## <u>Greenmeadows School</u> <u>Readathon</u>

Dear Parents and Caregivers



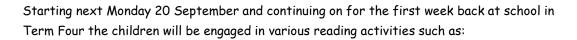
We are holding a school Readathon starting this coming Monday 20 September. The Readathon will run over four weeks in total; two of the weeks during the school holiday break.

The purpose for holding the Readathon is as follows:

- 1. Continue to celebrate reading at school by participating in a number of fun reading experiences.
- 2. Give children added motivation to continue reading over the holiday break.
- 3. Raise money for purchase of additional books for the school library.

The Readathon consists of two parts:

## Part A - Special School Activities:



- Teachers swapping classes each day to read a story.
- A visit from the Taradale Public Librarian to talk about holiday programmes, membership and reading.
- Local role models will visit to read stories (including the Mayor of Napier).
- School library open after school every day in week one of next term for parents to visit with their children.
- A book character dress up day on Friday 15 October.

## Part B - The Reading Challenge:

For the reading challenge part of the Readathon we would like children to gain sponsorship to see how much they can read for the two weeks of the school holidays and part of the first week back in Term Four.

The reading challenge will be based on the amount of time that children spend reading. The children can read by themselves, read to someone, read with someone, or someone can read to the child. The reading challenge will begin on Friday 24 September and will continue till Wednesday 13 October (the first Wednesday back after the holidays).

Sponsorship forms and the Readathon tracking sheet will be sent home this Monday so children can begin to find sponsors.

We are looking forward to an exciting four weeks!

Regards

Greenmeadows School Staff