

GREYTOWN SCHOOL

Newsletter Thursday 21 September 2023
Term 3 Week 10

I can't believe I'm saying it - we are at the end of term 3! Where has it gone? Term 4 calendar is included in this newsletter and we will send it out as a separate notice at the beginning of term 4 to keep you reminded of the many events. The dates are pretty much locked in - but there will be more detail to come for trips or sports days so don't worry that you have missed out on anything,

Thank you to those who have completed their **pet day entry** already - it is not too late - here is the [entry form](#).

Consultation:

Further down in this newsletter is a link to our health documentation and a short survey to get your input into the health and PE programmes at Greytown. This will lead on to a wider consultation in term 4 as we work with staff and the Board of Trustees to set the focus for next year and beyond! Look out for the BOT stand at Pet day!

Our New Deputy Principal

Over the past few months we have advertised Mr Preston's role and completed shortlisting, culminating in the interviews last week. We were really lucky to get a fantastic pool of applicants in the process and delighted to announce that Jody Hart, our current year 7/8 team leader has won the position and will be our Deputy Principal from next year.



*Ngā Mihi,
Paula Weston
Tūmuaki/Principal*

Notices

Miniball



Last week our two Miniball teams finished the season.

Our Greytown2 team finished strongly by winning their last 5 games. The Greytown1 team played in the final but lost narrowly in a very exciting game.



EnviroSchool

Entered these 5 photos into a competition, highlighting the work our students are doing to make a positive impact on our environment. We were lucky enough to win the competition and receive an amazing prize. Near the end of next term 32 students have the chance to head to Pūkaha for an overnight experience. This trip is fully funded by the Ruamahanga restoration trust. Enviro students will need to apply for a spot. We are looking forward to it.



IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 22nd September

End of Term 3

Monday 9th October

Start of Term 4

Friday 20th October

Pet Day

Monday 23rd October

SCHOOL CLOSED - Labour Day

Tuesday 24th October

Year 7/8 Camp

Monday 30th October

Kowhai Athletics

School Contact Information

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Absences: Through Skool Loop

Absentees

Please notify the office when your child is absent from School, we are experiencing high volumes of absentees without notification.

06 304 9007 or through Skool Loop.

This is for the safety of your children.

Room Mackenzie

Well done Team Mackenzie for trying so hard to have 'nude food' lunch boxes! We have been trying to reduce the plastic wrapping in our lunch boxes and have a look at this! One of our whānau has even started making their own muesli bars so they don't have extra wrapping! Ka rawe!



Health Consultation

We would love parent feedback on our Health Curriculum. Please click on the link below to see our current programme. There is a link to a survey at the end to give your feedback.

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1H-s-jHa2RZ7TZRWSQisUQiVWmx8mLY-oSZF85MCOYAc/edit?usp=sharing>

REMINDER

PET DAY - Friday 20th October
Online Entry Form
<https://forms.gle/WdfdrFafuaTU8kqH7>

2023 Term 3, Week 10



Introducing our characters

This is Collaboration Christy and Partnership Parker. They are all about working well together!

Christy is a really good listener and loves helping others to be the best they can be. She is great with younger children especially and they really enjoy learning from her.

Parker is a natural born leader, people always listen to him and he knows how to motivate them. He loves team sports and competition. Even if he and his team don't win, he helps them to learn from their mistakes and try to be better next time.

Christy and Parker's favourite words of advice are:

Ehara taku toa, i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini - my strength is not that of the individual, but of the collective.

Summit Dispositions Weekly Spotlight!

Recently in Kahikatea...

Students have been studying sustainable housing and applying this to a project involving designing and creating a 3D model of a tiny home. After learning about the **purpose** of sustainability and why sustainable housing is important for all of our **hauora** as well as our planet, students **collaborated** in groups to research an aspect of sustainable homes, for example special features to include like green walls or considerations to think about such as direction and sunlight. They then had to **challenge** themselves to put their learning into action by developing an **innovative** and sustainable tiny home of their own. This involved a lot of cross curricular links such as measurement when creating a floor plan, geometric thinking to create a digital 3D version and then a real life 3D version where students were challenged to consider scale and enlargement, as well as explanation writing to explain their design and thought process to present to others. All of the students had to manage their time and organise all of their work to come together to present to the school and their whanau this week.



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**Friday 20th October
10:00am-12:30pm**

(school will finish at the end of the pet day parade)

Online Entry Form

<https://forms.gle/WdfdrFafuaTU8kqH7>

WE NEED:

- Baking Donations
- Help with running the cake stall
- Help with running the BBQ

2022 Cups/Trophies to be returned please

POP-UP PLAY AFTERNOONS

FUN, GAMES & FREE PLAY FOR ALL AGES
& WAKA TAKARO (MDC Play Trailer)

Carterton - Carrington Park, Monday 25th September 1pm - 3pm

Greytown - Solders Park, Wednesday 27th September 1pm - 3pm

Masterton - "Green Space" @ QEII Park, Friday 29th September 1pm - 3pm

Pirinoa - Pirinoa Hall, Monday 2nd October 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Martinborough - Considine Park, Wednesday 4th October 10am - 12pm

Featherston - Featherston School Field, Wednesday 4th October 1.30pm - 3.30pm



CANCELLED IF RAINING



JOIN SPECIAL OLYMPICS WAIRARAPA!

