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## NEWSLETTER 6

Dear Parents and Caregivers - *Tena koutou katoa*

Welcome back to a busy Term 2, this week has started with all the school participating in the Life Education classes. This Term also sees the start of our winter sports: Basketball, Hockey, Netball and Ripper Rugby (Years 5 and 6 only). Other school activities are also starting in the next week or two which are Choir, Kapa Haka, Ukulele and Gymnastics,

### WELCOME TO GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL

A very warm welcome to the four students who have started at GMS this week! Emma Donnelly, Sarah Burton, Charles Burne and Scarlett-Rose Morris are making a wonderful start to their time at our school. These enrolments bring our roll to 435.

### ANZAC DAY CEREMONY

This Friday 24 April we will hold our own ANZAC ceremony at Greenmeadows School. Observing ANZAC Day has become a tradition at GMS. As part of the format for the ceremony we ask that all children bring:

- a flower to lay beside the flagpole as each class goes into the Hall for the assembly
- a coin to go towards a collection we give to the RSA.

A representative from the Taradale RSA will attend our school observation. This starts at 11.30am and will be held in the Hall.

We also have created our own 'Field of Remembrance' recognising the importance of ANZAC Day. Thirty crosses have been set out recognizing both famous New Zealanders and local people who served in the various conflicts.



Room 5 looking at our Field of Remembrance, a wahi tapu (place of cultural and spiritual significance) for our school during the ANZAC ceremony

### SWIMMING TOTARA CLASSES

A reminder that all four classes in Totara are swimming from this coming Tuesday 28th April for ten sessions. Please pack togs and towels on Monday night.

### SCHOOL ABSENCES

If your child is going to be absent from school do one of the following:

- please ring the school office on 8447024
- or text **0279264452** before 9.00am

This saves the office staff a lot of time as they do not have to contact each parent. Thank you.

### FUTURE ENROLMENTS AT GMS

In order to help with future planning at GMS we need information on school roll projections over the next year. If you have a child, or know of any other children intending to enrol at Greenmeadows School between May 2015 and July 2016 please contact Sara at the school office. If you are unsure whether we know — send the information through again. Thank you.

### SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Thank you to all the parents who have paid their accounts. An up to date statement will be sent out this week via email. If you don't have email please keep on eye out in your child's bag. Please remember to pay all outstanding swimming, sports and activity fees.

Don't forget we now have EFTPOS in the office.

### T-BALL THANK YOU!!!

We would like to acknowledge the following parents for their coaching and management of a tee ball/minipitch team during the 2014-2015 season:

Vicky Johansen, Jason Field,

Rachael Wedd, Teena Blundson,

Kerryn Brinkworth, Angie Hodgson, Paula Kinsey, Craig Smith, Julie Smith and Andrew Dine

Thank you so much for all of the time, effort and patience you have put into your teams. It is very much appreciated. TeeBall/MiniPitch starts again in Term 4 for all ages.

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| Room 1  | Jaymie Pascoe        | Room 2  | Jayden Konia   |
| Room 3  | Angus Hawthorne-Grey | Room 4  | Lochie Shaw    |
| Room 5  | Eden Raikes          | Room 6  | Macy Owen      |
| Room 7  | Bella Knibb          | Room 8  | Jayden Field   |
| Room 9  | Saffron Barnett      | Room 10 | Kyle Leitch    |
| Room 11 | Myah Smith           | Room 12 | Daryn white    |
| Room 13 | Brooke Ells          | Room 14 | Jorja McIntyre |
| Room 15 | Will Steadman        | Room 16 | Judge Jury     |
| Room 17 | Kapri Phillips       |         |                |

## PRINCIPAL AWARDS WEEK 9 TERM 1



### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

The Ashton Scholastic Book Club are being sent home today. Orders need to be back at school by **Wednesday 6th May, Due to the time frame, late orders can not be accepted.** Please note you can now also order by 'Loop' ( Linked online ordering & payment system) - visit [mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz](http://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz) and follow the online instructions to place your order.

### A SPECIAL REQUEST FROM OSCAR

Does anyone have any old scooter wheels? If you have any lying around your place OSCAR would greatly appreciate them for the 'ezy riders.' These can be dropped at the school office or to Oscar. Thank you for your help.

### KELLY SPORTS AFTERSCHOOL MULTISPORTS PROGRAM - TERM 2

Kelly Sports is offering its Multisport Programme on Tuesdays after school this term at Greenmeadows School. Our After School Programs are designed specifically for Year 1 to 4 children so they can experience a range of sports, with a different sport played each week. The sessions feature individual and group skills for the featured sport followed by a modified game. A 'player of the day' award and voucher from Hog's Breath Café Napier will be awarded each session. To enroll please visit [www.kellysports.co.nz](http://www.kellysports.co.nz) or for further info contact Rachel Weeks at [hb@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:hb@kellysports.co.nz) or phone 8434219.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- 24 April Anzac Assembly 11.30am
  - 25 April Anzac Day Parade
  - 27 April Anzac Day Observed (NO School)
  - 28 April Totara classes swimming start s (Rooms 14, 15, 16 and 17)
  - 28 /1 May MTG Visits for Totara Team
  - 6 May Check Website for days
  - 19 May Scholastic Book Club Orders close today at 9am
  - 21 May Swimming Sports for Years 4 to 6 (Greendale Pools)
  - 1 June Swimming Finals Years 4 to 6 (Greendale Pools)
  - 29 June Queens Birthday Weekend (NO School)
  - 3 July Student-led Conferences
  - End of Term 2
- Look on our school website for additional dates and events: there are plenty!!!!

Ka kite ano,

Mark Johnson  
Principal

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