



School Newsletter

Term 2, Week 8, 11th June 2026



Important Dates

Friday 12th June

Non-uniform day - gold coin donation

Tuesday 23rd & Thursday 25th June

Parent Teacher Hui

School finishes 2pm both days

Saturday 27th June

Greytown School Country Food Fair

Tuesday 2nd July

Matariki Celebration 5pm - 7pm

Friday 3rd July

Last day of Term 2

Monday 20th July

First day of Term 3

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Term Dates for 2026

Term 1: Tues 3rd Feb - Thurs 2nd Apr

Term 2: Mon 20th Apr - Fri 3rd July

Term 3: Mon 20th July - Fri 25th Sept

Term 4: Mon 12th Oct - Wed 16th Dec

Bell Times

8:30am - Classrooms open

8:50am - School Starts

9:00am - 11:00am - Block 1

11:00am - 11:20am - Morning Tea

11:20am - 12:40pm - Block 2

12:40pm - 12:50pm - Eating

12:50pm - 1:30pm - Lunch

1:30pm - 3:00pm Block 3

School Ends

Greytown School Details

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Absences: Through HERO or phone office

Paula's Panui



It has been a very busy week at Greytown School. On Monday we had two of our senior students Greta Bunting and Lucy Mackie competing in the Sth Wairarapa Speech competition, which was hosted here at GTS. Both students worked incredibly hard preparing their speeches and did a fantastic job. Congratulations to Greta who got through to the Wairarapa finals next week.

We also sent a massive team of students off to the inter-school cross country on what felt like the coldest day of the year so far! Our students have been practicing hard over the last 3-4 weeks to get ready and they should feel proud of their efforts.

Hopefully you have seen the Learning Conferences pop up on your HERO - we already have over half of the students booked in - well done - keep them coming! If you have any trouble with your bookings, please contact the office and we can help you.

Don't forget we have a non-uniform day this Friday to raise funds to help to pay for the ingredients for our Food Fair!

Ngā mihi nui
Paula Weston
Tumuaki/Principal

School Notices



Just over two weeks until the Greytown School Country Food Fair 🌟

The PTA has been working hard in the lead up to the Greytown School Country Food Fair on Saturday 27 June, the opening night of the Greytown Festival of Christmas.

We have been overwhelmed by the support of an incredible team of parents, volunteers, and local businesses who have generously jumped on board to help make the event happen.

The friendly rivalry between our food stalls is already in full swing, with teams competing for the Best Dressed Stall title....Expect an oversized illuminated cupcake, some eye-catching sausage headwear, and a particularly stylish crew of gingham-clad soup makers!

And of course, the secret is now out about Mootilda, our school fundraiser hype cow. She'll be roaming the streets helping visitors find their way to our Food Fair.

Join us from 3pm-7pm for affordable, family-friendly food, games on the school turf, and rides on the north field. Arrive early and enter our raffle and win a chance to ride in Sid Kempton's tractor in the Light Up Tractor Parade at 6pm - more details to come on that!

Spread the word that Greytown School is the place to be for dinner on the 27th. Enjoy gourmet and kid-friendly sausage sizzles, hot ham rolls, pumpkin soup, American hot dogs, ice cream sundaes, cupcakes and sweet treats, and plenty of delicious hot chocolate.

Come hungry, bring your friends and whānau, and help us make this year's Food Fair awesome!



KEEP YOUR EYES OUT FOR
MOOTILDA!



School Notices



Lucky Dip:

Small toys, fidgets, knick-knacks, tiny soft toys, random accessories, party bag leftovers, and any other little things to use as lucky dip prizes. If you have any there is a container in the foffice where you can drop them off too. Please have a think... if your child would be dissappointed to pull it out maybe bin it instead 😊



Woohoo! A huge shoutout to 100% Newbolds in Masterton for their generous donation of a brand-new chest freezer. This fantastic addition will be put to great use, especially with our upcoming Food Fair just around the corner. Thank you for your support!



THANK YOU!

