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Dear Parents and Caregivers – Tena Koutou Katoa

#### **WELCOME TO GMS**

The latest enrolments at
Greenmeadows School have been:
Jayson Davy, Cooper Whaanga and
Neeva Dudson. A very warm welcome
to you all. Our roll is 503 – WOW!!!!

#### **NEW ROOMS**

The wait has been worth it ... we are finally in the prefab classrooms. Atkin Construction have done a wonderful job of preparing these rooms

#### HEADLICE

There seem to be quite a number of heads showing signs of head lice at present. Please check your children's hair carefully. Remember that doctor's visits are free for those under thirteen years of age. We also have an electronic comb here at school that parents can use.

#### **GMS READERS**

HELP!!!!!!! We need all school books back .

Can you please start looking:

- \* under the bed,
- \* in the bookcase or
- \* around home for any GMS readers.

These are the books that your children bring home for reading from their class teacher. Please return to school asap. Each book costs the school at least \$12 so it is important they are all returned.

#### **SENIOR CAMPS**

Thanks to all who contributed to four fantastic camps over the past two weeks. These were all thoroughly enjoyed by the students. They are a great highlight to the year. To all the parents who were able to come along thank you so much for giving up your valuable time and mahi to make the time away so rewarding.

#### **OFFICE AND LIBRARY CLEAR**

The builders have cleared a pathway between the Hall and their fenced off construction site around old Rooms 16 and 17. We ask that you please avoid our school office and Library as a thoroughfare. It is an inconvenience, but our administration block cannot cope with floods of people taking a short cut. Thanks for your cooperation.



#### **SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**

We will change our time for the weekly assembly to 9.20am to avoid the heat of the day, and the searing Hawkes Bay sun. This will start tomorrow. At the assembly will be a ukulele performance as well as presentation of long service recognition for some Ukettes. All are most welcome.



Principal's Awards - Week 5 Term 4				
Team 1	Ryan Hansen Danika Welch	Room 19	Jacob Fox	
Team 2	Dot Fowler Xian O'Brien	Team 2	Sofia Dine Chloe Parkinson	
Room 5	Sophie Thompson Claudine Meerlo	Room 6	Abby Plapp	
Room 7	Maisie Delamere Isla WilsonoCochrane	Room 8	Mikaela McSkimming, Kaden John	2
Room 9	Sayde Birch Cruz Stewart Khadynce Miringaorangi-Turua	Room 10	Harrison Campbell, Ciara Brown	Pleased Greenmea
Room 11	Nate Sinden Sarah Burton	Room 12	Camp	
Room 13	Sophie Lyndon Myah Smith	Room 14	Rose Jury	
Room 15	Kaylen Jones	Room 16	Camp	
Room 17 Room 19	Camp Lucy Hutchinson	Room 18	Kayleigh Bedford, Sarah Hansen Kalal Miringaorangi-Turua	

#### **2018 TERM DATES**

We have had an update on the building schedule for the coming weeks at school. This involves the entire Block B with Rooms 14 to 17, then Block D which has Rooms 8 to 11. To give the builders the best opportunity to work with the least interruption over the summer break we have decided to adjust our term dates for 2018. This will reduce the time at the end of the year between the finish of school and Christmas (which was initially going to be eleven days!).

The new term dates will be:

Start of school: Thursday 1 February

School closed: Monday 5 February and Tuesday 6 February (Waitangi Day)

End of Term 1 - Friday 13 April Term 2 - 30 April to 6 July

Term 3 - 23 July to 28 September Term 4 - 15 October to 19 December

#### KOWHAI FUN DAY

This will be held at the Aquatic Centre at Onekawa on Wednesday 6 December from 9.30 to 12.30pm. Keep this day free if you have children in Years 1 and 2. This is a wonderful day - we would love to have lots of adult helpers, more info to come.



# GMS VALUES MEDALS

Congratulations to these very worthy students who were presented with the GMS values medals in the last assembly.

#### Respect:

Olivia Sinden

Perseverance:

Ayush Sundar

Excellence

Daniel Hoffmeister

#### **LOST PROPERTY**

The lost property collection will now be outside Room 14 while the building is in progress.

## MR PAPUNI'S CRICKET TEAM

The game for tomorrow will be at GMS starting 3.30pm. No need to travel to Nelson Park.



