



Panui - Taite 16 o Hepetema 2021
Newsletter - Thursday 16th September 2021

Nau mai haere mai ki te Kura o Hupenui.
Welcome to Greytown School.

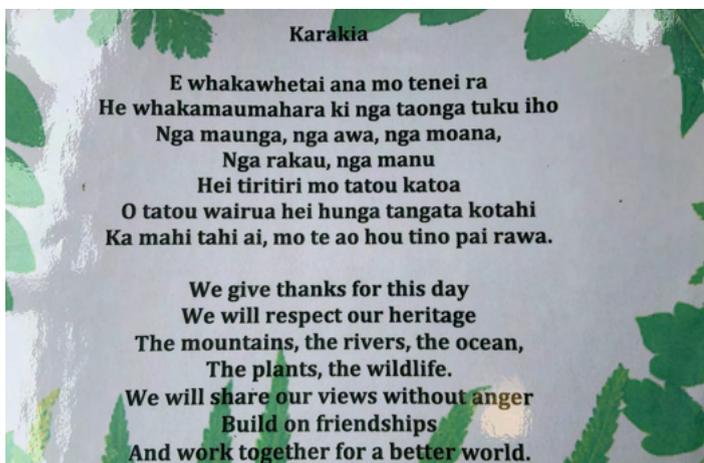
TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI.

This week is Māori Language Week or Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori. At Greytown School however, it is every week, as Te Reo Māori and Tikanga are an important part of who we are, what we value, what we teach and the lives of our tamariki/children, whānau/families and kaiako/staff. This year our teachers and Board have upskilled themselves with Tiriti O Waitangi, and staff are constantly upskilling themselves with Te Reo to increase their use and ability to teach in their everyday programmes.



Every morning our classrooms can be heard starting the day with our School karakia and waiata. If you would like to learn these they are

Greytown School Karakia



Waiata- which is sung by our Kapa Haka.
[Ko Papawai te Marae](#)



In addition to these, you may like to upskill yourself with some of the following greetings and farewells.

How do you say hello in Māori?

- Kia ora - Hello
- Morena - Good morning
- Tēnā koe - Hello to one person (more formal than kia ora)
- Kia ora kōrua - Hello to two people
- Tēnā koutou - Greetings to you (said to three or more people)
- Kia ora tātou/kia ora koutou - Hello everyone

“DREAMS COME IN A SIZE TOO BIG, SO THAT YOU CAN GROW INTO THEM!”

TEACHER ONLY DAYS TERM 4

Due to COVID-19 and having to postpone our Term 3 Teacher Only Day (which was scheduled for the first week back after lockdown) we will now be having two Teacher Only Days in November. We understand that this is challenging for parents who are working, however, similar to your workplace, we have had to reschedule prior commitments that we have paid for. The Teacher Only Day dates are Friday 5th November and Wednesday 24th November.

School will be closed on both of these days so please start making other arrangements for child care if needed.

“NAVIGATING THE JOURNEY” SEXUALITY PARENT EVENING

Today there will be a separate newsletter that goes out to all our families to explain our Term 4 whole school focus on Sexuality Education called “Navigating the Journey”. Please read this carefully so you understand the aim of this programme, what is being taught and information about the parent evening that will happen this term in preparation for this starting. We would like as many parents as possible to attend. This will be held in the **School library from 6:00 to 7:00 pm on Tuesday 28th September.**

FREE NETSAFE PARENT/COMMUNITY EVENING - COME ALONG!



“How do I keep my children safe online?”

“How can I protect my kids when they are surfing the net?”

“How can I protect my child’s privacy?”

“How can I stop cyberbullies?”

These are just a few of the questions parents have and this is your opportunity to ask the experts and learn from them...for free!

Cyber safety and keeping our children safe online is an important issue and one that I am regularly asked for advice about. Our children (and ourselves!) are bombarded by information, hacking, scams etc or know about unsafe or bullying behaviour online. It is a very real and everyday issue even amongst friendship groups, clubs, online communities etc.

Last year as part of our digital survey run by the board, parents asked for an evening focused on cyber safety. As a result we have contacted Netsafe New Zealand to book in a free parent/community evening so we can learn more about this issue and practical ways we can upskill ourselves to avoid it occurring. It is free (funded by the School) and we would love as many people to attend as possible. You are more than welcome to invite other parents or family members that you know.

