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Dear Parents and Caregivers – Tena Koutou Katoa

Here we are ... right in the midst of the 'crazy' part of the year. There are so many things happening and your children are involved in an incredible amount of activities. I want to acknowledge the extra dedication our staff and parents put towards all these activities and learning opportunities for the children of our school. We are very fortunate that so many choose to be involved and support the fantastic children of Greenmeadows.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW ENROLMENTS

Less than four weeks of the year are now left, and we are still welcoming new tamariki to our school. We have had the following seven students enroll in the last couple of weeks: Brodie Morrison, Anant Negi, Anshika Negi, Lucy Harkness, Harriet Pitt, Kale Moore and Jensen Jordan. Welcome to all - have a wonderful time here! The arrival of these children means our roll is now 503.

GMS PTA FOOD FAIR

What an amazing community effort we experienced with the GMS PTA Food Fair - it was the biggest one yet! The Food Fair was a huge fundraiser this year with the total raised reaching close to \$11,500.00. Sincere thanks to everyone who played a role in making it such a success.

GMS PTA XMAS RAFFLE

PTA raffle tickets were issued on the 8th November. These need to be returned to the office as soon as possible. If they are unsold and you are not likely to sell the tickets, please return them so we can issue them to someone else to sell. We are getting a lot of requests to buy more tickets when people see the amazing prizes in the office, particularly the Weber barbecue that has been kindly donated by Turefry Hawkes Bay.

2018 DIGI AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to all the place getters from GMS at the DigiAwards earlier this term ... there were heaps of you!

Photography	Years 1 & 2	3 rd Drew Glentworth
Short Movie	Years 1 & 2	1 st Stephanie Chandra 3 rd Charlotte Burgess
	Years 3 & 4	3 rd Bella Papp & Baylee Martin
Graphics	Years 1 & 2	2 nd Dot Fowler 3 rd Charlotte Burgess
	Years 3 & 4	1 st Samuel Ennor
Animations	Years 1 & 2	1 st Daemon Smith & Drew Glentworth 2 nd Charlotte Burgess & Stephanie Chandra 3 rd Stephanie Chandra
	Years 3 & 4	2 nd Rosa Angland 3 rd Sahara Ghodke

SUPREME WINNER- Stephanie Chandra. This is the third year in a row that the supreme winner has come from GMS - congratulations to Stephanie, as well as all our competitors. Incredible thanks to Mrs Martin for all the coordination she does towards this event as well.

2019 OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENTS - NEW ENTRANTS ONLY

Our school is currently advertising for applications for up to ten out of zone enrolments for 2019. We only have space for New Entrant pupils next year, unfortunately, no other year groups can be accommodated for 'out of zoners'. Information about the process is available from the school office. Applications for these places close on Tuesday 4 December at noon and must be received by the office.



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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2019 INZONE ENROLMENTS

We have another request for information from parents of any in zone New Entrant (or other ages) children who will be attending Greenmeadows School at any stage during 2019.

Please let us know if this is the case - it doesn't matter if you think we already know your child is coming ... let us know again anyway. The more accurate our planning for the 2019 arrivals, the better we can plan for the year ahead. Many thanks.

SCHOOL READER AMNESTY

Please check under beds, behind couches and in your bookcases - school readers are out there in Greenmeadows ...

These are the books that come home every night for home reading. They cost between \$10-12 each so it is vitally important we get as many back as possible, ASAP. Please return all books by the 30th November, no questions asked - we just need them back. We want to spend our school funds on buying new books, not simply replacing the missing ones.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Today all student accounts were sent out via email - please check your emails. We ask that these accounts be settled by 13 December to assist our end of the year rush.

SENIOR CAMPS TO WELLINGTON AND OMATUA

We have just concluded our fourth and final senior camp this week for the older children. These have been wonderful experiences for the Year 5 and 6 students. Incredible thanks to all the parents who gave up their time to accompany each of these EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) experiences - your contributions were so valuable.

SEESAW FOR SCHOOL LEAVERS

Those students who are leaving GMS at the end of the year have the opportunity to get a copy of the Seesaw files for each child of what they have done in 2018. A notice will be sent out with all the instructions for this soon.

SCHOLASTIC LUCKY BOOK CLUB

Lucky book orders need to be in by Friday 30th November, 9am sharp. No late orders will be accepted.

RETURN ALL LIBRARY BOOKS!

All library books must be returned to the library before Friday 7th December. Any outstanding books will be invoiced for replacement. Thanks for your help in returning your books.

SCHOOL CANTEEN

The last day for the canteen to be open this year is Friday 14th December.

SCHOOL CLEANER FOR 2019

One of our two cleaners is taking maternity leave for the whole of next year. We are looking for interested people who may want to take this role on for 2019. Contact the school office for more information if you are interested.

INCREDIBLE YEARS AUTISM PROGRAMME (FOR PARENTS)

The Napier Family Centre are running a course for parents commencing 4th March 2019. The course runs for 14 weeks for 2.5 hours per session. The course explores parenting strategies for parents of children aged 2-5 on the autism spectrum or with language delays. Any further information contact the school office or the Napier Family Centre.



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TARADALE CRICKET – YEAR 2 & 3 SUPERSTAR CRICKET PROGRAMME

The Taradale Cricket Club are once again running their superstar cricket programme for year 2 & 3 children. This is run on a Wednesday for Year 3's and Thursdays for Year 2's. If you would like to register please visit their website at: www.sporty.co.nz/taradalecricket.

SUMMER READING PROGRAMME – NAPIER LIBRARY

The Napier Library is again running the summer reading programme. Online registrations are open from 3rd December through their website: www.napierlibrary.co.nz

FREE SCHOOL HOLIDAY TAEKWON-DO CLASSES – 2019

January 21-24 (inclusive) 10am-11am at St Johns Hall, 366 Gloucester St, Taradale (next to Caltex Petrol Station). There is limited parking.

All ages 5 years to adults. A chance to experience Taekwon-Do rather than committing yourself without knowing - try before you buy (no obligation). Try all 4 classes for FREE.

On-line enrolments - <http://www.rtrtkd.co.nz/contact-us.html>

Click here for more info <http://www.rtrtkd.co.nz/>

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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

6 th December	Pohutukawa end of year trip
11 th December	Kowhai end of year trip
13 th December	Year 6 Social
17 th December	End of year reports going home
17 th December	Prize giving
19 th December	Last day for 2018 - school closes at 12.00pm
4 th February	School commences for 2019

Please check the school website or school app for times and event venues.

Ka kite ano,

Mark Johnson
Principal



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