



# School Newsletter

Term 4, Week 1, 9th October

## Important Dates:

### WEEK 2:

**13th-17th October**

**BOOK FAIR WEEK**

**Friday 17th October**

Pet Day Finishing at 12:30pm

### WEEK 3:

**21st-24th October**

Senior Camp (Makahika)

**Wednesday 22nd October**

Year 4s trip to Wellington

**Thursday 23rd October**

SCHOOL CLOSED - DUE TO STRIKE

### WEEK 4:

**Tuesday 28th October**

School photos

**Wednesday 29th October**

Athletics Day (yrs 4-8)

### WEEK 5:

**Tuesday 4th November**

Junior Athletics Day (yrs 0-3)

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### Term Dates for 2026:

**Term 1:** Tues 3rd February - Thurs 2nd April

**Term 2:** Mon 20th April - Fri 3rd July

**Term 3:** Mon 20th July - Fri 25th September

**Term 4:** Mon 12th October - Wed 16th December

## School Bell Times:

**8:30am - Classrooms open**

**8:50am - School Starts**

**9:00- 11:00 - Block 1**

**11- 11:20 am - Morning Tea**

**11:20- 12:40 - Block 2**

**12:40- 12:50 - Eating**

**12:50- 1:30 - Lunch**

**1:30- 3:00pm Block 3**

**School Ends**

## Greytown School Details

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# Principal's Pānui

## Kia ora e te whānau,

It's been a really positive start to what promises to be a busy and exciting Term 4. A very warm welcome to all our new whānau who have joined us this term — it's wonderful to have you as part of our school community. With so much happening over the coming weeks, I'd like to share a few key reminders. Please also keep an eye on school notices and the calendar so you don't miss any of the important events ahead.

**Hats** – With the warmer weather here, hats are compulsory this term. If your child needs one, they are available for purchase from NZ Uniforms or The Warehouse. There are also a few second hand ones you can grab from the office.

**Camps and Trips** – Our seniors are getting geared up for their upcoming camp at Makahika which I am sure they will have a fabulous time - fingers crossed for great weather too! Our Year 4 students also have an exciting city experience coming up. Both will be great opportunities for learning, adventure, and building memories together.

**Pet Day – Friday 17th October** – Alongside the animals, we will be running a bake sale to keep things extra sweet for the students. If you're able to contribute, there are some cake boxes in the office, with baking dropped off on the Friday morning. Your support with this is greatly appreciated!

**Class Placements for 2026** – It is that time of year again where we are now beginning the process of class placements for next year. Please note that we do not take teacher requests. Our focus is on creating well-balanced classes, ensuring every child is placed with at least one friend, and providing opportunities for students to learn alongside a range of peers throughout their time at school. If you have anything specific you want us to know about your child before we finalise the class lists, please email the team leaders.

If your child is currently in the **Juniors** - please email Cath Kirkpatrick- [ckirkpatrick@greytown.school.nz](mailto:ckirkpatrick@greytown.school.nz)

If your child is currently in the **Middles** - please email Rhonda Jones- [rjones@greytown.school.nz](mailto:rjones@greytown.school.nz)

If your child is currently in the **Seniors** - please email Yolandi Verwey - [yverwey@greytown.school.nz](mailto:yverwey@greytown.school.nz)

**Strike Day**- Just clarifying that School will be closed **Thursday, 23rd October**.

It's wonderful to see the term underway, and I'm looking forward to all the exciting learning and activities ahead. Thank you for your ongoing support in helping to make this a great term for our tamariki.

Ngā Mihi Nui,

Jody Hart - [jhart@greytown.school.nz](mailto:jhart@greytown.school.nz)  
Acting Principal

# School Notices



# Shake Out

16<sup>TH</sup>  
OCTOBER  
9.30AM

**New Zealand ShakeOut is our national earthquake drill and tsunami hikoi (evacuation walk).**

**Taking part is a great way for kids to learn the right actions to take before, during and after an earthquake and tsunami. This is a self-run drill which teachers will all be doing with their classes at 9:30am next Thursday (16<sup>th</sup> October)**

**They will go through what they need to do if there was an actual earthquake so don't be surprised if they tell you about it when they get home 😊**

## What students will do:

Drop, Cover and Hold for 30–60 seconds:

- **DROP** down on your hands and knees. This protects you from falling but lets you move if you need to.
- **COVER** your head and neck (or your entire body if possible) under a sturdy table or desk (if it is within a few steps of you). If there is no shelter nearby, cover your head and neck with your arms and hands.
- **HOLD** on to your shelter (or your position to protect your head and neck) until the shaking stops. If the shaking shifts your shelter around, move with it.



🍎 Orchard Cleanup! 🍎  
Thanks to Mrs Mudgway, Mr Walker and all the students who helped to clean up our orchard during their lunchtime. It is looking so much better! 🙌



## 🌸 Mihi Whakatau 🌸

It was lovely to welcome all our new tamariki and their families today, it was a great turn out!





