

GREEN BAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Kia Ora Koutou

A warm welcome Green Bay School community to Week 3, Term 3.

Kickstart Breakfast Club: We will be starting the Kickstart Breakfast Programme at our school soon. During these trying times we feel that providing our students with a nutritious breakfast in the morning is a great start to their learning day. We anticipated starting in Week 4 but unfortunately, we will have to move the date out as we still need more parent helpers for this to be a success. The Kickstart Breakfast Club will run from Monday to Friday at no cost to our students. We would like to thank Sanitarium for providing us with WeetBix and Fonterra for the milk.

We **urgently** require parent helpers for us to start this programme. If you are available to help from 8:15am – 9:15am Monday to Friday, please get in touch with the office or complete the volunteer form (attached). Thank you to the parents that have already put their hand up. We are all excited about our Kickstart Breakfast Club and hope that we can get this up and running for our students. We will let you know soon about the venue and times once we have this information to hand. At the same time as looking for parent volunteers, we are also seeking sponsors for required items; new dishwasher, new glass bowls and new utensils. If you or a company that you work for are in a position to help us with sponsorship, we would be very grateful. Please contact admin@greenbay.school.nz. Link here for further information on the [Kickstart Breakfast Club](#).

COVID-19 Alert Level 1: Our country of 5 million are doing well but of course, it goes without saying that we are still in prevention mode, stay at home if you are feeling unwell, keep your children at home if they are sick and follow-on with washing your hands hygiene but saving water at the same time because Auckland is still in a drought.

Lockdown Drill: We had a very successful lockdown drill on Monday. Our students and staff were great. A special thank you to Mr Milich for leading this process and to Steve from Harrison & Tew for guiding us along. We would like to acknowledge all of our whanau for following our updates on the school website during the lockdown drill and for the positive feedback we received.

Staff News: Mrs Carla Melton, Room 7 classroom teacher, has resigned her position at Green Bay School. Carla has taken up another job offer and her last day at our school will be on Friday 14 August 2020. We would like to place on record our sincere thanks to Carla for her contribution to our school, staff, and students and we wish her well in her new role.

We have appointed Miss Ulata Iulio as classroom teacher in Room 7 from Thursday 13 August until the end of the school year. Welcome Miss Iulio to Green Bay School.

Junior Playground: This project is nearing fruition with the expected completion date as mid-August 2020. Thank you all once again for making this possible. The Opening and Blessing of the new playground will happen once it is complete, a date will be advised closer to the time but the expectation is, it will be very soon, so keep an eye out and come along and be a part of this special occasion.

Senior Playground: Thank you to Laurens (Caretaker) and Andrew (Groundsman) for making huge improvements on the senior playground. The senior students certainly appreciate all that you have done for them.

Learning Conferences: Thank you to all whanau who attended our Learning Conferences last Thursday night. It was a very successful evening and we valued your positive feedback.

Book Week: We would like to acknowledge our Librarian, Sharon, and the Literacy Team for their outstanding organisation of Book Week, Character Day, and Grandparents' Day. This is always a very busy week for our staff and students with the week culminating in the Book Character parade and in being able to share this morning with grandparents and whanau. It is a very proud moment for us all. Thank you to all grandparents for spending the morning supporting our students in their classroom and viewing the classroom door displays along with visiting the book fair in the library. Our grandparents travelled from far and wide to be with their grandchildren on this special day. Thank you also to the fundraising team for their assistance at the grandparents morning tea. The kapa haka group also did a marvellous job performing for all who were in the hall at morning tea, well done to Green Bay School.

GBS Intermediate (Y7&8) Open Day is on Thursday 13 August 2020 from 8:50am until 1:00pm. All current GBS Y6 students will be participating in the activities for the Open Day along with any other interested Y6 families looking at enrolling with GBS for 2021.

GBS Intermediate (Y7&8) Open Evening is on Thursday 13 August 2020 from 6:30pm until 7:30pm in the school hall. All enquiries regarding Y7&8 in zone and out of zone enrolments for 2021 are also invited to make contact with admin@greenbay.school.nz

Calendar of Events Term 3 & 4, 2020

Thursday 13 August

Intermediate Open Morning &
Intermediate Open Evening

Friday 21 August

Powhiri (new students)
9:20am School Hall

Wednesday 9 September

Wig Wednesday
(gold coin donation)

