Thursday 17th September 2020



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NEWSLETTER KAWERONGO

Nga mihi mahana, nga mihi kauanuanu kia koe. Kei te tumanako he ora koe, he haumaru koe me tō whānau hoki.

Warmest regards, best wishes to you. We hope you and your family are safe and secure.

This week has been Te Wiki o te Reo Māori (Maori Language Week) at our kura. In each of our classes we have celebrated te Reo with lots of fun activities. The focus for Maori language week this year was Kia Kaha te Reo Māori, at Greenhithe School we believe in this and this is reflected in the use of te Reo in our classroom interactions with the children and our commitment and strength to our Kapa Haka group.

Pride Certificates

These challenging times are hard for everybody. The children at our school are showing fabulous resilience and working incredibly hard in their classrooms. To see our values of perseverance, respect, initiative, diligence and excellence being shown around our school is heartening and the effort and positive attitude of our children puts a smile on my face every day. We have continued to award children with PRIDE certificates and the teachers are awarding house points for the values and positive attitudes and learning behaviours that we love to see in our school. The PRIDE certificates for the last couple of weeks have been awarded to: Brody Kirkland, Julian Fagan, Reagan Highet, Celine Park, Lucy Maskell, Josh Garner, Lucia Pascoe and Amelia Newman.

Parent Conferences

The recent Covid-19 alert level changes has caused several school based events to be cancelled or rescheduled. This has been a challenging year in many ways for everyone. The latest issue we are navigating through is how to run our parent conferences, while meeting the very stringent guidance from the Ministry of Education. Our teachers value the opportunity to discuss your child's learning with you. One of the keys of a successful education is ensuring that the families and school all work together to ensure that we fulfil the potential of all of our tamariki at Greenhithe School. With this in mind we have developed a plan, which we have worked with the Ministry of Education on, to ensure we can meet our safety requirements, ensure our community is safe while ensuring we can have a valuable conversation about your child's learning.

In order to run these conferences, we are having to put some new guidelines in place, following direct consultation with the Ministry of Education and ask that you follow them fully, which will ensure the safety of yourselves and our teachers.

September

23rd Parent Interviews – 3.30 – 7.30pm 24th 3.30 – 5.30pm

October

16th AJHS Testing – Year 6 19th – 23rd Book Fair 26th Labour Day 27th Teacher only Day 28th Team Photo's

Term Dates 2020

3rd February – 9th April 28th April – 3rd July 20th July – 25th September 12th October - TBC

For School Donations and Activity fees:

School Bank Account Number: 12 3109 0011698 00

Uniform Shop Hours (onsite)

Tuesday 2.45 – 3.15pm Thursday 8.30 – 9.00am

- We ask that ONE PARENT only attends the conference.
- We ask that no children or siblings come on site during the conferences.
- We ask you to maintain social distancing on the school site, both while waiting for your conferences and when entering and exiting the site.
- We ask parents going first to the year 4,5,6 block enter through the bottom gate on Sunnyvale Rd. If you are going first to the junior block, please use the Isobel Rd gate and if you are attending a year 3 conference first, then please use the side gate in the staff car park. This is to help maintain social distance and reduce any congestion. Please exit through the gate you arrive through.
- If you wish to wear a face mask, please feel free to do so. The teachers will also be able to wear one if they wish.
- Please use the Covid Tracing app when you come onsite. This will be displayed at the entry gates and in the window of each classroom.
- Please use the sanitizer that is by the entrance to each room, both on your way in and out of the room.

While this is not the way we would like to hold these conversations, we have to ensure these things are in place in order to hold any form of conference with you. We thank you for your continued adherence to our health and safety procedures.

At these conferences we will also have a document for you to confirm your address and other details. It is vital these are correct, including emergency contacts, in case we need to contact you regarding your child. We thank you for your understanding and support.

Leadership in School

Our Year 6 house leaders are, in most years, involved in many leadership activities during the year. As with many things, some of these events were cancelled this year. However, Albany Senior High School Students delivered a wonderful leadership experience to our children yesterday. Albany Senior High School is part of our Community of Learning, meaning we have a close relationship with them, which we value. Our Community of Learning (Whanau ki te Ako) involves a group of like minded, local schools collaborating on learning and working closely for the benefit of our children, when at our school, and as they move through their educational pathway.

Teacher Only Day:

I mentioned this in an earlier newsletter, but with all the Covid Alert level information, I wanted to ensure all our families know that as part of the collective agreement signed by the teachers last year, there are several teacher only days that were included. We will be taking our first one on **Tuesday 27th October.** This is the Tuesday following Labour weekend.

2021

Please ensure if you have a child starting in 2021 that you come into the office and enrol them. This information is vital for our class organisation for 2021. If you know any families who will be starting at our school during 2021, please ask them to pop in as well!

Ngā mihi

Stephen Grady Principal

SPORTS CORNER Korero hākinakina

UPDATE

All sport has been called off for the rest of this term. We will keep you updated with any further information for next term.