100% HOME

School Notices



KIA HAKINAKINA

At Greytown School

We have been extremely lucky over the past two terms to have the team from Kiahakinakina at Greytown School working with our students and teachers. Regan, Patrick and Tom have been coming in weekly to teach our juniors new skills to develop their balance, coordination and teamwork, while also upskilling our teachers with new ideas.

Alongside this, they have trained some senior students to run our PALS programme at lunchtimes. This creates another activity and opportunity for our juniors and middle students to enjoy during break times.

Thanks for all your hard work,
Kiahakinakina team!



School Notices



Healthy Cookies

5 groups = 5 batches of cookies!

All made with ingredients that will make us feel more full and have healthier effects on our bodies.

Think bananas, oats, coconut oil and honey.
Each team worked so well together and produced some super yummy biscuits.



Ingredients -

- 1 cup of Edmonds flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp ground cinnamon
- 1 cup of rolled oats $\frac{3}{4}$
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of brown sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$ butter
- $\frac{1}{4}$ golden syrup
- 2 tbsp of water
- 1 tsp of baking soda

ANZAC COOKIES

Method

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C. Line a baking tray with baking paper.
2. Mix together flour, sugar, coconut and rolled oats.
3. Melt butter and golden syrup. Dissolve baking soda in the boiling water and add to butter and golden syrup. Stir butter mixture into the dry ingredients.
4. Place level tablespoonfuls of mixture onto cold greased trays and flatten with a fork. These don't spread as they bake so you can place them close together.
5. Bake for about 15 minutes or until golden. Leave on the tray for 5 minutes then place on a wire rack to cool.

School Notices

NYLD



On Thursday, the fourth of June, our black hats travelled to Wellington for National Young Leaders Day. During the event, we watched various speeches based around “leaning into fear”. The aim of the speakers was to help us empower ourselves and learn to be independent and face fear and failure. This was relayed through entertaining and adventurous stories spoken by NZ pupils like Graci Kim, Riley Elliot, William Pike, Lola Fisher and Stephen Gallagher. To this day 135,000 students from New Zealand have followed this same guide of motivation, connection, and inspiration.

Throughout the day we enjoyed listening to different speakers intertwined with short lunch breaks to keep us active. There were many fun activities to take part in, including our fan favorite “pump it”, a dance routine taught to us by a Wellington Dance Company. After an uplifting five hours we wended down by browsing the streets of Wellington. Finally, we hopped onto the train, annoying Matua as he tried to sleep.

*Written by Harper and Helene (Room Phillips)



School Notices



Hell Pizza Reading Challenge

In the next few weeks we will be receiving reading wheels from Hell Pizza for the reading challenge. Nic will have the wheels in the office and library along with a few in each class.

7 books must be read to be eligible for a free kids pizza and each book needs to be marked off once read.

There is no limit on the wheels but the Pizza's do need to be redeemed by the 31/01/2027.

So if you enjoy reading and PIZZA, then get amongst this awesome challenge!





School Notices

Before School Care (Term Time)

Monday - Friday
7:30am - 8:30am
On school grounds
\$10 a day per student
Includes: Toast and Spreads

To book in your child/children
please contact:

Kath McShane
kmcshane@greytown.school.nz

Margo Morgan
mmorgan@greytown.school.nz

Reminders

Absentees

Please let the office staff know of any absentees even if you have mentioned it to the teacher

Contact Details

Please inform the office if your contact details need to be updated

HERO - Financial Access

By pressing the Finance button in Hero, parents are now able to view family Statements of Accounts.

If you have any questions or concerns around this please either email
office@greytown.school.nz

2nd Hand Uniform

If you have any uniform at home that your child no longer wears, we are happy to take it and sell it on for \$5 each. All proceeds goes to the trips trust

Greytown School Lunch Options



TUESDAYS

Sushi
Order online before Tue 8:30am
www.lunchonline.co.nz



WEDNESDAY & FRIDAYS

Combination Fried Rice / Chow Mein
\$5.00 cash - Small
\$6.00 cash - Large
Order from the office in the morning



THURSDAYS

Pita Pit
Order online before Thur 8:30am
www.lunchonline.co.nz

After School Care Programme

There are spaces available!!

