



# Newsletter

## Important Dates

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

Phone: 232 6445

Cell Phone 021 02565206 (if you prefer texting absences and if the landline is not working)

## 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](https://greenacres.school.nz)

[schooldocs.co.nz](https://schooldocs.co.nz)

[www.lunchonline.co.nz](https://www.lunchonline.co.nz)

## Rāapa, te rua tekau o Poutū-te-rangi 2024 Wednesday 20 March 2024

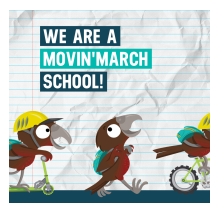
### Kia ora e te whānau

### Camp 2024

Excitement is definitely mounting as Puāwai get ready for camp next week. They head off to Forest Lakes (north of Otaki) on Monday morning and return on Thursday. We know they will come back feeling proud (and tired) as they develop their 4Cs (Communication, Collaboration, Critical Thinking and Creativity) and new Mana Values: Manaakitanga (respect, empathy, generosity), Mātauranga (learning and knowledge), Rangatiratanga (resilience, self-determination, agency) and Hauora (holistic health and wellbeing). It is a wonderful opportunity to thrive in a very different environment, build friendships and connections and make life long memories. All the best Team Puāwai!

### Movin' March

It is brilliant to see the children hustling into school on feet and wheels feeling energised each day. The lack of cars outside of school is also a bonus. Yesterday, the tamariki / children with full passports were given their Movin' March prizes. There will be more chances for the children to get their 10 stamps and collect their prize over the week.



### Firewood

Our Fundraising Committee had good success selling the firewood last weekend. There is still plenty more. If you would like to order a load, please contact Karen 021 52383 or Matt 0275 719 329 and to make a time to collect it.

### Te Reo Māori

I will leave access to the [te reo Māori interactive keyboard](#) in the newsletter again this week. It is an awesome support for improving basic pronunciation. We have been working on the names of our teams - Kano, Māhuri and Puāwai.



### **Fundraising Committee Easter Buns**

Thank you to all those who ordered Easter buns - \$5 from every pack sold will go towards the upgrade of our school hall. The orders will be delivered on Friday 22 March. Thanks to Nada Bakery for this opportunity to raise funds for our school hall and to have a yummy Easter!



### **Enrolment at Greenacres**

Greenacres School has an enrolment zone in place. In Terms 3 and 4 this year we have a few places available for out of zone new entrant students. We will soon place a notice on the Tawa Community Facebook page but we have found word of mouth is the most effective method of reaching the community! Therefore if you are aware of anyone with pre-schoolers who may be interested in enrolling them at Greenacres, please suggest they contact the office on 2326445, or email [office@greenacres.school.nz](mailto:office@greenacres.school.nz) for a pre-enrolment registration form.

### **Hauora / Wellbeing**

One of our teachers / kaiako who is a parent too, came across this resource to help when things are getting tough. Feel free to check it out.

Tiny things we can do when it feels really stressy:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MfHDSkHyK8Nv9iH8I8YVChdu5WqoZODQ/view?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MfHDSkHyK8Nv9iH8I8YVChdu5WqoZODQ/view?usp=drive_link)

Ngā manaakitanga - Take care  
**Mike Thomas**

## Fundraising Committee

### New Greenacres School Apparel Items

Greenacres School jackets and raincoats are on their way, just in time for Winter! They are quality items that will keep your child/ren warm and dry. The jacket is a waterproof, soft-shell jacket with a cosy microfleece inner. The raincoat is both wind and waterproof with a fold-away hood and microfleece inner. These items are available in both child and adult sizes and are ready for ordering now. They are \$80 each for child sizes and \$90 each for adult sizes. Order before the end of term and your items will be delivered to you early in term 2.

Click this link <https://forms.gle/5866nVkgLvonCjbS7> for more information about all our Greenacres School apparel items and to place an order. Alternatively, click the "Uniform Shop" option in the Hero App. All purchases raise funds to go towards the upgrade of our school hall.

# GREENACRES SCHOOL APPAREL

## JUST IN TIME FOR WINTER!

NEW  
NEW  
NEW  
NEW



JACKETS



RAINCOATS

Click link in description for more details and to order

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### **Kelly Club Greenacres - Your Kids' Home Away from Home!**

Our programmes are packed with exciting activities designed to nurture, educate and inspire your kids. We offer before and after school care in safe and supportive surroundings with programmes that are tailored to your kids' ages and skill levels. Our dedicated and passionate staff are fully trained in all aspects of looking after your children. Check out our wide range of activities, easy online booking system, flexible payment options and childcare subsidy information.