Monday 21-Friday 25 September

Totara Springs Sports Camp

Thursday 24 September

New Entrant Open Morning
9:30am-10:30am School Hall

Friday 25 September End of Term 3

2:00PM SCHOOL FINISH

Monday 12 October Start of Term 4

8:30AM SCHOOL ARRIVAL
8:50AM CLASS ROLL CALL

Wednesday 4 November

Photolife Class Photos

Friday 6 November

Photolife Team Photos

Monday 16 November

Teacher Only Day
School Closed

Tuesday 8-Friday 11 Dec

Whanau Rimu Camp Y5&6
Finlay Park

Tuesday 15 December End of Term 4

2:00PM SCHOOL FINISH

New Entrant Open Morning: Pencil this date in your diaries, Thursday 24 September, 9:30am-10:30am in the school hall. If you have a child that will be turning 5 years old later this year or early 2021, or know of someone who has a child that is turning 5 years old, please come along to our Open Morning. Enrolment packs will also be available.

Any enquiries to admin@greenbay.school.nz or check out our website www.greenbay.school.nz

In-Zone Enrolments 2021: To help us with our planning for next year, please enrol for 2021 as soon as possible. Enrolment forms are available on our website www.greenbay.school.nz

Health & Safety: Just a reminder to all whanau and caregivers: It is imperative that you **sign in/out** at the school office between the hours of **9:00am and 2:45pm** if you are on the school premises. This is in line with our Health & Safety procedures.

Policy Review: Our school policies are reviewed over a three-year period. The policy to be reviewed now is **Learning Support**.

As part of the review we welcome your comments about the current policy. Your feedback will support the policy review. To view the policy and/or leave feedback:

- Go to www.schooldocs.co.nz
- Click on the green box in the top right corner 'Search for your school'
- Type in 'Green Bay School' and press 'enter'
- Username: greenbay
- Password: greenbay
- In the search box on the left type 'Learning Support'
- Click on the name of the policy
- To leave feedback, click on the green speech bubble

Stranger Danger: After communication from the High School yesterday re stranger danger, it is imperative that our students are aware of their after school plans at all times. This is something that should be part of the morning routine at home. Discuss with them where you are meeting them after school or if they are walking home, discuss with them the route they should be taking and the expected timeline of that route. Communication is key, the more it is spoken about, the more it becomes ingrained. Keep our students safe by keeping them informed.

He whānau kotahi tātou - We are one family

Kind regards

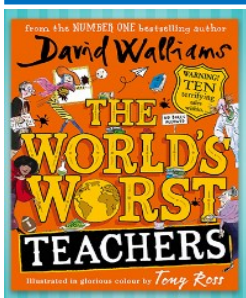
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Book Fair Memories - By Imia Yuan Room 5

When it was the Book Fair, we went to the library and looked at all the cute and awesome new books! We wrote our wish list and then guessed some staff members and teachers. They were hidden behind some masks. The library was a 'Jungle' theme. Our class made the door display, 'Three Kiwi Tales'. We worked for three or four days. We drew fences, made predators and there was a hidden egg. When we saw our artwork on the window, our kiwis looked adorable! We put googly eyes on the kiwis. Soon, grandparents day arrived. We dressed up as our favourite character. I asked a lot of people who they were. When we did the parade, people looked glamorous. A lot of people were dressed as Harry Potter. It was a bit embarrassing when it was our turn. People always looked at us. Finally, the parade was over. I played Charlie and the Chocolate Factory with Mae, Anna, Keira and Keira's Grandma. Unfortunately, I didn't bring my grandparents because they are in China.

Book Week Memories - By Ayla M. Room 5

During Book Week, my grandma and mum came to my class to see my work and watch me perform with the Kapa haka group. My grandma and mum also had morning tea in the hall. My favourite part of Book Week was the door display. The door display is when you go around to look at book art on the classroom doors and at the end, the judges pick out the best display. The Book Fair has a lot of competitions in the library. There was 'guess the teacher' and the teachers had pictures covering their faces.



Kowhai Teachers dressed as book characters from David Walliams **The World's Worst Teachers**

Left to Right: Miss Seethe (Diana Comp) is always on a detention rampage.

Miss Palava (Carla Melton) is always in a dramatic flap.

Miss Spick (Julie Mercer) Librarian, she fines students for breathing too much and leaving fingerprints behind on books and Dr. Dread (Mozeema Azimullah), the farting Scientist.



