

GREEN ISLAND SCHOOL

Newsletter No 2

7th February 2012

Kia Ora

Dear Parents and Caregivers

I trust that you really enjoyed Waitangi Weekend.

I was particularly pleased to hear that quite a number of children had swimming lessons over the recent summer break. It is good to see that class lessons in Term 4 were built on over the holidays. Skills learnt could help save a life.

BBQ HELP - If you are available to help out with cooking on every second Tuesday or every Thursday please see Justine or Steve urgently. We are now at the point if we do not get any volunteers we will not be able to offer the sausages or burgers as a lunch option. Helpers need to be here for only 45 minutes from 11.45am on a Tuesday or Thursday.

LUNCH OPTIONS – Please note we have been advised by our suppliers that there is a price increase in the Large Cookies. These are now \$1.20 each. A new lunch sheet will come home next week once we have checked prices with all our suppliers. Sorry for the inconvenience.

SMART LUNCHES – Are available as from tomorrow (Wednesday) every day except a Tuesday. Prices at this stage are \$3.50 (small) and \$4.50 (large).

UNIFORM – Please ensure that your child/children are wearing the correct school uniform at all times. New uniform items can be ordered through the school office at any time, please see Justine. We now have the new polo's back in stock.

COMPUTERS IN HOMES – starts tonight with a special information meeting at 6pm in Room 10. Adults who have enrolled should've received a letter last week. See you there.

STATIONERY - Many thanks to Justine and her team of helpers for handling the pupil stationery orders so efficiently.

ASSEMBLY – this coming Friday (10th Feb) in the Hall at 2:30pm. All welcome. Mr Gallagher will be joining us for the afternoon.

HEADLICE – Have been reported in classes already this Term. Please check and treat your child/children if necessary. There is information at the office, please see Justine.

LITTLE LEARNERS

First Day back this year is this
WEDNESDAY 8th FEBRUARY

Please see Justine at the office for an enrolment form.

FLUORO VESTS – In the interests of their own safety, we ask that all children wear their fluoro vests to and from school. We thank you for your support with this.

SUNHATS – It is advisable for all children to have one sunhat here at school at all times. These need to be worn while your child is outside at school. Please make sure they have one every day. We have new “bucket style” hats in stock and these can be purchased from the office for \$13.99 each.

SCHOOL BANKING – Is done every Tuesday. Please bring your banking to either the class teacher or the office. Books are returned on a Thursday afternoon. If you would like to open a child's account please pop into Westpac in Green Island with some form of identification.

SPORTS UNIFORM AMNESTY
Could you please all check your drawers, cupboards, hot water cupboards, storage areas etc for any Green Island School Sports Uniforms. These can be delivered to the office, no questions asked. Thank you

CONTACTING CHILDREN DURING SCHOOL HOURS – Arrangements for your child are best made with them before school. A note to the class teacher regarding reminders about changes in their routine, is welcome. We are able to contact children in emergency situations.

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OFFICE HOURS – Our school office is 'manned' from 8.30am – 3.30pm daily.

ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS – (\$25 for one child or \$50 for a family) can now be paid at the school office. There is a special discounted price available until the end of March 2012. Please remember that this money is used to pay for bus transport and entry to educational events and activities. We ask for the one payment instead of bothering parents for small amounts of money, several times per term. Thank you.

ABSENCES - For the safety of your children we ask that you ring the school office on 4882314 (answer phone available) before 9.00 am if your child is not going to be at school and the reason for their absence. If we haven't heard from you, Justine will phone home to ensure your child is safe. It will save considerable time if you are able to contact us first.

NEWSLETTERS – These are sent home each Monday with the eldest child in the family. Please ask your child on Mondays for the newsletter. If they don't have one have a quick look in their schoolbag – you might be surprised by what else is in there! Failing that, please ask the class teacher the following morning. If your child is away on Monday, teachers will hold it for them until they return to school. Please give your email address to the office if you would like these emailed. They can also be viewed on the school website. (www.greenisland.school.nz)

Bumping on the bumpy road
drinking lots of water
very long trip
getting an ice cream
talking to my cousin
went through Christchurch
in Hawarden
saying hi to my Aunty
and Finn
plus my Uncle
going to the pool
lots of fun
By Tayla Mansell Room 6

EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

UPDATE – Enclosed with today's newsletter is a copy of your child/children's contact details. Please check these are correct or make amendments and return to the Office by this Friday. It is most important all details are correct so we can contact you in an emergency situation. Thank you

CONGRATULATIONS

To Cameron Porteous – 1st place under 11 Beach Flags, 2nd place under 11 beach sprints at the Southern Region Under 16 Ocean Athletes Surf Lifesaving
Jacob Duncan – Youth Ministock Driver of the night on Sunday night at Beachlands

RESPECT – Is the Value for this Term. Willingness to treat with courtesy; to hold in high regard; to honour, to care about yourself and others.

TERM DATES 2012

Term 1 2012: Monday 30th January - Thursday 5th April
Term 2: Monday 23rd April – Friday 29th June
Term 3: Monday 16th July – Friday 28th September
Term 4: Monday 15th October – Friday 14th December

MOSGIEL COMMUNITY PATROL QUIZ

NIGHT – Mosgiel RSA, Church Street, Tuesday 28th February 2012, 7.00pm, \$5.00 per person (teams of 5), nibbles provided, refreshments available, raffles \$2.00 per ticket.

REMINDERS – school activity accounts receive a discount if paid before the end of March.

Nga mihi nui/Best wishes
Steve Hayward
Principal

P.S. How do fleas get from one animal to another?

They itch hike!