

GREEN ISLAND SCHOOL

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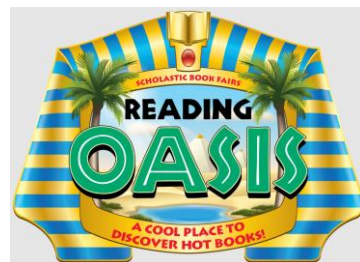
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Kia Ora, Dear Parents and Caregivers

WELCOME – A very warm Green Island School welcome to Hadeeqa Pare. I am sure that you will really enjoy your time at our school. We also welcome our three Teacher Trainees to Rooms 6, 7 and 9. We look forward to working alongside you over the next 3 weeks.

COVID LEVEL 2 – continues for us in the South, until further notice. Due to the uncertainties of running various events under Level 2 the following school events have been cancelled – Stars On Stage (now to be held in 2023), School Term 4 Disco, O'Mathalon, Marimba Festival, GGI Zone Athletic Sports and then just last night, the organisers of the Otago Athletic Championships have had to cancel this year's event. Fingers crossed for next year.

BOOK FAIR – An Oasis of Reading in the library. This will be held in our Library from **Monday 1st to Friday 5th November**. There is an Egyptian theme to the Book Fair this year. Parents and pupils can view/purchase books between 8:30am - 9:00am and 3:00pm - 3:30pm daily. Books make nice rewards and gifts. Payment by cash or EFTPOS. All books purchased go into a lucky draw. **Dress as your favourite book character or as an Egyptian character on Tuesday 2 November.**



YEAR 4 TO 8 HEALTH UNIT – called "Navigating the Journey", will be taught during November. We invite parent/caregivers interested in learning more about this health unit, to meet the Senior Syndicate on **Tuesday 2 November at 3.15pm in the Library**. We will share the programme outline and answer any questions you may have about the Health Unit.

COVID-19 VACCINE – if your child has been vaccinated can you please let the school office know the date of each injection. This information will be kept on their immunisation record.

SCHOOL SUNHATS – are now required to be worn by the children whenever outside during this term and Term 1 next year. No hat, no play. We do have some school hats/caps available for purchase from the school Office (Caps = \$14.00, Buckets = \$15) or otherwise they can be bought from the NZ Uniform Shop, in lower Moray Place.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB ISSUE 7 – Orders and money are due back to school office by 9am, Friday 12 November 2021.

SPARE UNIFORM/CLOTHES – we are looking for spare clothes, especially Green Island shorts, skirts and trackpants, socks and girl's/boy's underwear. If you have any you would like to donate, please drop off at the school office. Thank you

SWIMMING – for our Junior classes starts in Week 4 –
Week 4 - Room 5 - Nov 8-12
Week 5 - Room 1 - Nov 15-19
Week 6 - Room 2 – Nov 22-26
Week 7 – Room 3 – Nov 29 - Dec 3

FUTSAL – organisers have now cancelled all Year 1 and 2 Futsal, due to further changes to Covid-19 restrictions. They apologise for any inconvenience.

A HUGE THANKS – to Mr Heron, Miss Ford, Otago Museum Staff and all of the parent helpers who made the recent Y4 and Y5 "Sleepover" possible. The Y4s had a great stay last Thursday night and I am sure that the Y5s will do the same tonight.

FREE PERIOD PRODUCTS - Periods are a fact of life for half the population. Everyone deserves the right to feel comfortable at school, focus on learning and manage what is a normal part of life. Period products are now available for students at the school office. Just ask Kellie to see the "basket". Please reassure your daughter that Kellie will be discreet.

LOST – Size 6 Green Island School Polar fleece named "Kyle". Please return to the school office.



PLAY IS THE WAY – We may have no control over what happens, but we always have control over how we react to what happens.

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IMPORTANT DATES

- Mon 25 Oct – Sun 31 Oct – Clean up NZ week
- Tuesday 26 Oct - Year 5 Museum Trip
- Wed 27 Oct – Year 7 & 8 Rafting Trip
- Thu 28 Oct – NZ Earthquake "Shake Out" drill
- Tue 2 Nov – Year 4 to 8 Health Unit parent information session, 3:15pm in Library
- Tue 2 Nov – Favourite Book or Egyptian Character Dress Up day
- Wed 17 Nov – Walk-ember Scout's Challenge
- Tue 14 Dec – Last day of Term 4, 3pm finish

REMINDERS

- Trophies from 2020 can now be returned to the Office please.
- Update contact details with the office. Correct email addresses are important for at home learning, if necessary, newsletters and notices.
- **Lost Property Bin is overflowing! Please check it out in the Office Foyer.**
- A small number of Beeswax Wraps are still available in the office for a small donation.
- Term 3 Sports Uniforms to be washed and returned

WALK-EMBER SCHOOLS AND WHĀNAU CHALLENGE

Scout's is challenging all primary school children and their families to walk or wheel as many times as they can throughout November. This month-long event is run by Sport Otago in partnership with the DCC as part of Walk-ember. Support our school by choosing to walk or wheel to and/or from school as many times as you can during November. The more families who sign up the greater our school's chance of winning a Sport Depart voucher. There are also weekly spot prizes up for grabs. So, sign up today and commit to walking or wheeling as little as once a week during November. There will also be a Walk to School Day being held **on Wednesday 17 November**. If walking or wheeling from your home to school is not possible, then you can still participate by parking and walking or wheeling. Help us spread the word and provide a safe walking/wheeling environment for our children to get to school! **You can sign up here t.ly/i2Xi**



LOT 11, FAIRFIELD – 10 cents from every coffee purchased from Lot 11 this term will be donated to Green Island School. Thank you Lot 11!



Queen's Aerobics

NOW ACCEPTING NEW ENROLLMENTS!
Our term 4 'have a go' lessons run from
14 November - 12 December 2021

- Accepting students aged year 4 +
- Lessons take place at QHS, Sunday's 2:30-3:30, \$80.00 term fee
- Gymnastics, dance, or previous sport aerobics experience is recommended
- Lessons are collaborative, inclusive and engaging! Learn basic sport aerobics movement, BIG focus on improving fitness, flexibility, strength and coordination

Don't miss out. Sign up today!

CONTACT US FOR MORE INFO

queensaerobics@gmail.com

ENTERTAINMENT FUNDRAISER - Get your online membership at www.entbook.co.nz/9139w52

Nga mihi nui,

Steve Hayward
Principal

P.S. Apparently, ghosts like to ride in lifts/elevators because it lifts their *spirits*.

Text absences or lateness to 021 244 4833, email secretary@greenisland.school.nz or phone 4882 314