



Greenwell Point Public School

NEWSLETTER

'School Motto – Growing and Learning Together'

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Term 1 Week 5

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY

28 District Swimming Carnival

MARCH

1 Whole school assembly at 2pm in the school hall—parents and family welcome

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents,

Our thoughts this morning are with the local Real Estate Agent. The loss is also with the community and we hope they are able to resume business quickly. Also to anyone who suffered damage to their property through falling trees and strong wind. We had a tree fall on the side of the old library and a branch come down near the senior playground. But all in all we have been lucky.

Last week I missed welcoming our newest baby in Greenwell Point. Madison and Navron have a baby brother, born just over a week ago. Congratulations!

There will be a whole school assembly this Friday in the school hall at 2pm. All families are welcome to attend.

I hope everyone after reading last week's newsletter had a think about our Easter Fete. We will need your support on the day to help setting up and to be on a roster for serving on the Saturday. In my household I know my daughters are cleaning out cupboards to have a car boot stall. I purchased some cellophane bags to package biscuits and toffees and should be cleaning out my cupboards! Every little bit helps so please see what you can do.

Wow! Have you heard the news? Our senior boys relay team (Andrew, Jordan, Jack and Lachlan K.) made it to District. Best of luck boys and remember to swim like a trawler is behind you. Also to Jade who also is representing us at the carnival, we are very proud and wish you the best of luck.

The law has changed in regards to smoking in and around public places. From January 7th this year, you can not smoke within 10 metres of children's play equipment, open areas of a public swimming pool, public transport including taxi ranks, bus stops or public places where people queue and within 4 metres of a pedestrian entrance or exit from a public building. Please visit the NSW Health website www.health.nsw.gov.au for further information. This also refers to all schools.

Early warning that there will be two staff development days at the commencement of next term. This is to ensure the full implementation of the new literacy curriculum for 2014.

Kate Murphy

An amazed principal with an outstanding Year 6

IMPETIGO -SCHOOL SORES

A child with impetigo should be kept from school until appropriate medical treatment has begun. The sores on exposed areas must be covered with a waterproof occlusive (no holes) dressing.

Common symptoms of impetigo include:

- The skin itches and reddens. A collection of blisters form, commonly around the nose and mouth. The blisters pop and weep a yellow, sticky fluid. The area develops a raised wet-looking crust. The scab dries and falls off. The skin completely heals after a few days.

HEADLICE

We have already had a few cases of headlice reported, please check your child's hair regularly especially if they are constantly itching their hair. The use of conditioner combed through your child's hair with a nit comb is the most cost effective. But it does not kill the eggs it just removes the live nits.

SCHOOL TEXT BOOKS

PLEASE PAY FOR YOUR CHILD'S WORKBOOKS THIS WEEK, classes are already using them and your child is missing out. Homework—\$14.50, Handwriting—\$12.50, Maths—\$16.50, Total of \$43.50 to be paid at the office. We strongly encourage the completion of homework but it needs your support to be completed. If you are not able to do this then you may not wish to purchase the homework book.

SCHOOL FEES

The school fees this year will be \$25 per student or if you have 2 children then the second child will cost \$20 and third child \$15. School fees provide the extras we are able to offer. Your help in paying is much appreciated. Please pay Mrs Miller in the office. Thank you.

NSW UNIVERSITY ASSESSMENT COMPETITIONS

The University of NSW sets yearly papers for students in Year 2 to Year 12. If you would like your child to enter some or all of these exams then please let Mrs Miller know and pay the appropriate amount per subject. Computer Skills \$8.00, Science \$8.00, Writing \$17, Spelling \$11, English \$8 and Maths \$8.

EASTER SCHOOL FETE AND CAR BOOT SALE

Now is the time to decide if you would like to make some extra cash by selling off some of your trash and treasures. For a small fee you can spread your goods out and sell them at the fete. You may also like to have a stall of your own (cost applies) I have also listed by weeks the way you could help the P&C. Please see if you can make any of the following donations. Thank you.

Week 5 Donations of small items to fill lucky jars, clean jars of any size or even a jar you have filled yourself. Ideas in the past have been seeds with a pair of garden gloves, children's toys, girl hair accessories, sweets etc. and any craft items.

Week 6 as above and donations of ingredients to make cakes etc if you haven't the time. Such as sugar, flour and icing sugar.

Week 7 as above and donations of chocolate eggs to be used to fill baskets

Week 8 as above plus donations of plants. Your potted cuttings can be very saleable if planted now.

Week 9 Donations of fresh eggs to be used for egg and bacon rolls.

Helpers on the day will also be required. **Everyone doing a little, will make it a great success.**

YEAR 6 STUDENTS

We still have a few outstanding High School expression of interest forms to be returned to the school, please send these in as soon as possible.

CANTEEN NEWS

Please write lunch orders on brown paper bags for both breaks. The slushies are STILL unavailable at the moment. If you are available to work in the canteen then please see Mrs Miller in the office.

SPORT

SMALL SCHOOLS SWIMMING CARNIVAL

All students in Years 3-6 and those turning 8 this year in Year 2 participated in the small schools swimming carnival held last Wednesday at the Nowra pool. Congratulations to our swimmers with their final swim times: Jade Baldwin 2nd 9 yrs freestyle, Jack Gill 4th 12 yrs freestyle, Jordan Francis 6th 12 yrs freestyle, Jackson Williams 5th jnr backstroke, Jarrod Searl 9th jnr backstroke, Jordan Francis 8th snr backstroke and 2nd to our Senior Boys Relay—Jack Gill, Lachlan Kaszonyi, Jordan Francis and Andrew Rowley. Congratulations and good luck to Jade and the senior boys relay who will be attending the District Swimming Carnival this Thursday 28th February.

SUPPORT-ATHON

How is the sponsorship from family and friends going? The school is helping Mrs Miller's team in the Shoalhaven Relay for Life (Cancer Council). Our walk will be taking place later on this term on a date to be decided. However students can start collecting now. All students will be participating in a circuit walk along the Greenwell Point foreshore and a BBQ will follow.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

ALLSORTS HOCKEY CLUB

Registrations for all players tonight at 6pm at Shoalhaven Hockey Turf Bernie Regan Sporting Complex North Nowra. For more information please call: Juniors Vanessa 44 460980, Mens Aaron 0423 881 331, Womens Raylene 0401 397 777 or e-mail allsortshc@shoalhavenhockey.org.au