

## Greenpark School Weekly Newsletter

### Term 3, Week 2 2018

**Greenpark School Calendar:** <http://www.greenparkschool.co.nz/school-calendar>

**Tēnā koutou katoa**

This week has been great excitement for our Greenpark Learners with the new playground up and running. Learners have been challenging their strength and climbing abilities. We have the final fundraising effort with the Knowledge-Athon happening over the next two weeks. We are grateful for the huge support we have received from our PTA and community.

A very warm welcome to Helayna Flavell, Jade Field, Julian Te-Hira Barriball, Takiri Barriball, Jethro Young, Siying (Jenny) Lu, Kamaldeep Kaur and Anqiao (Angela) Gao who have all started with us this week. We hope you enjoy your time with us at Greenpark School.

#### Upcoming Events

**Monday 6th August:** Greenpark SPCA Cupcake Day.

**Tuesday 7th August:** Year 5&6 Choir Trip to Tauranga Intermediate, BOT Meeting

**Wednesday 8th August:** Rugby League 9-aside Tournament.

**Thursday 9th August:** PTA Knowledge-athon Test Day.

**Friday 10th August:** PTA Knowledge-athon Results Home, Last day to order Production Crew T Shirts.



## Strike Action

On Wednesday 15th August primary school teachers across New Zealand are striking. Greenpark School will be closed for instruction on this day. Should you require care for your child on this day, HomeTime will be available and will be open for the extended hours of 7:30am—6:00pm. This service must be booked in advance. Please contact 576 0363 for further details and to book.



## **IT'S TIME YOUR CHILDREN HAD THE EDUCATION THEY DESERVE**

You send your children to school to help set them up for life. Yet, schools are facing a teacher shortage crisis, with a 40% drop in people training to be teachers; and a growing number of school-aged children. Schools are struggling to find enough staff to teach our children.

There is also a desperate need for more support for children with additional learning needs. There just aren't enough teachers to give your kids the education they deserve.

## **WHAT WE ARE CAMPAIGNING FOR?**

- \* **More teachers – so your kids can get more attention**
- \* **More resources/staff to support children with additional learning needs**
- \* **A pay jolt to salaries for teachers to address the teacher shortage – so that your children will have a teacher in the future**

## **SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!**





### School Production

Work on our bi-annual Greenpark School Production is well underway and this year it is called Aladdin Trouble. A reminder if your child is involved in the school production and would like to order a crew T Shirt for \$15.00 that the money and order form need to be in by Friday 10th August either online via Kindo or at the school office. More information regarding ticket prices and sales will be coming home at a later stage.

### Music & Dance

Our Years 5&6 Choir are performing at the upcoming Tauranga Music Festival on 3rd September at the Baycourt Theatre from 7-9pm. Tickets are \$14.00 per person (children and adults) and are purchased through Baycourt Theatre. <http://www.baycourt.co.nz>

Dance NZ Made students are participating in workshops and performing in the Regionals at Baycourt Theatre on Monday 13 August. Tickets for this are also available through Baycourt. <http://www.baycourt.co.nz>.

### Diwali Dance Group

Our Diwali Dance Group urgently need some costumes to either be donated or lent to them for their upcoming performances. If you are able to help, please contact Mel Hodges-Ginns on [melanieh@greenparkschool.co.nz](mailto:melanieh@greenparkschool.co.nz) or drop them into the office. All donations gratefully received.

### School Uniform

Greenpark School has a school uniform policy that all parents/caregivers sign at the time of enrolment. Please ensure your child is in correct school uniform every day. To view the correct school uniform <http://www.greenparkschool.co.nz/uniform> or contact the office.





### Community Event—Movie Fundraiser for a parent of Greenpark School

Kirstie Purton is a parent of Greenpark School who has Cystic Fibrosis and was told she would not live past 18 years old. She has fought hard and she is now 35 with three beautiful children. Last year Kirstie was fortunate enough to have received a double lung transplant, which has given her another chance at life. Kirstie can now participate in activities with her children that she could never do before.

