



Newsletter

Term 4
Week 4
Thursday 2
November

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Paula's Panui

Thank you for the lovely feedback we have received about the change of format for the newsletter.

We have been busy working through our organisation for the end of this year and the start of next year so I am including that in this newsletter also.

The Kauri team camp was a great success last week and I was pleased to have the opportunity to go out and visit.

Hopefully you saw the supplementary newsletter on Monday, which had the staffing changes for next year included on them.

I want to take this opportunity to thank our departing staff for the time and energy they have put into our children this year. We obviously have a significant departure (Mr Preston) so we have some detail on the celebrations for him also.

This week our Kōwhai students had their athletics day and next week the rest of the school have theirs. Weather conditions were ideal for our younger ones and things look pretty good for next week too.

Ngā Mihi, Paula Weston Tumuaki/Principal

School Organisation for 2024:

We will be moving to 3 teams/syndicates for 2024:

Kōwhai - years 0-3

Kahikatea - years 4-6

Kauri - years 7-8

You will likely be aware that the New Zealand Curriculum is undergoing a refresh/review - we had a staff only day in Term 2 and one coming up on 20th November to upskill ourselves on some of the changes.

The revised curriculum is organised into the same 3 bands, so a change makes sense. This also means our children have one less transition as they move through our school.

Events coming up:

Thursday 2nd November - Kawaka Wearable Arts Showcase 5:30pm in the hall

Tuesday 7th November - Athletics day for years 3-8 (pp day 9th November)

Monday 13th November - Ross and Salter camp

Wednesday 15th November - Burt and Walker camp

Monday 20th November - Teacher Only Day

Friday 24th November - Wings over Wairarapa for Kōwhai and Kawaka

Wednesday 27th November - Kōwhai trip to Kuratawhiti Park

Tuesday 5th December - Kawaka trip to Featherston/Cross Creek

Events coming up: continued

The Last week of term:

Monday 11th December:

Prize-giving for the whole school - we have condensed this into one celebration so we can acknowledge students from across the school together. This will be at Kuranui College from 1pm to 2:30 pm approximately.

Tuesday 12th December: Reports come home

Wednesday 13th December: Mr Preston Day - see separate information for this

Thursday 14th December: Year 8 Leavers Dinner

Friday 15th December: Last day for 2023, students will visit their new class From 10-10:30am but will finish the day (12pm) with their current class.

2024: Start of the School year:

Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th January: Goal Setting Meetings

With your school report you will be given an appointment time for a goal setting/meet the teacher meeting on either Monday 29th or Tuesday 30th January. We will be scheduling those for everyone so that we can ensure that families are booked in together. This will replace the goal setting sessions we would usually have later in term 1.

Office will be open from Monday 29th January 9am for stationery sales

Wednesday 31st January:

First day of school for all students - straight to the classrooms

Friday 2nd February:

Pōwhiri to welcome our new staff, students and whanau

Class Placement for 2024

By 20th November

Please contact the team leader of the team your child is in now if you have any information you wish to share. We do not allow for teacher requests.



Student friend selection

Teachers will ask each student to select a few students they would like to be with (they won't necessarily be with all of them).



Draft lists



Team leaders work on drafts and then the whole staff look at them to try to get the best possible class for every student.



Final Lists



The final lists come out in the last week of term 4 so please get in touch by November 20 if there is anything you want us to know.

