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Dear Parents and Caregivers – Tena Koutou Katoa

WELCOME TO OUR NEW ENROLMENTS

Nine new tamariki have started at our school this term. These students are:

Mine' Leonard, Stella Hughes, Abby Chandra, Logan McLean, Beauden Taylor-Chaffey, Carter Ferguson, Finn Coulston, Nate Townsend and Raef Firman. The warmest of welcomes to you and all of your whānau. Our roll has now reached 509 - wow!

THURSDAY 24th OCTOBER - 'EVACUATION DRILL'

We will have our own Shake Out Day. We are going to hold our tsunami evacuation drill for Greenmeadows School next Thursday. This is going to be a major exercise, and is part of a New Zealand wide focus on being prepared for an earthquake and tsunami.

The GMS tsunami hikoi to Church Road Winery Thursday 24th October:

- At 1.30pm we will start our tsunami hikoi - via the crossing at Gloucester Street and up Osier Road.
- Our evacuation point is the grassed area at Church Road Winery. This is accessed from Tironui Drive.
- This is a walk of 1.7km from our school via Osier Road and through Knightsbridge.
- As part of the drill we want practice releasing children to their parents, if they are available and want to pick them up. They will then be released for the remainder of the day and do not need to return to school.
- We anticipate our drill will finish just after **2.15pm** on Thursday 24th October.
- All those children who are not picked up will return to school for the remainder of the afternoon.

If parents are going to pick up their children please park on Church Road. Please do not park in the winery carpark. Be aware that Tironui Drive is very narrow and turning around is very difficult.

It would be a great help if you could please fill out the form attached to this newsletter to give us an idea of the numbers of students who will be leaving from Church Road Winery.

SUN HATS

Term 4 is the time when we need to have all children wearing sunhats. Although it has not been sun burn weather this week, it is neat to see so many children arriving with their pōtae (hat). If you have lost your hat you can purchase a new one from The Warehouse.

CANTEEN - ONLINE ORDERING

Reminder that online ordering is now available for the canteen. Follow the links on the school website under the 'Canteen' tab. Orders close at 9am on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday. It is by far the easiest way to order your child's lunch!

JUMP JAM TRIP FUNDRAISER

There will be a pizza and cake lunch on Monday 4th November. The cost is \$5. An order form will be coming out shortly.



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FOOD FAIR – 22 November 2019

We have set a date for the annual **Greenmeadows School Food Fair** – Friday 22 November (Week Six). It is always a fun night and also a significant fundraiser for the school. In order to run a successful Food Fair we would appreciate the following support from our school community.

Donations:

We would love each family to send in the following donations.

<i>Week Two</i>	A donation suitable for our “A Kiwi Christmas” raffle. Ideas include board games, christmas crackers, kiwi onion dip, paper plates, etc.
<i>Week Three</i>	A donation suitable for our “winning wheel”. Ideas include chocolate, beauty products, etc. You may know a business who would be willing to donate a voucher.
<i>Week Four</i>	A donation suitable for a mystery envelope/lucky dip prize. Ideas include scrunchies, stickers, stationery, lip balms, etc.

- Donations can be sent into your child’s teacher or can be left at the office.
- You do not have to adhere to the above - they can be sent in all at once if easier.
- Please note – we are unable to accept alcohol as donations.

White Elephant Donations:

We would love your unwanted items! We can’t accept clothing, linen and electronic items like TVs, computers, etc. Everything else is welcome! Items can be dropped off to the hall on Fridays between 8.30-9am. If this time doesn’t work, please contact us via the email address below or contact the school office.

Stall Helpers:

We will send a slip home in week three asking for parent/caregiver help.

Raffle Tickets:

Our “A Kiwi Christmas” raffle tickets will be coming home in week five. A big THANKS to TURFREY HASTINGS for donating a WEBER BBQ as a raffle prize. What a fantastic start to our raffle!

Cake Stall:

The cake stall is always really popular! We will send home paper plates in week six ready to be filled with delicious baking!

Gazebos/Equipment:

Thank-you to those who have already offered tents and equipment. If you have a gazebo or other items of equipment we could use, please let us know.

Any questions or ideas please let us know.

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SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic Book orders are coming home with your child this week. The last day to place your order is Friday November 1st. You can order via the LOOP. Visit scholastic.co.nz/LOOP or download the app. Ordering through the LOOP will earn you free books. If you prefer to return your order to school, remember to add your child's name, classroom and the correct page and order code. We accept cash payments or cheques (cheques payable to *Scholastic New Zealand Limited*). If you wish for your order to be a present please order it as a *gift*. All gift orders will be kept at the office for collection. This is a great chance to order books for Christmas and every order earns FREE books and learning resources for our school.

FOUND

An ANZ debit card was handed in to the office. You can claim this if it is your's.

Research project : Kia tū rangatira ai: Learning, succeeding, and thriving in education

Our school has decided to participate in a strengths-based research project about how students learn, succeed and thrive at Greenmeadows School. This project is being conducted by Dr Melinda Webber from the University of Auckland and has been funded by the Royal Society of New Zealand, Te Apārangi. Our school would like to invite you and your school aged child/ren to take part in this important research project by completing short **questionnaires** - either online or in hardcopy.

Completing this survey will help our school to find out more about how our students develop positive attitudes, engagement and aspirations towards school, and who their role-model for success are. Overall the questionnaires will help us better understand the personal, teacher, whanau and community factors that positively impact our student learning and success at school.

This study involves you:

- Completing a questionnaire about your child's attitude, engagement at school and their future aspirations. It also asks you to nominate and describe a family, tribal or local role model for your child.
- Understanding that your child is also to complete a questionnaire at school about their attitude, engagement at school and their future aspirations.

The children will complete the questionnaire during school hours in a way that causes the least amount of disruption to their learning. Your child will get help to complete the questionnaire especially if they are younger and they will do this with their buddy class.

If you do not consent for your child to participate in this research project, please sign the form on the next page and return to school as soon as possible. Your child will be provided with other school work to do to while the class completes the questionnaire.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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

21 st - 24 th Oct	Optimist Yachting Year 6
24 th October	Shake out Day -
25 th October	HB Anniversary day (School Closed)
28 th October	Labour Day (School Closed)
5 th November	School Photo Day
8 th November	Taradale schools Kapa Haka Festival at Pettigrew-Green Arena
13 th November	Athletic Sports Day
22 nd November	GMS Food Fair
25 th November	Senior School Camps start this week
19 th December	Last Day of Term 4 - 12pm Finish



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Research Project Return Slip

Only return if you Do not want to participate

I **DO NOT** give permission for my child to participate in this research project

Name: _____

Child's name and Room Number : _____

Signed : _____

Date: _____

Evacuation Return Slip

PLEASE RETURN TO SCHOOL BY Monday 21st October 9.00am (hand in to class teacher of eldest child)

Family name: _____

Thursday 24th October - Hikoi to Church Road Winery (**please tick one**)

- I will pick up my child/ren from Church Road Winery at 2.00pm
- I have arranged for someone else to pick up my child/ren from Church Road Winery.
This person is:

- My child/ren will return to GMS and they will be picked up as normal from school

Signed: _____

Ka kite ano,
Mark Johnson
Principal



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