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Dear Parents and Caregivers :: *Tena koutou katoa*



The start of the autumn term has come in a blur with all the things going on around us. The children have all settled back into school perfectly and the classrooms are buzzing! It is great to have everyone back.

### ANZAC DAY CEREMONY

On Sunday a number of our students were involved in various ANZAC Day observations. In addition to this we had our ceremony at school on Monday.



A collection raised \$244 which was presented to the Taradale RSA. You would have been very proud of the students in the way the children treated the event with respect, and sang beautifully.

Our photos show the start of the school march towards the flag pole (left), where they laid flowers in remembrance with the flag at half mast as on the right.

### WELCOME TO GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL

The start of Term 2 has seen a large number of new students enrol with us, taking our roll to 355. We welcome Jayla Buckley, Luke Crosby, Peyton Hays, Devyn Summersby and Clayton Terry-Moore as new entrant students. Also starting throughout the school we have had Oliver Burder, Joshua Smith, Maddisyn and Caleb Dingle, Pheobe Heays, Riley Johnston and Bailey Matthews. It is great to have you all here as part of the GMS team.

We also welcome back one of our teachers, but with a new name ... Mrs Sims from Room 7 is now 'Mrs Harvey' having got married over the holiday break. All are coping well remembering most of the time!

### HELP WANTED!!

Each term we design our rosters for parent supervision of the road crossings on Osier Road and Gloucester Street. We are still require a couple of parents to help provide supervision. **CAN YOU HELP?** If so let the office know.



### ACTIVITIES AT SCHOOL

There are a number of activities on at school over the next few weeks - and all three are free!

- Wednesday 28 April - Financial Literacy programme 'Get Wise' for the senior classes promoting saving and careful use of money
- Thursday 29 April - Unison Electrical safety for the whole school
- Friday 30 April - Kelly Sports sessions for junior and middle school classes between 9.00 and 12.20pm.

Ask your children about the learning these visits - they are bound to learn plenty from being involved.

### PMP PROGRAMME

Our school runs a 'PMP' programme for Terms 2 and 3. The PMP programme aims to develop children's motor skills that are foundation skills for many activities in the classroom. Many children arrive at school with some of these skills not practiced. The PMP programme aims to practice these skills in a fun, holistic and an organized way. We commenced the programme this week under the skilled guidance of Kirsten Martin, and a whole host of very keen parents. Thanks to you all for supporting this initiative in our school.



## NZEI TEACHERS MEETINGS

The paid union meetings for teachers that were postponed last term have been rescheduled for next week. The timing of these meetings will not have any impact on the school day as they are being held late in the afternoon, and we will use our class buddy systems to end the school day when teachers attend a meeting.

## GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL PTA

### FUNDRAISING LAST TERM

A big thank you to all the school families who generously supported our annual easter raffle. We made a huge \$3,210 profit from this and have given the school \$3,000 towards the purchase of some interactive whiteboards. Our recent sausage sizzle was also very successful with almost \$400 raised. Thanks for all your support!

### THIS YEAR'S FUNDRAISING PROJECT

The teaching staff have suggested and the PTA all agree that this year's fundraising project will be a much needed mini-makeover of the school hall. We hope to raise enough money to buy a new sound system, new curtains or blinds, and a ceiling mounting system for the projector and speakers. Our new caretaker, Mr Mellon, is also planning a bit of a paint spruce-up.

We already have the profit from the sausage sizzle and balance from the easter raffle to start us off and we also have some other fundraising projects in the pipe line. Keep an eye on the fundraising thermometer as we work towards our target of \$10,000 for this project.

## KELLY SPORTS AT GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL

Kelly Sports is again offering its multisport programme on Tuesdays after school this term. MADNESS is designed specifically for Year 1 to 4 children so they can experience a range of sports. For those who have never joined a club before it gives them the confidence to give sport a go. For children already playing sport it gives them an extra chance to improve their skills for the summer and winter seasons.

To enroll please fill in the registration form or for further info contact Craig Findlay by email [craig@kellysports.co.nz](mailto:craig@kellysports.co.nz) or phone 8434219.



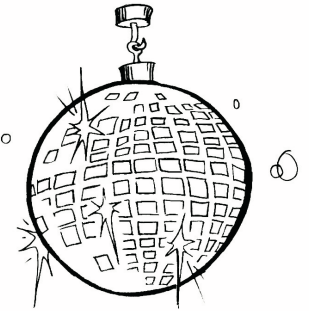
## TEACHERS ONLY DAY

There will be teacher only day  
on Friday 4 June

*(the day immediately before Queen's Birthday weekend).*

## TERM 2 DISCO

This will be on Friday 7th May. In keeping with the schools recent focus on Hawke's Bay, the theme will be 'Go the Bay'. More details will follow soon but keep this night free.