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Athletics Timetable for Years 3-8

We are excited to be doing athletics for the
Kawaka, Kahikatea and Kauri Syndicate on
Tuesday 7th November (PP Thurs 9th November)

Here is the timetable for the day so parents can
come along and watch

TIMETABLE

Roll taken in home class

8.50-9am then meet on the South Field

Round 1 9:10 - 9:40am
Round 2 9:40 - 10:10am
Round 3 10:10 - 10:40am
Morning Tea 10:40 - 11:10am
Sprint Finals 11:10 - 12:00pm

(Pre-Qualified Runners from each age range and year group - Year 1 - 8)

Round 4 12:00 - 12:30pm
Lunch 12:30 - 1:00pm
Round 5 1:00 - 1:30pm
Round 6 1:30 - 2:00pm
House chants 2pm - 2:15pm
House Relays 2:15 - 2:45pm

Organisation

There are six rounds below. Read along the line to work out each group's next event.
A hooter will sound when it's time to move. Please try to keep to the times

		1	2	3	S P R I N T F I N A L S	4	5	6
Year 3	Sprints - S	S	V	H		L	T	F
Year 4	Vortex - V	V	H	L		T	F	S
Year 5	High Jump - H	H	L	T		F	S	V
Year 6	Long Jump - L	L	T	F		S	V	H
Year 7	Quoit Throw - T (Discus Yr 7 & 8)	T	F	S		V	H	L
Year 8	Hall - Obstacle Course - F	F	S	V		H	L	T

Student News: Athletics Day for Kōwhai

Kōwhai Team had a wonderful athletics day this week, supported by Year 8 students and an enthusiastic audience! The children have loved practicing for this event and all have participated giving the best work and attention to the techniques they have been taught. There are some budding athletes in the team who will be names to watch in the future!



Envirogroup

Worm wee is still available to purchase from the office for \$5 a bottle.



TO ALL OUR CURRENT AND PAST
STUDENTS, WHANAU AND COLLEAGUES

JOIN US FOR A
PICNIC

FOLLOWED BY

TABLOID SPORTS

TO CELEBRATE

MR PRESTON'S SERVICE TO OUR
SCHOOL

Wednesday 13th December

12.00 - 2.00 pm

BYO picnic

BE A PART OF

GREYTOWN SCHOOL'S LEGACY

Help us build the junior playground extension by purchasing a personalised brick (or two!) that will become part of our 'Legacy Path' which celebrates our school alumni and supporters.



ORDER YOUR BRICK at greytown-school.myshopify.com

Greytown School is on a mission to upgrade the junior playground in preparation for the start of the 2024 school year.

The current playground is very well used, but our growing role means we need to provide more space for our young ones to play, exercise and test their limits!

Now all we need is your support to make this a reality. You have the opportunity to leave a permanent memento at the school by purchasing one of a limited number of laser engraved bricks, which will be used to build a 'Legacy Path' around the new playground. You may want to engrave your family name, dedicate it to someone special, or leave some inspirational wisdom for future generations. Whatever you choose, a record of your kindness and generosity will literally be cemented in place in our new playground!

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PLAYGROUND PROJECT?

Check out the fly-through
video of the playground at
greytown.school.nz

ORDER YOUR BRICK

at the school office or online at
greytown-school.myshopify.com



Community Notices



DVTC

DOUGLAS VILLA TRAINING CENTRE

ARE YOU BETWEEN THE AGES OF **5** AND **15**?
KEEN TO **IMPROVE** YOUR FOOTBALL SKILLS
BEFORE THE SEASON STARTS?

THE DOUGLAS VILLA TRAINING
CENTRE IS OPEN TO **ALL!**

REGISTER ON DOUGLASVILLAAFC.CO.NZ - START DATE **5TH** OF NOVEMBER



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DOUGLAS VILLA TRAINING CENTRE

TRAININGS WILL RUN:
5 TO 8 YEARS - 9:30 TO 10:10AM
9 TO 12 YEARS - 10AM TO 11AM
13 TO 15+ YEARS - 11AM TO 12PM

**6 SESSIONS ON EVERY SUNDAY FROM 5TH
OF NOVEMBER- \$20 PER SESSION**

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FUNDRAISER Greytown Scouts

Presents

Zappo The Magician



Sunday 12th November

Greytown Library, Main Street, Greytown

Show times: 10am and 2pm

duration 45 minutes each

Door sales only - \$5 per child (accompanying adult free)



All proceeds going to the Greytown Scouts Jamboree 2024

