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Important Dates

June

23rd Matariki Open Afternoon

24th Matariki School Closed

27th NZEI Day School Closed

29th Junior Cross Country

(1.40 – 3.00pm)

Northern Bays Cross Country

July

1st Save Day Northern Bays Cross Country

6th Parent Interviews 3.30 – 7.30pm

7th Parent Interviews 3.30 – 5.30pm

8th Last day of term 2

25th First day term 3

NEWSLETTER/KAWERONGO

We continue to watch out for children showing PRIDE values around the school. In class the children regularly talk about using our school values and we have murals and posts around our school, as a reminder to all of our learners of what we expect to see in our Greenhithe children.

Mask Use

Thank you for wearing your mask when you come into school, *please remember that this includes the school office*. We are experiencing some staffing challenges at the moment, as many schools are. This is due to a lack of relievers and spread of Covid through the wider community. This may result in classes being split or, where we can find them, relievers in classes over the next couple of weeks.

Please remember masks are strongly encouraged within schools, if your child is able to wear a mask, this would help us to keep everyone safe and the school running over the next few weeks. **Please, if your child is showing symptoms, keep them at home. Please also let us know if your child does develop Covid and is off school for that reason.**

School Crossings

We are hoping to reopen the Greenhithe Rd crossing soon. We are waiting for our next group of children to be trained by the police, to give us sufficient numbers to be able to open another crossing. **We are unable to open the Greenhithe Rd crossing until this has been completed.** Police advice was if we only had the numbers to open one crossing, we open Isobel Rd, as there is a zebra crossing on Greenhithe Rd. We have followed the police advice we were given.

Once this has been done we will be asking for volunteers to support the children between 8.25-9am and 2.50-3.15pm. **The crossings cannot run without these volunteers.** You don't have to be a year 6 parent, but it is helpful if you can support your child on a day they are on duty. You can also volunteer if you can only do one session, either a morning or an afternoon a week. Any time you can spare will be appreciated and help keep our kids safe.

With so many kids, parents and staff isolating at various times, even maintaining one crossing has been a challenge so far this year, and I'd like to thank those who have volunteered and staff who have stepped in when the adult volunteer is isolating themselves! If you can support us by doing a crossing duty, please email the office (office@greenhithe.school.nz), so we can set up the rota once the children are trained.

Road Safety

Until we can get the crossing reopened please discuss with your child about the importance of crossing safely. This means:

- **Using the crossing on Greenhithe Rd and Isobel Rd. Although the Greenhithe Crossing is not currently active as a school crossing, it is a Zebra Crossing, and therefore is a safer place to cross.**
- **Reminding children to check driveways for moving vehicles.**
- **Using the crossing 'rules', looking both ways, listening for traffic and crossing somewhere safe.**
- **If they are scootering or biking, they are carefully using the paths and are walking their bike or scooter across the road, if they need to cross.**

Sunnyview Carpark

Since we have been monitoring this car park and the flow of traffic, it has been a much safer place for our children to come and go at the start and the end of the day. If you use the drop off, **please pull as far forward as you can**, this allows other cars to come in and stops a queue on the road.

Morning Routines

Please remember the children are only allowed onsite from 8.30am, whether with a parent or not. Our settling bell goes at 8.45am, when we ask any parents onsite to leave the classrooms at this time, as this time is for the children to be ready to start learning at 8.55am. We have found that this ten minute period in the class with their peers is a great time for them to interact with each other and their teachers. This time also ensures they are prepared and organised and ready for the start of the day. Thank you for your cooperation.

Kindo

We are very excited to let you know that along with ordering lunches, you will now be able to view your family account and support fundraisers on Kindo, using the same log in you use for ezlunch! We will roll out the platform over this term. We will be transitioning school sports from *enrolmy* in term 4.

We hope this will make the administration easier for us, and make payments, receipts and tracking what you have registered for easier for you. Once we have fully transitioned to Kindo, all payments will be made through this portal.

When you make your school donation, you will have the option of re-gifting the rebate back to us, this will continue to support the school. More information regarding this will be available soon.

The link to kindo is on our website on the homepage at the bottom, under **Community Connect**. Existing users either through having an ezlunch account set up, or through another kindo school, such as AJHS can just log in. You may need to click on the fees and donations icon and choose to link your child to our school records to view your personalised account.

The Kindo help desk is open 8am to 4pm Monday to Friday.

Freephone: 0508 4 KINDO (0508 454 636)

Email: hello@myKindo.co.nzOnline

You can also find the Kindo link on the Greenhithe School website, scroll to the bottom of the homepage and click the Kindo button in the Community Connect section.

