



NEWSLETTER

KAWERONGO

Term 1

April

Last day of term 13th April.
School re-opens on Monday
2nd May

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 3.15 – 3.45pm

Term Dates 2022

3rd February – 14th April

2nd May – 8th July

25th July – 30th September

17th October – December (TBC)

Before School Care: Lorna –
martinvr@xtra.co.nz

After School Care: Karen –
027 235 8724

Guitar Lessons: Paul Barry –
022 198 0044

Piano Lessons: Susan
Fraser – 021 378 007

PRIDE VALUES

We continue to watch out for children showing PRIDE values around the school, whether **perseverance** in meeting a challenge, **initiative** in supporting one another in class, **respect** in helping around the school, or **diligence** in working to the best of their ability, displaying **excellence** in driving a fundraising idea through the school.

Our PRIDE values help us support our school vision: “*Our children grow to be capable, balanced and confident learners who embrace new experiences and opportunities*”.

Children who have been awarded PRIDE certificates this week are: Coral Camson, Harriet Glidden, Nico Deller, Nikita Strombeck, Nick Koch, Indi Mctague, Caleb Bowden and Devin McEntee.

Unicef Charity Fundraiser: Three of our wonderful year six children have asked if we can do a charity fundraiser for UNICEF, see below for a note from the girls:

Ava, Rina and Brooke would like your support in a gold coin donation and wearing something white (peace) in support of Ukrainian children. We would like to raise money to send through Unicef to help the children of the Ukraine. Please join us on Friday 1st April. We will be collecting your gold coin donation from the school gates.

Thank you Ava, Rina and Brooke.

Covid Update

We continue to have great attendance at school when compared to many others. Our attendance rate last week was 91.6%. While we are having a very small number of cases now, many are children who are already isolated at home and haven't been at school when they could have been infectious.

We have continued with our mitigations including encouraging all children in year 4-6 to wear masks, having all the staff wear masks indoors, having staggered and separate play times etc. We hope our actions have helped our numbers of cases to remain low and has protected our staff, meaning at no stage were we at risk of closure or rostering days off etc. While we are still getting some cases, we are definitely noticing a trending down of our numbers. We hope this continues, but as always, we have plans in place for many different scenarios.

Thank you for your support in keeping your child off if they display any of the symptoms and for ensuring the isolation periods are fully observed.

We are hopeful that having passed the peak in Auckland we can look forward to getting back to some of things we have missed at school in the near future.

Kapa Haka

On Friday we begin Kapa Haka again. I have missed hearing the waiata around the school, Whaea Vikki is returning to us and we are looking forward to seeing her onsite again. Initially this will only be year 6, due to numbers and spacing requirements. However, as soon as we can, we will open up to year 5 and then year 4 as well.

Building Works

We have finally been able to start getting the damage to rooms 17,18 and 20 from the flooding at the end of 2021 repaired. Over the next few weeks, and including the holidays, there will be fencing up and builders in. If your child plays or comes to the school after hours or on weekends, please talk to them about staying out of the site. Our cameras will be running in this period and we will look to identify anyone who puts themselves or others in danger by entering the building site. Our building work has been impacted by the supply chain issues, and it will take time to complete the work, but it is very pleasing to get it started.

PTA March Update

The PTA fundraising events for Term 1 have been a great success. The Friday Juicie sales raised almost \$900, the Pre-Loved Uniform Sale in February generated over \$1200, and combined with the upcoming Pizza Lunch this Friday, we are pleased to announce that the funds will be put towards a much-needed upgrade of the school hall projector.

Upcoming PTA Events:

- Friday 1st April - Pizza Lunch
- Tuesday 12th April - PTA Meeting
- Sunday 1st May - Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

We have had fantastic attendance to the first two PTA meetings, so thanks to everyone who came and shared their ideas. Everyone is welcome at the meetings, so follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/GreenhitheSchoolPTA) for the details or email us at greenhitheschoolpta@gmail.com if you want to be added to our volunteers list.

Stay tuned for Term 2 where we have a disco for the kids, a quiz night for the adults and an exciting new fundraising raffle!

'Better Together' - New Co-lead Principals Announced for Whānau ki te ako

Whānau ki te ako is a Kāhui Ako (community of learning) made up of seven schools: Albany Primary, Albany Junior High School, Albany Senior High School, Coatesville School, Greenhithe School, Upper Harbour Primary School and Ridgeview School and serves over 4000 students from Year 1-13. Our community vision 'Better Together: A connected pathway for empowered learners' reflects our shared thinking and journey together.

Albany Primary's Maree Bathurst recently stepped down from the role of Lead Principal for our Kahui Ako making way for two new CoLead Principals - Sue Smith from Upper Harbour Primary School and Claire Amos from Albany Senior High School.

The new leadership team would like to take this opportunity to thank and acknowledge Maree for her leadership over the past three and a half years. Maree has steered the "community of learning ship" through the disrupted waters of a global pandemic with warmth and wisdom whilst also managing to nurture and grow the relationships and connections within the kahui ako community.



Sue and Claire are excited to take over the helm, as we move into what is hopefully calmer waters, and look forward to working together to grow collaboration between and across our school community and bring the strategy to life. To this end, you can expect to hear more about the **2022 Whanau ki te ako Strategic Plan** in the coming weeks. As our vision states, we believe with strategic collaboration we can be “Better Together” as we establish “a connected pathway for empowered learners”.

If you would like more regular updates about what we are up to as a community of schools we would love to invite you to join our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/Whanaukiteako>

Better Together: A connected pathway for empowered learners

Ngā mihi

Stephen Grady
Principal
Greenhithe School

Dance Camp

APRIL HOLIDAYS

NVL DANCE CAMP

DANCE CAMP ENDS WITH A FINAL FUN SHOWCASE!

JAZZ
HIP HOP
ARTS & CRAFTS
MUSICAL THEATRE
LYRICAL CONTEMPORARY

ALL WORKING TOWARDS OUR END OF WEEK SHOWCASE

JOIN THE PARTY!

9-5PM EACH DAY
DROPOFF FROM 8.30AM

NORTH - TUES 19 - FRI 22 APRIL
27 APOLLO DR, MAIRANGI BAY **\$240**
4 DAYS

EAST - TUES 19 - THURS 21 APRIL
247 MOORE ST, HOWICK **\$185**
3 DAYS

SINGLE DAY CHARGE
9-3PM - \$65
9-5PM - \$75

NVL DANCE CAMP IS OPEN TO EVERYONE AGED 5-12 YEARS - BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND JOIN IN THE FUN!

COVID SAFETY GUIDELINES AND DISTANCING WILL BE FOLLOWED AT ALL TIMES.

PITA PIT LUNCH INCLUDED!

GET IN QUICK AS SPACES ARE LIMITED!
SIGN UP IN THE OFFICE OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE
WWW.NEVERLANDSTUDIOS.CO.NZ



YMCA School Holiday Programme

Our School Holiday Programmes are now available to book online! Book before 3rd April and save up to 20% on the programme – get in quick at <https://bit.ly/3imQohz>
If any one has any questions, they can email me directly amy.armistead@ymcauckland.org.nz



4 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME
FUN. DONE. RIGHT.

Safe | Great value | All new activities

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