

Greenwell Point Public School

# NEWSLETTER

'School Motto – Growing and Learning Together'Phone: 444 71379Fax: 444 71550email: greenwelpt-p.school@det.nsw.edu.auPRINCIPAL: Mrs Kate Murphy21st May, 2012Term 2 Week 5

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

**MAY** 22

P&C Annual General Meeting at 6:30am in the library

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The NAPLAN was successfully completed last week. There has been a lot of comment in the media about the testing raising children's stress levels. Our children seemed to make silly mistakes on things you felt they knew for sure and went better on the tricky questions. I can't see how it can also be described as judging the school performance when some children choose not to participate. If it was a true reflection on the teaching that occurs in the classroom, 100% participation would be required.

Over the next few years the school will again grow in numbers and may exceed the 96 we had here when Mrs Baker came as the fourth teacher. There seems to be a whole new generation of young children in Greenwell Point. I would be interested in speaking with any parent of young children who would like to help organise a playgroup. Playgroups that are run well, not only socialise the child but also put the parents in contact with other families.

This is not an advertisement but I was thinking about the Point over the weekend and realised how lucky we are out here. We have a beautiful sparkling foreshore, several spots to buy food, a spectacular craft shop, playing fields. tennis court and swimming pool. Our school is also a very valuable asset to any community and as such we need to make sure it is always high on everyone's agenda when it comes to providing the best education possible. At tomorrow nights P&C AGM meeting you will hear the achievements for the previous year.

Yours in education at a small school making a big difference. Kate Murphy

#### P & C NEWS

<u>P&C Annual General Meeting</u>: The annual general meeting will be held on Tuesday 22nd May, 2012 at 6:30pm in the school library. New members are most welcome to come and express their ideas.

#### **CANTEEN NEWS**

Soup of the week is chicken & noodle.

#### JUMPERS AND HATS

We have many students loosing their jumpers or children mistaking jumpers for theirs. Please mark your child's name clearly on all items of clothing and check the label to see if your child has their jumper or somebody else's.

We have also had many students coming to the office wanting to borrow a hat so they can play. Please ensure that your child brings a hat to school because we will not be lending any hats to students.

#### **BUNNINGS BBQ**

The school has been given a date for us to hold a school bbq on the 15th July, 2012. This date is the last Sunday of the school holidays before we return to school. If you would like to help the school out then could you please let Mrs Miller in the office know because we have to submit if we would like to do it or not. Depending on helpers numbers this event may not be held. Thanking you.

#### WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN CARDS

Woolworths is again promoting the earn & learn points when you shop. We so far have 16 completed sheets. If you would like more sheets, Mrs Miller has plenty in the office for anyone needing them.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to: Tahlera Palmer who turns 8 on Wednesday Brandon Pieters who turns 12 on Sunday

### **SPORT NEWS**

#### K/1/2 GALA DAY

Our Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 students attended an AFL Gala Day last Thursday. All students participating had a great day and now have a greater knowledge of the game.

### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

#### WORLD ENVIROMENT DAY

Lady Denman is highlighting World Environment Day on Saturday 2nd June from 8am to 2pm at the Lady Denman Heritage Complex, Dent Street, Huskisson. Free displays, demonstrations, exhibitions, fun activities, entertainment, market stalls and food and coffee stalls. This is a ZERO WASTE day so NO PLASTIC BAGS! Huskisson is Plastic Bag Free so bring your own bags. Refill you water bottle at water refill stations and recycle special recycling containers.



Brandii and Kaya waiting to run at the small schools' cross country.

Toby and Cody at the small schools' cross country carnival.

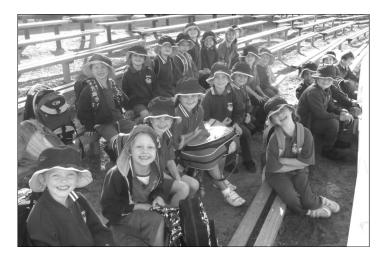




One of the K/1/2 AFL Gala Day activities.



School Leaders Zoe and Stevie enjoy morning tea with the mayor.



Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 all enjoyed the AFL Gala Day held last Thursday.