



Newsletter – Thursday 31st March 2022

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa

I want to start with a huge thank you to everyone who has participated in our recent learning conferences and also for giving us feedback on those conferences. It is not too late to arrange a time to talk with your child's teacher if you missed out or to complete the [survey](#) if you haven't already. Please contact your child's teacher directly to arrange a catch up. We will be using the feedback from both staff and families to help us with planning the term 3 learning conferences. I have included our results so far at the bottom of the newsletter for you to see.

Today we celebrated the end of Moving March with a range of wheels activities - head over to our Facebook page to see some action shots. We will add some to our next newsletter as well. Despite the weather, we had a great response to our Movin March campaign.

Teacher Only Day:

The School will be closed tomorrow **Friday 1st April** for a Teacher's only day. Our staff will be undertaking professional development for the day in Mathematics and Visual Arts.

Covid:

Some of you will have been hearing from me regularly over these last few weeks as we moved through our increase of cases. Some of you will not have heard much from me. Our case numbers do seem to be slowing down at the moment, which has seen more students returning to school. Many of you have commented on how quiet it has seemed at pick up times. At one stage we had 125 students away from school, not all covid, so that's about 36% of students away.

To date we have had 94 student cases, 60 of whom are back at school, with others due back at various times over the next week.

The students have shown great flexibility and resilience throughout this time. They have remained positive and have made the best of the situation. For some students, not having their own teacher for 2 weeks, for others, having mixed classes. It has been the most unusual time for us.

We are still operating at the Red level and while vaccine passes are no longer required from Monday, we are maintaining all of our other public health measures. So please continue to drop your child at the door of the classroom until we return to the Orange level. As you will have seen, masks are not required when outdoors now that event limits have gone for outside activities, so it is up to you if you want to wear a mask when coming into the playground.

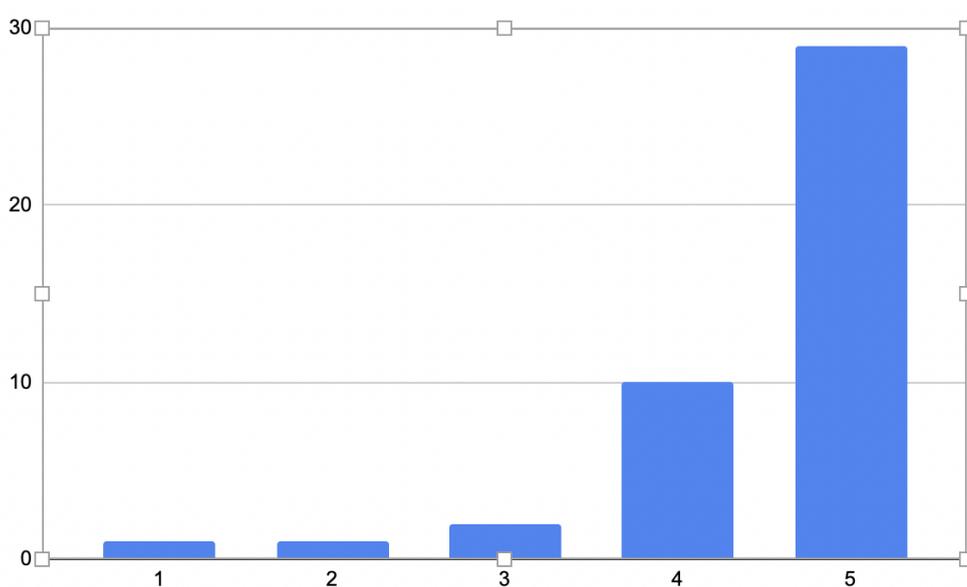
“DREAMS COME IN A SIZE TOO BIG, SO THAT YOU CAN GROW INTO THEM!”