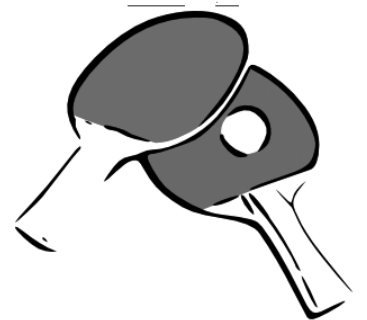


## CANTEEN NEWS

Hot chocolate is back for the winter terms. Children can order a cup of hot chocolate at morning tea time for just \$1. The canteen accounts are back from the auditor and are unfortunately showing a small annual financial loss. We have said it before, but it really is a case of 'use it or lose it'. We try to keep our prices competitive and we are always looking for new ideas. If anyone has any suggestions about how we could make the canteen more user-friendly we would love to hear from you. There is a suggestion form attached to the bottom of this notice and all ideas will go into the draw to win a \$5 canteen voucher.

## TARADALE TABLE TENNIS CLUB

If you like table tennis then you might think about playing on Tuesdays from 6.00pm at the Taradale Club. All children are welcome. Phone Mark Kilmister on 8729267 (work) or 8452206 (home) for more details.



## MATHS PROBLEM

The Maths extension students in the senior syndicate have been involved in a nationwide problem-solving challenge. We will include a question each newsletter for people to try at home. This week's problem:

**We call this year, 2010, a double-date year, because its first two digits '20' give a number which is twice that given by the last two digits, '10'. How many years are there until the next double-date year occurs?**

# WHAT'S COMING UP...

For more details look under 'School Events' on [www.gms.school.nz](http://www.gms.school.nz)

## APRIL

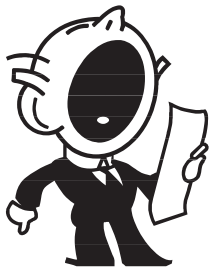
- 28 ASB Financial Literacy Programme (for Rooms 13 to 17)
- 29 Unison Electrical Safety for the whole school

## MAY

- 5 Greenmeadows School Board of Trustees meeting 5.30pm start
- 6 Year 5 and 6 Soccer Fun Day 1.00pm start (postponement date 11 May)
- 7 School Disco (a separate notice will come out about this soon)

## JUNE

- 4 Teacher Only Day



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*Mark Johnson*  
Principal

# ★ PRINCIPAL AWARDS ★

## WEEK 9 - TERM 1 | WEEK 1 - TERM 2

<b>Room 1</b> Zara Morris Jacob Driver	<b>Room 7</b> Jared Kinsey Carrie Palmer	<b>Room 13</b> Josie Boyd Jarred Coutts
<b>Room 3</b> Shavaughn Te Pou Cedar Wairau	<b>Room 8</b> Porche Potgieter Ella Cross	<b>Room 14</b> Paige van der Meent Bella Robb
<b>Room 4</b> Lochlan Collins Safiya Nicholas	<b>Room 9</b> Liam Houliston Seth Beckett	<b>Room 15</b> Jarrod Hellyer Alana Rudzevecuis
<b>Room 5</b> Hayden Simpson Jordan Christensen	<b>Room 10</b> Angelyn Zeng Ellie Harding	<b>Room 16</b> Alyssa Rowley Aimee Marshall
<b>Room 6</b> Ella Ford Riley Johnston	<b>Room 12</b> Kayla Heath Daniel Baker	<b>Room 17</b> Luke Yarrall Claudia Chittenden



## CANTEEN SUGGESTION FORM - Remember all ideas submitted go into the draw to win a \$5 canteen voucher.

Childs name: \_\_\_\_\_ Room number: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_

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## GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDER - Sizes: 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16

ITEM	SIZE	No. REQUIRED	COST	TOTAL COST
Shorts			\$12.50	
Polo Shirts			\$13.50	
T- Shirts			\$13.50	
Crew Sweat Shirt			\$14.50	
Hooded Sweat Shirt			\$19.50	
Trackpants			\$14.50	
<b>TOTAL</b>				

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Room No. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL BLACK & WHITE**

**'Come on the Bay'  
Disco**



**Date:** Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May

**Venue:** Greenmeadows School Hall

**Cost:** \$2 entry fee

**Food & Drink for sale on the night:**

*(Please bring some change)*

- Drinks: \$1
- Chippies: 80¢
- Lollies: 50¢
- Glow Bracelets: 50¢
- Torch Rings: 50¢
- Glow Necklaces: \$2.00

**DISCO 1**                      **YEARS 0, 1, 2 & 3**                      **5.30 pm – 6.45 pm**

**DISCO 2**                      **YEARS 4, 5 & 6**                      **7.00 pm – 8.30 pm**

Please pick your child up from **inside the School Hall** promptly at the end of the Disco **6.45pm** or **8.30pm**. Children will not be released without an adult.

**Parent Help:** If you would like to help make this disco a success, please come along on the night. We require parent helpers to supervise children and sell food and drinks. Thanks and see you there!