Kirstie has a new goal. To compete at the 2018 Transplant Games. This is held in October on the Gold Coast. After a few setbacks including being hospitalised with Influenza, she is now more than ever determined to achieve her goal. She has entered into 6 swimming events, a 30km cycle race, a 5km road race and a triathlon!

To help get Kirstie to the Transplant Games, there is a movie fundraiser happening which anyone is invited to attend with money raised helping Kirstie on her quest. The details are as follows:

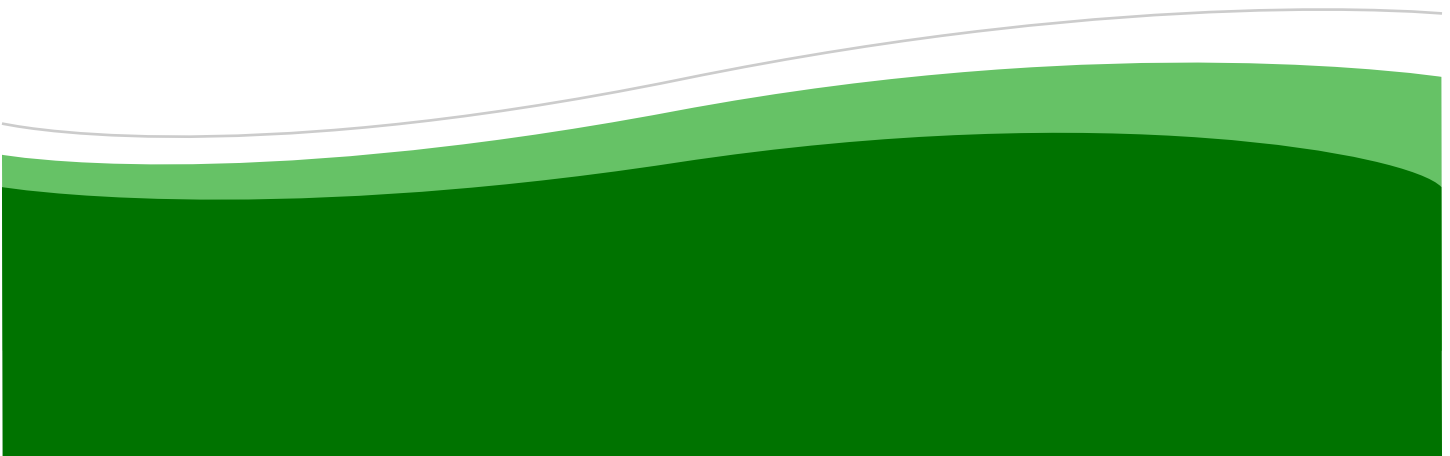
**The Spy who Dumped Me (2018)**

**Wednesday 15th August 8:00pm movie starts—Come along at 7:30pm for pre-movie nibbles and grab yourself a wine or beer from the bar to enjoy while watching the movie.**

**Tickets are \$20 each (incl pre-movie nibbles) with a cash bar for wine/beer**

**To secure your ticket, please email [cushla@bpc.net.nz](mailto:cushla@bpc.net.nz) and payment can be made to 15-3959-0714461-00 (please reference your name and movie)**

**Thank you for your support.**





### Community Event—Frazzled Kiwi

The Frazzled Kiwi is a 2 hour adventure race for families, school students and social adults. Make your way around farmland on foot, looking for check points and completing mystery activities. There will be mud and water and plenty of fun!!!! This event is beginner friendly and a great day out with your family, friends or colleagues.

**Date:** Sunday 19th August 2018.

**Duration:** approx. 2hrs.

**Location:** Top Flat, McLaren Falls Park, Lower Kaimai, Tauranga.

**Cost:** \$25 per person. Online entries only (closes Thursday 16th August).

For more information call Fiona on 027 626 7910 or go to [www.frazzledkiwi.co.nz](http://www.frazzledkiwi.co.nz)

Kind Regards

Gareth Scholes

Principal

