

Green Island School



Respecting our Past | Building our Future

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Kia ora, Dear Parents and Caregivers

After 18 years of putting a Green Island School Newsletter together for publishing every Monday, it is now time for my last edition. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Green Island School. I have also enjoyed being involved in the wider Green Island Community. This really is a special part of New Zealand, where we do respect the past but also build the future. The school is now in its 170th year and is pretty well prepared for the future.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT/PRIZEGIVING - to mark the end of this school year, will be held in the Civic Hall tomorrow. You are most welcome to bring along a cushion to sit on, in front of the other seating, if you wish.

PRIZEGIVING / END OF YEAR ASSEMBLY

Tomorrow, Tuesday 13 December

Green Island Civic Hall

1:15pm



YEAR 8 – returned from their camp to Deep Cove, Doubtful Sound, last Friday. It sounds as though they have had an absolutely awesome week, in a magnificent part of the world.

Y8 GRADUATION - meal for the Y8 students and Senior Management, will be held in the Library at 6pm tonight. At 7:30pm we will move to the Hall where parents/caregivers/whānau are invited to join us. Supper and Photo Booth in the Library afterwards.

PUPIL REPORTS – come home tomorrow (Tuesday). It has been an absolute pleasure to read all of these and reflect on the progress that has been made by all.

CONGRATULATIONS – to the two Junior students and 6 Senior students who have earned the “Play Is the Way” *Ultimate Community Role Model* status. This is a major achievement by these students, in their time at Green Island School. Congratulations.

2023 STARTS – on Tuesday, 31st January 2023. The Office will be open on the Friday 27th January 2023, from 8:30am to 3:30pm for new enrolments etc. If you become aware of new families moving into our area who may want to come to our wonderful school, then please just leave a message on the school answerphone as we will check it regularly during the holiday break.

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STUDENT ACCOUNTS – with the end of the school year near we ask our families to please make sure your school account is paid, **especially if your child is not returning in 2023**. Payments can be made at the office with cash or Eftpos or by paying online using our school bank account number: 03-1727-0036674-00. Please use the students name as a reference. Thank you.



STATIONERY – lists for exercise books for 2023 will be given out on the first day back in the New Year. We have good supplies of excellent quality books; all packaged up for you on the first week of school. Top quality products at “warehouse” prices. No parking hassles, no queues, just excellent books.

Stationery prices are: - Room 1 = \$22, Room 2 = \$30, Room 3 = \$23, Room 5 = \$33, Room 6, 7, 8, 9 = \$37.00 (price update).

SUSHI LUNCH – has now finished. No orders will not be taken for Wednesday 14 December.

SPORTS UNIFORM – We still have a large number of sports uniforms that need to be returned before the end of term. Please have a good hunt around home and returned once cleaned. Thank you.

BUY A BRICK – As the end of the year draws near and our Year 8 children are preparing for high school, you may like to consider purchasing a brick/paver for our main school entrance. They are only \$25 and order forms are available from the Office.

UNDESIREABLES – especially at holiday time and in the weekend, may be on our school grounds. We are very proud of our buildings, playgrounds and facilities, so please don't hesitate to phone the **POLICE on 111** if you see any unwanted behaviour. Thank you.

TOTS TO TEENS - Summer's here, and the latest Tots to Teens digi-magazine, for your newsletter, website or Facebook page is live... <https://issue2212.totstoteens.co.nz/>

PLEASE – check out the Lost Property Bin as it is now over-flowing.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Mon 12 Dec – Year 8 Graduation Dinner. Year 8 parents to the Hall at 7:30pm
- Tue 13 Dec – Prizegiving in the Civic Hall at 1:15pm
- Wed 14 Dec – Clean-up day
- Tues 31 Jan – First Day of Term 1, 2023

Nga mihi nui,
Steve Hayward
Principal

P.S. What did Santa say to the smoker?
“Please don't smoke. It's bad for my elf”.

The good news though, is that Santa doesn't have to pay for parking – it's on the *house!*