

Greenwell Point Public School

NEWSLETTER

'School Motto – Growing and Learning Together'

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PRINCIPAL: Mrs Kate Murphy 30th January, 2012 Term 1 Week 2

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY

1 Kindergarten to start big school

9 Dance to be fit lessons

14 Small Schools Swimming Carnival Years 3-6

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back to the 2012 school year. I trust it will be as rewarding and educationally beneficial as last year. The staff met on Friday and have planned some new and continuing programmes for the year ahead. Today started early with the arrival of happy smiling faces from the Years 1-6 students and some Best Start testing of Kindergarten students.

Organisation for 2012

Mrs Narelle Spelta -Kindergarten and Year 1

Mr Bill Bourke -Years 2, 3 & 4

Mrs Bronwyn Baker - Monday, Tuesday and Mr Wilkinson -Wednesday, Thursday, Friday. Years 5 & 6 Mrs Murphy -Library, release from Face to Face teaching (RFF), Support and Principal Administration.

Mrs Walker- Reading Recovery (each morning)

Mrs Collins -HAT 1/2 Days a week for half of each term

Routines and Times

Mondays-newsletter is sent home unless there is a public holiday

Thursday-Library, Scripture and 'Dance to Be Fit' program

Commencement of school is 9.10am and children should not arrive at school before 8.40am

Lunch 11.10am

Recess 1.00pm

Play 2.30pm

Conclusion 3.00pm

Parents are reminded that if needed they could make appointments during the 2.30pm play period to avoid children missing valuable learning time.

Absences from school or lateness

It is a government requirement that children attend school during school hours. Please follow up all absences with a note or phone call so the correct exemption can be recorded against your child's name. The class roll is a legal document and must be kept accurate.

School Dismissal

Parents are asked to remain at the school entrances during the afternoon pick up time. This helps the children assemble quickly and be dismissed by their teacher to parents.

We will be using the side gate in Jervis street on a trial bases this term and may have to revert to the front gate. Staff have been asked to park their cars at the front of the school leaving space in Jervis street for parent parking. If you need to speak with a teacher at this time please wait until the children have safely been dismissed before distracting the teacher.

School Assemblies

Parents are invited to the school hall in week 5 and 10 for a formal assembly. More information will sent home closer to time.

I have already mentioned some new things above but one of the very exciting things to look forward to for the year will be our concert later this year. We have had great performances in the past but this will be brilliant!

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Just a reminder to all our parents and carers that if for some reason your child does not receive the school newsletter that it can be found on the school website on www.greenwelpt-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

CANTEEN NEWS

There will be NO CANTEEN this week. The next canteen will be on Friday 10th February, please use last year's canteen list and if you have misplaced or do not have one please see Mrs Miller in the office.

BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to these students/staff who celebrated their birthdays over the school holidays



Keesha Devet who turned 10 on the 21st December Chloe Sanders who turned 7 on the 27th December Mrs Miller had a birthday on the 1st January Mr Bourke had a birthday on the 3rd January Cody Denny turned 5 on the 5th January Jackson Williams turned 8 on 23rd January Reece Christian turns 10 on the 5th February



SPORT NEWS

DANCE TO BE FIT

In Term 1 the whole school will be participating in a "Dance to be fit" program. This program is part of the school curriculum PD/H/PE and is compulsory to attend. The school has cut the costs down to \$3 per lesson or \$27 in full. This dance program is been conducted by professional dance2bfit instructors and they will be taught a new dance every lesson. Payments can be made each week or in full. Please complete the permission note below and send it and your money to Mrs Miller in the office.

SMALL SCHOOL'S SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The small schools swimming carnival will be held on Tuesday 14th February. Students participating in this will be Years 3-6 or students in Year 2 turning 8 this year that can swim 50 meters. More information will be sent home in the next few weeks, so now is the time to start practicing your laps.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

NOWRA SHOW

The Nowra Show will be held on the 10th and 11th February, 2012 and if you would like your child to enter in the junior sections either in the pavilion or farm entries then please see Mrs Miller for a show schedule.

CATHOLICCARE PARENTING COURSES

Grassroots Parenting: A series of eight separate modules looking at parenting children from the ages of 0-12, parents can select which of the eight they would like to attend. Starting 31st January.

My Kids and Me: Six sessions workshops for parents who have had their children removed from their care. Starting 2nd February.