TOUCH TERM FOUR

Touch is for all children Years 1-6, both boys and girls. Games are played on a Wednesday night at Moire Park, Massey. First games are on Wednesday 28th October with the final round of games on 9th December. All other details are on the registration site Enrolmy. Registrations close Friday 25th September. Please click on the link below to register.

https://enrolmy.com/greenhithe-school

SCHOOL SPORTS PHOTOS

We have decided to continue on with these photos this year even though a lot of sport hasn't been played to date. Your child will need to come in their sports uniform and arrive ten minutes before their allocated time. Here is the copy of the schedule which was sent to Managers and Coaches of the teams.

SPORT PHOTO TIMETABLE WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2020

Board of Trustees	7.30
Netball Year 5 Team 3 Nick Hope Deidre Kernaghan	7.35
Hockey Year 5 & 6 Boys Tigers Trudi Freeman Petra Hnykova	7.40
Hockey Year 5 & 6 Girls Quick Sticks Terry Houkamau Angela Smith	7.45
Hockey Year Boys Year 3&4 Dragons Trudi Freeman/Gavin Murray Rachel Durbin	7.50
Hockey Year 4 Girls Greenstix Paula Turner Jenny Sharpe	7.55
Netball Year 6 Team 2 Julian Paku Jonathan Cleland	8.00
Netball Year 6 Team 3 Emma Pierce Sophia Hamon-Craddock	8.05
Netball Year 5 Team 1 Sharon Hilton-Jones Amy Armstrong	8.10
Netball Year 3 Shooting Stars Paul Craddock and Sophia Hamon-Craddock	8.15
Miniball Year 3/4 Wildcats Carolynn Rewi Nikki Bould	8.20
Miniball Year 5/6 Thunder Ephraim Smith Amy Armstrong	8.25
Miniball Year 3/4 Lightning Carolynn Rewi Debbie Harrison	8.30
Netball Year 4 Magic Faith Laursen Heather Chubb	8.35
Netball Year 4 Mystics Bridget Ryder Lizzie Howarth	8.40
Netball Year 6 Team 1 Sharon Hilton-Jones Faith Laursen	8.45
Netball Year 4 Tuis Rochelle and Mia Jansen Jane Conway	8.50
Netball Year 2 Diamonds Justin de Ridder	8.55
Netball Year 5 Team 2 Adele Lusher Marie Jaffe	9.00
Netball Year 3 Emeralds Tracey Roberts Shannon Slade	9.05
Netball Year 2/3 Rubies Kate Senior Melanie Highet	9.10
Netball Year 1 Fire Flys Bridget Saunders Yan Zhang	9.15
HOUSE LEADERS Stephen Grady	9.20

KEEPING IN TOUCH

If there is anything that you would like included in the school newsletter, an achievement that you think is worth sharing, please email me at sharonh@greenhithe.school.nz

Sharon Hilton-Jones Sports Coordinator

YMCA School Holiday Programme

Monday 28th September – Friday 9th October – Greenhithe School. Book online at: www.ymcaauckland.org.nz





FANTASTIC Realistic ART CLASSES for Kids Ages 5-13

LOCATION - GREENHITHE SCHOOL

JOIN OUR END-OF-YEAR ART SHOW! MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS 3:35pm & 4:35pm

ENROLLING FOR TERM 4 (2020) BE QUICK-LIMITED SPACES!









BASKETBALL CAMPS

- October School Holidays -

28 September-9th October School Years 4-13: 8am-12pm Flexible 2 or 3 day camps available Alert Level 2 Compliant



Register online: theswishfactory.com/holidaycamps



Holiday Tennis Camp

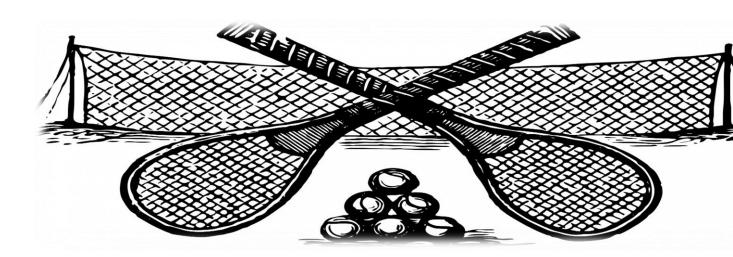
GREENHITHE TENNIS CLUB

Under new coaching management:

SB TENNIS

When: Monday 5th Oct - Friday 9th October
<u>Time:</u> 9am-12pm
Where: Greenhithe Tennis Club, 10-24 Roland Rd, Greenhithe
<u>Cost:</u> \$30 per day or \$130 for 5days.
Bookings are essential <u>Contact:</u> Leon 021-0661788 Or Email:
SBTENNIS20@gmail.com

(we will be operating safely under covid-19 guidelines)



GREENHITHE TENNIS

CLUB

UNDER NEW COACHING MANAGEMENT

SB TENNIS (Shelley Bryce)

JUNIOR TENNIS COACHING: (x10 weekly, 1hr

sessions through Term 4)

Coaching will start 1st week of Term 4.

- Monday to Friday from 330pm.

- Saturday mornings from 9am

Members - \$165

Non-members - \$185

Join GREENHITHE Tennis Club! Junior Membership \$125 for one year which includes:

- Free access to all courts
- Eligibility to join interclub teams
- Reduced coaching fees

For more details contact LEON: 021-0661788 or Email: <u>SBTENNIS20@gmail.com</u>