TEN PIN BOWLING | Wednesdays 4.45pm
Master Bowl (\$8 per game)

BASKETBALL | Fridays 10th 3.30pm - 4.15pm
Wairarapa College Gym (Term time only)

FOOTBALL | Sundays 2pm - 3pm
Wairarapa College Turf (or Gym if wet). Term time only.
Terms 2 and 3 only 2023

Students aged 8 and over.

For more information and to sign up - contact Bruce on 021 439 859 or email
wairapaspecialolympics@gmail.com



'Have a go' with Athletics Featherston

'Have a go' days on the 21st and 28th October 2023—9am—1030am, Card Reserve, Featherston. Turn up and give athletics a go. No financial commitment required for the first two sessions.

There is an opportunity for children (7 and over) to compete at interclubs, medal/ribbon days, Colagate games and Wellington Championships.

Athletics is a wonderful sport in helping children develop the fundamental skills of movement, such as; running, jumping, throwing, agility and balance.

It can also improve confidence, resiliency and discipline.



Our athletics programmes:
Get, Set, Go—4-6 Year olds, 9am—10am
Run, Jump, Throw—7-15 Year olds, 9am-1030am

POC:
Ingrid Taylor-Bain
027 350 1545



Egg Cartons Needed

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

Thank you



Summer Sport Sign Up Information 2023/2024

Sport NZ is always focusing on children's well-being and the holistic approach when teaching P.E. or sport. It's well known that children require a strong sense of ritual, routine and belonging so here's a great way to encourage and develop a life-long involvement in team sports. Greytown Sport & Leisure Society, in conjunction with its member clubs and Greytown Primary School have provided the following information for summer sports for 2023/2024 season.

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THAT ALL CLUBS ARE RUN BY VOLUNTEERS AND THEY NEED YOUR HELP TO ENSURE THERE ARE GAMES TO PLAY FOR EVERYONE. PLEASE PUT YOUR HAND UP TO HELP COACH OR MANAGE A TEAM OR GET INVOLVED ON THE COMMITTEE.

www.greytownsport@xtra.co.nz Email greytownsport@xtra.co.nz or contact Rosie on 027 278 9400



Wairarapa Spitfires Baseball

2023/24 Wairarapa Spitfire Baseball season online registrations are now open!

We have club teams available for all levels of experience. The season will start on October 15th and pause for the summer school holidays before re-starting in early February and finishing at the end of March 2024. All Local Development games and trainings are held on the Spitfires Baseball Diamond at Kuranui College, Greytown.

ROOKIE BALL – Ages 5 to 8 play games on Saturday mornings at 9 am.

MINOR LEAGUE 10U DEVELOPMENT (School Yrs 5&6) – Ages 9 to 11 play games on Saturday mornings at 10 am

INTERMEDIATE 12U/14U DEVELOPMENT (School Yrs 7+) – Ages 11 -15 play games on Friday afternoons at 3.45 pm

12U/14U TRAVEL TEAMS – Competitive baseball in the Wellington Regional Competition.

Wairarapa Spitfires Club Travel Teams will be formed mid-September, email mcwilliamae@gmail.com asap if you are interested. Games are on Sundays and played at home on the Spitfires Baseball Diamond at Kuranui College and away at other Wellington regional diamonds in Terms 4 and 1.

16U TRAVEL TEAM – Will be entered if there is sufficient interest. Please email mcwilliamae@gmail.com asap if you would like to play.

Our Have a Go Open Day is on Saturday October 14th from 10am to 12pm at the Kuranui College Baseball Diamonds. Come along for a fun morning learning about baseball and free sausages.

For more information and to register check out our website <https://www.sporty.co.nz/spitfiresbaseball/register-for-the-2023-24-season>

Join our Facebook Page for news and updates: Wairarapa Spitfires.

Contact our Teams Coordinator, Eileen McWilliam, mcwilliamae@gmail.com or phone 0276028597



Greytown Junior Cricket Club

Season Starts Friday 27 of October

To sign up, please either call or mail Anna Truong on the following details.

- Phone: 02102371589
- Email: gray_anna@yahoo.com

Junior Kiwi cricket and Super 8 cricket play on Friday nights at 5.30pm. We play half of our games at Greytown Soldiers Memorial Park and the rest are either at Martinborough, Carterton or Masterton. For the older kids, Hardball cricket is played on a Saturday morning. Come check it out!

For more updates on the club please follow our Facebook page called "Greytown Junior Cricket".

For any more information please don't hesitate to call Anna on the above number.



Greytown Tennis Club

We are very pleased to announce the tennis lessons we will have on offer at the Greytown Tennis Club soon. We are really looking forward to a great summer of tennis in Greytown. Red Clay Tennis will be the running the coaching at Greytown Tennis Club with their team of fully qualified professional coaches.

