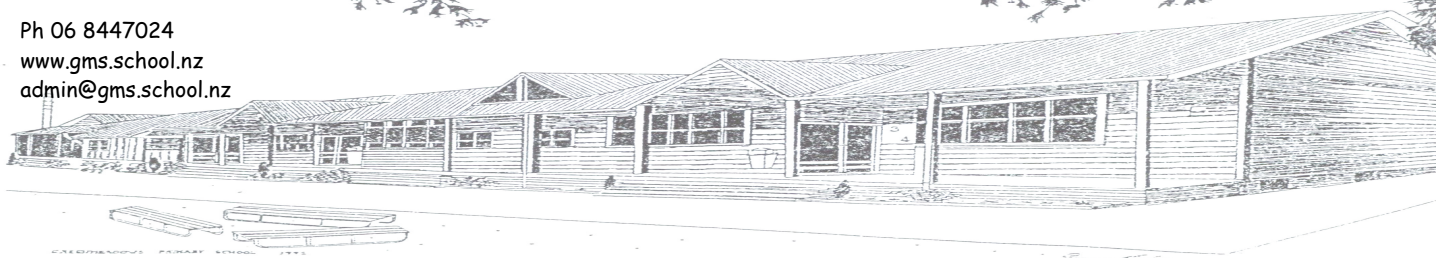


# GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Tena koutou katoa

## **GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL—'READING ROCKS' FAMILY WORKSHOP**

This coming Thursday 11 June we are holding our 'Reading Rocks' information evening between 6.00pm and 7.15pm. This session is for parents of students of **ALL AGES**, not just those beginning to read.

As the workshop is around dinner time, the school's PTA have made themselves available to cook sausages to fight off hunger pangs for children and adults. These will be on sale for \$1.50 each—if you want to order some, please do so on the return slip attached to the newsletter. The sausages will be available from 5.30 until 5.50pm.

For the parents we have a guest speaker who will speak to parents about how to help children improve their reading. To follow there will be three short informative workshops on:

- Ideas of books that are proven to get children interested in reading
- How to help children of different ages reading (from 4 to 16 years)
- Some fun reading activities

A reminder that families are encouraged to bring their children along if it makes arrangements easier. To keep the children entertained, we have well known New Zealand author Yvonne Morrison ('A Kiwi Night Before Christmas') to read children some of her stories in a separate classroom. She will also explain to children the process of writing a book. We look forward to having as many families as possible involved in this activity.

## **INFLUENZA A 'SWINE FLU' INFORMATION**

The Ministry of Education continues to provide schools with updates and guidance related to this issue. Our major concerns at this stage relate to:

- stressing personal hygiene with children ensuring they wash hands regularly and thoroughly, especially before eating and handling food
- the need for children to stay home if they are sick with flu symptoms

Although not currently being considered, our school needs to be prepared for the event that we are directed to keep children at home. In order to prepare for any school closure it is vital we have current contact telephone and email address details. We will be sending home the file information we hold on each child in the next few days to confirm to accuracy of the details we have.

## **SUPPORT STAFF DAY**

Wednesday 10 June is 'Support Staff day'. Our support staff are all those who work in a range of roles in the office, library and as teacher aides in a variety of roles. Support Staff day is a day when we take a little time to acknowledge the enormous effort all these valuable people put into our school and the achievement of our students.

## **ROAD PATROL—MONDAY MORNINGS GLOUCESTER STREET**

We require a parent to supervise the Gloucester Street crossing on Monday mornings from 8.30am. Is anyone able to help us for this important role? Contact the office if you can help. Thank you to all those parents on the rosters already who are available to help us supervise the crossings.

## **GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL PTA**

Attached to this newsletter is a notice from the PTA regarding the Quiz Night scheduled for Friday 26th June. Tickets for this event sell quickly, so please get your teams organised sooner, rather than later.

## **SPORTS SHIRT UNIFORMS**

If your child recently received a uniform, please check that the letters 'GMS' are not upside down. If they are please return them to the office for reordering.

## HAWKES BAY SOCCER

Winners of the 8th Grade were the 'Taradale Galaxies' including Cade Williams, Cory Evans, Andrew Meybaum, Bailey Wiig, and Finn Durrant from GMS. Player of the Day was Blake MacKirdy and the Player of the Tournament was Joel Morrison. Well done to you all!

## NAPIER JUDO CLUB

Located in Peddie Street, down the alleyway by the kindergarten. Cost \$120 per term. 6.00-7.00pm Tuesday and Thursday.

## KIWI SAVER ACCOUNTS

Anyone interested in setting up a Kiwi Saver account for the child can contact the school office for details on a investment advisor who has offered the school incentives for all those who sign up.

## MRS GREGORY

Mrs. Gregory has been making very positive progress over the past fortnight. Yesterday she was transferred to Hawkes Bay hospital which is an encouraging sign in her recovery.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

10 June	Board of Trustees meeting 5.30pm	10 June	PTA meeting 7.30pm
11 June	'Reading Rocks' Family workshop	15 June	Year 6 Leadership day - Palmerston North
18 June	Kiwisport Fun Day Years 5 and 6	22 June	Reports sent out
23 June	Health Promoting Schools meeting	24 June	Reports sent back to school
26 June	PTA Quiz—NOBM clubrooms	29 June	Parent interviews—Day 1
30 June	Parent interviews; BoT meeting	1 July	Storyteller 'The Gardner' visits
3 July	Term 2 ends	20 July	Term 3 commences

Have a great week. Ka kite ano.

Mark Johnson

## Principal

## PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Room 1	Hamish Berriman
Room 2	Warner Dearn Matthew Hyde
Room 3	Amy Marshall Tane Thomas
Room 4	Andrew Meybaum Ewan Green-Searle
Room 5	Luke Johnson
Room 6	Alister Goody Ashleigh Sherriff
Room 7	Ethan Wynne Valerie Richmond
Room 8	Dia Ciji Isobel Harris
Room 9	Luna Davoli Andrew Brown Logan Jane
Room 10	James Gerken James Sambrook
Room 11	Ella Parnell Liam Houliston
Room 12	Ethan Groube Elayna Guylott-Nepia
Room 13	Emma Bennett Ben Neville
Room 14	Emma Bennett Ben Neville
Room 15	Sarah St George Jake Cotter
Room 16	Sophie Torr <b>TWICE!!!</b>
Room 17	Dylan Thorby-Reid Ben Herekiuha

## Weeks 5 and 6 —Term 2



PTA Sausage Sizzle Return Slip - Please return to school by Thursday 11 June 9.00am.

To help our ordering of sausages for the 'Reading Rocks' Parent workshop please estimate how many your family would require.

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class of oldest child: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated number: \_\_\_\_\_