

GREEN ISLAND SCHOOL

Newsletter No 11

11th April 2011

Kia Ora

Dear Parents and Caregivers

WELCOME – to our latest 5 year old, Cohen Thomas, we know you will enjoy your time at Green Island School.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS – were taken last week. They will arrive home early next Term for your viewing and purchasing opportunity.

MUFTI DAY – this coming Thursday 14th April. Wear your mufti gear and swap your gold coin donation for a poppy. Funds raised go towards the RSA Poppy Day Collection. Thank you for your support.

ANZAC – Service that is organized by our Room 9 Seniors each year, will be held at school this Friday 15th April at 1.30pm. Parents/Caregivers, neighbours and friends of our school are most welcome to gather by the monument at 1.30pm on Friday 15th April. We are asking for all children to bring along a few flowers/poppies on the 15th if possible please.

HOCKEY – All permission slips to be returned to Mr Hayward before Friday please.

RED BIKKIE DAY – On sale this week while stocks last for \$1.00 each. All orders in an envelope with child's name and class number. These will be collected from the classroom and bikkies delivered at morning tea time.

JEWELLERY – really shouldn't be worn to school. This includes earrings (studs are ok) necklaces, bracelets etc. We ask for your co-operation with this as our active children could receive a nasty injury from unexpected contact with sports gear or another child. There really isn't any need for nail polish either. We should be wearing our normal school uniform with pride.

YIPPEE – we have been selected as an *intervention school* for an upcoming University research study on children's play and use of playground equipment. In short, this means that we are going to be able to spend some serious money on developing our play areas, even more, in the next few months. We will be seeking some input from children, parents, staff and community for this exciting project. Stay tuned!

FOTS CHOCOLATE – fundraiser. Please return your money to the office as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have already done so.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE – Magic Childcare are now working from our premises, school hall, Monday to Friday. Please contact www.magicchildcare.co.nz for more information. WINZ subsidy is available.

KELLY SPORTS – are sending home another notice today. We didn't have quite enough Y1toY4 children for the programme to start up this term so they are offering a Y5 to Y8 **before** school programme for Term 2. Please read the enclosed notice and reply to us if you are interested.

KELLY SPORTS EASTER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – 18th to 29th April @ Kaikorai Valley College. This sports based holiday programme will give your children the opportunity to try different sports, learn new skills, improve their confidence and most importantly have a huge amount of fun. OSCAR approved. Contact Andrew James, 021 853559, email: aj@kellysports.co.nz, www.kellysports.co.nz

KINDNESS – is the *Value* that we are focussing on this term. Congratulations to Joshua Davies from Room 6 for being the most recent winner of the Values Award. Well done also to Shannon Murch from Room 9 for winning the **Mark Reid "Super Citizen Award"**.

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CHECK OUT – the new scrolling slide show in the foyer. Photos from recent happenings around the school (and on school trips) are now being shown throughout the day in the school foyer. We have put a number of photos onto disk going back about 3 years. The children have changed quite a lot in that short time.

PLAYER OF THE DAY

Joshua Friend – Futsal Phoenix
Joshua Friend – Green Island Grizzlies 9th Grade Rugby
Oliver Murphy – Green Island Cobras 10th Grade Soccer
Jasmine Saunders, Hayden Murphy & Nathan Saunders – Green Sticks Summer Hockey
Cameron Porteous - Otago Primary Schools Swimming Champs placed 12th in 50 metres Freestyle and 22nd place in 50m Backstroke, boys under 9 years.
Well done to you all!!!

NETBALL – The Netball teams have now been registered. We have 3 junior teams and 1 Future Ferns team. Junior Netball starts on 7th May. The \$30.00 fee is now payable so uniforms can be issued next term. Thank you to all coaches. Teams and practice times will be posted on our school website.

TERM DATES FOR 2011

Term 1: Ends this Friday 15th April
Term 2: 2nd May – 15th July
Term 3: 1st August – 7th October
Term 4: 25th October – 15th December

BIRD SHOW – Congratulations to the following children, who placed in the Annual Bird Show Colouring competition.
Winner's seniors, 1st Tessa Willis, 2nd Taylor Meikle, 3rd James Whelan
Highly Commended: Simon Zhao, Amelia Hodgins
Juniors 1st: Joshua Davies, 2nd James Nicol, 3rd Logan Clark,
Highly Commended: Joseph Nicol, Sophie Arthur
Kindy 1st Tere Aiken, 2nd Luke Sasse

UNIVERSITY MEMORY STUDY

Some of our 5 and 6 year olds are going to be invited to take part in a research project studying children's memory. The children will get to visit an exciting tourist attraction. We would encourage your participation in this research project if you are invited. Permission slips will be sent home today and they must be returned by this Friday please.

GREEN ISLAND SCOUT GROUP

GARAGE SALE - 8th May, 11am till 2pm
Bargains, sausage sizzle, face painting, baking, chocolate wheel, Fun activities for the children

Does your child not spend enough time on outdoor activities? Could your child benefit from learning life skills of problem-solving, teamwork, citizenship, and healthy living; and provide them with access to a large range of outdoor activities. Green Island Scout Group are now taking enrolments. Cubs ages 8 1/2 - 10 1/2 contact Julie 4884182 to go onto our waiting list. Scouts ages 10 1/2 contact Brent 4884778. Ventures ages 14 to 18 contact Julie or Brent.

KIDS INC

FUN ACTIVITIES TOGETHER

MAORI HILL

Autumn School Holiday Programme
Mon 18th April – Fri 29th April 2011

8.30am – 5.30pm daily

Kaikorai Rugby Club

CYF Accredited

WINZ Subsidies Available

Payplans from as little as \$17.50/week

Call or Txt 'Info' to **021982216**

Check Out:

www.kidzinc.co.nz

REMINDERS – Activity Accounts

- McDonalds receipts are collected at the office

Nga mihi nui/Best wishes

Steve Hayward

Principal

P.S. Cookery teacher said "Justine, what are the best things to put into your fruit cake?"

Justine replied, "Teeth!"