# GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL

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Learn - Grow - Achieve



# Dear Parents and Caregivers

#### Tena koutou katoa

The last two weeks of Term 3 are now underway. On Friday we farewelled Mr. Bloor from school as he headed off to Europe. We wish him safe travelling and look forward to a whole lot of stories on his return at the start of Term 4. The end of this term will also see the completion of the teaching placement for Mrs. Nicky Barker in Room 1. Mrs. Starkey and the children of Room 1 have certainly enjoyed having her as a member of their class.

Two recent events have been extremely well supported by our community. Thanks to all those parents who bought tickets to support our kapa haka group who performed at last week's Taradale schools Maori festival or the 'hui iti'. The group made us all very proud in the way they represented themselves and the school. Congratulations to you all and to your very dedicated teachers Mrs. Millner and Mrs. Bryan.

Our school cross country held at Anderson Park was also a great success. Wow - what a turnout of parents as well! It certainly meant a lot to the children to have so many spectators cheering them on. Results of the races were:

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Year 3/4 Boys	Jack Bennett	Callum Berriman	Joshua Keating
Year 3/4 Girls	Danika Withell	Tessa Cotter	Camryn Bailey
Year 5 Boys	Ethan Martin	Jacob Wiggins	Trent Randell
Year 5 Girls	Emma Bennett	Hannah McIntyre	<b>Isobel Barretto</b>
Year 6 Boys	Jordan Allen-Wright	Hamish Smith	Mitch Drew
Year 6 Girls	Claudia Layton	Jade Price	Jordan Heal

We look forward to the interschool cross country event that will be held today—Tuesday 15 September.

# GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAMME - NAPIER AQUATIC CENTRE

The school's swimming programme has been a great success to date. This week the middle school classes have commenced with Rooms 1 and 2 swimming, with Rooms 3 and 4 next week to finish the term. The children are very positive about the experience and all have made very impressive progress in a short time.

### GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL SPORTS UNIFORMS

All entries to the office by Friday 18th September.

We have had a supply of new shirts made available for use as the start of a new sports uniform. The school is looking at keeping a supply of these shirts at school so when our teams travel they can all look very smart. These shirts are made of a 'Techno Dry' material and are offered to us a significantly discounted rate. The shirt is modelled by Timana on the right.

What we are seeking is a sponsor to help the school meet the costs of these shirts. Sponsorship would get a name embroidered onto the shirts and give excellent exposure for any supporters of the school. If anyone is interested in finding out more about the sponsorship opportunity, please contact Mark at school.

#### GREENMEADOWS SCHOOL PTA

**CANTEEN NEWS** - The Canteen is open for Morning Tea and Lunch every **Wednesday** and **Friday**. Specials

# for this week's Lunch only:

Toasted Sandwich & Quench Drink \$3.00 Large Mince Pie & Quench Drink \$3.00 The winner of the previous canteen \$5.00 voucher draw was: Tom Davies

Be in to win a \$5.00 canteen voucher this week by answering the following question:

Q. What does MSG stand for?	
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Child's name:	Room number



**ICON** Photography - The PTA has booked this coming weekend (September the 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>) for these fantastic family portraits. The \$10 for each portrait will go towards our Heart of the School Fundraising Project. There are still time slots available on both afternoons but these are filling fast. To book a time, please return the portrait voucher, along with your \$10, to school by this Thursday.

#### Napier Athletic Club 2009-2010 Season

The full programme starts Wednesday 21 October 6.00pm - 8.00pm at the Marewa Park clubrooms. It is a family fun event and is open to all children from 3 to 16 years who enjoy running, jumping and throwing events.

#### Napier School Holiday Cycling Programme

Second week of the coming school holidays Wednesday  $7^{th}$  October - 'Rain or Shine'. More details on the school notice board.

#### Napier Judo Club

We are inviting children to give judo a go - Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6.00pm to 7.00pm at 13 Peddie Street (behind the kindergarten at the end of Bledisloe Park). Lots of fun, fitness, self-confidence and self defence. Come and give an Olympic sport a try.

# FORTHCOMING EVENTS (for more details look under 'School Events' on www.gms.school.nz)

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21 Sept Swimming instruction commences for Rooms 3 and 4

25 Sept End of Term 3

12 Oct Start of Term 4

21 Oct Swimming instruction commences for Rooms 5

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Ka kite ano. Mark Johnson

# <u>Principal</u>

My New House

Mum rented a new house up Napier hill. The house is big and green and made out of wood. Now me and my brother have our own room. We have a sun room. My little brother will go in the sun room.

We have a leg bath. The kitchen is big and brown. My back yard has three hills. One has steps. Another hill has a garden and the last hill was all covered in weed.

I can't wait to move in on Saturday.

- JD Thorby-Reid, Room 3

When I Grow Up

I am Aimee and I want to be an archeologist, scientist and a paleon-tologist. They are all things that I like.

This is why I want to be an archeologist. I have watched Indiana Jones and it looks cool to be one. So I want to be one because I want to find treasures and be on adventures. I also like to be outside.

I want to be a scientist because I like looking in books and following the instructions—you don't know what is going to happen. I want to make potions—healing ones or ones that turn you into things.

This is why I want to be a paleontologist. It is because I like finding unusual things and finding cool stuff in a book. A fact from a book—did you know that the giganotosaurus tooth is sixteen inches long?

Now this is why I want to be all these things and now you know! What do you want to be ?

- Aimee Marshall, Room 3

## PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Room 1	Luke Yarrall Bailey McKinley	Room 3	Callum Tucker Wendy Hiko
Room 2	Harrison Fox Matthew Hyde	Room 5	Callum Berriman Kayla Norris
Room 4	Matthew Leonard Danika Brown Finn Durrant	Room 7	Kaden Armstrong
Room 6	Winter Francis-Thickpenny Zack McPike	Room 9	Leah McKay Logan Jane
Room 8	Kiarah Miringaorangi-Turua Sage Norris	Room 11	Logan Gray Ella Parnell
Room 10	Bryce Lott Ethan Young	Room 14	Ben Neville Lachie Calder
Room 12	Emilie Robb Charlie Mudgeway	Room 16	Zac Nordell Emma Jones
Room 15	Sophie Mote Rhys Dooney	Room 17	Sam Sparkes Mathew Neale

# Weeks 7 and 8 —Term 3

