



NEWSLETTER

September
29th Last day of term – school finishes at 3pm

October
18th Sport/Team photos
23rd Labour Weekend
31st AJHS Testing

November
8th APPA Choir Performance
14th Yr 4-6 Athletics day @ Wainoni Park
16th Save Day Athletics
20th Year 2 Athletics
21st Year 1 Athletics
22nd Year 3 Athletics
23rd Golf Day

1st December - Christmas on the Green

Term Dates 2017

1st February – 13th April
1st May – 7th July
24th July – 29th September
16th October – 15th December (to be confirmed)

First Day of Term 2018 -
1st February

School Bank Account
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Quote of the Week: Formula for success: rise early, work hard, strike oil. In my case 2 out of 3 is OK.

Tomorrow school will finish at the normal time of 3pm and then it's two weeks holidays. Let us hope the weather is kind for our break and there is plenty of outdoor time for children. At least you won't have to put up with the traffic for two weeks. Fortunately, I do not have facebook but I did have someone fill me in on all the feedback about the traffic on Sunnyview Road at 3pm. I am not going to join the discussion but would just like to point out what has been done from the schools perspective.

We have monitored the situation over the last few years and consulted with parents, community and council. The council have sent engineers to observe and consult with the community. We were asking for yellow lines on one side of the road, which could have been activated just at school pick up time and helped prevented queuing on Sunnyview, unfortunately the council said no. We have put numerous signs up at our drop off zone to facilitate the flow. This includes a sign indicating no right turn out of the carpark. Most of our signs are ignored. We put parent wardens out to direct traffic but drivers were rude and confrontational with them. I will not put teachers out on road duty to be abused. We also have some wonderful parents who run walking buses and we are trying to get more.

The system works if everyone shows some consideration. Fortunately it really only blocks on wet days and we are approaching summer. Let us hope for less traffic worries next term.

Tomorrow is Loud Shirt (and pants or skirt) day and we will be using this occasion as a mufti day with a gold coin conation. There are also some donation boxes in the office if parents want to donate. Loud Shirt Day is the annual appeal of [The Hearing House](#) and the [Southern Cochlear Implant Paediatric Programme](#), two charities dedicated to enabling deaf children with cochlear implants or hearing aids to listen and speak like their hearing peers. Neither charity charges deaf children or their families for their services. Check out

the posters around school. You might recognize some of our children. Thanks in advance for your support.

Niggles Process. We are lucky we have very few but I thought I would share this advice from the Trustee association.

As parents we all have times when we need to share our niggles, and it is often best to do so before they escalate into something larger. It is important for the school to know parents' concerns as we value the partnership between home and school. To help parents know who to talk to about any issues the process is outlined below. There are a number of options available to you.

If it is in relation to something that is happening in the classroom, the first point of contact must be the classroom teacher.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome there you should talk to the relevant Syndicate Leader. They, along with the Principal, make up the management team of the school. If you are not satisfied with the outcome after talking to the Syndicate Leader or it is a more generic issue you should talk to the Deputy's and the Principal.

If it is a generic issue, or you are still not satisfied after talking to the Principal, you should contact the Board by sending a letter outlining your concerns for consideration and discussion. Your letter should be addressed to the Board of Trustees, c/o the Chairman, labelled 'In Confidence', and either posted or handed to office staff who will pass it on unopened.

Gosh it does sound if I am niggly, far from it. I have had a great term. The new building is working well. The children are switched on learners. I am away next week from the office so won't be responding to emails until the second week. Have a great fortnight with your children.

Regards
Peter Marshall

Greenhithe has been selected to take part in a pilot programme for Te Reo. We are very lucky to have been selected and we sincerely hope that you are able to make the most of this fabulous opportunity.

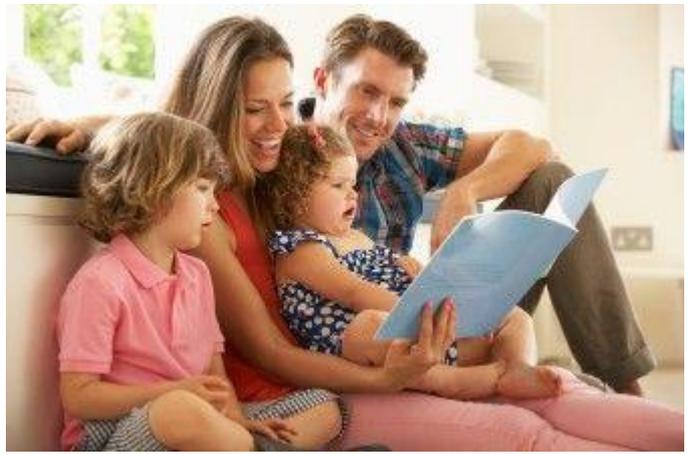
Our awesome Te Reo Māori tutor Whaea Lani will be running after school half hour Te Reo Maori lessons for parents and adult whanau for 6 weeks next term. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn and show our Tamariki (children) that we all value Te Reo Maori, support their in class learning and to develop you own knowledge of this valuable language. The day of the week will be confirmed next term.

