



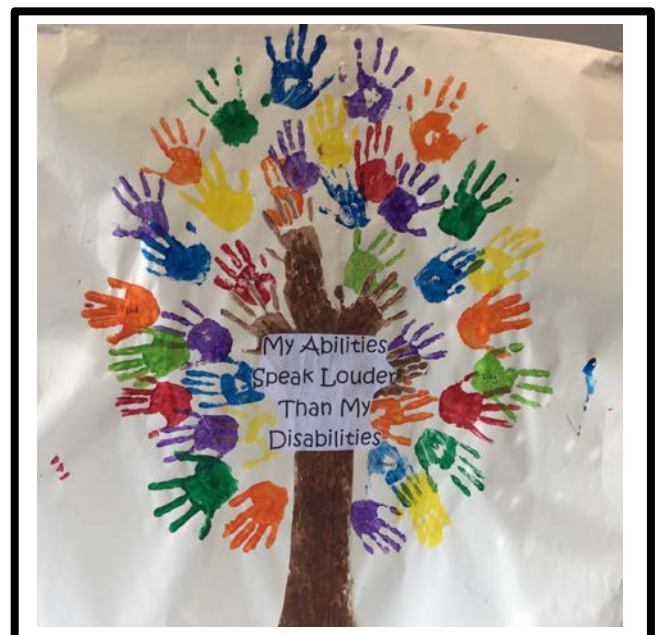
Greetings, Kia Ora, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Taloha ni, Ni sa bula, Kamonaso, Kia Orana, Ni Hao, Namestay, Ram-Ram, Salām, Sanibona, Olla. Nau Mai Haere Mai Ki Te Kura O Marawaewae. Ngā Mihi O Te Tau Hou Ki A Koutou



To give all of our families plenty of notice the NZEI Union are having another Paid Teacher Union on Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> June. This will mean your child needs to be picked up from school at 12.30pm.

This is the second and final meeting this year  
We deeply appreciate your support.

We celebrated a special Birthday last week. Aunty Barr's 60<sup>th</sup>. We are so lucky to have her here with us XO



You may be aware from publicity that we are fighting for all students and for additional funding to meet students' needs. For so long schools have been really stretched yet, under the Education Act, we must give all children equitable access to well designed and implemented learning activities. It is becoming more and more difficult as our school dollars are stretched so thinly. PLEASE support parent Erika Harvey and her stand along with us.

[https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/petitions/document/PET\\_78025/petition-of-erika-harvey-government-policy-of-inclusive](https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/petitions/document/PET_78025/petition-of-erika-harvey-government-policy-of-inclusive)

Also here is the link to Erika's Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/ErikaHarveyNZ/posts/284070915465761>

After writing many letters etc, we are at last having a meeting this Friday with Ministry Education Officials from Wellington to address our funding issues. Please send positive vibes so we can continue the great work we do for all students.

# CELEBRATING CHILDREN'S LEARNING

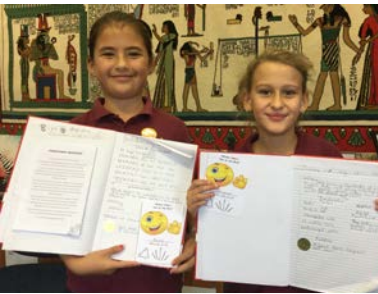
Mila-Jayne is an author



Room 12 writers  
Jasmine & Chloe



Room 12 writers  
Nevaeh & Sangreal



## CELEBRATION OF LEARNING DAY

We have decided to change the way we are Reporting to Parents including having more inclusive celebrations of learning with our tamariki and Whanau.

We have changed the report format to make it more user friendly with increased student voice. Our GVS Expectations are on the back and your child's levels will be highlighted during the 15 minute celebrations.

These 'reports' will be given out at the celebrations which are planned for the day on Wednesday 27 June in week 9.  
**PLEASE KEEP THIS DATE FREE**

## A FEW REMINDERS!!

BOT Meeting is being held next Monday night at 6.00 p.m. All welcome.

Thanks to the generosity of many after our break in we now have more iPads than we did. This has increased the number of our Tamariki who can access this technology.

**PLEASE** be aware of your children's whereabouts every minute of the day. Also stress with them that they either stay at school and wait for you to collect them or they join the walking school bus group. They **DO NOT** go off with other children, nor do they roam the streets getting into trouble. They also **MUST** be home before dark. It gets very worrying when parents contact us after dark asking if their child has been at school during the day and would we know where they would be?

**IF YOUR CHILD IS SICK PLEASE KEEP THEM AT HOME. IF THEY HAVE VOMMITING OR DIARROHEA THEY NEED TO STAY AT HOME FOR AT LEAST 24 HOURS AFTER THE LAST SYMPTOM!!!!**

### Sad news

We have lost two people who were associated with our school. The first last week was Sandy Trass who passed away at the age of 51 following a long illness and now Koro, as we call him, Maurice Skinner, has passed away at the age of 87. His funeral is tomorrow.

Sandy was a Teacher Aide who was with us for two years and tenderly cared for one of our most vulnerable Treasures. Her funeral was beautiful as we remembered the vibrant person she was.

Koro and Nan (Lydia) have been staunch supporters of GVS for many years. Their grand daughter (Teagan) was a leader and their daughter (Lydia Skinner) was on our Board of Trustees. Koro used to be our fruit King and would chop and prepare fruit every morning in our staffroom for our students. He had a wicked sense of humour and used to ask me if he could sit in my office chair and run the school. Nan was our cleaner and now stands in if any of our cleaners is away. She is one of our three wonderful Nans in our Nan's club who run our breakfast club and do the fruit every morning for our Tamariki.

We have been privileged to have their contributions and both will be missed.

## What's happening? Important Dates:

### FRIDAY 25 MAY

Ministry of Education visiting  
GVS

### MONDAY 28 MAY

BOT Meeting 6.00pm

### THURSDAY 31 MAY

Enrolment Zone Ballot closes

### FRIDAY 1 JUNE

Ballot if required

### FRIDAY 1 JUNE

School Cross Country

### MONDAY 4 JUNE

Queen's Birthday NO SCHOOL

### WEDNESDAY 20 JUNE

PAID TEACHERS UNION Meeting  
(No school in the afternoon)

### WEDNESDAY 27 JUNE

Celebration of learning day  
(No lessons that day)

### **School Dates:**

Term 2

-06/07/2018

Term 3

23/07/2018-28/09/2018

Term 4

15/10/2018-13/12/2018

### **CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE...**

[www.greerton.school.nz](http://www.greerton.school.nz)  
**and our FACEBOOK PAGE**  
**for up to date news!!**

**"We have to acknowledge that kids are going to challenge authority; that's sort of their job. We have to respond with developmentally appropriate, purposeful actions – so kids are held accountable in a way that helps them learn and grow, as opposed to just learning that they should continually buck authority, or that compliance is the only way to be in good graces with adults."**

Cami Anderson in "Sparking a School Discipline Revolution" by Amanda Kocon, excerpted in *Education Digest*, March 2018