Donations and Activity Fees

I'd like to say thank you to those who have made their school donation and paid the activity fees, without your contributions, we couldn't offer the sporting, cultural or educational opportunities we can at Greenhithe School. If you need to still make your donation or pay the activity fee for term 2. These can be made now using the Kindo payment portal, making it much quicker and easier for you to make school payments.

Congratulations

I'd like to congratulate all our Rippa players, cross country runners and Mathex participants who have represented our school over the past couple of weeks. We also have our regular school sports teams working hard and trying their best in many other sports too! Our children always try hard and show our school values of perseverance and respect. It is always heartening to see us represented at competitions in so many fields. I was lucky to watch the cross country and take the children to the Mathex competition. I am always so proud of our kids! I'd also like to thank all of our parents and supporters who come along and help with transport, coach or come along to support their child.

I'd also like to congratulate Amy Zhong in Rm 12, who won the first award in a Chinese National art competition called '2021 Bird's Nest Cup Ice and Snow Art Competition'. It's a competition held to support and celebrate the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympic Games.

Ngā mihi

Stephen Grady
Principal
Greenhithe School

SPORTS CORNER

Korero hākinakina

CROSS COUNTRY

Good luck to the team of 36 runners who are representing our school at the Inter School Cross Country today. We will have results in the next school newsletter.

RIPPA

Seven teams participated last Thursday in the first of two tournaments at Moire Park, Massey for Rippa. We had a fabulous day with all of the children demonstrating fabulous skills and great sportsmanship. Here are some pictures from the day.





SPLASH POLO AND MINIBALL

Next week we will be opening up registrations for next term's competitions for splash polo and miniball. Splash polo is for competent Year 3-6 swimmers who can swim without needing to touch the bottom or holding on to the side of the pool. Games are played on a Sunday. All relevant information will be on Enrolmy. Miniball is for Years 3-6 children and is played on a Tuesday night. We currently have four teams - these children will be given first priority and if it is allowed, we will start up a new team(s). Again, all relevant information will be on Enrolmy.

CONGRATULATIONS

Amy from Room 22 has had a wonderful badminton season so far. Here are some of her recent results.

Counties Manukau tournament in March (single- runner up, girls double- winner, mixed double- winner)

Manawatu tournament in March (Palmerston North) in March (single- winner, girls double- runner up and mixed double- winner)

North Island Tauranga tournament in May (triple winners for single, girls double and mixed double).

Amy's current ranking for New Zealand is Number 1 for U13 singles, girls double and mixed doubles. Way to go Amy, we are super proud of you.



HOLIDAY SCHOOL PROGRAMME



SPORTS BASED SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME 12TH -14TH JULY, HOBSONVILLE P.S.S



Day 1

Basketball & Football themed
Values: Respect & Integrity
Highlights: Basketball & Football Tournaments & Around the world



Day 2

Dodgeball & Indoor Cricket themed
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Highlights: Dodgeball Tournament, Gauntlet & Rounders



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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

Join a Walking School Bus!

Keen to make school drop off/pick up easier and stress free? Meet other local parents and get some fresh air and exercise? Have your kids arrive to school energised and ready to start their days learning while meeting new friends? A walking school bus is a group of children who walk together to/from school with parent supervisors along a set route. Greenhithe School have 3 new routes we want to get up and running, come and give it a try!

Kyle/Orwell Rd Route

**Where: Meet on the corner of Kyle Rd and Orwell Rd
When: We need you! If you are keen to join this route please get in touch and we can schedule for a day that suits**

Contact Louise if you are interested in helping get this route up and running:

louise.cameron@at.govt.nz

Churchouse Rd Route

**Where: Meet outside [19 Churchouse Rd](#)
When: We need you! If you are keen to join this route please get in touch and we can schedule for a day that suits**

Contact Kim if you are interested in helping get this route up and running:

tktuffnell@hotmail.com

Almond Grove/Waipuia Pl Route

**Where: Meet at start of walkway next to 21 Almond Grove
When: We need you! If you are keen to join this route please get in touch and we can schedule for a day that suits**

Contact Kylie if you are interested in helping get this route up and running:

kylie.camson@hotmail.com



CHILDREN'S **ART** WORKSHOP

DRAWING & PAINTING

One-day workshop for
ages 7-12yrs.

If your child loves drawing and
painting they'll love this one-day
workshop with artist Eion Bryant.
With step-by-step instruction they
will draw then create a vibrant acrylic
painting learning tips and techniques
along the way. Fun and focused.

VENUE

St Anne's Hall, Browns Bay, July 14th.

Hours: 10.00am - 3.00pm.

Cost: \$60

BOOKINGS

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