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Dear Parents and Caregivers – Tena Koutou Katoa

Here we are virtually halfway through the year now, the end of Term 2 just a couple of sleeps away ...

WELCOME TO OUR NEW ENROLMENTS

Our school's latest enrolments are these six wonderful learners:

- Lucy Holman
- Kaylen van Aardt
- Dillan O'Brien
- Axel Yates
- Abe Langridge
- Adilynn Carroll

A very warm welcome to you all and your families. These new students bring the total on the current school roll to 477.

RECOGNITION TO THESE GMS TAMARIKI

- Joshua Madder won a 'Highly Commended' award in the Jock McKenzie Award for his project on Joan Wiffen
- 'World Ocean Day' poetry competition at the National Aquarium had all three place getters from GMS for this Hawkes Bay-wide competition!
1st Saketha Jandhyala, 2nd Rosana Sayer 3rd Charlotte Field
- Our three dance groups who participated in the 'Just Dance' competition last Friday night and were magnificent!!!!
- Olivia Meynell and the Year 6 students who organised a fundraising sausage sizzle at Mitre 10 for the senior camp later this year
- Basketball Champions in the Year 5 and 6 - Division 3 this term. On the roster were: Khadynce Miringaorangi-Turua, Karn Johansen, Eli North, Rosanna Sayer, Dillon Hepburn, Kalal Miringaorangi-Turua, and Olivia Ware. Tino pai!!!!



BUILDING UPDATE

Some real progress is being made in the major building project for our school.

Draft sketches are currently being prepared for the enlarged and brand new Hall, a four teaching spaced classroom block to replace Rooms 12 and 13, a redesigned Library and new administration area. With fundraising going so well with the PTA we are now looking at moving to the next stage of our covered astroturf project and applying for large grants to make large contributions towards the total cost.

TEACHER ONLY DAY – FRIDAY 2ND AUGUST

There is a teacher only day planned for Friday 2nd August. We will remind you again next term closer to the time but it would be a good idea to start thinking about alternative childcare for that day. The after school care providers will be operating as usual, their contact details are on the school website under "frequently asked questions" or contact the school office.



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LOST PROPERTY

There is a lot of lost property at school. Please check the lost property bin outside Room 15b and check if any is from your house!

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

Congratulations to Emma Taylor-Meynell, Ryan Hambleton and Kate Fox on their election to the Board last month. Emma and Ryan were re-elected and Kate was elected as a new parent representative. Ally Ross was re-elected to the position of staff rep for a further term of three years. We received the required number of nominations, therefore an election was not necessary. Emma Taylor-Meynell was re-appointed as Board Chair at the Board meeting held last week. Our school is very fortunate to have such an effective leader of the Board in Emma, and this continuity will only benefit our school

We also farewelled Andrea Driver at the last board meeting after many years of service to our school. Andrea has decided to stand down at this time, having been on the BoT since 2010. Andrea has been a very dedicated member of our Board and has brought a very caring and empathetic approach to our meetings and decision-making processes. Many thanks for the immense contribution. With Andrea choosing this time to resign, the Board have co-opted Ivan Angland back onto the Board to leave us with six trustees

GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL UNIFORMS

The Warehouse and school text now have our school uniform available to purchase online through the warehouse website. There is also an option now for part pay.



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The links for these are below:

<https://www.thewarehouse.co.nz/c/schools/greenmeadows-school>

Part Pay Information for online purchasing

<https://www.thewarehouse.co.nz/payment/partpay.html>

Click and Collect Information for ordering online

<https://www.thewarehouse.co.nz/customer-service/click-and-collect.html>

BORROWED SCHOOL UNIFORMS FROM OFFICE

Our supplies have run out..... if your child has come home from school in one of the office uniforms, can you PLEASE, PLEASE return them ASAP.

SCHOOL SHOES

An array of different coloured school shoes are starting to pop up around the school. Please remember that ONLY black school shoes are to be worn at school.

SCHOOL FEES AND PAYMENTS

It is fantastic to see so many of our school students involved with sports this year. Many in our community may not realise this ... but our school subsidizes much of the true cost of sports subscriptions that children are involved in throughout the year. Greenmeadows School chooses to do this to make it as easy as possible to have as many children involved in sport. We also do everything we can to keep subscriptions below a capped amount. The school pays the subscription amounts up front and often before the season or term has started. We then carry this cost until families pay the fees for their children through the invoices we send out.



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To make it easier during the year families are able to set up automatic payments to your child's account. These payments will be allocated to outstanding sports & activity fees throughout the year.

Our school account number is 12-3144-0207207-001. Please use your child's name as a reference. Any questions please contact the school office.

ABSENCES

A reminder that when your child is absent please ensure you contact the school office prior to **9.00am**. The office staff are spending a lot of time following up children's absences from school each day. We also need to know the reason why your child is away, so please leave that information.

If your child is absent you can:

- * phone and leave a message on the answerphone,
- * send a text to 0279 264 452 or
- * list your child's absence via the app under the tab "Absentee".

If you **do not** contact the school office then we are required to mark your child as 'truant'.

It is a Ministry of Education requirement that we know where and why your child is absent. This is recorded on the Ministry's files.

KEEPING OURSELVES SAFE

For the first few weeks of Term 3 all our classes will be involved in the 'Keeping Ourselves Safe' programme. Keeping Ourselves Safe [KOS] consists of a comprehensive range of child protection resources to help students learn and apply a range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others.

For more information, you can access all the [KOS resources](#) here, or see the [frequently asked questions](#).

PARENTING COURSES

Have you thought about a parenting course? If so here are two on offer in the coming weeks.

Building Awesome Whanau:

'Parenting Children 0 - 10 Years' - Parenting with Confidence six weekly two hour sessions running from 20 August to 24 September 9.30 - 11.30am

Toolbox Tween/Teens:

'Parenting children 11 to 16 Years' - Parenting with Confidence 6 x 2.25 hours sessions
19 August - 23 September 5.45 - 8.00 pm

For further information please contact
Family Works - Heretaunga House - Hastings
Phone 876 2156



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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

- 5th July Last day of Term 2
- 22 July First day of Term 3
- 2nd August Teacher Only Day - **school closed**

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

Wishing everyone a safe and restful holiday break ... see you in a few weeks.

Ka kite ano

Mark Johnson
Principal



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