Hours of Operation
3:00pm - 5:30pm
visit the GASC website:
www.greytownasc.co.nz

Please contact Kylee Robinson
027 878 2611
gtafterschoolcare@gmail.com

Egg Cartons Needed

The FoodBank is in need of some Egg Cartons.
If you have any, please drop them into the office.

Thank you



DOWNLOAD THE HERO APP

Once downloaded, click 'Sign In'

ADD YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

Select 'Next'

SELECT "NEW USER"

Your account will be set up by your school using the email address that you provided when you enrolled your children, use this address to request a password.

SELECT "SUBMIT"

Hero will send you an email with a link to follow.

CHECK YOUR EMAIL

You should receive an email within five minutes.

FOLLOW THE LINK

This will take you to a secure page to enter your chosen password.

If you encounter problems logging in, please check with your school to make sure they have the correct details for you.



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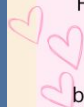
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Community Notices



Needing a Babysitter?



Hi I'm Felicity Bell, a Year 13 student at St Matthews Collegiate.

I love kids and am looking for any babysitting work in the Greytown area.

My mum works as a Teacher Aide at Greytown Primary, so if you have any questions you can speak to her or contact me on 021 074 0938.

My hourly rate is \$18 an hour.

PEACE AND SUSTAINABILITY

RANGIMĀRIE ME TE TOITŪTANGA

YOUTH PEACE WEEK
AUGUST 3-9 2026



REGISTER HERE



Tihei Hauora, Tihei Mauri Ora

Manaora Rangatahi Guidelines for Eating and Wellbeing



1. VARIETY AND NATURAL KAI
Let's build our mauri by enjoying a wide variety of natural kai for our physical health and mental wellbeing.



2. MEALS TOGETHER
Let's build the mauri of our whānau by helping with meals, eating together, and supporting each other's health.



3. SUSTAINABLE EATING
Let's build the mauri of the environment and protect this planet by trying to eat more plant-based foods and by reducing food waste and packaging waste.



4. VEGETABLES AND FRUIT
Let's try to eat lots of vegetables and fruit, choosing those in season which are cheaper, and locally produced where possible.



5. FIBRE
Let's try to go for whole grains like wholemeal or whole grain bread and high fibre breakfast cereals.



6. PROTEIN FOODS
Let's try to eat healthy and sustainable protein foods like chickens, soyafood, baked beans and nuts instead of beef and processed meats.



7. ULTRAPROCESSED FOODS
Let's try to eat less ultraprocessed foods, which are high in fat, sugar and salt, like chips, sweets, and instant noodles.



8. WATER
Let's try to drink lots of water throughout the day instead of fizzy drinks.



9. TAKEAWAYS
Let's try to limit takeaways by eating them less frequently.



10. SNACKS
Let's try to choose healthy snacks like sandwiches, fruit, yoghurt, or healthy leftovers.



11. PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
Let's enjoy being physically active to build our mauri with fitness, strength and mental health.



12. ACTIVE TOGETHER
Let's get active with friends, teams, and whānau to strengthen our mauri with social connections.



13. ACTIVE OUTSIDE
Let's enjoy being active outdoors and experience the mauri of our whānau, our wai and the environment.



14. LOOK UP
Let's look up from our screens and see the real world through our own eyes.



15. CYBERBULLYING
Let's protect ourselves online. If we are worried about cyberbullying, try not hesitating to talk with whānau or someone we trust.



16. SCREEN SWITCH OFF
Let's help our brains get ready for sleep by switching off our screens an hour before bed and doing other things like reading or talking with whānau.



17. SLEEP
Let's make sure we get 8-10 hours sleep each night.



18. TŪRANGAWAEWAE
Let's show respect and treat others as a place to belong and feel safe; the place where we have rights but also responsibilities.



