



School Newsletter

Term 2, Week 9, 26 June 2025

Important Dates:

Friday 27 June
End of Term 2

Saturday 19 July
Senior Market Day 4- 6:30pm

Tuesday 22nd July
Learning Conferences

Thursday 24th July
Learning Conferences

Friday 22 August- No school
Teacher Only Day

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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 Website](#)



Paula's Panui

Kia Ora Koutou,

We were very sad to cancel our Hautapu this year, however students had a great day with their various Matariki activities.

At the moment we have a lot of sickness that seems to be cold/flu related. If you are putting in an absence form to the office, could you please let us know (without going into great detail) the type of illness - eg - cold/flu symptoms, tummy bug. This is so that we can keep track of how many students and staff are off with a similar illness. The Ministry of Health do require us to advise them if we get over a certain percentage of illness such as gastro or respiratory illnesses.

Learning Update:

The Learning update being released tomorrow is a student reflection about oral language. The learning update will be available on HERO.

Learning Conferences:

We will be having learning conferences in week 2 of next term (22 & 24 July). At these conferences we will focus on student achievement in reading, writing and maths and show you the graphs that we usually publish with our learning updates mid-year. Along with this newsletter, I will send out a special newsletter with some more information about the graphs, the learning conferences, including how to book them.

*Ngā Mihi, Paula Weston
Tumuaki/Principal*



School Notices

Regional Cross Country

29 of our Greytown School students recently showcased their incredible grit and determination at the Primary School Regional Cross Country event in Upper Hutt, proudly representing the South Wairarapa team! Facing some seriously tough competition, our young athletes ran their hearts out. A huge thank you to Amanda Taylor for organising the Greytown students and to all of the parents who volunteered their time and offered such wonderful support - your encouragement made all the difference!



Inter-School Cross Country

On Tuesday 10th June, a mighty team of 75 Greytown School students attended the Inter School Cross Country event at Solway Show Grounds. It was a fabulous day with schools from all over the Wairarapa attending, providing some strong competition! We had some fantastic results, with 6 students bringing home medals and a big team of 29 heading to Regionals over in Upper Hutt in Week 9.



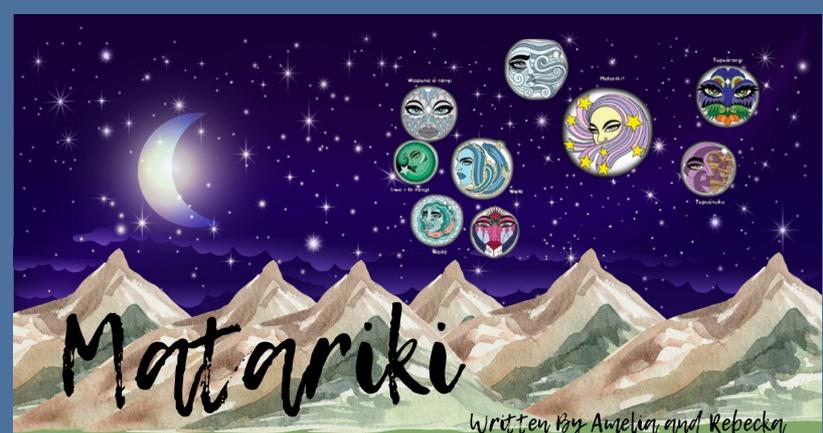
Also a huge thank you to Kieran Gleeson, Lisa Dye and whānau for their donation of medals! Every year group received them for the top 3 placings and we saw a lot of smiles and proud children!



School Notices

Wairarapa Speech Finals

A huge congratulations to **Sophie Jacques** (Year 7) and **Evie Holden** (Year 8) for their outstanding achievement in reaching the Wairarapa Speech Finals! Representing Greytown School with confidence, both students delivered exceptional speeches. Well done Sophie and Evie.



Written by Amelia and Rebecka

On Thursday, 19th June, Greytown School celebrated Matariki. They participated in many fun activities, including decorating pendants, playing games, creating tukutuku panels, and other enjoyable pursuits. The whole school participated in these fun activities within their syndicate.

