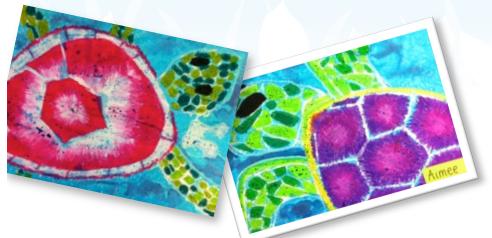
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Dear Parents and caregivers - Tena koutou katoa,

GIVE IT UP FOR GMS

The amount of activity is really starting to increase as the end of the year approaches. Today all children will have received a notice and sponsorship form for the wonderfully successful 'Give It Up for GMS' fundraiser. This year we want to spend the funds on more play equipment. This will include new toys for the sandpit and construction toys for the playground. Please support this fundraiser. There are prizes on offer for those who participate, including:

- Separate spot prizes for the Year 1 to 3 and Year 4 to
- The top three fundraisers
- The classes with the highest percentage of fundraisers involved
- The most original things to go without!

Save the Date!

SCHOOL CLOSED

24 & 27 October School is closed for the long weekend for HB Anniversary and Labour Day.

SWIMMING

28 October Swimming starts for Kowhai Team. Look out for the notice!

OPTIMIST YACHTING

3-7 November
Years 6 students
go Optimist
Yachting at
Pandora Pond.

NEW ARRIVALS TO GMS

We welcome Maddison Walker to Greenmeadows School and wish her all the very best as she starts her learning journey with us.

Do you know of any five year olds due to start at GMS before the end of 2015? It really helps if we know they are coming ... please get in touch with the school office if you are not sure. Many thanks

Keep in touch with GMS through our txt messages: Follow (space) GMSNapier To 8987



VALUES MEDALS

LEARN, GROW ACHIEVE

EXCELLENCE

PERSEVERANCE

RESPECT



MADDISON LEIPST & HOLLY LAWRENCE

TEAGHAN JACKSON & DARYN WHITE

ELAI HARRISON & LOGAN HANSON

Congratulations to these children for showing GMS

GMS PRINCIPAL AWARDS





Week 1



Room 1	Stella Watts	Room 2	Jake McNatty	Room 3	Izaak Ferguson
Room 4	Macy Penn	Room 5	Amelia Weekley	Room 6	John Knowles
Room 7	Oscar Li	Room 8	Brianna Boyce	Room 9	Jayden Field
Room 10	Luke Hawkins	Room 11	Nick Cately	Room 12	Calais Terry-Moore
Room 13	Sean Moylan	Room 14	Bianka Burke	Room 15	Arnah Paton
Room 16	Coby Price	Room 17	Jack Bowers		
Room 1	Shamrock Huata	Room 2	Aiden Solomon	Room 3	Tristin Symes
Room 4	Kaden Heke	Room 5	Zoe Ennor	Room 6	Ellie Goodson
Room 6	Tyler Brinkworth	Room 7	Finley Glentworth	Room 8	Nathan Kinsey
Room 9	Benjamin Bloomfield	Room 10	Hayley Gerken	Room 11	Lucy Duncan
Room 12	Grace Henricksen	Room 13	Garrett Chan	Room 14	Lily Cameron
Room 15	Ben Coles	Room 16	Leroy Corby	Room 17	Isobelle Gilray

KAPA HAKA GROUP EXCELLENCE







It has been a very big week for our Kapa haka group. After performing at the first outdoor assembly of the year last week, there was a special celebration. A school tradition that has built over the past few years which is to acknowledge long standing commitment to this group. Not only do the teachers give up countless hours — so do the students! Senior students who are members of the group for four years are presented a greenstone. This year we had one student who was awarded this. Sophia Gross is pictured receiving her pikorua toanga from Mrs Bryan. Tino pai Sophia!

Tuesday and Wednesday evenings saw the very impressive Taradale schools Kapa Haka festival in which our group performed magnificently. It is great to see what all the hard work and dedication can bring.