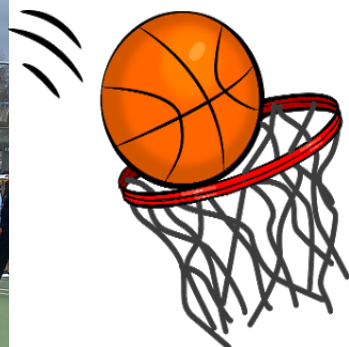
Lost Property: All school uniform needs to be clearly named. As a parent/caregiver you may recognise your child's unnamed uniform, but in a school of 600+ students, if it is unnamed, it is lost property and unfortunately sometimes our students don't even know what they're looking out for, unless it is as obvious as their name. Please name all school uniform. There is a store in the New Lynn mall which embroiders names onto school uniform, this is an ideal solution for all.

Year 0-3 Students: With Winter upon us, can our Junior students please have an extra set of clothes in their school bag in case of incidents or accidents. Thank you.

Collect Yummy Stickers: Buy 'Yummy' branded fruit, collect the stickers or bag labels and the school can exchange them for new sports equipment later in the year. Bring them into the school office and put them in the Yummy collection box. The more stickers or bag labels we collect the more sports equipment we will get our hands on. Thank you!

NETBALL: On Tuesday 28 July, we took 3 teams (1xY7, 1xY8 and 1 boys team) to Te Pai Courts for the Western Zone Netball tournament. We didn't get the results we hoped for but we all had a lot of fun and hope to do better next year! Thank you to all the parents who helped provide transportation and a big thank you to the umpires who came. A special thank you to our teachers, Kajal and Nicole, who helped train us.

Written by Michelle H. (R11)



Thank you to **EVERYONE** in the Green Bay school community for helping to make last week such a successful BOOK WEEK!
 What a huge effort everyone made to dress up in Book Character costumes on Friday and thank you for bringing along your grandparents.
 Our Jungle themed Book Fair was lots of fun with a great book selection.
 The sales at the Book fair were the best yet, which means we raised an extra \$3,443 to spend on new books for our school.
 Thank you for making this possible.
 Happy reading!!
 Sharon.

Congratulations to the classrooms who won the 'Decorated Door Competition'. This competition was based on the Books which were Finalists in the 'New Zealand Children's Book Awards 2020'. We invited two librarians from the Titirangi Library to be the judges of this competition. They were very impressed and felt it was a very close call between all of the classrooms. Well done to the winning classrooms. See over the page to view our winning doors.
 AND to the left, our student winners of 'Guess the Staff in Disguise' competition which was run in the Library throughout book week. Congratulations!





← **RIMU: ROOM 29**
Tumeke – Stuffed with big personalities, surprising friendship, and intrigue, this multimedia mash-up brims with creativity and comedy. A rollicking story about community.



MATAI: ROOM 21
What could be better than waterslides, ice cream, playing at the beach and presents on a Kiwi Christmas Day



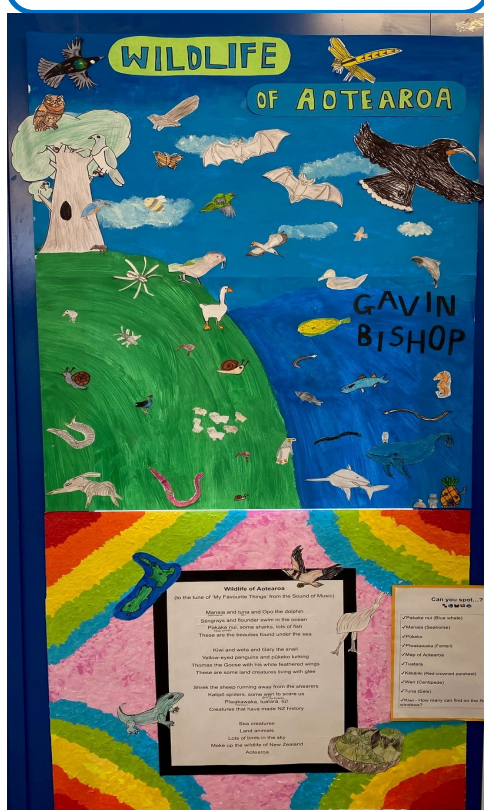
← **POHUTUKAWA: ROOM 17**
The students in Rm 17 are helping Maui to slow the Sun.



KAURI: ROOM 14
Our winning door display was based on the book written by Gavin Bishop called 'Wildlife of Aotearoa'.

KOWHAI: ROOM 7
We're celebrating the use of collage when creating the bright red sun for Donovan Bixley's 'How Maui Slowed the Sun.'

TOTARA: ROOM 33
Students of Rm33 have coloured Kereru and Piwakawaka, bird life in the trees based on the book 'Wildlife of Aotearoa'.



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