

GREEN BAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora Koutou and greetings Green Bay School community, we are now reaching the end of Term 1 and what a term it has been with the flooding in Auckland and then Cyclone Gabrielle, resulting in so much destruction and devastation affecting so many New Zealanders. Again, we have no choice but to pull through when these catastrophic events affect us, offering our help and support where we can. We hope everyone is now looking forward to the Easter break ahead.

There is only one more week of school (next week), finishing early on Thursday 6 April at 2:00pm. Please ensure your child is aware of their after school pick-up plans for our early finish.

Our average attendance has been **93-94%** over the last 3 weeks.

Goal Setting Conferences: Thank you to all parents/caregivers for making the time to meet our staff during the recent goal setting conferences. It was great to see so many of our families in discussing future goals for their children and to receive such positive comments. We would also like to acknowledge our staff for the time and effort put into these meetings.

Health Education: The following topics will be covered at school this year. If you have any questions, please reach out to the classroom teacher/whanau leader.

Year 1 – Constable Carl does classroom sessions on '[keeping ourselves safe](#)'.

Year 2 – Constable Carl does classroom sessions on '[keeping ourselves safe](#)'.

Year 3 – Establishing a positive learning environment (positive classroom, co-operation skills), Who am I? (personal qualities, cultures, whanau, I am unique), Relationships (exploring manaakitanga, recognising and expressing feelings, managing relationships/friendships, peer pressure, helping my whanau), Growing and Changing (caring for my body).

Year 4/5 – Keeping ourselves safe and puberty talks.

Year 5/6 – Establishing a positive learning environment, building a positive classroom community, and practicing co-operative skills. Who am I? - What are my personal qualities, the cultures in our classrooms, our uniqueness, gender diversity, and what makes us happy.

Year 7/8 - Who am I? Understanding gender and stereotypes, Relationships, Setting boundaries, Growing and changing, Pubertal change, Managing pubertal change, Staying safe, Listening to our feelings, On-line safety and cyberbullying, On-line safety.

Colour Day: Tomorrow is Colour Day at school, wear your House colour and bring a gold coin donation. If you do not have clothing in your House colour at home, any colourful clothing will do. Your child will know what House they belong to, this is discussed with their Teacher in class. The gold coin donation will be put towards Y7&8 camp.

Teacher Only Day (ToD – Monday 24 April): Reminder that **School will be closed for instruction on this day**. Following on from the government/MoE announcing 4 additional Teacher only Days (ToD) across 2023 and 2024 to support all schools in preparation for the upcoming Curriculum Refresh and NCEA changes.

NZEI Teachers and Principal Strike: Thank you for supporting our teachers and principal on the recent national strike. We appreciate and value your continued support.

Term 1 Break: On behalf of the Board of Trustees and staff, we would like to wish all our whanau and students a safe and happy holiday. Take care and look after yourselves whilst travelling on the roads or even if you are at home relaxing, enjoy your holidays together. Thank you to all parents and caregivers for all your support during these very trying times, it is much appreciated.

The staff of Green Bay School would like to thank the Board of Trustees for all their efforts in making Green Bay School a safer and better place for all. The Senior Leadership Team would also like to wish all our hard-working staff a well-deserved break. Thank you for your contribution to our school. Your support and commitment to our students and whanau is greatly valued and appreciated.

School closes on 6 April at 2:00pm for the Term 1 school holidays.

TOD on 24 April, Anzac Day on 25 April (school closed both days).

School reopens on 26 April at 8:30am.

Arohanui

He whānau kotahi tātou - We are one family
Anand Muthoo, Principal, Green Bay School

Calendar of Events Term 1, 2023

Friday 31 March

- Colour Day (gold coin donation)

Monday 3 April to Thursday 6 April

- Titirangi RSA Poppies 4 sale
#Lestweforget

Thursday 6 April

- End of Term 1

2:00PM SCHOOL FINISH

Monday 24 April

Teacher Only Day
(school closed for instruction)

Tuesday 25 April

ANZAC Day
(public holiday)

Wednesday 26 April

- Start of Term 2

8:30AM GATES OPEN

8:50AM CLASS ROLL CALL

ANZAC poppies—all of next week. Students will be at the gates every morning and afternoon with a donation bucket and poppies. Please support Titirangi RSA, #lest we forget.



