

Greenwell Point Public School

NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY14/15/16NAPLAN Years 3 & 517Whole school Pyjama Party-gold coin donationJUNE3 & 4Healthy Harold

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents,

My apologies if any parent misunderstood my comment last week in regards to the NAPLAN test. The wording was taken straight from the Handbook for Principals. The intention was to inform parents about making sure children are at school for the testing over the three days.

Many thanks to the parents who attended last weeks P & C meeting. If there is a reason why you couldn't attend and a change in times or days would help please let me know. We would like to welcome as many new members as possible.

Mr Bourke has announced that he will be taking the remainder of the year off, leading into possible retirement. I'm pleased to announce that Mr Cunningham will continue as the 3,4,5,6 teacher for the year. Mr Cunningham has been very proactive in the school and will welcome the opportunity to see the year through.

Later in the year, all Year 6 students will be given the opportunity to visit Wollongong University with a family mentor. This mentor can be yourself or any member of the family who supports your child. The aim is to introduce the possibilities for children at a young age so they realise that university and tertiary education is possible for everyone. Our students last year came back from the experience very excited about getting on with their education and where they might be headed. The visit is usually planned for term 4.

Parents are reminded not to approach a child on the playground without first speaking to the teacher on duty or gaining permission from the office. This includes your own child at the fence or anywhere else. Although the staff know most parents, a situation could arise where a casual teacher doesn't. Although this may sound petty, it helps us keep your child safe.

Please find attached with today's newsletter a copy of Michael Grose's,—No. 1 parenting educator, section on Insights "What bullying isn't, and what to do when it happens".

Kate Murphy Principal

MOTHERS DAY STALL

Congratulations to all our students who bought their beautiful mothers presents from our Mother's Day stall and I'm sure all mothers were spoilt. A big thank you to Sue Russell who helped us with the stall. The P&C sold \$165 worth of gifts. Thank you.

YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER—PYJAMA PARTY

Year 6 are currently organising a whole school pyjama party for this Friday the 17th May, 2013. Students are required wear appropriate pyjamas to school, to have suitable shoes for the playground and to bring a gold coin donation.

HEALTHY HAROLD'S VISIT—whole school

The Life Education van will be visiting Greenwell Point Public School on Monday 3rd June and Tuesday 4th June, 2013. The cost is \$9 per child and each child receives a student workbook for our visit to the van and a sticker. Please find attached the permission note for Healthy Harold and a merchandise price list. Please return the permission note and money to the school office. Thank you.





BIRTHDAY

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to: Cherry Seymour who turns 8 on Tuesday Tyson Barnett who turns 9 on Tuesday



BOAT AWARDS
K/1
Paige Lember and Corey Kaspers
1/2/3
Isabella Parsons and Travis McKay
3/4/5/6
Jayden Wright and Jack Gill
LAST YEAR'S SCHOOL PERFORMANCE A DVD can now be purchased at a cost of \$5 per disc to cover our costs. If you would like a DVD then please complete the note below and send it in with your \$5 and it will go home with your child as soon as we can.
CANTEEN NEWS This Friday the Year 6 students will be holding a meal deal consisting of: 2 party pies, 1 popper and a piece of watermelon for \$5. Students are to bring their own recess. Order forms are on the back of the newsletter and are to be in no later than Thursday afternoon.
GREENWELL POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL PERFORMANCE DVD I would like to purchase copies of the Greenwell Point Public School performance that was held in 2012. The cost for this DVD is \$5.
Child's Name Date Date
GREENWELL POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL-YEAR 6 FUNDRAISER LUNCHTIME DEAL ORDER—Friday 17th May, 2013
I would like my child/ren to have a Lunchtime Deal consisting of: 2 party pies, 1 popper and a piece of watermelon for \$5 and <u>I will be providing my child with recess.</u>
Parent signature Date