



Newsletter

Important Dates

28 February - Mihi Whakatau (2.20pm)
8 March - Teacher Only Day
25-28 March - Puāwai Camp
29 March - 2 April Easter Break (back to school on Wed 3rd)
10-11 April - Learning Conversations
12 April - Last day of term

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Term Dates 2024

Term 1 31 Jan - 12 Apr
Term 2 29 Apr - 5 July
Term 3 22 Jul - 27 Sept
Term 4 14 Oct - 18 Dec

Useful Links

greenacres.school.nz
schooldocs.co.nz
www.lunchonline.co.nz

Rāpare, rua tekau mā rua Huitanguru 2024
Thursday 22 February 2024

Kia ora e te whānau

Waikanae Pool Trip

We had a wonderful day at the Waikanae Pools yesterday. The weather was perfect and the tamariki / children had a fabulous time in the water, playing on the grass areas and spending the day with friends and family. On that note, it was wonderful having so many mums, dads, sisters, brothers and grandparents join us for the day. Ngā mihi - Thank you. It was lovely to hear the pool staff being so complimentary about our tamariki! They especially mentioned how respectful our children were. Our Manaakitanga really shone through!



Run and Become

Well done to our keen runners who had an awesome day in Whanganui a Tara - Wellington on Sunday at Round the Bays. There was heaps of effort, determination shown and a fun day for all involved. The team even got to hang out with Ashley Bloomfield. Check out the photo of him with the team.



Being on Time

The bell rings each day at 8.55am. A great time to arrive is around 8.45am. This gives your youngster a chance to hang up their bag, check in with friends and the kaiako or have a quick play and then be ready to go as soon as the bell rings. It also means our wonderful Road Patrollers can get off duty at 8.50am so they can get back to class and are ready for their day.

Rippa Rugby

Our two Rippa Teams had a great day at Lyndhurst Park today. The games were fast and skillful with lots of tricky spin moves and passing. What an awesome chance to have fun and grow skills and connections with others. Shout out to the Tawa Rugby Club for organising another successful day. Thanks also to the coaches, manager and whānau support; as well as Dave Conway for his leadership.



School Docs - School Policies

All our school policies are held online at SchoolDocs. Of course we value kanohi ki te kanohi - face to face conversations and encourage you to approach your classroom kaiako - teacher first if you have any questions or concerns. However, you are always able to access our policies at any stage. To access School Docs get in touch with the office for the username and password.

Volunteers Needed!

The fundraising committee have had a bit of bad luck with the weather over the last few weekends for their firewood splitting but are keen to make heaps of progress this weekend. If you can be at school for an hour or more, 10am-3pm Saturday 24 February, it would be MUCH appreciated. You will be helping to move and split pine rings with a hydraulic splitter.

PPE required: Suitable footwear (preferably steel cap), garden or work gloves, eye and ear protection (we can provide some safety glasses and ear plugs).

Please message on Facebook or email fundraisingcommittee@greenacres.school.nz to let this hardworking group know your availability.

Friday Sausage Sizzles

The Fundraising Committee sausage sizzle is on again this Friday and each Friday lunchtime of term 1. Sausages can be ordered with this link <https://orders.lunchonline.co.nz/home/AccountLogin> and cost \$2 each. You can also click the 'Food' tile on the Hero App to order at any time during the week. Orders need to be received by 9am on Friday morning. Please do not send money with your child.

Ngā manaakitanga - Take care
Mike Thomas

Fundraising Committee

Click this link <https://forms.gle/5866nVkgLvonCjbS7> for more information about our Greenacres School apparel items and to place an order. Alternatively, click the "Uniform Shop" option in the Hero App. You can place an order at any time. Orders will be sent to our supplier at the end of every term and items will be delivered to school during the first week of the following term. All purchases raise funds for our school.



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QUALITY ITEMS | ALL PROFITS GO TO GREENACRES SCHOOL


HOODIES \$50/\$56


HOUSE TEES \$22


BEANIES \$20


SUNHATS \$22

Click the link in the description for more details and to order

COMMUNITY NOTICES

If you haven't booked your child's spot for Term 1 yet, we still have spaces available. Limited spots are still open, so jump online and book now at www.bigairgym.co.nz. Book now so that your child doesn't miss out on the first class of the term where our coaches review fundamentals and provide an induction into the gym. Book online or contact our Bigair Gym office. We would love to hear from you. Bigair Gym Tawa ph. 232 3508
Email office@bigairgym.co.nz



The Tawa Squash Club is renowned in the Wellington region for its exceptional reputation as a welcoming, friendly, and family-oriented squash club that also thrives on healthy competition. Whether you're a novice player, rediscovering the game, or simply looking to enjoy a casual match with a friend, our club provides the perfect environment to nurture your skills and satisfy your post-game thirst for victory. We are taking enrolments for Monday afternoon junior coaching and we also run a fun night on Friday nights which anyone can come to (up to the age of 19). We would love to see some new faces at our squash club this year and would appreciate if you could please help us achieve this. We welcome new members, for more info check out our website or email info@tawasquash.co.nz

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Tawa Junior Rugby Club 2024 Season Registration

Interested in playing Rugby in 2024? Both Tackle and Rippa Grades available for all ages. For more information or to register visit www.tawajuniorrugby.co.nz or jump onto the 'Tawa Junior Rugby Football Club' Facebook page and send us a message, we would love to hear from you.



Nohinohi Reorua

Nohinohi Reorua, our bilingual te reo Māori/reo Pākehā storytime sessions is back again next Wednesday and we would love to have you along. The session is full of pukapuka (books), waiata (singing), and kanikani (dancing) and is aimed at tamariki aged 2-6 and their caregivers. All are welcome, regardless of where you and your tamariki are on your te reo Māori journeys. The session is next **Wednesday 28th February 11am-12pm, here at Tawa Community Centre.**

Samuel Marsden Collegiate School – Girls entering Year 7 in 2025

Marsden warmly invites families of girls entering Year 7 in 2025 to their first Open Morning for 2024 on **Friday 22 March**, 8.45am-12pm. Please register at www.marsden.school.nz/register
Scholarships for entry in 2025 are now open. For more information and to apply, visit www.marsden.school.nz/enrolments/scholarships

Tots To Teens - Childhood in Aotearoa

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