Please complete the Survey Monkey attached to register interest <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/2H2G3FN> - completing this survey does not commit you to the lessons as we just need to gather interest and information to schedule the lessons.

We only have 25 spaces so the sooner you can confirm your place the better. Please note that it is important that you attend as many as the 6 weekly sessions as possible as we will be evaluating how successful this programme is and how well it has been received by our school whānau. It is hoped that we will be able to offer the programme for the school year in 2018 if this way of delivery ticks all the right boxes. The lessons are open to all – we ask only a gold coin koha (donation) to attend (to pay for some biscuits!)

Thanks
Stephen Grady

READING ALOUD TO YOUR CHILDREN IS IMPORTANT



One of the most important things parents can do is to read with them. That means starting when they are newborns and continuing well beyond the years that they can read by themselves.

Study after study shows that early reading with children helps them learn to speak, interact, bond with parents and read early themselves, and reading with kids who already know how to read helps them feel close to caretakers, understand the world around them and be empathetic citizens of the world.

It's so important to start reading from Day One. The sound of your voice, the lyrical quality of younger books, the poetry of language, are magical and even at 8 weeks old they can focus. As children begin to grow, make sure books are available everywhere in the home and keep reading to them even when they begin to read on their own. As they become independent readers, even kids in older age groups love nothing more than that time with their parents. Many children say the most special time they recall spending with a parent is reading together.

Make reading fun and be playful. Use the opportunity to ham it up and perhaps create different character voices to really engage the child. Don't be shy about not perfecting the read aloud — especially with little ones. Don't feel discouraged if a younger child gets distracted or interrupts story time with questions.

That's all part of the learning journey and reading process.

Be a resource to your kids for book ideas — even if they don't ask — especially for infrequent readers. Scholastic's research shows that parents underestimate that kids need help finding books. Research shows kids of all ages want books that "make me laugh." Parents can also get in on the fun with silly books.

Add books to your home library that showcase diverse story lines and characters. Look for stories that showcase different experiences, backgrounds, religions, identities and more to help your children find themselves in books — as well as learn about other people's lives. This will teach children the importance of empathy and kindness.



Teachers, school librarians and friends and family will all be able to give you book suggestions. Ask your teacher what books help even the most reluctant reader stay engaged. Librarians always have their finger on what is the most popular with every age group and visits to the library are a special part of family life.

Choice rules when kids read for fun. Most children say their favourite books are the ones that they have picked out themselves. Even from an early age, children will have their favourites and want the same books read over and over again. Remember that book series are a great way to get kids hooked on story lines and characters.

Make books accessible. Make your bookshelves are low enough for kids to reach the book that they want to read. Keep books by your children's bedside and all over the house. Bring books with you on car trips and to wherever there is likely to be some waiting time. Rather than handing them a device, hand them a book they love. The more accessible you make books, the more you'll see their reading frequency grow. Always give a book or book token for birthdays and Christmas so books become part of the fun and pleasure of opening a parcel.

Children's choices will change day to day and month to month, so be open and ready to grow and change along with your budding lifelong reader.

SPORTS CORNER

CONGRATULATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2017 HOCKEY PLAYERS OF THE YEAR



Jack Roberts and Matthew Stewart



Zara Preece-Twose

AND



OUR 2017 NETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

ZARA PREECE-TWOSE

TOUCH

Registrations are still open until Friday September 29th. Please click on this link below to register. Remember Touch is for all ages.

<https://enrolmy.com/greenhithe-school>

FLIPPA BALL

Flippa Ball registrations are open and will close on October 15th. All of the information that you need is on the link below.

<https://enrolmy.com/greenhithe-school>

Ella Paku of Room 24 recently competed in the inter school rock climbing competition. Ella placed 1st in the Junior girls! Way to go Ella!



It is always great to see our past pupils do well with their chosen sports once they leave Greenhithe School. Recently at the AIMS competition in Tauranga representing Albany Junior High School, our swimming champions of the past had some wonderful results. Well done to Lena Hamblyn-Ough, Oscar Greenwood and Jimin Lee who all made finals. Special mention to Harrison Cooke, who got silver in the 100m breaststroke and Larn Hamblyn-Ough, who won the 200m backstroke and broke the record in doing so.



PHOTOS

If you have any photos that you would like to be included into the school magazine sports pages, can you please have them to me at the very latest by next Monday 2nd October.

REMINDER

The first Wednesday back in Term Four we are having sport photos in the hall. Your child will need to come in their sports uniform and arrive ten minutes before their allocated time. Here is the copy of the schedule.

