



A big welcome to everyone for Term 3

Let's hope the sickness that plagued us at the end of term 2 has gone.

Fredo

As always Fredo is attached to this newsletter. Please put it in a safe place so you know the important dates for the term.

Welcome to new students who started at Gracefield today

- ◆ Jaylen Wilson
- ◆ Sunny Gao

Polygroup Performance

This **Friday, 28th July** we will have our Pasifika group kids performing in assembly. They will be doing the performance they did last term in the Polyfest. This will begin at 2:30pm. The children put a huge amount of work into learning their performance, and it would be great to have lots of parents and whanau there cheering them on.

Lost Property

We have an unbelievable amount of lost property box outside Robyn's office. Parents have one last chance to go through this clothing before it is sent off to the clothing bin.

Can I please remind parents that it really is in your best interests (and ours) if you label your child's clothing, so that if it is left on the field (or anywhere) we know who it belongs to.

Late arrivals and picking up your child(ren) during school hours

Just a reminder to parents that if your child arrives after 9am, you must sign them in the **LATE BOOK** at the office. If you are picking up your child during school hours, you must drop by the office and sign them out in the **LOG OUT** book. Let Robyn in the office know if you are taking them out of school for the whole day or bringing them back, and as a courtesy tell their class teacher as well. If you are bringing them back to school, they need to be signed back in by filling in the "Return Time" in the LOG OUT book.

Boundary Fence

You will notice that over the holiday period we had a "ball stopping" boundary fence built beside the astroturf. The board paid for this because we felt neighbours must be getting tired of having to throw balls back on a daily basis. Hopefully this will do the trick.

Production(s)

We have our biannual productions to be performed at the end of this term. We have set the dates of **Wednesday, 27th September and Thursday, 28th September** for these. Teachers are finalising exactly what will be happening at this time.

It is our expectation that every child in the school will take part in these evening performances. For this reason, it's really important that if your child will not be at school on either of these days, you need to let us know "now." This is so we know not to include these children in major roles.

Te Rerenga Korero o te Wiki - Phrase of the Week

That's delicious - Hei tino reka tēra

Maths

Websites will be included in the newsletter once a fortnight.

Junior	Middle	Senior
Flash to Pass (app)	studyladder.com	www.sumdog.com

Parent/teacher Conferences

On **Wednesday, 2nd and Thursday, 3rd August**, mid-year parent conferences will take place. As usual parents book this online by following the instructions below:

1. Go to <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/home>
2. Select **Booking**
3. Enter the following school event code: **y28q6**
4. Follow the screen instructions to book a time with the teacher.
5. An email will then be sent to you confirming the time. If you don't receive an email you need to go back into the website and go through these steps again.

Please note:

- **Parents need to know that it is first come, first served.**
- You can go back in at any time and edit your booking before Monday 1/8.
- Jan Riley in Room 1 needs to have 30 minute slots. You will note that for her class every second session has been blocked out and that she is only available Wednesday. If you have recently had an interview with Mrs Riley, you will not need another one.
- If you do not want to use this system because you don't have access to the internet, we will make the booking for you, if you call the school office on 5695422. Ask for Simon or Hamish and explain that you want to make a parent conference booking.
- The booking sheet will close for parent bookings, **at 9am on Monday, 31st July**. This is so teachers can print off their lists and prepare. If you need to make or change a booking after this time, please contact either Simon or Hamish in the office on 569 5422 and we will do this manually.
- **Taking the last time slot does not entitle parents to any extra time, unless you have prearranged this with the teacher. Please respect that this is a very long day for teachers and they will be tired.**

Reports will be sent home at the end of **Week 1 (28th July)** this term. This is so parents can read the reports and be prepared for the conferences the following week.

Please note: Due to an unavoidable change, Mrs Mitchell (Room 6) will now no longer be available on Thursday. This means she will be conferencing Tuesday (and Wednesday) night instead.

- If you have a child in Room 6 and can't make Wednesday, then use the attached form to book a time on Tuesday (1st August).
 - If you have already booked Thursday, Mrs Mitchell will ring you to work out another time.
 - If you have booked Wednesday, then nothing changes (do nothing).
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Parent Conference (Room 6 only)

I would like to book a time on **Tuesday, 1st August** for a conference with Mrs Mitchell in Room 6.

Child's name _____

Parent's name(s) _____

Preferred time (please circle one)

- Tuesday between 3pm - 5pm
 - Tuesday between 6pm -7:15pm
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