Visit the link below for more details and costs for the Junior players

<https://clubspark.kiwi/GreytownTennisClub/Coaching/Junior>

Players must be members of the club – joining is online from the 1st of October via the website

<https://clubspark.kiwi/GreytownTennisClub>.

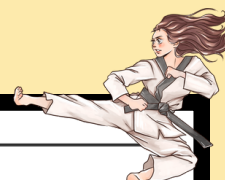
Junior membership is \$30 per child but the whole family can join for \$165



The 2023-24 summer swimming season for the Greytown Swimming Club will soon be underway (generally early-Dec once the Greytown Pool is open). If you would like to register your child can you please email: greytownswimclub@gmail.com. An email link will be provided for an online registration form. If you have any questions or queries please email us. Annual subs are \$60 for one child, \$80 for two children and \$100 for three or more children.

On a Tuesday night we will be holding a swim training session that will combine learning and fun activities. Depending on the ~~childs~~ age, times range from 5.30 – 6.30pm. The Thursday Club night, also 5:30- 6:30pm (ish), focuses on time trials, where various events are offered, and the kids gain racing experience in a fun relaxed environment. Times are recorded, along with Personal Bests, all of which go towards achieving the Club's incentive awards (bronze, silver and gold) and the end-of-season trophies. Morris Cassie will be leading the training for our swimmers, but we still need the communities help to run the swim club. **All swimmers are expected to be able to competently swim at least one length of the Greytown Pool.**





Twilight Hockey will be run on Wednesday nights; Nov. 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th. Dec 6th

If you are interested in playing twilight hockey, please contact Jess Collins – 0277412520

Or email hockeykiakaha@gmail.com

There is a competition for all year levels (1-8) so it may be a great opportunity for those new to hockey, to give it a go.

MANAGERS AND PARENT HELP Each team will require a parent or volunteer to act as the Manager (i.e. no need for a coach as no practices), and each team will need to organise an umpire (any parent can do this).



Wrestling - Just down the road the great **Featherston Amateur Wrestling Club** provides all South Wairarapa towns with an opportunity to participate in a sport unlike all others. Wrestling provides all round strength and endurance training to support all keen active kids and adults. Come along to the club house to check out the action on Wednesday nights where sessions are geared from junior to senior level 5.30-8pm. For more information check out our Facebook page or email us.

featherstonamateurwrestling@gmail.com



Taekwon-do - Is a Korean art of self-defence. It is a collection of similar unarmed martial arts techniques and foundations created by a number of Korean Grandmasters.

The South Pacific TaeKwon-do club is based right here in Greytown at the Kuranui College Gymnasium and has classes on Monday & Thursday nights at 6:15pm. First sessions are free.

Beginner lessons are held all year round.

For more information please contact Instructor Peter Kill, 029 200 7597



Featherston Gymnastic Club

5 to 8 year olds Recreational Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday 3:30 to 4:30

9+ year olds Recreational Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday 4:30 to 5:30

Extension Tuesday 4:30 to 6:30 (by invitation only)

Pre – School Wednesday 9:30 to 10:30 (parental involvement a must)

5 + years Home Schooled RecFriday 10:00 to 11:00

Term fees: Pre-School \$40, Recreational \$50, Extension \$75

For enrolment, please contact Angie

email: featherstongymnasticsclub@gmail.com

phone: 027 320 3398

or find us, like us and message us through our Facebook page



Greytown Junior Football Academies & Holiday Programmes

If your child would like to play football over the summer months, then we have the programmes for you!

School Holiday Programme - Tues 26th Sept and Weds 27th Sept - 9am to 1pm both days at Soldiers Memorial Park.

Open to boys and girls ages 7-12yrs. Fun games, challenges, prizes and our ever popular World Cup tournament.

Loads of fun! Sign up below:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/253369>

- **Fantails** - Girls only skills centre! Fantails is a programme designed to attract new female players aged 7–10 years old to the beautiful game through sessions focused on helping girls make friends, having fun, improving their skills and being active through football.

Perfect for your young girls (ages 7-10) who have little or no experience in football and would like to give it a go in a fun, safe and non-intimidating environment. We have run this in Term 3 and the enthusiasm from the girls has been amazing! Perfect place to start their football journey without committing to a Saturday team. Starts Week 2 of Term 4 - day TBC.

- **Pre-Academy Centre (PAC)** - This is our Wellington Phoenix aligned skills centre for boys and girls ages 8-12yrs who would like to extend themselves a bit further or to get more football in their lives! Great fun and fantastic for the kid's football development. Starts Week 2 of Term 4 on Monday afternoons.

Please keep a close eye on our Facebook page and our website for updates and registration forms

- <https://www.facebook.com/GreytownJuniorFootball> and <https://www.sporty.co.nz/greytownjuniorfootball>

Or alternatively you can email Steve Carlin on steve@stevecarlin.co.nz for more information.

