



NEWSLETTER

KAWERONGO

May

25th Save Day Ripa

June

7th Queen's Birthday Weekend

8th Teacher Only Day

11th Disco

17th Inter school X Country @
Coatesville

18th Save Day X Country

21st Year 6 camp

28th Teacher Only Day

30th Northern Bays X-Country
Year 4 – 6

July

1st Ripa #2

6th Save Day Ripa #2

7th Parent Interviews

8th Parent Interviews

9th Last day Term 2

For School Donations and Activity fees:

Donation: \$200 per student

Act Fee: \$35 per term

School Bank Account

Number: 12 3109 0011698 00

Uniform Shop Hours (onsite)

Tuesday 2.45 – 3.15pm

Thursday 8.30 – 9.00am

Term Dates 2021

3rd February – 16th April

3rd May – 9th July

26th July – 1st October

18th October – December (TBC)

Our PRIDE values continue to support the learning in our school and help our children to develop an understanding about some key traits they will need as they grow up as members of our community. The values such as perseverance and initiative, if developed while at school, will set the children up for a bright future. Seeing the children across our school show our values is a great source of pride for me! The children who have been awarded our certificates in this fortnight are: Zac Hout, Hayley Winfield, Kate Bloem, Maddy Bamforth.

I am so grateful to our community, who have offered lots of support after the vandalism we experienced. We have acted quickly to engage our field contractor, who knows the field and the drainage system, to plan and undertake the job. You will have seen repairs happening on the field. I am now working with the Ministry to secure some funding to pay for the work to get our field back as a facility the children can use.

I'd like to thank everyone in the local area for the information on the person or persons responsible for the field damage. I have had several conversations with local police and with our community officers. We have given all the information we have to the police. I know several people also contacted the police separately, about both our vandalism and that at Wainoni Park.

I reflect on our school values of PRIDE. I have been heartened by conversations I have had with our children and the pride they take in our school and our facilities. I know when our children leave us, with our values embedded, they will show respect to our local area. The work on our local Greenhithe curriculum, with the children learning about our local history and the amazing place they are so fortunate to live in, is designed to ensure they have pride in the Greenhithe area. We want the children to understand our local history and as they grow up, have an understanding of the value and become protectors of our local area, reserves and facilities. The local curriculum is designed to underpin all our learning, and includes all our curriculum areas from the New Zealand Curriculum. There is an upcoming opportunity to come and chat with us about this localised curriculum (**Whānau Day**, see below for details).

Pink Shirt Day

On **Friday 21st May (TOMORROW)** Greenhithe School will be participating in Pink Shirt Day (something pink day). Here at Greenhithe, the day is a time to celebrate the kindness, aroha and inclusivity which we share with one another on a daily basis through our school **PRIDE** values. Every dollar raised helps the Mental Health Foundation raise awareness about bullying

prevention and inclusiveness and provides free resources to schools. So let's have some fun and wear your **House Colours with something pink**, on **Friday 21st May**. The House Leaders will be at the gates to collect your gold coin donations for this wonderful event.

Whānau Day

On **Friday 28th May** we are hosting an open afternoon for parents, grandparents and other family members. It is an opportunity to come visit your child/children in their classroom and take part in their learning. The students will be participating in cultural activities in acknowledgement of International Language Week. We will start the afternoon with a meet and greet in the school hall where you will have the opportunity to chat to senior leadership about our Greenhithe Local Curriculum and have a say about upcoming events. We are looking to also gather some information from you on what events you might like to see at the school. We will have a Mandarin speaking staff member to help with any translations.

If you arrive before 2pm, we ask that you come to the hall, as the classrooms will be getting prepared for the afternoon's learning experiences, ready to share with you.

1:30pm - 2pm meet and greet in the hall

2pm - 2:45 visiting in classrooms

We look forward to seeing you at our Whānau event this term.

Teacher Only Days coming up

Please note, as previously mentioned the school is closed for instruction on **June 8th and June 28th**. One of these is a day for all our local teachers from our Community of Learning to learn together, this includes the teachers from Albany Junior, Albany Senior, Coatesville Primary, Upper Harbour Primary, Ridgeview School and Albany Primary. The other is a day which was part of the Ministry Accord days, which are a requirement under the teachers' collective agreement.

I have arranged for the YMCA to provide a programme for our children on these days in the school hall, to assist with childcare arrangements. A flyer to book in is attached to the newsletter.

Thank you for all your support of our school and our upcoming events. I look forward to seeing you at Whānau day in the hall.

Ngā mihi

Stephen Grady
Principal
Greenhithe School

SPORTS CORNER

Korero hākinakina

CROSS COUNTRY YEARS 3-6

Next Tuesday 25th May, all Years 3-6 children will be heading down to Wainoni Park to walk around the Cross Country course. If you have offered to walk with your child's class, please be at school no later than 1-25pm. We will be back by 2-45pm.

On Tuesday 1st June, we will be having our Cross Country Day. If you can help on the day with either walking down with your child's class and/or helping with being a marshall, please make sure you return the slip from the newsletter that went home on Tuesday, to my sports office. Here is a timetable of the day's races.

Order of Races:

RACE	Age Group (as of Interschool date of 17 th June)	Approximate times only
1	7 year old girls	11.40 am
2	7 year old boys	11.50 am
3	8 year old girls	12.00 noon
4	8 year old boys	12.10 pm
5	9 year old girls	12.20 pm
6	9 year old boys	12.30 pm
7	10 & 11 year old girls	12.40 pm
8	10 & 11 year old boys	12.50pm
End	Races finish.	1.00pm
	• Sausage sizzle for those who have pre-ordered	~1.30pm

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 Co-ordinator

Jiggerbobs After School Care

Jiggerbobs after school care is full for term 2. Feel free to try again in term 3.

Pippins/Girl Guides

Pippins

Girls guides

Age 5-7

Thursdays 330pm-430pm

St Michaels church hall

We would love to have some more girls join us and learn the values of girl guiding (and of course earn some badges 😊)

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LEARN, PLAY AND GROW

Teacher Only Days
Tuesday 8th &
Friday 28th June

8am-3pm \$40 or
8am-6pm \$50

How to Book:
 > Please log into your Aimy Plus Account
<https://ymca-akl-ham-bop.aimyplus.com/>
 > Go to Bookings
 > Click on **SPECIAL DAY**

Or call 09 480 7099
 to talk to one of our friendly staff

Or email
northshore@ymcauckland.org.nz

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN

FREE ENGLISH LESSONS FOR PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS

Contact Trudy Freeman
trudyf@greenhithe.school.nz

CHAT & CHAI CLASS

Every Thursday, 1.45-2.45pm
 in the ESOL Room

Starting Term 3



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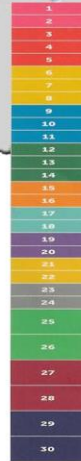
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Contact details:

Kate: 021417622

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Days/Times:

Mon 9.30 - 10.30am

Tues 9.30 - 10.30am

Wed 9.30 - 10.30am

Thurs 9.30 - 10.30am

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