GMS DIGI-AWARDS SUCCESS!!



competition

The 2014 DigiAwards were held in the Napier Municipal Theatre last Wednesday evening. Last week we published the names of the fifty-eight children from our school who were selected as finalists. Mrs Martin has made in a display in the foyer of all entries involved on the evening. Pictured left are the group who won the Year 5 and 6 short movie section: Luke Tibbitts, Charlie Mudgway, Noah Smith, Luna Davoli and Olivia Rowley. These students made a movie on the Tough Guy and Gal Challenge back in May. Well done to all those involved in this event, including Charlotte Field who won the overall award out of the students from the thirteen schools entered – an outstanding achievement! Children from all our classrooms submitted entries to this that was coordinated by Mrs Martin and Mrs Dale. Congratulations to

all who were involved - another example of the perseverance required to achieve!



Congratulations to Leila Burder who is a New Zealand winner of the Schools Out Spelling Bee. Leila is pictured with the trophy she received at the awards dinner held in Wellington! The student who was 2nd is twelve years old. Well done Leila!

MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

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If your child is going to be absent, please text in to the above number.

This system is working with far more efficiency this year! Thanks to all those families for your support - who are making the effort to let us know when your child is absent.

LEARN, GROW ACHIEVE

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who supported the Scholastic Book Fair held last term. We now have \$1850 of new books coming into our library from this fair. The day of the biggest sales was on Saturday 20 September - Election day when close to \$2000 of sales were recorded!

Each purchase from the book fair went into a daily draw to win a free book and the daily winners are:
Wednesday 17th - Diane Peterson
Thursday 18th - Manina Petuha
Friday 19th - Rebecca Howey
Saturday 20th - Lucas Fordyce

THANKS TO MRS COOK for all her organisation of this great event.





Some of our new purchases for the library.



Parents!

Help stop the "Summer Slide" by encouraging your child to read every day during the school holidays!

Children who read for at least 10 minutes a day over the summer school holidays have a better start to the new school year than children who spend little or no time reading. Reading over the holidays helps children maintain or improve the reading level they developed throughout the school year. Children who don't read over the break can lose core reading skills and slide backwards, potentially falling behind when they return to school.

Teachers report that it can take up to six weeks into the new school year for students to regain lost reading skills. Reading for fun over the holidays helps your child stay ahead!

Keep the reading momentum rolling all summer long with the Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge

Go to www.scholastic.co.nz/schools/bookclub for more information.

PTA UPDATE

Thank you to all those who have supported our recent events and activities. What a great community we have supporting our school!

<u>THANKS</u> - Although it seems a while ago now ... many thanks to all those who helped on Election Day with the Sausage Sizzle and Cake Stall. So many helpers able to cook the sausages, and what a great amount of delicious cakes and baking arrived for us to sell! Thanks for brilliant support!

Give It Up for GMS - see the notice sent home today! Get sponsors over the weekend to have a head start.

<u>Halloween Disco</u> - Friday 31 October at school. We are trying something a little different and holding this Disco OUTSIDE!!! The Heart of the School will be transformed into a dance spot (let's hope the weather is kind ...). Same times as normal.

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

Cost \$2 per pupil. Food and drink for sale. Come in costume!!

Also:

GMS Duathlon - Thursday 4 December Anderson Park (details to follow)

COMING UP

28 Oct	Rooms 4, 2, 11 and 1 commence swimming
31 Ocł	Halloween Disco
3 Nov	Start of Optimist Yachting for Year 6 Start of Give It Up for GMS week
5 Nov	Practise & concert for Kids for Kids choir
7 Nov	Ukulele testival Hastings
12 Nov	GMS Athletic Sports
13 Nov	GMS Athletic sports postponement day
	GMS Photographs taken
	GMS photographs (back up day)
20 & 21 Nov	Pohutukawa team trips to Stoney Creek
24 Nov	Totara team camps week starts
4 Dec	GMS Duathlon 5.30pm approx.
15 Dec	Reports sent home
	End of year breakup and prizegiving
17 Dec	Last day for 2014
2 Feb 2015	first day of Term 1

SCENES FROM TERM 3





CELEBRATING STUDENT WRITING

A crazy day on Road Patrol

A wicked witch wandered across the crossing.