# School Notices



**GREAT DAY.  
ARI WON THE YEAR  
5-6 BOYS AND  
EDDIE WAS THIRD.  
BEN AND LORENZO  
PLAYED WELL.**

**GREYTOWN SCHOOL TENNIS TEAM  
AT THE WT PRIMARY/INTERMEDIATE  
SCHOOL TOURNAMENT**

## **GREYTOWN SCHOOL MINIBALL**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GREYTOWN  
SCHOOL MINBALL TEAM FOR GETTING  
3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE**

**THANK YOU NEIL PRESTON FOR YOUR  
COACHING AND SUPPORT**



# School Notices



SCHOLASTIC

GREYTOWN SCHOOL

## BOOK FAIR



**13TH-17TH  
OCTOBER**

**GREYTOWN SCHOOL  
LIBRARY**

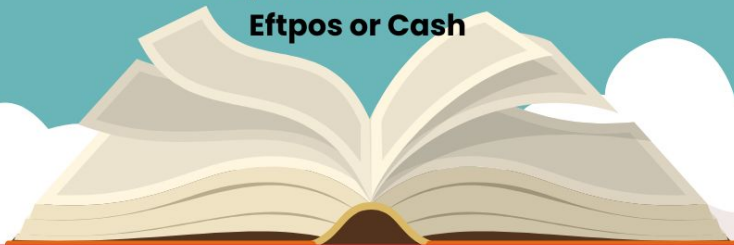
**We look forward to seeing  
our families at our Book Fair**

**Shopping hours:**

**8:30am-9:00am/2:30pm-3:30pm**

**Payment methods:**

**Eftpos or Cash**





# 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](mailto: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

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## Greytown School Lunch Options



### TUESDAYS

Sushi

Order online before Tue 8:30am

[www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://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](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz)

## After School Care Programme

There are spaces available!!

Hours of Operation  
3:00pm - 5:30pm

Please contact Kylee Robinson  
027 878 2611  
[kylee.clint@gmail.com](mailto:kylee.clint@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.







# Community Notices

## Bricks & Wheels Show



**Fundraiser for  
Alzheimers Wairarapa**



**Sunday 19 October  
9am – 4.30pm at Wairarapa College**

**LEGO® builds  
on display**

**Big  
Trucks**

**Classic cars  
Hot Rods**

**Raffles**

**Food  
trucks**

**Fire Truck  
Police  
Wellington Free**

**Wairarapa Primary  
schools LEGO®  
Competition**

**Entry Fee: Adult \$10, Child \$5 (age 3-17),  
Family pass \$25 – 2x adults, 3x children**

Platinum Sponsor



Major Sponsors

**paperplus**  
Locally owned,  
family owned,  
Great value.



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## School bus drivers needed!

We are looking for part time and  
casual on-call drivers.

What you'll need:

- Class 2 licence (preferred but not essential)
- P endorsement (we can help you obtain this)

Our recruitment process  
includes a drug and  
alcohol test and Police  
vetting check.

Call 027 233 9906 or  
027 350 6938, or apply  
online at [gobus.co.nz](http://gobus.co.nz)



**Featherston**



# Community Notices

TRUNK OR TREAT IS BACK!



FRIDAY 31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER

6PM - 8PM

BBQ and fun activities!! St Luke's Church, Greytown.

Wairarapa  
Tennis

## Wairarapa Graded Tennis Tournament

Saturday 25th - Monday 27th October 2025  
Masterton Tennis Centre

*Enter via tournament planner online*



**DUNLOP**





# Community Notices

WAIRARAPA CRICKET  
2025-26

## PLAYER EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

We are seeking expressions of interest from players keen to be involved in the below teams.

\*Please note that these agree groups are based upon the players 2025 school year\*

- Year 6 Boys
- Year 7 Boys
- Year 8 Boys
- Year 9+10 Boys
- Year 11+12 Boys

- Year 7+8 Girls
- Year 9+10 Girls
- Year 11-13 Girls

PLEASE FILL IN THE  
GOOGLE FORM LINK



**Holmes**  
Construction NZ  
EST 1957

**PGG Wrightson**

## Join Cubs or Scouts

Are you keen to:

- Make new friends and have lots of fun!
- Go on exciting new adventures like camping, tramping and rock climbing.
  - Spend time in your community,
- Learn new skills and test your creativity.

Greytown Cubs meet on a Monday 6-8pm  
and Scouts on a Wednesday 6.30-8.30pm  
at the Scout hall on Kuratawhiti street.

We offer young people a one month FREE  
trial, after which term fees apply.

Email [greytown@group.scouts.nz](mailto:greytown@group.scouts.nz) to  
arrange a visit



**SCOUTS**  
New Zealand