

GREEN ISLAND SCHOOL

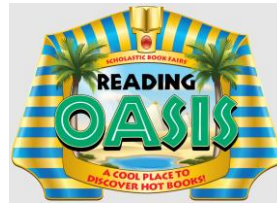
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Kia Ora, Dear Parents and Caregivers

BOOK FAIR – daily this week - **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. **Covid-19 Rules Apply - Masks must be worn and please scan or sign in when entering the library.** Books make nice rewards and gifts. Payment by cash or EFTPOS. All books purchased go into a lucky draw.



MUFTI/DRESS UP DAY – tomorrow, **Tuesday 2 November.** For a gold coin donation, come along dressed up as your favourite book character or as an Egyptian. All proceeds going to the purchase of some new library books.

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 that you may have about the Health Unit.

BEING PREPARED – is why we practise a Trial Evacuation, every term, as a whole school. We also participate in a New Zealand-wide “Shake-Out” Earthquake drill, every October. Both of these drills went smoothly last week. Have you tried this at home with your family? More than 660,000 people participated in the earthquake drill last week, across NZ.

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.

POLAR FLEECE – We have number of missing named school polar fleeces. Please check your child’s polar fleece to make sure they have the correct one.

CLASSES FOR NEXT YEAR - 2022

Yes, it’s that time of the year again! Teachers are now discussing classes for 2022, and while from the outside it may appear to be a pretty straightforward process, I can assure you it is not. It is not just as simple as saying you were in this room this year, so you will definitely be in that room the following year or that your child(ren)’s class will all move through to the next level together. The makeup of the classes depends on the numbers of children we have in each level, the academic and social needs of children, relationships with others, and of course, their age. We need to carefully consider all these issues, and using our professional knowledge, expertise and understanding of the students, make the best decision for the students, the staffing situation and the school as a whole. If there is anything you would like us to consider, regarding your children, when the classes are being put together, please write a brief note to me (Steve) or ring and have a chat with me by Friday 12 November 2021.

SPARE UNIFORM/CLOTHES – we are looking for spare clothes, especially small Green Island shorts, skorts 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. Separate notices have been sent home with every child involved in this excellent programme. Many thanks to all who are helping with the children.
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



PLAY IS THE WAY – A teacher’s instinct and intuition have a place in education.

LOST – Black Mitsubishi Car Key, possibly outside the school late last week. Please contact

FOUND – iPhone with a distinctive picture on black case. Please contact the school office.

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BOT JOTTINGS -

- Long Term Plans, Class Newsletter/timetables for T4 2021 presented tabled.
- Total amount received from parents/families donating their cheese roll reimbursement was \$1,333.
- Disa Walker looking into a Makikihi Fries fundraiser for 2022.
- Year 8 Graduation Dinner to held on Monday 13 December. Thank you to Disa for organising.
- Handrails have now been installed on new entrance ramp.
- Boys toilets in senior block are now in the process of getting the outside boards replaced.
- Work is currently being done on the ramp at the back of the school hall.
- Charlotte Ford currently preparing a grant for a Bike Trailer through Sport Otago/Tu Mahawa.
- Data around student behaviour was discussed at staff meeting on Tuesday 26 October. Behaviour guide cards to be made up and shared at next meeting.
- ChatBus is in the process of reviewing their services.
- Resolution that the ChatBus should remain as a service at our school in the future.
- Prizegiving to be held on 14 December – Due to covid-19, best case with parents and families, worst case at school with students and staff only.
- Ana has arranged for the Kapa Haka senior and junior group to have a drone film them perform. This footage could be used on our website.
- Next Meeting: Wednesday 24 November 2021, 5:45pm, Staffroom.

REMINDERS

- 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.**
- Term 3 Sports Uniforms need to be washed and returned
- WALK-EMBER Scout’s challenge to all primary schools, 17th November. See last week’s Newsletter for registration details.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 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
- Fri 12 Nov – Scholastic Book Club orders due back
- Wed 17 Nov – Walk-ember Scout’s Challenge
- Tue 14 Dec – Last day of Term 4, 3pm finish

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!

TENNIS OTAGO HOTSHOTS COMPETITION SERIES

– Starting Term 4, 7 Nov. Contact Mat McCutcheon at mat@mattenniscoaching.co.nz for more information.

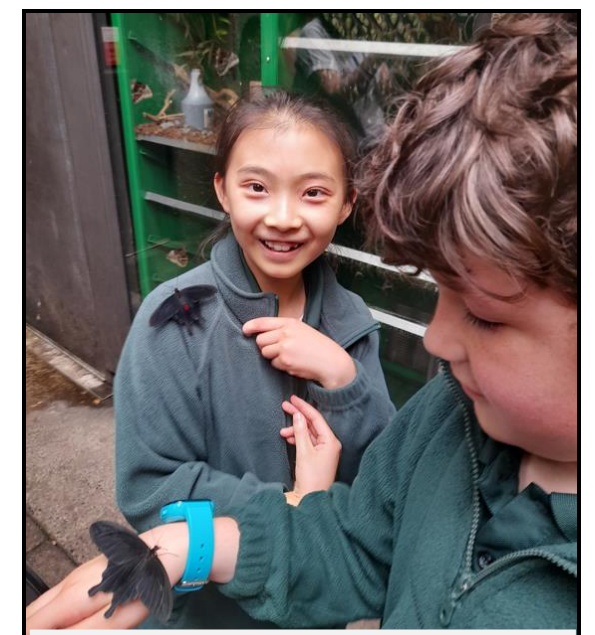


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Nga mihi nui,

Steve Hayward
Principal

P.S. “Fungi puns are my yeast favourite, there’s too mushroom for error.”



Year 4 Museum Sleepover

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