End of Term Event:

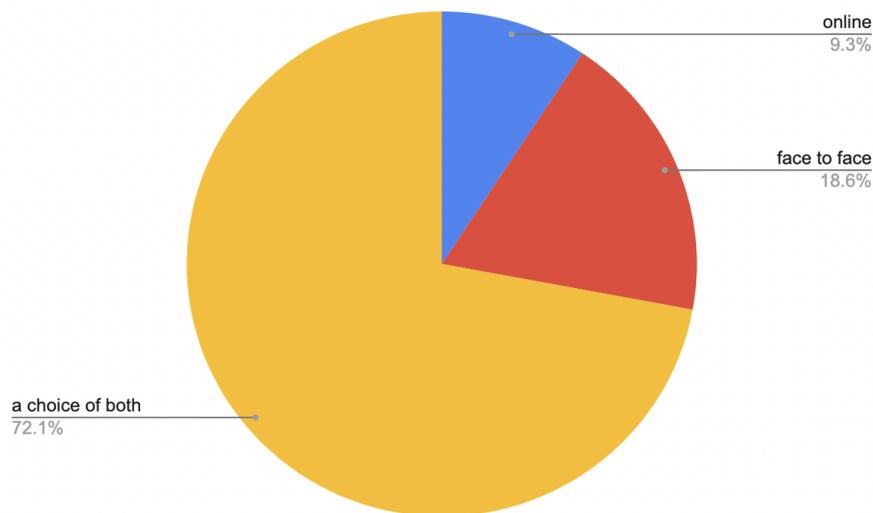
Now that we can gather (from Monday) outside without limits, we are planning an end of term event for you to join us. On Thursday 14th April (last day of term) we invite you to join us for lunch at 12 - bring along a picnic or whatever you would like to share with your child(ren), we will be having a tabloid sports time between 12:30-1:30, which we welcome you to join in with also. We are aiming to have a coffee cart on-site as well.

Survey Results:

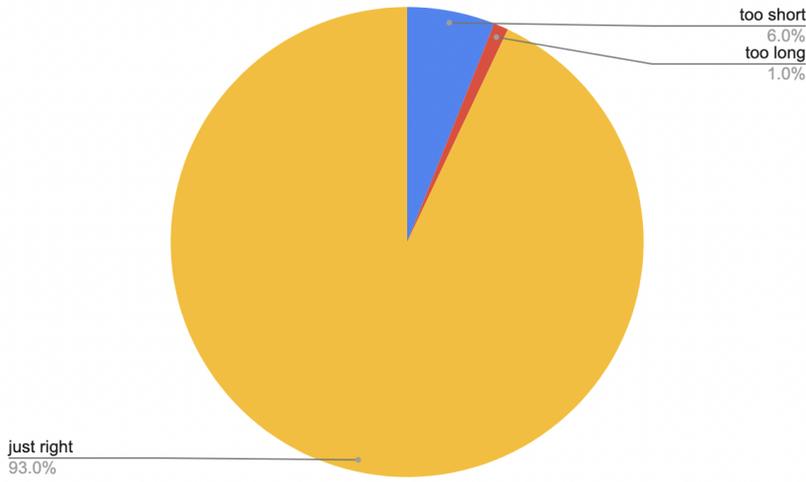
How useful was your online interview? (1-5) 5=very good



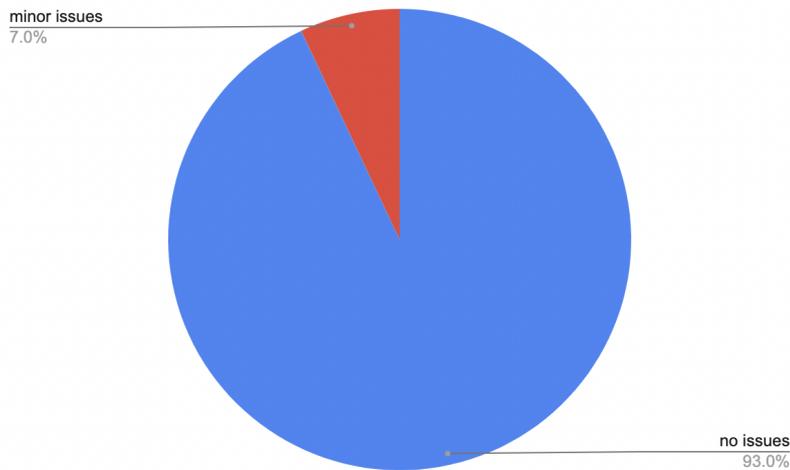
What options would you like for future interviews?