SPORT PHOTO TIMETABLE WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2017

Board of Trustees	7.30
Hockey Year 6 Boys Stacey Griffiths/John Roberts	7.35
Hockey Year 5 Mixed Sarah Levien	7.40
Hockey Year 5 Girls Rachael Saint /Luke Buxton	7.45
Hockey Year Mixed Year 3 Kaye Penney/Luke Buxton	7.50
Hockey Year 6 Girls Melissa Phillips/Brian Phillips	7.55
Hockey Year 4 Boys Wendy Thorburn	8.00
Hockey Year 3/4 Girls Paula Turner/Nicky Wallace	8.05
Netball Year 5 Team 3 Kristie Jacobs	8.10
Netball Year 6 Team 2 Milly Farrand	8.15
Netball Year 6 Team 3 Julian Paki	8.20
Netball Year 4 Magic Charlene Boyd	8.25
Netball Year 2 Sapphires Adele Lusher	8.30
Netball Year 2 Diamonds Lisa Williams	8.35
Netball Year 3 Shooting Stars Natasha Jones	8.40
Netball Year 3 Emeralds Faith Laursen	8.45
Netball Year 1 Fire Flys Emma Simpson	8.50
Netball Year 4 Angels Greer Tulp	8.55
Netball Year 4 Mystics Emily Willis	9.00
Netball Year 5 Team 2 Heidi Bell/Janine Aldous	9.05
Netball Year 6 Team 1 Kathie Fruish/Sharon Hilton-Jones	9.10
Miniball Year 3/4 Giants Haley Wells	9.15
Miniball Year 4 Wildcats Ephraim Smith/Adele Piper	9.20
Miniball Year 6 Magic Tracy Bengé	9.25
Netball Year 5 Team 1 Sharon Hilton-Jones	9.30
Netball Year 6 Team 1 Sharon Hilton-Jones/Kath Fruish	9.35

KEEPING IN TOUCH

If there is anything that you would like included in the school newsletter, an achievement that you think is worth sharing, please email me at sharonh@greenhithe.school.nz

Sharon Hilton-Jones
Sports Co-ordinator

GREENHITHE SCHOOL LIBRARY

Scholastic Book Fair 2017

The Book Fair this year will be running from Friday 20th October until Friday 27th October, in the mornings before school, and the afternoons after school, and it will be in Room 9. We will also be open straight after the Parade finishes on Friday 20th at around 2 pm. This is a great opportunity to stock up on books and to support the school at the same time! EFTPOS and Visa facilities will be available.

Costumes for Jubilee Parade Friday 20th October

2017 is a special year for Greenhithe School - we have been around for 125 years! As part of the celebrations on Friday 20 October at 1.40pm we are having a Character Parade rather than a Book Parade, just for this year. Everyone at school is dressing up as a person from a different decade from when the school opened in the 1890s.

Interesting links to articles about reading and talking with your children

These articles are written by a Greenhithe parent, Keryn O'Neill, who is Senior Researcher for the Brainwave Trust. Well worth a look!

<http://www.brainwave.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/WHY-READING-MATTERS.pdf>
<http://www.brainwave.org.nz/nourishing-our-babies-why-listening-and-talking-matter/>
http://www.brainwave.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/baby-brains_email.pdf

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I welcome any queries, suggestions and ideas from children and parents about our library service - my email is krisp@greenhithe.school.nz.

The Greenhithe Library blog is at <http://gh-c-library.blogspot.co.nz/>

Happy reading!

Mrs Parlane

<p style="text-align: center;">PRICE LIST GREENHITHE SCHOOL UNIFORMS Effective 16th October 2017</p>

Payable by either Cheque, Eftpos, Credit Card or Cash

Polar Fleece Jacket (Full zip) \$55.00

Polar Fleece Sweatshirt (¼ zip) \$25.00
(limited sizes available)

Polo - Short Sleeved \$35.00

Sports Top \$30.00

Thermal Top \$20.00

Skort \$32.00

Shorts – Ripstop/Nylon \$30.00

Shorts – Cotton/Drill \$30.00

Track Pants \$35.00

Sun Hats \$ 12.00

Greenhithe School Rain Jacket \$ 40.00

Uniforms can be purchased from the school office.

Salvation Army Christmas Appeal

Next term Greenhithe School is going to help out the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal.

Christmas is a very expensive time of year for a lot of families. We will be collecting food/goods items next term.

All items are to be placed under the Christmas tree in the office foyer. Once a week we will box up the items and put in a safe place ready for collection closer to Christmas.

Items needed:

Non perishable cans – fruit or vegetables

Christmas items – mince pies, puddings

Non perishable foods – cereals, biscuits, muesli bats etc

Toiletries – deodorants, hairbrushes, toothbrushes etc
Small gifts – crayons, books, socks, nail polish etc

Please make sure all the items are unused and food has not expired. No donation is too small and whatever you can donate will be greatly appreciated.

