



Panui - Taite 4th o Whiringa-ā-nuku 2021 Newsletter - Thursday 4th November 2021

Nau mai haere mai ki te Kura o Hupenui.
Welcome to Greytown School.

ANNOUNCING OUR NEW PRINCIPAL FOR 2022

To our school whānau and community,

I take great pleasure in announcing that our new Principal for the beginning of the 2022 school year will be Paula Weston. Paula comes to us from Dyer Street School in Lower Hutt and has strong experience as a Principal. Please see below a message from her:

*Ko Tararua te Maunga
Ko Otaki te Awa
Ko Tainui te Waka
Ko Ngati Raukawa te Iwi
Ko Gillespie Tōku Whānau
Ko Paula Weston Tōku Ingoa*



I'm very excited to be coming to join the Greytown School community in 2022.

My husband Errol and I moved to Carterton in 2020 and love living in the Wairarapa. We are a growing family with 6 adult children and 1 grandson and a few more grandchildren on the way.

In terms of my background in education, I have been principal at Dyer Street School in Lower Hutt for the last 7 years and prior to that I was principal at Maoribank School in Upper Hutt.

I look forward to getting to meet your children and families very soon.

Kind regards
Jane Cooper
Chairperson of the Greytown School Board of Trustees

TEACHER ONLY DAY TOMORROW - SCHOOL CLOSED

Remember tomorrow is our next Teacher Only Day. The next one is Wednesday 24th November due to rescheduling our professional development because of COVID-19.

School will be closed on both of these days so please start making other arrangements for child care if needed.

BOOK FAIR

This afternoon is your final chance to check out the amazing books in the library that are on sale. If you need recommendations please ask Victoria as she has a wealth of knowledge and knows our kids. It has been wonderful to see the excitement and conversations children are having about books as they walk around the fair. There are some spectacular books that will provide hours of fun.

“DREAMS COME IN A SIZE TOO BIG, SO THAT YOU CAN GROW INTO THEM!”

BOOK CHARACTER DAY

Our annual Book Character Day was a roaring success again this year. The kids all looked great and the rain held off just long enough for the parade. A huge thank you to our judges, Dan and Sylvia from Wairarapa Library Service, for picking our winners and providing the prizes and some fun activities for the kids to do during the day. We really appreciate it! A big congratulations to everyone who dressed up, all our winners, and especially Mr. Preston, Greytown School's very own 'Wild Thing' who romped home with the Best Dressed Teacher award!

Here are our prize winners: Kowhai - Ben Bryant, Lachie Rance & Riley Bryant; Kawaka - Grace Didsbury, Cleo Stitt & Noah Webster; Kahikatea - Abe Crawford, Lila Holden & Eleanor Swan; Kauri - Sophia Johnson, Oscar Preston & Harry Crawford



BATTLE OF THE BANDS

An Amazing effort by the Greytown School Band "Burning Fuse" who last week came 2nd in the Lower North Island "Battle of the Bands" competition. This is an incredible achievement as it is a large competition.

Oskar Marks (Drums) and Ella Butler-Peck (guitar) also received individually a "Highly Commended" for their performances

RADIO GROUP

Last night Maddix Bingham and Eva Ross spoke at the South Wairarapa Rotary meeting about their involvement in the School's Radio Group. We have a team of 8 students who plan and record four Radio shows each year on Arrow Fm in Masterton. For the past six years the SW Rotary Club have kindly funded the school so we are able to take part. Thanks also to Katie Abbot who, for the past few years, has done an outstanding job of overseeing the process.



PEDAL READY

Last week and this week students have been taking part in the "Pedal Ready" cycle programme. This is a free skill based programme implemented by instructors from the Greater Wellington Regional Council.

EPRO8 CHALLENGE

Wednesday the 3rd of November Hazel Williams, Keiren Downs, Alyssa Mannix-Kerr, and Owen Wos competed in the Epro8 Challenge hosted at MIS. The group chose to build a safe with a security alarm. It included real laser senses and would trigger a light and alarm. There were 30 seconds on the clock when they finally completed all the segments of that challenge giving them 50 bonus points putting them in the lead with 310 points. They worked amazingly as a team building on each other's strengths well.



ATHLETICS DAY

Just a reminder we will be holding our school athletics for Year 3-8 on Tuesday November 9th at Kuranui College. Students need to come prepared to take part e.g. sunblock, hats, house colours and food and drink. We will leave school at 9:00am and return before 3:00pm. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions this will be closed to parents and friends. The South Wairarapa Schools Athletics Competition and Regional competition have both been cancelled this year.

2022 ENROLMENTS

If you have any children that are turning 5 in 2022 or are moving to our school in the new year please contact Megan in our office to put their name down (or remind your friends to enrol their children). She can then send out enrolment forms and information about our school. Knowing when children are coming makes a big difference in our planning and helps us to all work together to settle them in. Contact details: mwall@greytown.school.nz or 06 304 9007 or pop in.

2022 LEAVERS

If you are moving in the new year and your child/ren are not going to be at our school please let our office know asap as we will start organising classroom numbers and structures in the next few weeks. Contact details: mwall@greytown.school.nz or 06 304 9007 or pop in.

Nga mihi, Patrice O'Connor

Dates For Your Diary

5th Nov	Teacher only day
9th	School athletics
11th	Year 8 Bush Trip
12th	Year 7 Bush Trip
18th	Sausage sizzle (Year 8 fundraiser)
24th	Teacher only day

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PROJECT M CHARITABLE TRUST

After eight years of muffin baking, Project M Charitable Trust has come to a happy end. Louise Thompson and her various helpers have been baking at the beginning of each term to ensure children that did not have enough in their lunchboxes would have something healthy to eat. We would like to thank Louise for all her hard work.



Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

Thursday 18th November

\$2 a sausage (includes bread and sauce)
Pre order and pay on the 17th



Raising money for the Year 8 Leavers Dinner



Calling all Mums and Dads of daughters

Information afternoon and evening on November 19th at 2pm and 6pm in the Library with Bex Henderson (The Period Project) and Divine River discussing everything you need to know for when your daughter begins her menstrual cycle.



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THE
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PROJECT

The Period Project will have books available for purchase at both sessions.



Quiz night fundraiser

Don't miss out, grab your tickets today!

All money raised will be given directly to Greytown School and Kuranui Colleges efforts to supply uniforms to underprivileged kids in the South Wairarapa.

It's going to be a fantastic night with spot prizes and loads of awesome donated goods from local businesses supporting the cause.

Tickets available from the Greytown Property Brokers office or email jannah@pb.co.nz



Thursday 11th of November 2021
6pm till late, \$60 per table of four



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