How was the length of the interview?



Did you experience any technical issues?



*Ngā Mihi Nui (warmest regards)
Mrs Paula Weston - Principal*

Arts Exhibition/Auction

As part of the mid winter festival in July and a way of inviting our community back into school will be holding an Art Exhibition/Auction. This will be a celebration of students' work they will be producing next term. We are also inviting local artists to submit work that will be auctioned here at the school. There will be more information to come but if you are interested in helping with this in any way please get in touch with Neil Preston. npreston@greytown.school.nz

Worm Farm Worms

We are going to be getting the vegetable garden back up and running next term. Do we have any parents/Grandparents who have some time to help with this?

We also want to get the worm farm active again. Does anyone have any worms to get this going? Please email Neil if you can help with this in any way. npreston@greytown.school.nz



Dates For Your Diary

April	
1st	Teacher Only Day
8th	Orders in for Hot Cross Buns
12th	Hot Cross Buns collection
12th	Year 7 EOTC
13th	Year 8 EOTC
14th	End of term event

School Contact Information

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Help the kids of Ukraine!



As most of you know Ukraine is being invaded by Russia, some of the people in Ukraine are in serious need of help. So my Dad and I want to donate some money for the children of Ukraine that are in need. We have chopped down some trees and would like to turn it into firewood so we can sell it to donate to one of Ukraines children's charities. But we cannot do it alone, So if anyone wouldn't mind taking some of their time to split some wood for us to sell. We have all the splitters to do it, all we need is you lovely people to come and help out so we can save the kids in need over in Ukraine! We were thinking that we would do it on the 9th or the 10th of April. We will put out another note about selling the wood in the next newsletter.

The details are below:

Written by Lucinda Hight

This is my Dads email\phone number :
rustyhight@gmail.com or 0276068584

This is the charity we will be donating too: Charity, Red Cross.
<https://www.redcross.org.nz/what-we-do/overseas/ukraine-humanitarian-crisis/>



Greytown School

Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser



Traditional 6 pack \$7.00

Spice - no fruit 6pack \$6.00

Choc choc chip 6pack \$7.00

**Check your child/rens bags today for an order form.
Order in by Friday 8th April for collection on Tuesday 12th April**

Orders can also be placed through the School office or by emailing mwall@greytown.school.nz

These hot cross buns arrive fresh out of the oven and once again we are sourcing them from Rosebowl Bakery in Fielding.... Their hot cross buns won 9th in NZ in the 2022 Hot Cross Bun bake off!!

RED ROBIN CLUB of GREYTOWN Easter Raffle

The Red Robin Club of Greytown (formally the Greytown Lioness Club) is pleased to announce that they will be donating the funds from this year's Easter raffle to the Greytown Primary School, junior playground upgrade project.



Unfortunately, because of the current Covid regulations the Red Robin members cannot sell raffle tickets outside the Greytown, Freshchoice Supermarket this year. If you would like to purchase a ticket (or two) they are on sale at Pinehaven Orchards or reach out to the School office.

\$2.00 per Number

- **1st Prize** – \$100 Gourmet Easter basket (donated by Freshchoice, Greytown)
- **2nd Prize** - \$60 Easter Basket
- **3rd Prize** - \$40 Easter Basket

Nau mai, haere mai
Aratoi Wairarapa Museum of Art and History
warmly invites you to a floortalk with
Rhondda Greig & Judith Fyfe

HAMISH KUMMER

THE WAY I SEE IT

Saturday, 9 April, 11am
12 Bruce Street, Masterton. aratoi.org.nz



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★★★ Calling all junior netballers ★★★

Registrations are now open for the 2022 junior netball season!

This year we will play in both the Netball Wairarapa and Southern Netball competitions, but it will look a little different from previous years.

Southern Netball are running their Year 1 to Year 8 Saturday morning competition at Kuranui College in Term 3, rather than Term 2.

👉 Register online now by clicking on this link: <https://forms.gle/WhMmh3wPwLS2FA79>

Registrations close on 1st April 🕒

If you have any questions, please get in touch with one of our Junior Coordinators - Roze Doherty (0274470269), Zoe Bartlett (021308485) or Carla Didsbury (0211711442)