

GREEN ISLAND SCHOOL

Newsletter No 2

4th February 2019

Kia Ora

Dear Parents and Caregivers

WELCOME – To Isla James and Ibrahim About Agha. I am sure that you will enjoy your time at Green Island School.

FOTS – Stands for “Friends of the School”. This hard working group of parents assist with many important tasks around our wonderful school. Many parents/caregivers find that this is an ideal way to make a contribution to their child’s education...AND to have a lot of fun at the same time. You will not be given a job if you do not want one. Please join us; we would love to see you there. AGM next Tuesday (12th February) at 3.15pm in the Staffroom, all welcome!

LUNCHES – Are available daily. Please see the list sent home with last week’s newsletter.

B.B.Q

The fundraising B.B.Q’s. are underway for the year.
Sausages - \$2 on Tuesdays (first increase in 14 years)
Pies have also increased to \$2.50 each.

LITTLE LEARNERS – our preschool induction programme for 4 ½ year olds, who are going to be attending Green Island School, is held on Tuesday afternoons, at 1:30pm in Room 3. Please notify the Office if you know of some children who would like to attend.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS – are published every Monday and are available in hard copy or on-line. If you would like to receive this newsletter on-line then please advise the Office. If you would prefer to have it posted to you (snail mail), then we ask that you provide the Office with stamp addressed envelopes first. Thank you.

LOST PROPERTY – bin by the Office, is **overflowing**. Please come and check out the contents if you are missing some clothing.

SUNHAT POLICY – Following consultation with children, Parents, Board of Trustees and staff the following Policy has been adopted.

Green Island School Sun Smart Policy

As part of general Sun Smart strategies, during Terms 1 and 4, between 9am and 3pm, our school will:

- Require children to wear a school regulation hat when they are outside (e.g. interval, lunch, sport, excursions and activities). Operate a no hat, play in the shade policy
- Require children to eat lunch in a shady place if possible
- School regulation sun hats can be purchased from the school Office on enrolment
- The school uniform is sun smart
- Encourage staff to role model Sun Smart behaviour
- Regularly publicise and reinforce the Sun Smart Policy
- Inform parents of the Sun Smart Policy at enrolment, and encourage parents to practise Sun Smart behaviour themselves when helping at school
- Encourage the use of SPF30+ sunscreen when children are outdoors for extended periods such as on school camps and during sports days
- Incorporate Sun Smart education and activities at all levels when delivering the curriculum
- Whenever possible outdoor activities will be held early in the day to cut down the exposure to UV radiation. The school will endeavour to plan them for venues where adequate shade is available
- There will be ongoing assessment of Sun Smart behaviour, shade provision and curriculum emphasis

SUNHATS – Are available for purchase from the school. 3 styles, cap, bucket and wide brim. \$14 each.

WATER – We are a water only school. Bottles of water are available to purchase from the office. \$1 each. Free filtered water is available for children to fill up their drink bottles.

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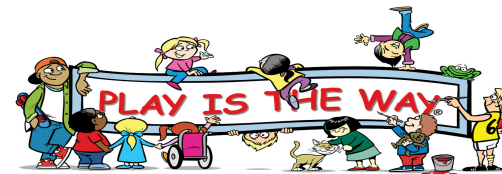
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KAPA HAKA – started last Thursday afternoon for selected children who have participated in the past and who have had an on-going involvement with their whanau over the years. A small number of additional students will be invited to join in this year, as space permits. Ana Pene will once again, be ably assisted by a small group of high school students

ASSEMBLY – this Friday 8th February in the Hall at 2:30pm. Room 5 in charge this week – all welcome.

2019 TERM DATES – Term 1: Monday 28th January – Friday 12th April
Term 2: Monday 29th April – Friday 5th July
Term 3: Monday 22nd July – Friday 27th September
Term 4: Monday 14th October – Thursday 12th December



PLAY IS THE WAY – Fear for those children raised to be compliant and obedient. And hopeful for those raised to have the courage of their convictions and the strength to do what they believe is right.

ACTIVITY ACCOUNT – \$40.00 for one child reduced to \$35.00 if paid before 31st March, \$65.00 for a family reduced to \$60.00 if paid before 31st March.

McDONALD’S RECEIPTS – are collected by the FOTS as part of our fundraising programme. Simply bring your receipts to the office and the FOTS will get 20% of the value back in vouchers.

PLAYER OF THE DAY

Amber Hurring – GI Lotus Cricket Team.

SCHOOL BANKING – Is done every Tuesday. Please bring your banking to either the class teacher or the office. Books are returned on a Thursday afternoon. If you would like to open a child’s account please pop into Westpac in Green Island with some form of identification.

GREEN ISLAND KINDERGARTEN QUIZ NIGHT – Monday 25th February 2019, 7pm at the Kensington (Tui Bar). \$30 for a team of 4-6 people. Contact the Kindy or Georgina on 0273131372.

SCHOOL CLOSED – for Waitangi Day, Wednesday 6th February.



OUR SCHOOL POLICY – On “Concerns and Complaints” To comply with our Legal Requirements, is attached to today’s newsletter

HEADLICE – Have been reported in some classes. Please check your child/children regularly and treat where necessary. Thank you for your support.

COMING UP – school closed on Waitangi Day on Wednesday 6th February
- Assembly at 2:30pm, this Friday 8th February in the Hall. R5 in charge.

REMINDERS – Wheels Days on Wednesday and Friday. You are welcome to bring along your scooter, skateboard or bike to ride safely at school. Helmets required for bikes and recommended for scooters/skateboards.

Nga mihi nui/Best wishes

Steve Hayward
Principal

P.S. I’m reading a book about **anti-gravity** at the moment, I just can’t put it down!!!