



Greenwell Point Public School

NEWSLETTER

'School Motto – Growing and Learning Together'

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Term 1 Week 3

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY

- 9 Dance to be fit lessons
- 14 Small Schools Swimming Carnival Years 3-6
- 16 Scripture starts

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Thank you to everyone, for your understanding and cooperation with the wet weather we have been experiencing of late. When picking up your child/ren you are more than welcome to come and stand under the verandah in front of the office, to keep dry. If you could just catch the teachers eye, as your child leaves the class line to meet you. By all accounts, families are happy with the change to the side gate. A special thank you to Loretta and John Pieters, who are coming earlier to use the disabled parking in front of the garage. Please be understanding and do not stand waiting in this area before 3 p.m. each day.

We are very lucky to have very small classes and your child is given a greater ratio of teacher—student time, however we do need a few more students to continue with the current funding arrangement. If you know of anyone who is about to move into the area or needing to start their child at a new school, could you let them know there are a few vacancies. Could you also ask them to contact the school immediately, so we can include them in the school planning for 2012. It would also be helpful if parents wishing to enrol their kindergarten students for 2013 give their child's name to Mrs Miller, in the office. This will allow for forward planning.

Each week when I write my report, I hope I'm sending a message of appreciation and thanks to our lovely students and parents. This school is probably the best kept secret in the Shoalhaven. From time to time we have had some rocky patches but the standard of education and the individual attention we offer each and every child has remained steadfast.

The year has already started off on a positive note. The classes are working well, with their dedicated teachers and our new students have settled into the school routine with ease. If there is ever a time when you feel we have misunderstood and need to discuss something with you, please make an appointment and I'll be happy to chat to you about your thoughts. As a teaching principal I have classes to teach and duties to complete, so an appointment makes sure I'm available.

Yours in education at a small school making a difference.

Kate Murphy

SCHOOL WORKBOOKS

K-6

Targeting Handwriting	\$11.90
Targeting Maths	\$14.70
Homework Contracts	<u>\$11.40</u>

TOTAL \$38.00

The school contribution fee is \$30 per child or families having more than one child at the school \$25 for the second child and \$15 for the third child. This contribution fees provides additional costs including: exercise books, paint, paper etc.

The school will be paying for your child's Spelling Workbooks keeping the costs at a minimal price for each student. All students will be invoiced and **students will receive their workbooks once they have paid for them.** Please help your classroom teacher by paying for these books as soon as possible enabling your child to start using them.

INFORMATION SHEET

Please complete and up-date the attached new information sheet for your child for 2012 and return it to the office. New and kindergarten students should have already sent in this form and do not have to redo it.

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

Canteen will commence this Friday 10th February. Please ensure that each break requires a separate brown paper bag for the canteen helpers to put your child's order in. Please find attached a copy of the current canteen menu. Canteen orders are to be left in the school office.

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. Please return your money and permission notes to the office as soon as possible.

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.

Please ring Nicole Brown on 4628 0044 for further details.

BOMADERRY JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

Registration Days will be held at the Bomaderry Sporting Complex on:

Saturday 11th & 25th February 10am to 1pm

Wednesday 15th & 22nd February 4pm to 5pm

Early bird fees special \$75 on the 4th & 11th or \$85 (must be paid on the day).

All players receive: shorts, socks & training shirt (included in fees) All new players must bring original birth certificate and medicare number. Please ring Steve on 0403 591014.

NETBALL

The Rebels Netball Club registration day will be Saturday 18th February 9am to 12 noon at Park Road Netball Courts, South Nowra. Coaching clinic for new players 10am to 11am. Players from 5 years of age to seniors are welcome. Please ring Rae Thomson 0413 809 748.

GREENWELL POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL DANCE TO BE FIT LESSONS FOR 9 WEEKS PERMISSION NOTE

I give permission for my child/ren in class/es
to attend the dance to be fit lessons over the next 9 weeks beginning on Thursday 9th February at a cost of \$3 per lesson or \$27 for the whole program.

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Parent Name

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Parent Signature

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Date