If you are thinking about moving, let's work together to help both YOU and Greenmeadows School achieve a great result.

For every property that is listed and sold with us, we will give \$500 back towards Greenmeadows School for them to use to benefit your children. The next school trip, the new playground equipment - it could be on us! Give me a call today, I would love to hear from you.

#### **Debbie Dudding**

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Lucky Book Orders were sent home on Monday. Book orders will need to be returned to your child's teacher by 9.15am Friday 1 December. Absolutely no late orders will be accepted. Please ensure you complete the form correctly, with your child's name, class room, item number and book title.

Please return your order with the correct money as no change will be given or cheques must be made out to Scholastic Book Club.

If you prefer to pay by credit card, our school is in the LOOP! Visit: scholastic.co.nz/LOOP to order and pay. If you register for LOOP online, watch your inbox for special bonus book offers.

#### Book Sale

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November from 8.30-9am outside the front of library we will be selling cancelled books from our *GMS* Library. These will be 3 for \$1, with the money going back to the library

#### **NEW SCOOTER RACKS**

The Give It Up for GMS funds are being spent ... and the first new purchase were some really flash scooter racks. Mr Mellon installed them ... and hey presto: we now have a tidy and safe scooter rack area!!!





You will be receiving an X race discount voucher home today. When you register online please remember to put in our school name, Greenmeadows School, as every entry received goes towards the school. When we get to 10 entries the school receives 2 flags worth \$600.

# FORTHCOMING EVENTS!

Check the school App or www.gms.school.nz website for details on the events coming up.

School breakup and prize-giving 6.30pm start

30 November Duathlon – Anderson Park @ 5.30pm
6 December Parent and Community helpers morning tea

15 December End of Term 4

2018

13 December

Thursday 1 Feb Start of Term 1 (note change)

Monday 5 Feb School closed (makes a four day weekend Sat-Tues

Nga mihi nui. Ka kite ano.

Mark Johnson, Principal



#### **DUATHLON**

Thursday 30 November we will be holding our Annual Duathlon at Anderson Park. This event is held in the evening so the whole whanau can come along and be part of this.

Entry forms went out this week, and need to be back at school by Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

The PTA will be there selling Burgers, Sausages and cold drinks, come along and have a night off cooking. Races start at 5.30pm.

Who will win the fantastic bike???? Pedal Power in Taradale give us a bike for the major spot prize each year ... and look at the awesome bike you can win.

If a junior student wins, they will be able to swap for a bike their size. Tumeke Pedal Power!!!!!!

Entries open to children of all ages!!!!



### **RETURN ALL LIBRARY BOOKS!**

All library books must be returned to the library before <u>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December</u>. Any outstanding books will be invoiced for replacement. Thanks for your help in returning your books.

Remember that reading does not need to stop when your books are returned. You can still keep reading with e-books. These are available during the summer holidays for you to enjoy.

Login at gms.wheelers.co.nz

Each year 4-6 student has their own login and password.

# DIGI AWARD PLACEGETTERS FROM GMS

The following were the GMS placegetters from the Digi Awards earlier this month:

Photos - Years 1 & 2: Emma Donnelly 3<sup>rd</sup> Years 5 & 6: Emily Carson 2<sup>nd</sup>; Katie Donnelly 3<sup>rd</sup>

Movie - Years 1 & 2: Sahara Ghodke 1st Emma Donnelly 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 3 & 4: Eleanor Deed, Kalal Miringaorangi-Turua, Riley Teikamata, Olivia Ware, Leanne Martin & Ellie Goodson 2<sup>nd</sup>

Design - Years 1 & 2: Emma Donnelly 1<sup>st</sup> Jiah Pinto 3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 3 & 4: Rosana Sayer 3<sup>rd</sup>

Year 5&6: Sara Petuha 2<sup>nd</sup>

Animation - Years 1 & 2:Ella Lalonde-Perks, Sahara Ghodke, Peyton Vaughan & Zilin Zhao 1st

Emma Donnelly & Connie Zeng 2<sup>nd</sup> Sahara Ghodke 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### **SCHOOL SURVEY**

The school survey that was sent out closes tomorrow. With the great response we have had every child in the school will receive a lollipop. If you do not want your child to receive a lollipop please text your child's name and room number to 0279264452 by Friday noon.

