

Newsletter - Thursday 29th July 2021

LAND BLESSING

On Tuesday, representatives of Papawai Marae, our staff, Pastor Harry Newton and our Board of Trustees came together to bless the land that our new buildings will stand on. The blessing is to ensure that the very foundations that these future buildings are built on and for the children, whānau, builders and staff that will work and learn in these classes both now and in the future, will have success.

Our building project will be a two year process and will be a significant time in our school's history as we build nine new classrooms and



begin an extensive programme of upgrading other classrooms (starting with Rooms 3 and 15 this term). If you have not seen our 3D fly through https://youtu.be/YOeiWj35264, please check it out as it will give you insight into how beautiful and state of the art our school will become for our children and community.

LEARNING CONFERENCES

A huge thank you to all the parents, whānau and friends that came to support our children and teachers at the learning conferences. We had a high percentage of people attending which was exciting to see. Tonight is the last night, and if you were unable to attend please feel free to contact your classroom teacher to make an alternative time to talk. These conferences are designed to not only celebrate and share what your child/ren are learning but also to ensure we are all working together to continue their success as a team. Thank you for your support!

TEACHER ONLY DAY

This term we will be having a Teacher Only Day so our staff can work with Liz Kane on Structured Literacy and The Code (two highly effective literacy programmes). This will be on the 2nd of September. School will be closed on this day so please start making other arrangements for child care if needed.

SMART WATCHES

At the end of last term we announced that we would be adding smart watches to our cell phone procedures. We had a small number of parents who were interested in this procedure and would like to give feedback in shaping how it is written. If you would like to review the proposed smart watch procedure and offer suggestions to be considered, please go to https://forms.gle/bxkkxjEi515TWnwP9

Feedback for this procedure will close next Friday 6th August at 3pm and the final procedure presented at the next BOT meeting on Monday 16th August for implementation.

NETSAFE PARENT/COMMUNITY EVENING - FREE COME ALONG!

Cyber safety and keeping our children safe online is an important issue. Our children (and ourselves!) are bombarded by information, hacking, scams etc or know about unsafe or bullying behaviour online. As a result we have contacted Netsafe New Zealand to book in a parent/community evening so we can learn more about this issue and practical ways we can upskill ourselves to avoid it occurring. It will be held on <u>Thursday 19th August</u> (time to be confirmed).

A Drive-In Movie night under the stars!

Date:

TOMORROW NIGHT! ... Friday 30th July

Venue:

The Kempton's paddock on Kempton's Line.

Tickets per session:

\$40 per car (max 50 cars per session so you all get a great view of the big screen!)

Fundraising for:

Upgrading our playgrounds.

Time:

4.30pm onwards - cars arrive

5pm - cars all parked & food selling (throughout)

5:25pm - Jumanji starts (2hrs 5mins)

7:30pm – Jumanji ends 7:30-7.45 – cars depart

7.45–8.15pm – new cars arrive & park

8:20pm - second movie "The Greatest Showman" starts

Yummy food will be on sale - baking, burgers, nachos, american hot dogs, lollies....and more

YOU CAN HELP US WITH THIS EVENT

There is still time to help. We need;

☐ Home baking for th	ne food stall (to be dropped off at school on the Friday)
Parking and traffic	assistants
☐ People who can he	lp serve food on the night

If you can do any of these jobs for even part of the evening... please ring or email Megan in the office tomorrow morning.

All assistance big and small is greatly appreciated!



YEAR 7 & 8 BASKETBALL

Greytown School had two teams in last term's Year 7 & 8 basketball competition held each Wednesday in the Kuranui gym. This term we will have teams from Years 5 & 6 participating in the miniball competition.



HELP US MAKE A DIFFERENCE

In 2015 the Greytown School Trips Trust was created to ensure all children at our school can afford to go to camp each year. To access funds parents or families can write a letter to the school principal with a short reason stating why they need assistance. This is anonymously presented to the other trustees for consideration for partial or up to 95% payment of costs. Since 2015 the trust has helped a large number of children to attend, which has enabled them to create lifetime memories.



To help this Trust continue, we need to continually top up the funds to ensure there is always enough money to help our current and future children. If you would like to make a donation, big or small, (it all makes a difference) you can donate online to Greytown Primary School Trips Trust 03-0687-0002888-00



Dates For Your Diary

30th July Drive-In Movie Night

3rd/4th AugSchool photos9thYear 7 EOTC10thYear 8 EOTC24th/25thYear 5 & 6 EOTC26thNetball Tournament2nd SeptTeacher only day

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Inspire Photography will be coming to photograph the children at Greytown School from 9am on:

Tuesday 3 August 2021 Wednesday 4 August 2021

As part of Greytown School's fundraising for the year Inspire Photography will donate 10% of all sales directly to Greytown School.

Inspire Photography is an award-winning, Wellington-based professional photography studio who specialise in School and ECE photography. We are popular throughout a number of Wellington Schools for the photographs we take, the manner in which we take them and our generous fundraising offers. We are unique in our style and approach.

What we offer on the day

- A totally relaxed and unique style of photography
- A friendly and easy-going photographer
 Fun, games and general silliness to get even the shyest children smiling
 - Group photos of each class
 Individual portraits, friend portraits and siblings photos.

To view the pictures, we offer an online ordering system. The School Office will be advised of the password for the online gallery when the proofs are ready. Proofs are available to view online approximately two weeks after the date of the photo shoot, you will then have two weeks to place an order and two weeks after orders will be delivered back to the School. If you would prefer not to order online, please contact us in the studio for assistance.

Basic Pricing

Size	Single print price	3 or more copies*
A. 10x15cm (4x6 inches)	\$16	\$12
B. 12.5x20cm (5x7.5 inches)	\$19	15
C. 20x30cm (8x12 inches)	\$29	\$21
D. 24.5x37cm (10x15 inches)	\$45	\$30
Individual Digital File	\$40 per file	\$10 - \$30 thereafter
Group Photo	\$18	N/A

Digital File, Sibling and Group packages are also available at the time of ordering. * A discount applies if you order 3 or more identical prints at the same size with the same specifications.







Creative Portraits for Modern Families Courtyard, Level 1, Studio 3, 177B Thorndon Quay, Pipitea, Wellington Phone 04 384 8009 Web www.inspirephotography.co.nz

Responding as a Community Community Emergency Hub Open Day

In a disaster, your neighbours are your first and best source of support

How prepared are we for a large emergency? Come along and learn about your Community Emergency Hub

FEATHERSTON, Sunday, 15 August, 11.30-1.30, ANZAC Hall GREYTOWN, Sunday, 15 August, 3pm-5pm, Town Hall CARTERTON, Friday, 20 August, 2pm-4pm, Events Centre Foyer MARTINBOROUGH, Sat, 21 August, 11am-1pm, Old Ambulance Rooms (next to Fire Station)

Using an earthquake scenario, this session will cover how to set up your local Community Emergency Hub

- Come along and meet the community and help with emergency planning
- Just drop in or join in.
- Games for children