For more information, visit: [www.kellyclub.co.nz/greenacres](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz/greenacres)



**BigAir Gym** - jump online and book now at [www.bigairgym.co.nz](http://www.bigairgym.co.nz). 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](mailto:office@bigairgym.co.nz)

**Tawa Linden Wrestling Club** for girls and boys from 6-16 years. Develops strength, stamina and fitness, compliments rugby, rugby league, MMA. Olympic and Commonwealth Games coaches. Junior Training Mondays 5.30-7.00pm. Come to the gym, corner Fee & Finlay St, Tawa, and give it a go! Contact [tawawrestling@gmail.com](mailto:tawawrestling@gmail.com) for more info

**Mini Marching Movement** - Marching Wellington Association is reintroducing marching to communities and are trialling a give-it-a-go where children can try out marching and learn a routine to perform at the end of the term for family and friends. This will be on Thursday from 4.30 -6.30pm, location to be advised. If your primary school aged child may be interested, please contact Ema on 027 362 5683 or [wellington@marching.co.nz](mailto:wellington@marching.co.nz) for more information.

### **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](http://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](http://www.marsden.school.nz/enrolments/scholarships)

### **Get Creative for your Free Entry to see the the WHITE FERNS at Cello Basin Reserve on 29 March 2024**

If you have been to a recent female sporting event in New Zealand, you may have seen POI used at the game as a symbol of empowerment for wāhine, and a way of celebrating and showing support for our New Zealand athletes. Building upon the excitement of world cups, NZC would like to continue the momentum by encouraging the people of Aotearoa New Zealand and our manuhiri (international visitors) to karawhiua (give it heaps) and give POI a go! New Zealand Cricket is calling the Tamariki around Wellington to get creative with their POI-making skills and bring them along to the Cello Basin Reserve for the upcoming WHITE Fern vs ENGLAND series.

**On Friday 29 March, we would like to offer free entry into the Cello Basin Reserve to children who present a homemade POI at the gate.** One Free Child entry will apply for each POI that is shown at the box office, please note adult tickets will still need to be purchased.

## **School Holiday Programmes and Activities**

### **AKOTECH CodeCamps April School Holidays - EARLY DISCOUNTS**

Our holiday camp allows children from the ages of 7-12 to develop 21st century skills in a fun and action packed environment. Create and train your own AI Avatars, make games, code robots & go to work for a simulated Tech Gaming Studio to build games for a big pretend client.

Develop confidence & initiative through design, creativity, solving problems, presenting & collaboration. Create your own games, worlds and apps to make our world a better place.

We also have [Literati Lab](#) just for girls

Venues: Queen Margaret College, Thorndon, Dates: 15th - 18th & 22nd - 26th April

Book Now at [www.akotech.nz](http://www.akotech.nz)

EarlyBird Save Up to 21% Until 22nd March Siblings Save 6%

### **Grand Training Computer Classes**

Grand Training runs educational and fun computer classes over the holidays at our Wellington City location for ages 5 to 16.

- Minecraft from Introduction to Mods and Servers
- Learn to Code; Scratch, Python or Java.
- Code and Create 3D Games.
- Web Design, HTML and CSS
- Build a PC
- Film and Video Editing
- Discovery Course in Computing - suitable for younger children
- Online Safety and Privacy

For information & bookings 499-2211 or [grandtraining.co.nz](http://grandtraining.co.nz)

**Inverloch Art School Young Artists Creative School Holiday Workshops**, Monday to Friday 15-19 April, caters for children from 6-13 years of age. For more info [www.inverloch.org.nz](http://www.inverloch.org.nz)

**Drama Remedy Holiday Programme** - 15,16 and 17 April, 9am to 4pm Churton Park Community Centre. Exciting and enjoyable workshops which are designed to enhance children's appreciation of the performing arts and to develop confidence and communication skills, includes a trip to St James Theatre for a live theatre experience - Madagascar the Musical! For more information visit [www.dramaremedy.co.nz](http://www.dramaremedy.co.nz) or contact 0220273316 or email [dramaremedy@gmail.com](mailto:dramaremedy@gmail.com)