Matariki is the rising of nine star sisters: Matariki, Waiti, Waita, Waipururangi, Tupanuki, Tupurangi, Pohutakawa, and Hiwiterangi. The rising of these stars represents the Maori New Year; it is a time for celebration and spending time with family. Every year Greytown School gets together for games, waita, and fun activities to honor and celebrate this time of year.

This year Greytown School was going to get up at 6am to hold a Hautapu ceremony where we reflect, remember and reset, ready for another year ahead. Unfortunately sickness amongst staff and children didn't allow this but we look forward to trying again next year.





School Notices

Get Ready to Make a Difference: Board of Trustees Elections Are Coming Soon!

We warmly encourage members of our school community to consider standing for election. Being part of the Board is a meaningful way to contribute to the governance and future direction of our school.

If you have a passion for education, a commitment to our school's success, and are willing to dedicate your time and energy, then standing for election might be for you.

Further information regarding key dates, nomination processes, and voting procedures will be communicated in the coming weeks. Please keep an eye on our school's official channels for these important updates.



Basketball Round Up



What a fantastic season it's been for our Greytown School basketball teams! Across the term, all three teams showed determination, teamwork, and a love for the game. It was exciting to watch each team grow in confidence and skill, with plenty of memorable moments on the court. A special congratulations goes to our Year 8 team, who finished the season as league champions – an incredible achievement!

A huge thank you to our amazing coaches Rueben, Jasper, and Louise for their time, energy, and support throughout the season. We couldn't have done it without you! Ka pai to all our players, coaches, and supporters for a great term of basketball.



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

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

Egg Cartons Needed

The FoodBank is in need of
some Egg Cartons.
If you have any, please drop
them into the office.

Thank you

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

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

Greytown School Lunch Options



TUESDAYS

Sushi
Order online before Tue 8:30am
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



SCAN ME
TO DOWNLOAD

READY, SET, SIGN IN!

Stay in the loop by
following these steps

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.



Greytown School Details

Phone: 06 304 9007

Email: office@greytown.school.nz

Website: www.greytown.school.nz

Bank Acc: 03 0609 0124353 00

Absences: Through HERO or phone office



Community Notices

Looking for something a bit different these school holidays? Head to the Festival of Christmas for some whānau fun!

The Illuminations Nightwalk at Cobblestones has two sessions per day from Wednesday 2 July – Monday 7 July and some of these are sold out already! [More](#) details on Eventfinda: Festival of Christmas

And the Circus Workshop with the [The Circus Hub](#) is great for two age groups (5-7) or (8-12). These run from Monday 30 June – Friday 4 June with two separate sessions per day.



Wairarapa Festival of Christmas Greytown

ILLUMINATION Night Walk

Wednesday 2 to Monday 7 July 2025

Tickets: \$10 per adult, \$5 per child, \$25 per family (plus fees). Under 5's free.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL:
greytownvillage.com

An interactive light experience with magical displays, soundscapes, and surprises!





Community Notices

Pocket Money Prices!



Greytown Festival Night Markets
on McMaster Street

Friday 27 June 3-8pm

Everything \$1-\$3 at our market stall!

Perfect for little shoppers.
All funds raised support the playgroup

Holiday

Craft Hour

**3rd, 7th and 10th July
10am-11am**

McMaster Plunket Rooms, Greytown
\$10 p/child, Ages 5+

Book your spot via our **Greytown Community Facebook page** or **greytown.playgroup@gmail.com**

All funds raised support our playgroup come craft with us!





Community Notices

Rack Attack - POP Up Shop

Saturday 28th June

10am onwards

124 Main St Greytown (Lands Trust Building)



"Love the hunt and enjoy the find"

High end and designer pre-loved clothing.

Fantastic news for all those who missed out on our fabulous Red Robin Fashion Show earlier this year.

All proceeds to the Cancer Society.

AVAILABLE FROM

TERM 3

Pita Pit

WINTER WARMING SCHOOL LUNCHES

Beef Lasagna **\$7**

Butter Chicken with Rice **\$7**

Chicken Nuggets **\$6**

PitaPit Masterton