

# Green Island School



Respecting our Past | Building our Future

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Term 2

23 May 2022

**Name:**

**Kia Ora, Dear Parents and Caregivers**

**WELCOME** – to our latest 5-year-olds Melah Gibbs and Myah Hokianga. We extend a very warm Green Island School welcome to you both.

**NATIONWIDE** - story telling, will take place right across New Zealand, during the lunch break this coming Wednesday. Thanks to Ms Moir for organising this for our school. Details below.



**NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME**  
**Wednesday 25 May 2022**

**at 1pm**

in the School Library

Live reading of a new picture book called  
'Family Tree'

by Josh Pyke and Ronojoy Ghosh

**WINTER WEATHER** – Conditions sometimes mean that school may open late or it may be closed for the whole day. One of the main reasons that schools have to open late is because Staff cannot get to school at the usual time. Please listen to **local** radio stations for updates (The Hits 89.4, The Breeze 98.2FM, More FM 87.4, and Radio Dunedin 107.7FM/1305am). Other radio stations are syndicated nationwide and don't have the latest local updates. "The Hits Dunedin" Facebook page also has very regular updates. Please also check the school website under the "Emergency Updates & Notices" tab and our Facebook page, or keep an eye out for an email from the school. This is also a good time to remind you that we carry out regular Trial Evacuations with the pupils and staff at our school. It would be a good idea for parents/caregivers to go over their own arrangements with their family at home, in case you are faced with a Civil Defence emergency or fire at your house. Safety is paramount.

**HOCKEY – Wednesday 25 May 2022**

Year 3/4 **Green Sticks 1** vs. Tainui Tui, 5:10pm, Alexander McMillan Turf OPT4

Year 5/6 **Green Sticks 2** vs. Silverstream Strikers, 4:25pm, Alexander McMillan Turf LFT2

**BASKETBALL – Thursday 26 May 2022**

**GI Grizzlies** vs. ABB Rockets, 5:15pm, Court3

**GI Clippers** vs. Columba Comets, 5:15pm, Court 6B



**18 May - Hockey** – Hamuera Vahua, Year 3/4 Green Sticks

**18 May - Hockey** – Lena Walker, Year 5/6 Green Sticks

*Well done!*

**PLAY IS THE WAY** – What we achieve by working together is made more meaningful simply because we did not do it alone.

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**THANKS** – to all who coach and manage our various sports teams for our children. Without your dedicated support, we wouldn't be able to offer these wonderful opportunities for them. We also thank those who transport them to their events and those who are there on the side-line. This was particularly challenging last Saturday in the rather stormy conditions but I never heard a single player complain. Well done!

**HAIKU POEMS FROM ROOM 7** - The haiku is a Japanese poetic form that consists of three lines, with five syllables in the first line, seven in the second, and five in the third.

The sky is cloudy  
My wifi is really bad  
There is nothing to do

Smiling like the sun  
Eyes as bright as the light sky  
Having so much fun

I could smell fresh air  
The leaves fell onto the ground  
I heard echoing



### IMPORTANT DATES

- Mon 6 Jun – Queens Birthday, School Closed
- Fri 24 Jun – Matariki, School Closed
- Fri 8 Jul – Last Day of Term 2
- Mon 25 July – First Day of Term 3

### REMINDERS

- Free Rat Test Kits and Material Face Masks available from the school office.
- Check out the lost property bin in the Office Foyer - it is still over-flowing with polar fleeces.
- Please notify us, with date, of your child's Covid-19 Vaccination.
- Update Contact Details & Emergency details - especially addresses, phone numbers and email addresses.
- Bread Tags (Plastic only) and tear tabs of aluminium cans can be dropped off to the office for recycling.
- Empty toothpaste tubes/packaging to Room 5.

Nga mihi nui,  
**Steve Hayward**  
Principal

*P.S. The strawberry was very late for school because she was stuck in a jam.*

### A Winter Warmer – Bacon and Sweetcorn Chowder

Total Cook time – 20 Mins - Easy - Serves 2

This creamy, hearty soup is packed with sweetcorn, potato and crisp bacon. It's made with milk rather than cream so it's also surprisingly low-cal. A quick warming meal for two.

#### Ingredients

3 rashers streaky bacon, chopped  
oil  
1 small onion, finely chopped  
1 large potato, peeled and cut into small cubes  
350ml chicken or vegetable stock  
400ml milk  
frozen or tinned 200g sweetcorn, drained if tinned  
snipped to make 2 tbsp chives

#### Method

**STEP 1**  
Fry the bacon in a little oil in a pan – as soon as it starts to colour, add the onion and potato and cook until the onion starts to soften. Add the stock and milk and bring to a simmer.

**STEP 2**  
Cook for 5 minutes or until the potato is tender, then add the sweetcorn and heat through. Season and stir in the chives to serve.

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