



Greetings, Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Malo e lelei, Taloha, Ki Orana, Ni Hao, Buenos Dias, Chao Malo Ni, Namaste, Habari Dobar Dan, Bula Vanaka!

Dear Parents,

We are so proud of our Choir and performance groups who performed at the MPA Diversity Festival last week on Tuesday night. They were absolutely outstanding! It was great to see so many of our families and staff members there enjoying the show and supporting our talented students.



IT'S COOL TO BE AT SCHOOL

A gentle reminder that students are expected at school by 9.00a.m. at the latest. We have quite a few students who are regularly arriving at school late which really disadvantages their learning for the rest of the day. Please parents - do try and make sure your child gets to school on time.

A reminder that students who attend school 90% of the time are the ones who are likely to make the most progress at school. Any less than that is known to impact on their achievement levels. Last term, 43% of our students attended school 90% of the time, or more. Congratulations to those students! Lets see if we can improve this statistic, which is actually not the greatest!

Parents - we would really encourage you to keep track of the number of days your child is off school during the term, and make sure that they are always for justified reasons. Attending 90% of the time equates to no more than five days of each term.

MATHELETICS HOMEWORK - IS YOUR CHILD DOING THEIRS?

A reminder to parents that this year the Board of Trustees paid for every student to have free access to Mathletics and this forms the basis of our school homework programme. **The expectation is that students will spend 30 minutes at least 3 times a week working the tasks their teacher has assigned on Mathletics to improve their Maths skills.** Judging by how many students play Fortnite at home, we are pretty sure most are able to access the internet, yet we do not have high proportions of students working on their Maths homework at the moment. We encourage all our parents to make sure that some of the time your children spend on their devices is linked to improving their mathematics capabilities - at least three times a week!



KAWAU CAMP

Please make sure you have downloaded (or updated) the school app onto your phone. This will be our main form of communication with parents while at camp. We will regularly update parents with how camp is going and also let you know our estimated time of arrival back at school so you can collect your child from school.



Search for "School app nz" in the App Store or Playstore. Register for our school and subscribe to the **Kawau camp alert notifications** so you are able to keep up to date with what is happening.

A reminder to all parents of students who are coming to Kawau Camp next week that they need to be at school before 7.00a.m. as the buses will be leaving promptly at 7.30a.m.

MATHEMAGICIANS

We had another successful Mathemagicians evening on Tuesday 19th August. Parents and whanau appreciated hearing about the problem solving approach and what students have been learning about in statistics this term. It was great to see the parents having a go at the Maths games and activities that were on offer alongside their child. Kia kaha whanau!

Our next Mathemagicians evening is in week 9, Tuesday 17th September - 6.30pm - 7.30pm. Please come along and join us!

ROCKSHOP BAND QUEST

Miss Lee has been working hard with our school band to practise their performance for the 2019 Rockshop Band Quest this Saturday 24th August at Auckland Girls Grammar School in Newton. We wish them all the best in this competition!

CROSS COUNTRY

Many thanks to Miss Williams for coaching our Cross Country team this term. They represented Greenmeadows last week at the Counties Zone Competition. Well done to Tainara Fisher who placed 6th and has been selected to trial for the Auckland Zone Cross Country Team! All the best to Tainara!

2020 YEAR 7 ENROLMENTS

It is getting very close to the time when we will be accepting enrolments from Year 6 students for 2020. Greenmeadows Intermediate does not have an enrolment zone and so anyone can enrol to come to our school. We do have our four main feeder schools; Manurewa Central, Manurewa East, Hillpark and Everglade and we will be visiting these schools to deliver our 2020 prospectus and enrolment form throughout Week 7, from 2 - 6 September. Anyone else in the community who would like a prospectus can pick one up from school from 2 September - or we can post it out. They will also be available for download from our school website.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our new website is in its final stages of development and should be ready to launch from Week 7/8. In the meantime, all enrolment information will be available on the "old" school website from 2 September until the new one takes over.

MIGHTY MINDS AND TALENTS SHOW

Every year, Greenmeadows puts on a wonderful show in which all our performance groups showcase their wonderful talents! This year the show will take place on **Wednesday 25 September at 7.00p.m.** You may like to pop this date in your calendar - especially if your child is in the Choir, Pasifika Group, Bollywood, Band, Kapa Haka, Cook Island dance group etc. It is always a great show!!