19. RESPECT
Let's show respect and treat others how we want to be treated.



20. ASPIRATIONS
Kia te pae whānau - whānau ko tāua. Kia te pae tāua - mahāmatua kia tāua. (Choose your opportunities and strive to achieve goals.)

Community Notices



WINTER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Monday 6th July - Friday 17th July 2026

Join us for a fun-filled holiday programme!

Activities include:

Arts & crafts, winter-themed sports, games, excursions and more!

BOOK NOW!

Email:
gtafterschoolcare@gmail.com

Online:
www.greytownasc.co.nz

★ FULL DAY BOOKINGS:
8AM-5PM AT \$60 PER DAY
(AFTERNOON TEA PROVIDED).

★ SCHOOL DAY BOOKINGS:
8.30AM-3PM AT
\$48 PER DAY.



Venue: Greytown School Hall - 73 East Street



Funding Applications now Open

COMMUNITY AND SPORTS & ACTIVE RECREATION FUNDING ROUNDS

Applications opened on 3 June 2026 and close at midday on 3 July 2026 for the following Greytown Lands Trust funding rounds:

- **Community Funding** – supporting community projects and initiatives that enhance social, cultural and environmental wellbeing within the Greytown community.
- **Sports & Active Recreation Funding** – supporting clubs, organisations and individuals involved in sport and active recreation activities that serve or benefit the Greytown community.

Application forms, eligibility criteria and funding guidelines are available on the Trust's website.

www.greytownlandstrust.org.nz

Or contact Helga Perry, Trust Manager at manager@greytownlandstrust.org.nz



It's been six months since the Greytown skatepark opened, and it's been so awesome to see the space buzzing with young people and their whānau.

Now it's time to start thinking about the next stages which include a pump track, half court basketball and playground. These will be community funded and driven and **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS** to help bring this project to life: from fundraising and events to sharing skills and ideas.

We're also really keen to bring the community along for the journey, especially our rangatahi. If you're aged 10-18 and would like to help out with fundraising, promotions, events or sharing ideas, we'd love to hear from you.

Keen to help? Fill in our quick form via the QR code to register your interest and we will be in touch.

You can follow our Facebook page (Greytown Wheels Park) for updates and contact us at greytownwheelspark@gmail.com with any questions.

Papa Ora is located on the corner of Cotter and Pierce Street (opposite the Dog Park and Rail Trail entrance)

Scan to learn more about Papa Ora or join our volunteer team:



Community Notices



Footloose

STAGE ADAPTATION BY
DEAN PITCHFORD & WALTER BOBBIE

BASED ON THE ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY BY
DEAN PITCHFORD

MUSIC BY
TOM SNOW

LYRICS BY
DEAN PITCHFORD

ADDITIONAL MUSIC BY ERIC CARMEN,
SAMMY HAGAR, KENNY LOGGINS & JIM
STENMAN

LICENSED EXCLUSIVELY BY MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL,
MONTREAL, QC. ALL PERFORMANCE MATERIALS SUPPLIED BY
HAL LEONARD AUSTRALIA.

— **RATHKEALE COLLEGE & ST MATTHEW'S SENIOR COLLEGE** —

TICKETS TO BE PURCHASED
FROM TRYBOOKING
\$20 ADULTS \$10 CONCESSION

DATES:
JUNE 26TH, 27TH, 29TH, 30TH
JULY 1ST

Wairarapa Youth Orchestra

FATE & HOPE

SYMPHONIES

HOLST
BEETHOVEN

DVORAK
TCHAIKOVSKY

LIVE CONCERT

27 JUNE 2026
3:00 PM
WAIRARAPA
EVENTS CENTRE

SCAN FOR
TICKETS

EARLY BIRD
SPECIALS
UNTIL
26 MAY

CHILDREN \$5 | CONCESSION \$10 | ADULTS \$15

BRING CASH FOR
INTERMISSION TREATS

BUY TICKETS AT
WAIRARAPAEC.CO.NZ