

# Green Island School



Respecting our Past | Building our Future

Newsletter No: 13

Term 1

4 April 2022

**Name:**

**Kia Ora, Dear Parents and Caregivers**

At last week's Board of Trustee's Meeting, I advised the Board that after 42 years of teaching, 36 of which I have been a Principal, it will be time for me to retire at the end of this year. I have had an amazing 18 years at Green Island School. More on that later but in the meantime the Board will now start the process of advertising for a new Principal.

The Board also received the resignation of Owen Booth, who no longer has children at Green Island School. Owen has been an outstanding Trustee for our school, keeping a steady eye on our finances and outdoor education, in particular. We wish Owen all the best for his future pursuits.

Due to on-going disruptions because of Covid-19, the Government has delayed the scheduled Board of Trustee Elections until September of this year. More information on this next Term.



**POPPIES** – for sale in return for a donation. All proceeds to the RSA. These are available from the school office.

**SCHOOL ANZAC SERVICE – Wednesday 13 April at 9am.** This will be run by Room 9 and Mr Warrington at our school Monument.

**HOCKEY** – permission slips need to be returned to Mr Hayward by tomorrow please.

**VOLLEYBALL – FRIDAY 8 APRIL**

GI Aces – Draw will be emailed once available.

**FUTSAL – TUESDAY 5 APRIL**

**GI Cubs** vs. SPC Pihinga, 4:00pm, Ct/Zone 6  
Please meet with your manager, Jayde Regassa.

**GI Bears** vs. MHS Aston Villa, 4:30pm, Ct/Zone 6  
Please meet with your manager, Robyn McLean.

**FUTSAL – WEDNESDAY 6 APRIL**

**GI Tigers** vs. Board Bay, 5:00pm, Ct/Zone 13  
Please meet with your manager, Mr Heron

**GI Lions** vs. St Marys, 4:00pm, Ct/Zone 15  
Please meet with your manager, Mr Heron.

**RAMADAN** - Ramadan, being one of the five pillars of Islam, is the fasting month for Muslims. It is the ninth month based on the lunar calendar, which means the starting date is different from year to year, starting about ten days earlier each year. It usually lasts for 29 days. In 2022 in New Zealand and Oceania, the first day of Ramadan is expected to be **Saturday, 2nd April 2022, or the following day**, depending on the observation of the new moon. It is then expected to end on the evening of **Monday, 2nd May 2022, or the following day**. A greeting heard during Ramadan is 'Ramadan Mubarak or Ramadan Kareem', which means 'Have a blessed Ramadan.'



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**PLAY IS THE WAY** – The hallmark of good teachers is not that they have answers, but that they ask insightful and penetrating questions and then inspire their students to find answers.



**COMING UP** – Teacher Only Day, **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022**. This is our final Oral Language/Literacy Staff Professional Development Day for the Term. Children return to school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May for Term 2.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- Wed 13 Apr – Last Day of Term 1
- Thu 14 Apr – School Closed for Teacher Only Day
- Monday 25 Apr - ANZAC Day (within the holidays)
- Mon 2 May – First Day of Term 2

### REMINDERS

- Year 4-8 need to have their masks each day.
- Check out the lost property bin in the Office Foyer - it is over-flowing again.
- Please notify us, with date, of your child's Covid-19 Vaccination.
- Update Contact Details & Emergency details.

### THE SECRET PATH - Saturday 16–Saturday 30 April

For families looking for super fun (and Covid-safe) activities these holidays, *the Secret Path* is an interactive art scavenger hunt in the centre city. Pick up a scavenger hunt booklet from the **Dunedin City Library** and participating shops to start the journey. The booklet contains a map of each artwork clue word - discover all the clues to complete a passphrase sentence and unlock a prize!

An interactive art scavenger hunt by Tini Whetū ki te Rangi Find the secret passphrase to unlock your reward!

Saturday 16 April to Saturday 30 April

[dunedinreambrokerage.nz/the-secret-path](https://dunedinreambrokerage.nz/the-secret-path)

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### Are you ready to bring more awesome to the world?

We have a long and successful history of teaching girls' skills like confidence and resilience, while they make new friends.

We have space for Pippins (5-6yrs), Brownies (7-9.5yrs), and Guides (9-12.5yrs) to join us in Term 2 - come meet your team today, with groups in: **Ōpoho, Waverly, Halfway Bush, Mosgiel, Palmerston** and **Port Chalmers** there is a new group of friends waiting to meet you.

<https://girlguidingnz.org.nz/join-us/>

Girl Guiding

JOIN US

RESILIENCE FUN ADVENTURE

FRIENDSHIP CONFIDENCE TEAMWORK

REGISTER YOUR DAUGHTER TODAY!

GIRLGUIDINGNZ.ORG.NZ

Nga mihi nui,  
**Steve Hayward**  
Principal

P.S. *The earthquake in Wellington, was obviously the Government's fault.*

REGENT THEATRE

The Regent Red Setting Book Sale

Friday, April 1st to Sunday, April 10th

IT'S FINALLY HAPPENING!!!

LIMITED NUMBERS

ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL

For more details and to book your spot, please go to: [www.regenttheatre.co.nz](http://www.regenttheatre.co.nz) pop in to see us in the Box Office or give us a call on 477 8597

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