



Wig Wednesday

REMINDER: On **Wednesday, 21st June** it is Wig Wednesday. We are encouraging your child to wear a wig and bring a gold coin on this day to support the Child Cancer Foundation.

Gracefield Greatest award recipients:

- ◆ Hadley Butchart for being respectful (whakaaro nui)
- ◆ Avy Uili for being conscientious (pukumahi)
- ◆ Maddison Jackson-Close for being respectful (whakaaro nui)
- ◆ Rylee Sopoaga for being respectful (whakaaro nui) and a thinker (āta whakaaro)
- ◆ Bella-Marie Delves for being a thinker (āta whakaaro)
- ◆ Abigail Rhoades for being a thinker (āta whakaaro) and respectful (whakaaro nui)
- ◆ Morgan Harvey respectful (whakaaro nui)
- ◆ Lani Vaeluaga for being conscientious (pukumahi) and respectful (whakaaro nui)
- ◆ Amanda Harvey for being conscientious (pukumahi) a thinker (āta whakaaro) and respectful (whakaaro nui)

Welcome to Rani Gemmell who started today in Room 3.

Reunification Drill

This **Wednesday** we have our reunification drill. In some ways this is a bit of a trial to see how well we can reunite parents/nominated person with their children after a serious natural disaster. Below you will find specific details about how this will work. I want to make the point again that the purpose of this is to see where we need to improve. It may be that we don't get things right, but that will mean we can only make it better next time.

The drill will start from **2:20pm** here at school. Initially we thought 2:30pm, but it would be better to have too much time, rather than not enough. Parents/nominated person can arrive any time between **2:20pm and 3 pm**. It may be that when you arrive there is a bit of a queue. If this does happen, please be patient. We are trying to reunite 220 children as smoothly as possible. Here is a detailed plan for Wednesday afternoon. Please read this carefully and make sure the person doing the pickup knows what is expected of them:

1. Parents/caregivers/people specified on the reunification form, start arriving after 2:20pm.
2. They go straight to the **school hall** main doors where you will find desks set up. Line up behind these ready to be assisted by staff. You will then be taken into the hall by a staff member. **Parents are not to go into the hall without being invited to do so.**

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3. Children will be lined up inside the hall in their classes. Staff will take parents to the teacher of the class the child is in. There may be a queue, so please be patient.
4. When you get to the front of the queue, the teacher will greet you and ask for:
 - i. the name of the child you are picking up.
 - ii. where you are going to take the child.

This information is recorded by the teacher along with the time.

If you are picking up more than one child, you need to queue in the next class.

5. You are then free to take your child (or the child you're picking up). Leave through the fire exit doors. Please leave quickly and with little fuss. In a real emergency children will be stressed and those whose parents have not arrived will be worried.
6. The child will need to get their bag from their class before they leave. Once they have their bag(s), they are free to leave the grounds.

Note: If the person picking the child up is not on the reunification list, they will **not** be allowed to take the child.

If we need to do a reunification drill because we have experienced a severe earthquake (long and strong) then we will be relocating to St Pauls Church hall (not the church) on Waiwhetu Road. Please make yourself aware of where this building is. It is on the corner of Guthrie Street and Waiwhetu Road on the east side.

Performer

We have our performer for the term at Gracefield doing a show on the afternoon of **Thursday, 29th June**. He goes by the name of Mr Eco. He uses music to promote the sustainability message. We thought his show would be a great way to reinforce some of the things we do here

- Solar panels
- Recycling
- Composting
- Vegetable gardens

If you want to have a look at some of his work use the links below:

EcoHero Anthem: [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R426Pb7SIk8**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R426Pb7SIk8)

Be Bright Turn Em Out: [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DWUY2_6D1aE**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DWUY2_6D1aE)

There is a small cost for this show of **\$2 per child**. Could you please fill in the form at the end of this newsletter and return to school by next **Friday, 23rd June**.

Maths

The maths would like to share some websites in the newsletter to encourage maths instead of the games that were in the newsletter previously. The websites will be included in the newsletter once a fortnight.

Junior	Middle	Senior
King of Maths (app)	thatquiz.com	www.studyladder.co.nz

Monday 19th June

Gracefield	Playing	Time	Court
Gracefield Black	OLR - Green	4:45pm	Court 4
Gracefield Silver	Waterloo 2 Magic	4:00pm	Court 4

Saturday 17th June

Gracefield	Playing	Time	Court
Gracefield Red	Chilton 7	3:00pm	Court 10
Gracefield Blue	EHS 11	2:00pm	Court 9

Netball fees are due. Netball fees are now overdue. Please make your \$40 payment to Robyn asap.

Whittaker's Chocolate Fundraiser:

All chocolate money should be in now and all unsold chocolates returned. If you still have money or chocolate at home, can you please return ASAP, so that we do not need to chase you up. We really appreciate your help with this.

Money: Return to the office or pay by direct credit into the PTA bank account 12-3142-0246966-00 ref: child's name, room number, Chocolate.

Unsold chocolate: Return to the office.

If have any questions please contact Kylie: 0275 928286 or kylie.keatley@huttcity.govt.nz

PTA DISCO

The PTA Disco 'Glow in the Dark' is on **Friday 23rd June** 6pm-8pm. Please use the attached order form to order your children's tickets and return it with your payment to the office by lunchtime **Thursday 22nd June**. Tickets will be sent home on **Friday 23rd June**. There will be snacks, drinks and glow sticks available to buy at the disco.

MR ECO - PERFORMER on Thursday 29th June

Please fill in the details below and return this form along with the money to the office by **Friday, 23rd June**. Cost is \$2.00 per child

Room: _____ Child's Name: _____

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Room: _____ Child's Name: _____

Total Amount enclosed: \$_____

DISCO PERMISSION SLIP

I give permission for my child/children to attend the Gracefield School
"Glow in the Dark" DISCO on Friday 23 June from
6:00pm to 8:00pm.

My child: _____ Room: _____

My child: _____ Room: _____

My child: _____ Room: _____

I enclose \$5 per child attending.

Total enclosed \$_____

The adult dropping off and picking up my child/children will be (please print clearly):

Name _____

Contact Phone _____

Name _____

Contact Phone _____

I can/cannot help with setting up or cleaning up on the day/night

Name _____ Ph # _____

Signed _____

Parents are welcome to stay for the first 15 minutes, but due to limited space in the hall, we encourage you to leave and return at 8pm to collect your child.