GBS SOFTBALL SUPERSTARS

Softball Y8 Boys **Winners** of the West Auckland Zone Competition

Congratulations to the following Year 8 Boys Softball team; L2R: Kahu L., Kade K., Felix F., Dylan M., Jacob G., Ryan T., Uzair S., Te Ara L., Thomas K., Jackson M., Finn P., Oscar L., and Liam K who headed to the Auckland Champs in week 8 coming 3rd in their pool. Thank you to Nicole M., Teacher for being the Coach/Manager and Teacher.



On Thursday 9 March, the Year 8 boys went to the West Auckland Softball competition. There were around 13 players plus our coach Nicole. We versed: BBI, Glen Eden, Rangeview and Henderson. I was shocked that we managed to beat a massive school like Glen Eden. After beating all the teams we got to the finals facing Kelston. It looked like they would be a hard team to beat because last year they destroyed us, but thanks to Te Ara's amazing pitching we smashed them without conceding a point! Even though we didn't do as well as we wanted the following week at the Auckland Interzone competition we still came 8th out of about 150 teams around Auckland. Big thanks to Nicole for training us and running the day, also thanks to the parents that took us to Brains Park and Rosedale Park. We look forward to winning Sports Camp Softball!

By Liam K.

Whau Kiwi 8 Cricket Tournament

Eastdale Reserve: At the tournament there were 3 grades A, B and C. I was a part of the Green Bay Stars in A grade. There was a rotation of fields, 1 to 12. Teams were able to win a shield for C grade, a trophy for B grade, and a larger trophy for A grade.

My team had the following members: Amelia, Vihaan, Sienna, Bailey, Shanaye, Lachlan, Dharun and me, Mitchell. We played 4 games. We lost one by 2 runs in the battle for first and second. We played St Dominics Primary again and beat them by 50 runs. Our total was 298 runs and we **won the A grade tournament**, winning the largest trophy!. It was the first time Green Bay School had won A grade in cricket. It felt awesome to win. We were all worn out after the series of games.

Fabulous Results for Green Bay School: A Grade - Green Bay Stars came 1st, B Grade - Green Bay Flames came 2nd and C Grade - Green Bay Ferns came 1st!!!



Swim Team Zone Day - 2023

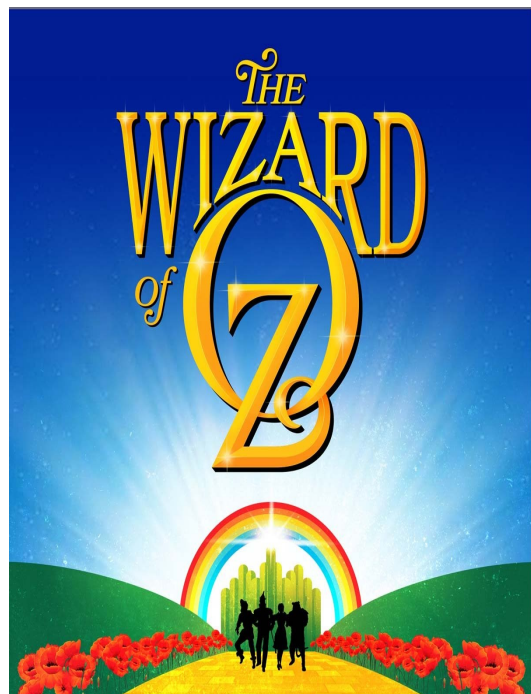
On Wednesday 15 March 2023, 15 x Yr 7 and 8 students from Andy's swim squad went to a zone day competition at West Wave Pools. Before we went, we had to train twice a week at lunchtimes, and then we had a special training session where Andy recorded our times to see if we were able to go to the zone day competition.

This was the GBS swim team that went to the zone day: Sheehan P., Lewis C., Edison R., Jackson M., Felix F., Cameron S., Kahu L., Sophie R., Isabel B., Lily W., Amelia G., Gracen F., Mayla E., Katrina H., and Mia H.

Before the event began, we had a warm up to get used to the water and prepare ourselves for the races. Each person swam 50m in each race and most students dived in to get a head start, as starting in the water was a 5 second delay. Every student participated in freestyle and backstroke but only people that Andy chose did breaststroke. Also 7 students got into the finals which was great!