We will continue the collection until Friday December 8th.

Thank you for your support.

Calendars

The first lot of calendar orders have come back. If you still wish to order calendars or diaries the last day for orders will be Friday 27th October. Order forms can be picked up at the office.

Forrest Hill Milford United Football Club

Forrest Hill Milford United Football Club is now taking registrations for its Skill Centre summer programme.

Skill Centre Open is our core community programme offering a tightly scripted, all abilities programme for players aged 9-12 including players who played in Grade 8 in 2017.

This is a skills based programme, catering for both boys and girls, that has an emphasis on fun.

Girls and boys are grouped together at ages 9 and 10. At ages 11 and 12 there are specific gender based groups for boys and girls.

We offer 2 session options per week either on a Monday or a Wednesday starting at 4pm for 9-10s and 5.15pm for 11-12s.

The 9 and 10 year olds are in groups of 10 players per session and the 11 and 12 year olds are in groups of 12 players for their sessions.

A coach is allocated to each Group and the sessions will be delivered at Becroft Park.

The cost for the programme is \$160 per player for both Mondays and Wednesdays or \$100 for a Monday only or a Wednesday only.

The programme commences Wednesday 25th October 2017 and runs through to Monday 11th December 2017. There will also be 2 sessions held in February to assist players to prepare for winter trials.

REGISTER NOW AT www.forrethillafc.co.nz

Tuition

Is your child struggling in Maths, Reading, Writing or Spelling? Experienced, Professional and Friendly NZ registered teacher. Some places available in Term 4 - ExtraordinaryKids.co.nz

"Kumeu Cricket Club Junior registration day 30th September"

Play cricket this summer at Kumeu Cricket Club. Qualified coaches and great atmosphere to have fun. Children from 4 year olds up can join. Junior registration day 30th September , 12pm - 3pm at Huapai Domain (Clubrooms). Or register online www.kumeucricket.com , for more information please contact Kumeu Director of cricket at 0211412254 ".



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- ✓ 5 year olds to veterans
- ✓ The competitive athlete
- ✓ The fun athlete, health & fitness achiever
- ✓ The winter sportsperson seeking to keep fit
- ✓ People wanting to coach or help athletics

ENROLMENTS

At the Clubrooms (Opp YMCA, Akoranga Drive)

SUNDAY	1st October	2pm to 4pm
WEDNESDAY	11th October	5pm to 6.30pm
SUNDAY	15th October	2pm to 4pm
MONDAY	16th October	5pm to 6.30pm

Please bring Birth Certificate etc. to verify age

FEES

Club & ANZ Registration (Inc. GST) Ages as at 31st December 2017

Children 5 & 6 Years	\$50
Children 7-14 years	\$90
Under 20	\$100
Seniors & Veterans.....	\$120

(Cash, cheque or eftpos)

Club Uniforms on sale at Clubrooms

For further information contact **TAKAPUNA ATHLETIC CLUB**
Mike Hartshorne 418 3031 email: takapunaathleticsclub@gmail.com
www.sporty.co.nz/taahc

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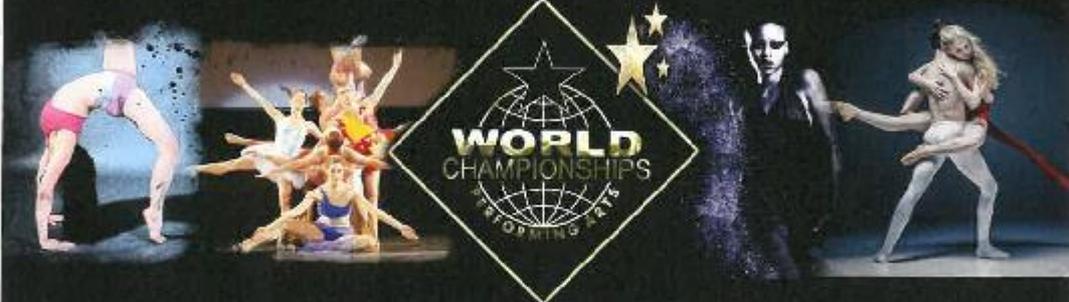
Performing Arts Centre
Albany Junior High School
Appleby Road; Albany

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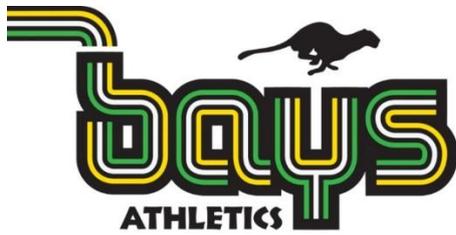
Any time between
11:00 - 14:00



PRE REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED

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