

# Newsletter



**Greenmeadows  
Intermediate School**

Piki ki te rangi - Reach for the sky

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016

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 farewell Amy Mostert as she goes on maternity leave at the end of next week. Amy will be missed by staff, students and families. She is an outstanding, dedicated teacher who has provided excellent service to our school over the four years she has been on staff. We wish Amy and Dan every success for the future as they begin their new life journey as parents. Nicole Reihana will take over teaching Room 18 full time from the start of Week 5.

Cathy Chalmers  
Principal

## 2017 GREENMEADOWS INTERMEDIATE ENROLMENTS

Year 7 Enrolments are coming in thick and fast. A reminder that we do accept enrolments right through to the start of next year, however having the enrolment confirmed now means we are able to make better class placements for new students. If you know of anyone wanting to send their child here next year, you may like to remind them of this. Enrolment packs are available from Angeline in the office, or on our school website.

## MANY TALENTS, ONE SHOW!

Last chance to purchase tickets for the "Many Talents, One Show" performance which takes place next Tuesday night at 7.00p.m. Tickets can be purchased from the resource room - \$5.00 per person (adults and children). It is going to be an awesome show so come along and watch! Sausages will be on sale from 6pm and during intermission so bring some cash. As well as individual acts there will be performances from Kapahaka, Pasifika Group, Choir, Band, Cook Island Dance, Chinese Fan Dance, Hip Hop, to name just a few!

## ROTOROA ISLAND TRIP - Tuesday 8th November

A reminder for the 30 students going on the trip they need to be at school no later than 6:45am as we will be leaving school at 7:00am. Please make sure students have: a bottle of water, a hat, sunscreen, a warm jacket and a healthy morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea (Please try to limit packaging – students will be required to bring their rubbish home with them). We expect to arrive back to school around 6pm. It is going to be a great day!

## TERM 4 EVENTS

Term 4 is always a term for celebration in an intermediate school and I would encourage parents to pop the following dates into diaries:

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November, 7.00p.m.  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30p.m.  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November  
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 11.00a.m.  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 6.30p.m.  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Auckland Intermediate Art Exhibition  
Many Talents, One Show  
APPA Music Festival Dress Rehearsal (Choir and Pasifika Group)  
APPA Music Festival - Choir and Pasifika Groups performing  
Rotoroa Island Trip  
Athletics House Event  
Kokako End of Year Trip  
Kotare End of Year Trip  
Kereru End of Year Trip  
3 Way Conferences - Reports given out  
School Prizegiving  
Year 8 Graduation  
Last Day of School - School finishes at 12.30p.m.



## 2017 SCHOOL START DATES

Detailed below are the important dates for the start of next year that parents may like to pop in the diary now.

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February      Year 8's start  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February      Year 7's start (powhiri at 9.00a.m.)

The school office will be open for enrolments, stationery and second hand uniform sales on 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> January.

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## HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION DAYS

Year 8 students have the opportunity to visit the high school (only Manurewa) they are enrolled in on the following days:

Manurewa High School	18 <sup>th</sup> November, 9.00a.m. to 12.30p.m.
Alfriston College	7 <sup>th</sup> December, 9.00a.m. to 2.50p.m.
James Cook High School	(We have yet to receive this information)

These visits involve students taking part in a variety of activities at the high school. Students come to school on the day and they are transported by bus to and from the high school. ONLY students who have completed their 2017 enrolment are able to attend.

### APPA MUSIC FESTIVAL

The APPA Music Festival is coming up soon. Both the choir and the Pasifika Group are performing at the Town Hall in the city on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November. If you haven't got your ticket yet, they can be ordered online from Ticketmaster or from the Town Hall ticket box office on the night. Letters regarding the organisation will be coming home on Friday. Students travel to the Town Hall together on a bus, although can come home with their parents after the show if they wish.

### CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Ashleigh Solomann who competed recently in the 11-12 Age Group Women's Trampoline at the INDO Pacific Trampoline and Tumbling Championships and came 13<sup>th</sup>! This is an international competition – what an awesome achievement to be representing New Zealand in a sport at such a young age! We are proud of you Ashleigh!

### AUCKLAND INTERMEDIATE ART EXHIBITION



Congratulations to our talented artists Merron DNKHA, Rebecca King, Summer Tamihere, Xanthe Paku, Chelsea Tang, Steffi Webb-Butler, Jackson Beaven, Madison Denton-Priest and Ethan Benney who will represent our school at the annual Auckland Middle Schools Art Exhibition held at the Corban Estate Centre in Henderson. They have worked so hard this year to complete these fantastic artworks. The exhibition is open to the public for viewing next week 9am-5pm, 31<sup>st</sup> October- 5<sup>th</sup> November.

### MOBILE DENTAL CLINIC

The mobile dental van will be onsite over the next few weeks and will be screening all Year 8 students as well as any Year 7 students. Let Angeline in the office know if you do have concerns about your Y7 child and we will pass the information on to the dental nurses.



### MANUREWA MUSIC SCHOOL 2017 ENROLMENTS

Manurewa Music School is now taking enrolments for 2017. Hosted by Greenmeadows Intermediate School the Manurewa Music School is funded by the Ministry of Education to provide affordable music tuition for children aged from 7 - 13 years. Music tutors are trained musicians and are currently able to offer lessons in the following instruments; Guitar, Keyboard and Violin. The fee for 2017 is \$30.00, this includes the cost of all music books. Enrolments are completed in person at the Greenmeadows Intermediate School office between the hours of 8.30am-4.00pm. Enrolments close Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016 or once class placements are fully allocated. For more information please visit <http://www.greenmeadows.school.nz/enrolments/>

### WRITING

#### GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP

Being a sporting hero starts by practicing good sportsmanship, having tolerance and showing cooperation. You always have to be at the top of your game and always give every sport a good try and never give up.

There are various codes of sports such as soccer, rugby and basketball. I sometimes play soccer on Sundays. When I play the crowd watches like owls on a cold winter's night.

The clock ticks down, only ten seconds to go, I was in the box, I shout 'score'. That was a spectacular goal. We shook hands with the oppositions who had lost the match. We celebrated with drinks and a sausage sizzle. **Reupena, Rm 5**

#### MY DAD

My dad is very unique, he is one of a kind. No one can ever replace him, even if he growls at me sometimes.

Well, actually I wouldn't want to lie, I don't call my dad, dad. I call him abbu, it's my culture. He is 39 years old but he always works outside which leads to a tan skin colour. My abbu wears a shirt and track pants which are never a bright colour. He loves coffee and doesn't drink black tea.

My abbu is special and I love him a lot. **By Aliyah.**

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