

Greenwell Point Public School

NEWSLETTER

'School Motto – Growing and Learning Together'

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PRINCIPAL: Mrs Kate Murphy 22nd October, 2012 Term 4 Week 3

DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER

15-26 Swimming Scheme—Bomaderry Pool

23 Book Club Due Back

27 School "Halloween" Trivia Night 7pm start

29 P&C Meeting in the library at 5pm

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents

Congratulations to Zeke and his family on the birth of his baby brother last week.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority, in collaboration with states and territories, has developed agreed Australian Curriculum for English, Mathematics, Science and History. Each learning area includes content statements that represent essential learning for all Australian students.

The new syllabuses build on the strength of the existing NSW curriculum. The syllabuses identify the knowledge, understanding, skills, values and attitudes that students are expected to develop in each learning area. Although in 2013 all schools in NSW will continue to teach the current syllabuses there will be training in the new English syllabus ready for 2014. Again in 2014 teachers will be introduced to the Mathematics, and Science and Technology syllabuses, ready for 2015. In 2016 all schools will teach the new history syllabus. At the same time High Schools will also be making the necessary changes.

Any changes will probably be in name only and once the teachers have made the necessary changes we will run information sessions for the parents. At this stage you just need to know it is happening but there is no need to feel anything will be that different from when you were at school. The content may change but not the skills and process.

I hope you have purchased your ticket for the trivia night or offered to help in some way. The evening promises to be bigger and better than ever before. Why not ask your work mates to join you in a fun night of laughter and prizes. It is the P&C major fund raiser for the year but also a social event for everyone. Every child at the school will benefit from the funds raised.

Thank you to the P&C members who organised and ran the disco last Friday night. Also thank you to Max Gardiner for his job as a dedicated D.J.

Yours in Education Kate Murphy

P&C STUDENT DISCO FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER

The P & C would like to thank; the children who behaved at the disco, disco Max for his endless supply of music and to all the parent helpers. The children all had a great night and the P & C made a profit of \$266.00.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club due back 23rd October (tomorrow), please assist Mrs Hiscox by having the correct money and all orders having students name on each order. Thankyou for your support during the year we have been able to buy quite a few new books for the library.

P&C NEWS

Trivia Night

THIS SATURDAY IS THE P&C'S TRIVIA NIGHT. Please help support the school and have a great night raising some much needed money. The "Halloween Trivia Night" tickets are available now and the night will be held on the 27th October, 2012 at 6:30pm in the school hall. Tickets will cost \$30 each and includes a 3 course meal with a BYO. We would like to see all of our new families join in the fun with the school on a social occasion. This trivia night is an adults only night and no children under 18 are able to attend.

If you cannot attend and would like to help out, you can make a donation or we are in need of some items; tomato sauce, mayonnaise, tartare sauce.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 29th October at 5pm in the school library. All welcome to attend.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Congratulations and Best Wishes to:

Andrew Rowley turns 10 today and Jayden Wright turns 11 today

BOAT AWARDS

K/1 Zeke Brandon2/3/4 Jackson Williams5/6 Grace Cocking



PLAYGROUP FOR KINDER 2013

The first session of our Playgroup for Kinder 2013 will commence this Thursday 25th October at 9:30am to 11am in the school hall. This is a great opportunity to meet other students and families starting next year.

BANDANNA DAY THIS FRIDAY

The school has received Bandanna's to sell for National Bandanna Day Friday 26th October, 2012. Parents and students can purchase Bandanna's for \$4 each and Pens for \$3 each. Please get in early and pick your Bandanna. Students can wear their Bandanna's this Friday.

CANTEEN NEWS

<u>Canteen will only apply to the FIRST BREAK ONLY for the next two weeks</u> due to the swimming scheme. Please provide your child's second break.

YEAR 5/6 EXCURSION TO CANBERRA

We still need permission notes to be returned by this **Wednesday at the latest**. Please indicate if you are attending and please start making payments as soon as possible. This excursion will take place on the 7th to the 9th November, 2012.

SPORT

INTENSIVE SWIMMING SCHEME

The swimming scheme started last Monday 15th October, 2012 and they are all enjoying their swim. Please remember to send your child in with all their swimming needs each day for the next two weeks.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

NOWRA-CULBURRA NIPPERS

As the 2012 Nippers season prepares to commence at the Nowra-Culburra Surf Club, we are now seeking young members to join our surf club. Our nippers program teaches how to be surf wise and surf safe as well as encouraging our youth. If you are interested please contact the junior activities coordinator on 0408 968009 or visit the website www.nowra-culburra-slsc.org.au

CARESOUTH

CareSouth is a not-for-profit organization, based in the Illawarra, Southern Highlands, Shoalhaven and South Coast and provides out of home care services for children and young people. We have ongoing need for families and individuals who are willing to consider becoming foster carers and would appreciate any help. If you would like some more information please contact Tracie Fleming on 42 257588.

TERARA PUBLIC SCHOOL COUNTRY FAIR

On Saturday 27th October, 2012 Terara Public School will be hosting their annual Country Fair from 8am to 2pm. The day consists of: Devonshire Tea, Hot food, Face Painting, Kids Games, Entertainment, Auction, Prizewheel, Plant & Produce Stall, White elephant stall, Cakes, Craft Stalls and 40+ specialty stalls. Great fun for the whole family.

CATHOLICCARE PROGRAMS

Term 4, 2012 programs are now available in; Poppy Playgroup, Keeping Kids in Mind, Teens & Parents—Building Bridges. If you are interested in any of these programs then please contact 44 218248.