Then it was the team relays, where teams of 4 would be competing against other schools. We did 2 laps (50m) then would touch the wall and the next person would go. Finally at around 2:15 the event ended and everyone went home. Overall the team did a great job, so well done to them. Sheehan qualified for 3 races at the Interzone Auckland Swimming Finals for the following week competing in Butterfly, Breaststroke and Backstroke. Congratulations, Sheehan.

By Lily and Amelia



THE WIZARD OF OZ Term 3 School Production

As part of the school's Technology curriculum for this year, we are putting on a school-wide production in Term 3, The Wizard of Oz.

As you all know, with putting on a production comes a lot of hard work, long hours, and a full-on commitment by staff and students. We will also need support from our parents/caregivers.

If you would like to help us and can aid us in any of the below positions, or know of anyone that can help in these areas, please contact either Alice or Daphne **urgently**.

- Helpers (committed to the full production timeline)
- Lighting
- Sound
- Projectionist
- Props/Scenes
- Costumes

Producers: Alice Bree, teacher room 4 - aliceb@greenbay.school.nz

Daphne van Deventer, teacher room 8 - daphnev@greenbay.school.nz

WE NEED YOUR HELP!



GREEN BAY SCHOOL
COLOUR DAY
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DRESS UP IN YOUR HOUSE COLOUR
BRING A GOLD COIN DONATION TO HELP WITH FUNDING FOR YEAR 7 AND 8 CAMP
FRIDAY 31ST MARCH

Friday 31 March 2023
Colour Day
Gold Coin Donation

*Tomorrow is Colour day,
raising funds for
Y7&8 camp.*

*Come dressed in your
House colour and bring a
gold coin donation.*

*Let's see which House is
the brightest and the
loudest!!*

*(p.s. any colourful clothing
will do if you don't have
your House colour).*

LAST Ice-block Friday
tomorrow after school for T1.
All ice-blocks **MUST** go!
\$2:00 per ice-block
(no eating under the COLA)



GBS Orienteering Team: Back row L2R: Takara S., Sophia J., Katrtina H., Sofia K., Sophie R., Tess R., Ben D., Ryan T., Sean B., Danny W., Chelsea W., Felix F. Middle row L2R: Stella S., Kiera H., Amelia G., Tia P., Samantha N., Lily W., Dracy H., Kanishka S., Jake S., Cooper H-S., Liam K. And Thomas K. Front row L2R: Lennox R and Jackson M.

Well done to these troopers who participated in 9 pre-orienteering events before the big day, 2023 Orienteering Zone Day. Results of which are yet to be announced. Thank you Nicole, for your support and organisation of this event.

Oceania Cup Tag Tournament:

On 11 and 12 March, I represented the Aotearoa Maori's U11 Kotiro team in the Oceania Cup Tag tournament.

We trained twice a week for 9 weeks and played games over the 2-day tournament. We lost 2 games and won 4 games.

But most importantly, we had fun, made some great friendships and represented our culture with pride and joy.

By Shanaye A.



PLEASE NOMINATE US



AA Big Little Sponsorship

Nominate Green Bay School for the chance to win one of two \$10,000 sports grants.

Nominations are open from 9am, Monday 20 March – 11:59pm Sunday 23 April 2023.

Winning takes teamwork so pass this email to your family and friends to nominate Green Bay School.

[Yummy Apples - School Promotion 2023](#)

BAKE SALE
WE ARE FUNDRAISING TO RAISE MONEY FOR SPORTS AT OUR SCHOOL, INCLUDING GEAR, UNIFORMS AND TRANSPORT.
DATE:
WEDNESDAY 5TH
APRIL AT
MORNING TEA
YEAR 0 - 3 WILL BE IN ROOM 18
YEAR 4-5 WILL BE IN THE TECH ROOM
ANY PARENTS OFFERING TO HELP WITH BAKING, PLEASE BRING TO HALL FROM 8:30 ON WEDNESDAY (WEEK 10)
NOTHING OVER \$3

BAKE SALE NEXT WEEK;

Can you help with some baking please?

Fundraising for sports at school including uniforms, sports gear and transport costs.

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