



Year 6 Newsletter: Term 4 2025

A warm welcome back to Term 4, the final term of your children's time at Greenhithe School! We are looking forward to another busy term of learning together, where our tamariki can continue to learn and grow to become capable, confident and balanced learners who embrace new experiences and opportunities.

What's on this term?

Curriculum

This term, our overarching inquiry concept is 'How We Organise Ourselves'. An exploration of human systems and communities; the structure and function of organisations. We are heading down a health/wellbeing path with our inquiry - linking in with camp, graduation and the big changes that await your children next year. We will focus on how we manage change and face challenges while exploring the big question *'Growing Through Changes: in what ways do facing challenges help us learn and become stronger?'* Our reading, writing and maths learning will also integrate into this inquiry learning wherever possible.

AJHS Experience Day

Next week, Albany Junior High School are hosting an experience day for all of those children who are enrolled for 2026. Students who are not enrolled and/or not attending AJHS next year will attend school as usual, and continue their normal class activities with one of the Year 6 teachers. A notice went home about this last term, **please ensure the permission slip is returned ASAP** so we know exactly who is attending and who is not.

Athletics

This term, our P.E. focus will be Run, Jump, Throw in preparation for our Y4-6 Athletics Day on the Tuesday of Week 5. We will be focusing on technique and skill in discus, shotput and high jump to ensure our learners are ready to give it their best at Athletics Day. Further information regarding Athletics Day will be sent out in the coming weeks.

Year 6 Camp

Taking place from Wednesday 5 November - Friday 7 November, our camp is rapidly approaching! If you have any questions or concerns regarding the camp, please contact Tash Alexander (natashaa@greenhithe.school.nz).

- Payments: Kindo is set up and accepting camp payments, please ensure that these are paid by the end of this week, *Friday 10 October*. If you have any questions or concerns regarding finances, please contact Rochelle in the office (accounts@greenhithe.school.nz) in confidence.
- Participant Agreement: Please ensure you have also completed the participant agreement form for your child, and again for yourself if you are accompanying us as a parent helper, by following the link:
https://ymcaauckland.formstack.com/forms/ymca_outdoors_ca_activity_participation_agreement

- **Dietary/Medical Needs:** If anything has changed for your child, or any of the parent helpers, regarding dietary requirements and or medical needs, please let Tash Alexander know immediately so we can ensure you are catered for at camp.

Applications for the Deep Learning Class at AJHS

For those children/families who have expressed an interest in the Deep Learning Class at AJHS for next year, we acknowledge the clash of this day and camp. AJHS are working on an alternate plan for Greenhithe students to ensure they are not disadvantaged and do not need to miss camp. Watch this space!

Graduation

A graduation ceremony to celebrate your children's time at Greenhithe School will take place on Thursday 11 December, at 7:00pm. For now, save the date - invitations and further details will be sent out in the coming weeks.

General Reminders

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Students who bring their own devices to school must make sure they are fully charged at home each day and ready to use for classroom learning. This helps ensure they are prepared and can make the most of their learning time. If your child's device is broken or out of action for a period of time, please contact their class teacher so that we are aware and able to make accommodations.

Uniform

School hats are a required part of the school uniform in Term 4. Please make sure your child has their school hat each day. We do have sunblock at school for your children to reapply throughout the day but recommend that they come to school already wearing it in the summer months. Please make sure all clothing items are clearly named so lost property can be returned easily.

Communication

For any communication that requires action during school hours, such as if you need to collect your child early, please contact the office at 09 413 9838. For communication that doesn't require immediate action, teachers can be contacted via email. Communication and reminders from us will be sent via email or provided as a hard copy.

Please continue to check email notifications and the school events calendar on the Greenhithe website, as well as the school newsletter for updates about what's happening throughout the school. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Ngā mihi nui,

The Year 6 team - Natasha Alexander, Claudia Sheppard and Nicola Lupton.