

## NEWSLETTER 12 MARCH 2019



Greetings, Kia Ora, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Taloha ni, Ni sa bula, Kamonasō, Kia Orana, Ni Hao, Namestay, Ram-Ram, Salām, Sanibona, Olla. Nau Mai Haere Mai Ki Te Kura O Marawaewae. Ngā Mihi O Te Tau Hou Ki A Koutou

### IMPORTANT REMINDER NOTICE

**Kia ora Whanau; Parents and Caregivers**

**There will be a legal NZEI (New Zealand Education Institute) meeting for all teachers at 2.00 p.m. on Wednesday afternoon 20 March 2019 at Mount Maunganui Intermediate**

**We respectfully request that parents pick up their children at 12.30 p.m. for the afternoon. If this is impossible, we have some Teacher Assistants who will be able to supervise students until 2.45 p.m.**

**Nga Mihi Whaea Anne**



## A Note from Anne

Thanks to the lovely Mother who supplied chocolates for the staff after swimming sports on Friday. Also a special thanks to Page Earthworks for sponsoring our Swimming Sports Day, without their generosity we could not have them.

Last week there was a lockdown of two schools in Tauranga due to gunshots in the vicinity. This is of HUGE concern as we take our duty of parenting responsibility very seriously and do all we can to protect our tamariki. We have substantial health, safety and security procedures in our school and everyone who comes on site MUST fulfil and obey them to the letter.

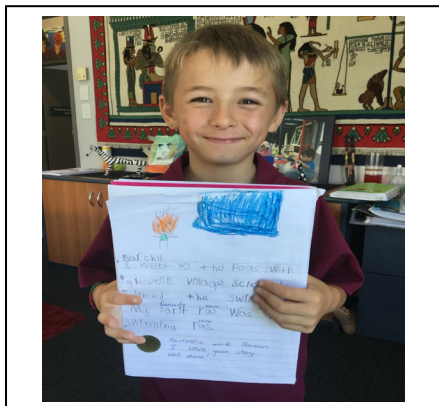
PLEASE follow this new guideline – we now have a check out system if you need to collect your children before school finishes in the afternoon, just as we have a check-in system in the morning for students who are late. All parents must come to the office, sign out their child/ren and take little slips to the classroom to give to the teacher so your children will be released. PLEASE knock on the door and wait. The teacher will answer the door. PLEASE do not barge in, disturb the teaching and learning or yell out. PLEASE do not enter classrooms before school has finished and sit down, nor monopolise teachers over five minutes either before or after school.

A further request –

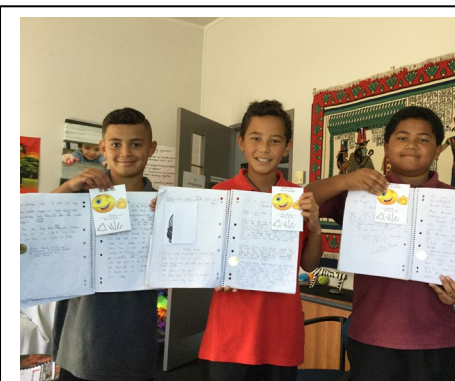
I am very sad to say that there is a disturbing trend of the incidence of parental/caregivers' rudeness, abuse and lack of respect towards staff which has recently increased markedly. From time to time, we have to remind parents that if staff are abused, there will be an instant complaint laid with police. In this we are also protected by the Education Act. We are very happy to meet with parents to discuss matters in a calm manner and respectfully ask that you take time to calm down before either ringing or confronting us while angry. Please also be aware that there are two sides to every story. In addition, speaking negatively about your children in front of them to staff is also out of order. We promote positive parenting as we do positive teaching and while on school property we will not accept any negative or unacceptable behaviour. Adults are to be good role models for children to follow.

Once again we request, please do not walk through the administration area to drop off or pick up children. The office area is always very busy and this increases congestion. Please walk with them around to their classrooms.

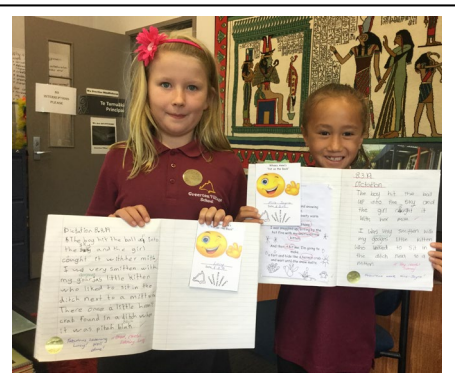
## WHAEA ANNE'S PATS ON THE BACK



Jaxson is an author!



Wonderful writers R15



Mila-Jayne and Lucy excellent listening

Don't become preoccupied with your child's academic ability, but instead teach them to sit with those sitting alone. Teach them to be kind. Teach them to offer help. Teach them to be a friend to the lonely. Teach them to encourage others. Teach them to think about other people. Teach them to share. Teach them to look for the good.

This is how they will change the world.

**GVS BOT WHANAU HUI**  
**WHEN: Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March**  
**5.00pm-6.30pm**

**WHERE: Yatton Park Greerton**  
**As it is coming up to Board Elections in June this evening (organized by the BOT members) will be great if you are wanting to know more about becoming a Board member.**

**There will be a free sausage sizzle, so bring along your drinks and a picnic also if you want. Teachers will all be there to mingle and information will be available for the up and coming elections. We look forward to seeing you there.**

### Reminder to parents

Please do not contact staff between the hours of 6.00 p.m. - 8.00 a.m. at all and this includes from 6.00 p.m. Friday to 8.00 a.m. on Monday. Our staff must have some family and down time. I can be contacted at [principal@greerton.school.nz](mailto:principal@greerton.school.nz) at any time in the event of an emergency only.

### LOST PROPERTY

The lost property will be out every Friday afternoon weather permitting. After this the unclaimed clothing will be given to an op shop, thrown away or used as spare clothing. We will do our best to get it out every Friday (weather permitting) in the afternoon.

## What's happening? Important Dates:

- **Wednesday 20 March**  
NZEI Paid Union Meeting  
(Children to be collected at 12.30pm)
- **Tuesday 26 March**  
GVS BOT Whanau Hui at Yatton Park. 5.00pm
- **Wednesday 27 March**  
RANGINUI DISCO
- **Monday 25 March**  
Kids can Ride (Ranginui)
- **Monday 1 April**  
BOT Meeting
- **Friday 5 April**  
Gumboot day-Raise money for children's counselling
- **Friday 12 April**  
LAST DAY OF TERM 1
- **TERM 2 STARTS MONDAY 29<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

### 2019 SCHOOL DATES

TERM 1  
04/02/2019-12/04/2019  
TERM 2  
29/04/2019-05/07/2019  
TERM 3  
22/07/2019-27/09/2019  
TERM 4  
14/10/2019-18/12/2019

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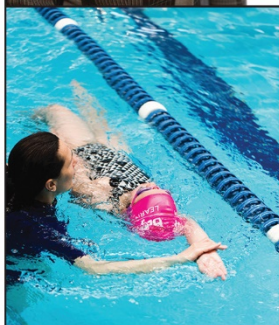
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