Super soccer players skipped across the crossing.

Doctors and nurses hurried across the crossing.

Six soldiers marched across the crossing.

Plenty of pretty pop stars pranced across the crossing.

Several Spider men shot their webs across the crossing.

A rugby player ran randomly across the crossing.

fairies flew silently across the crossing.

Super soccer players skipped across the crossing.

Sparkly singers slid across the crossing.

Magicians tricked their way across the crossing.

Police people plodded slowly across the crossing.

A bunny bounced across the crossing. Peter Pan flew politely across the crossing.

Skater boy skidded across the crossing.

Vicious vampires vanished across the crossing.

An Indian dancer, danced across the crossing.

Little Red Riding Hood ran across the crossing.

A demon disappeared across the crossing.

Shared writing by Room 13 after our Dress up Day!

Excerpt from Ava Humprey's holiday story. Goal: to show not tell in your writing.

I hopped out of the car. taking forever getting Max ready. We went into the café and I chose the chocolate mud cake. I saw Ms Ross, Mrs Lee, Mrs Dallimore and Mrs Cowie. My cake came out and the sauce was creamy. The cake was heaven but unfortunately I couldn't finish it, it was too filling. pushed it away. Suddenly Granny Sarah and Grandad Mike crept up on me. I read some signs to myself on the wall. When I saw Guy's burger my mouth gaped open. Finally after all the coffees we could go to the gift shop. Frantically I ran to catch up with mum. I struggled to get in the gift shop. It was like NZ Wonderland, cute black and white border collie.

Dad and I wandered down to see my Uncle John at the sandy beach. I heard the waves crashing on the sandy beach and the lumpy rocks. Suddenly something jumped up into the air a bit. It was an enormous killerwhale. It was shining in the sun. I was so excited I was jumping up and down. Then two other jumped out of the ocean. There were three killer whales altogether. There was a dad, a mum and a baby killer whale. Two of them were dangerously close to the fishermen and the beach. It is a memory I will never forget. They were the first killer whales I have ever seen.

Piper Stanley.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

MISSING SCOOTER

tharley Taurima has lost her scooter. It went missing from the bike area at GMS before the school holidays. It is purple with no handle grips and stickers cover the frame. If you have any information regarding this please contact the school office.





KELLY SPORTS

AFTERSCHOOL MULTISPORTS PROGRAM - Term Four

LIFE EDUCATION TRUST

Harold's Fun Day &
picnic at

The Park - November 2nd

We need your help...

The Lowe Corporation Rescue Helicopter will be holding a winch demonstration at the Harold's Fun Day and Picnic on November 2nd at the Hawke's Bay Regional Sports Park.

The person winched is going to be a sports star from either rugby, netball, basketball, hockey, mountain biking or football. We need you to decide what sport code we should get choose to be winched by the rescue helicopter crew. Make your vote now:

Basketball Rugby Netball Hockey Mountain Biking

Football Cricket

Please send all results to: lyndalj@sporthb.net.nz



A grief and loss and support programme with groups for children, teens, parents and adults.

Seasons is a peer support grief and loss programme for people who are missing someone important from their daily life.

This could be through death or major illness, separation or divorce, imprisonment of a family member or other major family change.

Seasons groups are available for children from age 5.

Groups are also available for teens, parents and adults.

Seasons groups are held each term in both Hastings and Taradale.

We are now taking enrolments for Term 4, 2014.

For more information contact the programme coordinators

Verona and Sandie on 873 4962.