of relieving in this class since the start of the year, will be teaching Monday to Wednesdays. Mrs Katie Absolom who will be taking the class on Thursdays and Fridays. It is fantastic to have both teachers available for the remainder of the year. We welcome both to our staff as they start working from next week.

PINK RIBBON FUNDRAISER – LOLLY JAR COMPETITION & HAMPER RAFFLE



Two of our staff members are fundraising for the Breast Cancer Foundation. One of their fundraisers is a competition to guess the amount of pink lollies in the jar – it costs 50 cents per guess. With a large amount of candy in this special one off competition, children need to ask their parents for permission prior to entering. Also the winner of the competition will not receive their prize until we have rung home to clear it with parents or caregivers (otherwise an empty jar might arrive home !).

Children can enter the competition next week, the ladies will be setup in the library at lunchtimes.

We also have a raffle running with an awesome hamper of groceries, wine, chocolates and lots of other goodies. You can purchase tickets for this at the school office. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.00.

It would be really fantastic to get lots of support for this great cause.



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USE OF ST MARY'S PARISH CARPARK

Our school is very fortunate to have access to the St Mary's Church car park as a drop off area for our students both morning and afternoon. The church authorities are very happy to continue the understanding that Greenmeadows School families use this space. We need to ensure that we allow this goodwill to continue. We ask that parents do not park cars on any grassed areas across the road, if the car park is full, then please park on one of the neighbouring streets. Also please keep the driveway areas in the car park free. A number of residents live off this car park and we do not want to block their access.

POHUTUKAWA CLASSES SWIMMING

Middle school classes in the Pohutukawa syndicate are going to commence swimming in the coming weeks. Your child will be bringing home a notice about this soon, although the dates and times for swimming are on our calendar on the home page of the school website.

GMS BOOK FAIR

Next week all children will get a flier that outlines our exciting book fair that is coming up in the next few weeks. Dig it out of the school bags!

A BIG WEEK FOR GMS ...

Your children are so fortunate to get the incredible range of opportunities they have offered to them at our school. This week thirty seven children travelled to Palmerston North for the Young Leaders Day which was a memorable experience, while more than sixty were involved in the Barefoot 7s rugby day yesterday in Hastings. Next week nineteen children are taking part in the Hawkes Bay chess championships at Heretaunga Intermediate. Just some of the examples of the things our children get involved in. Thanks for all the support that our parents give to these activities ... and our wonderful staff who are such a big part of it too.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Check the school mobile phone app or www.gms.school.nz website for more details:

30 May	Regional Chess Tournament
6 June	Magician Performance
7 June	Totara Marae Visit
11 June	Pohutukawa swimming starts
11-15 June	Book Fair

Have a great wintery weekend.

Ka kite ano,

Mark Johnson
Principal



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