



Newsletter

Important Dates

28 April - Cross Country (pp 2 May)
02 May - School Photos
8 May - BOT meeting
15-17 May - Team trips to Pataka
5 June - King's Birthday
19-30 June - Dance Curriculum

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Term Dates 2023

Term 1 31 Jan - 06 Apr
Term 2 26 Apr - 30 Jun
Term 3 17 Jul - 22 Sept
Term 4 09 Oct - 15 Dec

Useful Links

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

Rāapa, te rua tekau ma ono o Paengawhāwhā 2023

Namaste

Nau mai, hoki mai

Welcome back to term two! It was great seeing the tamariki again today after the break. With Easter and ANZAC day, didn't it seem long! I trust you had heaps of enjoyable whānau time.

Teacher Only Day

Thank you for Teacher Only Day on Rāhina. It was an excellent day where the kaimahi focused on some 'big picture' thinking about our vision for the tamariki and our kura; as we refresh our charter in line with the current global and local contexts. This of course includes the roll out of the 'refreshed' NZ Curriculum. While Monday was about our staff perspective, the BOT are excited to engage with whānau and other stakeholder roopu / groups to gather their voice so we are all a part of the refresh.

Life Education - Harold

I had some wonderful feedback from Marsha Chiet - the Life Education Teacher at the end of the term. Of course she visits MANY kura, but she was blown away by Greenacres School saying the tamariki and staff were amazing to work with. She talked about how engaged the children were; as well as how their RKMCS shone through. I sat in on one session with Kano and agreed with her comments (even though I am a bit biased). One thing I noted was the amazing way that our tamariki were using te reo Māori in such a natural and confident way.

Cross Country

Our annual Greenacres School Cross Country is taking place this Friday 28 April, starting at 11am with our junior races. You are warmly invited to attend the event to support our tamariki. It is always a really fun and enjoyable day centred on personal growth, hauora and participation. For our more competitive runners, the event is also used to help us select participants for the Tawa Zone event.

We cannot confidently give individual race start times, so would encourage you to arrive on the early side to ensure you see your child's race. The bottom field provides the best viewing as you are able to see the start line and the finishing chute.



A brief outline of the events follows:

- NE/Year 1 Mixed
- Year 2 Mixed
- Competitive Year 3 Girls
- Competitive Year 3 Boys
- Competitive Year 4 Girls
- Competitive Year 4 Boys
- Competitive Year 5 Girls
- Competitive Year 5 Boys
- Competitive Year 6 Girls
- Competitive Year 6 Boys
- Year 3-6 Mixed Fun Run

Inspiration Friday Term 2

If you, or any other whānau or community members, would be interested in running an IF programme for Term 2, please get in touch with Rob Calder (rcalder@greenacres.school.nz). It would be a commitment of 7 Friday mornings from 9-10.30am, but is a fantastic way to work in partnership and for you to contribute skills and knowledge to our kura. We were very lucky in Term 1 to have parents offer to help in both Kano and the senior school IF programmes, running art and environmental projects. In the past we have had whānau successfully run everything from lego/meccano, dance, cooking and sports programmes. We can work with you to finalise ideal student ages, group numbers and equipment.

School Photos

As you will have seen in the Important Dates, school photos will be taken by L C Scott next Tuesday 2 May. You can pre-order online by going to the link below. Please note that family photos **must** be pre-ordered before photo day to ensure the photo is taken.

<https://orders.lcscott.co.nz/ordering/with?key=ULAS5WLY>

Ngā manaakitanga
Mike Thomas

Fundraising Committee Term 2

As mentioned last term, the fundraising committee is again organising personalised Greenacres School hoodies - see poster attached (and displayed in windows and doors around the school) which includes a QR code or click on the link to order via the google form

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScPusEI5ydh71L9ZMJdoy_3XOq1muEPERx7MplSzkBFTpJ0TA/viewform

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**Greenacres
Fundraising Committee**

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If your child loves doing Cartwheels, Handstands, Jumping, Swinging, Climbing or doing Flips, then they will thrive at Bigair Gym! Bigair Gym classes are excellent for fun, focus and fitness! Inquire about Bigair BIRTHDAY PARTIES too!

It's easy to book online at www.bigairgym.co.nz or contact our Bigair Gym office. We would love to hear from you. Bigair Gym Tawa ph. 232 3508 e. office@bigairgym.co.nz

Bookings are now open for the April School Holiday Programme at www.bigairgym.co.nz



Plimmerton School PTA invites you to a Kids Clothes Swap fundraiser on Saturday 6 May from 3pm - 4pm. Save money, shop sustainably and be in to win great prizes!

Please see the Facebook Event for details:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/774551920888778>

We would appreciate your support, buy a ticket, bring a group of friends, share on Facebook.

Please contact us with any questions, plimschoolkidsclotheswap@gmail.com

FUN Sticks is an 8-week hockey programme designed for children aged 5-6 years (school Years 1 & 2) 2023 FUN Sticks will focus on individuals' movement and motor skill development, helping build a young person's physical literacy and preparing them for sport. Hockey skills will be taught through fun, games-based activities. National Hockey Stadium (NHS), Wellington = 10:00 am – 11:00 am – Saturday starting 6 May The cost for the 8-week programme is \$50. Register using the following link for the Player registration system PlayHQ

<https://www.playhq.com/hockey-new-zealand/register/5a8236>

Leaping Lizards School of Dance - runs dance classes for pre-schoolers up to teenagers. For more information visit www.leaping-lizards.co.nz

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