

# Newsletter - Thursday 3rd June 2021

#### **CROSS COUNTRY 2021**

What a spectacular day we had at the Barton's Farm. The sun was shining, the mud was thick from the previous day's rain, the stream was flowing so kids could get a little bit wet and there were lots of stunning paddocks to run through. The kids, families and teachers had a great day. Congratulations to all the children who took part and gave it their best. It was exciting to see those final sprints to the end and hilarious to see the children arriving with lots of mud on them (sometimes a bit more than we would have expected lol!).

A huge thank you once again to Roger and Barbie Barton for hosting us. It makes this day a truly special and unique day when you can run around a farm, making it a genuine Cross Country experience for everyone that we talk about for years to come.

Thank you to our Fun Friends crew and all the bakers who raised money through the sausage sizzle and bake sale. This money will be going towards the Greytown School Trips Trust.



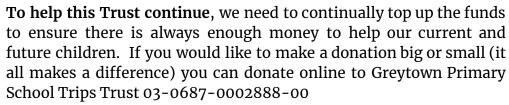






## HELP US MAKE A DIFFERENCE

In 2015 the Greytown School Trips Trust was created to ensure all children at our school could 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 for why they need assistance and 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.







## INTERACTIVE READING WITH OUR LOCAL LIBRARY

Over the last two weeks classes have been visiting our local Greytown Library. This enables all our children to see what beautiful books the library has to offer, join up if they would like and also meet the fantastic librarian team. The children that have been so far have thoroughly enjoyed it and came back with lots of



books and exciting stories to share. Thank you to our Greytown Library team and our school librarian Victoria who makes trips like this happen. We really value everything that Victoria deos to make our library an essential part of our school and her enthusiasm with all the children that encourages and inspires them to read.

#### **KōWHAI CELEBRATION SHOW**

Over the last few weeks the Kōwhai Syndicate have been rehearsing for their showcase. This showcase is part of their whole terms learning about Celebrations that we love. They had Easter Bunny rabbits, Dwavlie Dancers, Matariki performers, Birthday Singing, Christmas Carollers and Santas...it was wonderful to watch. A huge thank you to all the teachers in the Kōwhai team for getting everything ready and to all the parents and whānau that came and watched. There is still time to watch a show as they are doing some extra performances next week.

## SUBMISSION FOR OUR SKATEPARK AND RECREATIONAL SPACE

As part of the South Wairarapa District Council plan we were given an opportunity to present a submission in favor of investing in a new skatepark and recreational area in Governor's Green.

Zach Henderson, Ethan Hunter and Daniel Hodgson worked hard to develop and confidently present a strong argument with clear points that the council was extremely impressed with. Afterward they articulately answered councillors and local reporters questions. Well done boys, you made our school very proud.





## MUFTI DAY AND HEAD SHAVE FOR CHARITY TOMORROW

Tomorrow we will be having a mufti day with all gold coin donations going to child cancer.

As part of tomorrow we have three brave children and one teacher aide volunteer to shave their heads to raise funds for cancer and you can donate to their pages below directly if you would like. So



far they have raised over \$5,000. The Shave Off was initiated by these children with a lot of discussion with their parents to ensure they have thought this big decision through carefully. We support their decision and know this will make a difference to others as this is an important health issue that affects many families in our local and extended community.

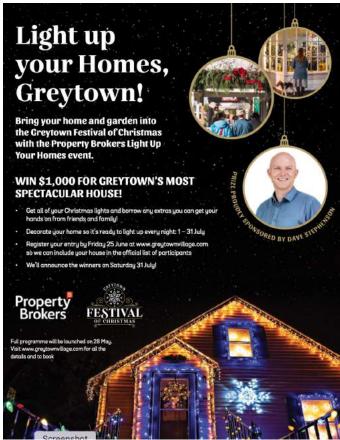
- Violet is fundraising for the Child Cancer foundation. https://childcancer-fundraising.org.nz/violetmorison
- Hunter is fundraising for the Leukaemia and Blood Cancer Nz https://shaveforacure.co.nz/hunter-tobin
- Rachel (teachers aid) and her daughter Amelia are fundraising for The Cancer Society.
  <a href="https://www.youcanforcancer.org.nz/rachelandamelia">https://www.youcanforcancer.org.nz/rachelandamelia</a>

#### UPCOMING GREYTOWN FESTIVAL OF CHRISTMAS

We have some exciting news! Fresh Choice and Challenge Service Station are sponsoring our school to host an outdoor movie event fundraiser for the upcoming Greytown Festival of Christmas event. Their sponsorship will pay for the big screen on the night and all the other fun events around it will raise money for our school. We sincerely appreciate all their support and we encourage you to support them in return and watch this space for more specifics closer to this event happening. If you would like to get involved in the organisation please come along to our Fun Friends meeting next Wednesday in the staffroom (see blurb) or email <a href="mailto:gtsfundraising@greytown.school.nz">gtsfundraising@greytown.school.nz</a>

In addition to this and other events being run there will be a Light Up your Homes competition - Check out the details below!





## **GREYTOWN CHESS TEAM DOES IT AGAIN**

The Greytown Chess team has again won the Wairarapa Schools Chess Tournament in the Intermediate division. This is the 3rd time in a row that a Greytown team has taken this competition out with our two teams coming 1st and 2nd.

Team 1 included Blake, Sam, Brook and Tristan Team 2 were William, Ella, Patrick and Logan



# A DESCRIPTION by Charlotte Styles Year 2

This is the cover of my book. It has my name. It has a sticker on it and it is pink. The sticker is a triangle and smooth. It has a cat on it. The sticker also has a lemon and strawberries on it. Under my name there is a wiggly line.

## FREE PARENTING EVENING

Our next free parenting evening is called **Raising Resilient Children**. This will be held on **Tuesday 15th June at 7pm** at Kuranui College Auditorium.

### **Dates For Your Diary**

**4th June** Mufti Day & Shave for a Charity

**7th** Queens Birthday

9th Kōwhai Syndicate Show9th Year 8 Kuranui Visit

9th Fun Friends Fundraising Group Meeting

16th Wairarapa Cross Country17th Wairarapa Cross Country PPD

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# **OPENING HOURS**

MONDAY 10:30am to 12:30pm THURSDAY 2:30pm to 4:30pm SUNDAY 2:30pm to 4:30pm

Annual Membership \$20 Grandparent Membership \$10 Toy Hire 50c to \$2

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