It will be held on **Monday 18th October** at 6.00pm in the School library.

Please come along and take up this opportunity. All our staff will be upskilling themselves with the Netsafe team at our staff meeting as we know it is important.

PET DAY TERM 4

Week 1 of Term 4 on the 22nd October we will be having our annual Pet Day. Hopefully, we will be in Level 1 so it can run as planned. If we are in Level 2 we will have to run it differently with limited people on site at different times or postponing it a week. Either way we are planning to have this wonderful day as it is a highlight of our year. More details to follow closer to the time.

Dates For Your Diary

28th Sept	Sexuality Education Parent Evening
1st Oct	End of term 3
18th	Netsafe parent/community evening
19th	Year 7 immunisations
20th	Vision & hearing screening
22nd	Pet day
1st - 4th Nov	Scholastic book fair
3rd	Book character day
5th	Teacher only day
9th	School athletics
24th	Teacher only day

Postponed Events

September	Kawaka wearable arts (more information to follow) Kapa Haka Festival (more information to follow)
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MSD's financial assistance tool for your school community

The Ministry of Education has been asked to send this information to you as it may be of value to some people within your school community.

MSD (Ministry of Social Development) has developed an online tool to help identify what types of financial assistance a person could be eligible for quickly and easily: [Check out what you might get | Ngā āwhina tērā pea ka whiwhi koe](#)

Please note, this is a guide and shows how MSD can help a person or whānau. Once the application form is submitted, MSD will be able to work out the exact financial assistance they will receive. This service is only available to New Zealand citizens and residents.

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Centre Manager: Lisa 06 377 5499
Book Online: www.ycentral.nz

Mon 4 October
Bubble Party
7.30am - 5.30pm: \$40



Kick off the holidays with a bubble party at the YMCA. We will have bubble soccer in the gymnasium, bubble artwork and more.

Tues 5 October
Into the Wild
7.30am - 5.30pm: \$40



Stretch our legs around some of Mt Holdsworth's great walking tracks and learn useful bush skills while we explore.

Weds 6 October
Around the World
7.30am - 5.30pm: \$35



We will create our own world bubble and travel around it exploring different countries, lifestyles, food and games.

Thurs 7 October
Zappo
7.30am - 5.30pm: \$40



Exploring the world of magic and learn a trick or two. We will be visited by a real Magician named Zappo!

Fri 8 October
Junglerama
7.30am - 5.30pm: \$55



A forest for the kids! Out to Wellington to enjoy the volcano slides and the jungle gymnasium.

Mon 11 October
Laserforce
7.30am - 5.30pm: \$55



A fun trip with another YMCA where not only are we spending the day at Laser Force in Wellington but free arcade games as well!

Tues 12 October
Myth Busters
7.30am - 5.30pm: \$35



Lets get inquisitive and try find out what will work and what might not. Putting science to the test and letting the kids do it all.

Weds 13 October
Culture Experience
7.30am - 5.30pm: \$35



Embracing our Maori heritage here in NZ and our close relatives from the Pacific Islands. Dance, language and food all in one.

Thurs 14 October
Wellington Zoo
7.30am - 5.30pm: \$55



An adventure to the Zoo where anything can be spotted. How many different animals will you find?

Fri 15 October
Board Game Bonanza
7.30am - 5.30pm: \$35



Creating our board games on a larger platform, like our entire gymnasium! Building giant games like snakes and ladders, hungry hippos and more to play.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

AGE: 8-14yo TIME: 9am -12pm

MASTERTON

DATE: 4 - 6 October

LOCATION: Solway College, 49 Fleet Street

COST: \$45/ day
\$120 for 3 days

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A FUN AND WELCOMING ATMOSPHERE FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITIES FROM U11 TO SOCIAL TO OPEN.

R1: Sun 5 Sept ~~Te Anau Trail Park, Wainuiomata~~
R2: Sun 19 Sept Te Rangituhi, Porirua
R3: Sun 3 Oct ^{New Venue} Waiu Trail Park, Wainuiomata
R4: Sun 31 Oct Stratton St, Belmont
R5: Sun 14 Nov Makara Peak

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For more information and to Enter