

**Greenwell Point Public School** 

# NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 2

## DATES TO REMEMBER

#### FEBRUARY

- 13 Scripture commences
- 14 Kindergarten StePs program
- 17 Book Club due back
- 24 Small school's swimming carnival

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome to our new families and students for 2014. Congratulations to our kindergarten students who look very smart in their new uniform and are keen to be reading by the end of this week. The children last year exceeded all expected outcomes in the early stage one area and I'm excited that this will be the case again.

This week we also welcome Mrs Bowman who will be teaching Kinder/Year 1 the remaining staff for 2014 are; Mrs Spelta Year 1/2, Mr Wilkinson Years 3-6, Mrs Newton (Hearing Impaired teacher), Mrs Baker (Reading Recovery Teacher Semester 2), Mrs Comber (School Counsellor), Mrs Miller (School Administration Manager) and Mrs Hiscox (School Administration Officer.)

Like any happy family the lines of communication are always open. Please feel confident that we have the best interest of your child's education at the forefront of any discussion we make. The front gate is not always the best place for all discussions so please make an appointment to see your child's teacher or myself.

We had a few unexpected transfers due to parents transferring for jobs . This means we do have some vacancies. If you know of any families in private schools who couldn't secure a position at this school in the past and would now like to apply again, please let them know.

If you are new to the school I would also extend an invitation to you to join our Parent and Citizen group. The P&C are the driving force behind the school fund raising and provide an opportunity for the parents to be informed of departmental requirements and changes etc.

Please also remember to support the people who support the school– our local businesses. They always help when ever they can and are very generous.

Kate Murphy Principal

#### **CANTEEN NEWS**

Our school canteen will be up and running this Wednesday 5th February. Please find attached your new canteen list. Students are to mark their order on a brown paper bag and bring it to the office Wednesday morning.

#### SCHOOL WORKBOOKS

A separate letter will be sent home shortly regarding the cost of student workbooks and school fees.

#### BOOK CLUB

The scholastic book club program will commence this week and orders are to be returned by the due date recorded in the dates to remember. Book club is available once per month.

#### **BUS TRAVEL AND PASSES**

Children and Parents are reminded that all students must remain seated and speak quietly while travelling on the bus. The drive can not supervise poor behaviour. Children who misbehave will need to find alternate transport. All bus passes will be sent to the school and will be handed to students as soon as they arrive.

### **NEW SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES**

#### ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL

Starting this term we will be participating in the Active After Schools' Program running one day a week for an hour. Children will be invited to apply and excellent behaviour will be expected from the visiting coach. More information will be sent home shortly.

#### PRIVATE PIANO MUSIC LESSONS AT SCHOOL

Private piano lessons will be offered by a qualified teacher with Australian Guild Music Society. Lessons are available for pleasure or for piano performance exams at the cost of \$25 a half hour lesson. Children may take up this opportunity if they are beginners or already have significant music ability. These lessons will be available during school hours providing a much needed opportunity for working parents and the children of our school.

# BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to: Mrs Miller had a birthday on the 1st January Cody Denny turned 7 on the 5th January Curtis McKay turned 7 on the 22nd January Jackson Williams turned 10 on the 23rd January Nav Innes turned 6 on the 26th January and Harley Lefcovitch turns 9 on Sunday

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# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

#### NORTH NOWRA BOMADERRY NETBALL CLUB

The North Nowra Bomaderry Netball Club would like players to compete in the Shoalhaven Netball Association competition on Saturdays from March to September. All training and games take place at the Park Road Netball Complex (opposite St Johns High School). Registration days are on Saturday 1st and 8th February at the netball courts from 9am to 12 noon. If you have an queries please e-mail us on nnbnc@exemail.com.au

#### SAINTS NETBALL CLUB

Registration day for 2014 will be held on Saturday 8th and 15th February from 9am to 12 noon at the Shoalhaven Netball courts and Tuesday 11th February from 3pm to 5pm at St Michaels school hall. Please call Neil Mahony on 0425 203 360

#### BOMADERRY JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

Registration day for 2014 is the 11th February at the Bomaderry Sporting Complex 4pm to 5:30pm. The club will be entering teams from the Under 6's to 16's. The club is also looking for girls aged between 12-14 years to play in our League tag competition. Registration includes shorts, socks and a training shirt. All new players must bring an original birth certificate. For more information please contact the President Steve on 0403 591 014.