Greenwell Point Public School





School Motto – Growing and Learning Together

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Term 1 Week 8

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH

- 21 Book Club due back
- 21 AFL Clinic K-6

APRIL

- 7 Small schools Cross **Country Carnival**
- 11 P&C meeting











PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents/Carers,

Cuppa and Yarn this Thursday 2.30 pm to 4 pm in the library. This time of the year we like to catch up with parents and give them the opportunity to hear the teachers talk about their class requirements. Such things as assessment, reporting, homework, reading and general support for your child will be discussed. We are calling the afternoon a 'Cuppa and Yarn' to make sure everyone knows it is an informal chat not a private meeting. However you will have the opportunity to ask questions if you believe they are of a general nature. Mrs Bowman will commence at 2.40 pm followed by Mrs Spelta at 3.05 pm and Mr Wilkinson at 3.25 pm.

Although there will not be an Easter Fete this year we will be having a bigger and better fete at the beginning of term 4– Sunday 12th October. If you are a knitter, sewer or gardener we would love you to start making items for sale. We will be having a car boot sale so start cleaning out the cupboards. Grandparents may like to help if they are given time to thing up some ideas. If you know of anyone who would like to volunteer their time to play music or to have a stall of their own please ask them to contact the school.

Last Tuesday our senior students attended the Small School's Leadership Day at Kangaroo Valley. Not only was I a very proud school principal but the students themselves felt good about what they had achieved. Our Leadership team this year are incredibly supportive towards the other students and for their age are doing an excellent job.

Please remember the P&C are currently fundraising by selling chocolates. My waist line is increasing daily and I need your support to take a box home to sell, so I don't have to eat them all! Your colleagues at work might help you out. There are boxes of Freddo Frogs and Easter eggs.

The Active After School program continues and the students attending are becoming more skilled but also enjoying themselves.

Lastly I need you to help us plan for the future by completing the attached survey. This information helps with the future direction of the school and gives you the opportunity to have a say. This is to be returned this Friday.

P & C CHOCOLATE DRIVE

The P&C are participating in the school chocolate drive again. If you would like to sell a box of Cadbury's chocolate then please collect a box from Mrs Miller in the office.

P & C NEWS

The P&C would like to thank the teachers and administration staff for a fabulous start to the new school year. Also for the enthusiasm and dedication for the school kids. The additional hours have not gone unnoticed and are greatly appreciated.

BOOK CLUB

Book club is due back this Friday 21st March.

PRIVATE PIANO MUSIC LESSONS AT SCHOOL

Lessons are available on Thursday's for pleasure or for piano performance exams at the cost of \$25 a half hour lesson. Children will need to have their money in an envelope each week.



BOAT AWARDS K/1—Breannah Cocking

1/2—Paige Lember

3/4/5/6—Ayden Rowley

SPORT

YEARS 3/4/5/6 SWIMMING

A reminder for students in 3/4/5/6 to bring in \$2.70 on Friday. This will be the last Friday for swimming this season. We will restart this activity again in Term 4.

SCHOOL A TO Z WEBSITE: When lunches come homeagain

- Children have small stomachs and prefer to graze all day rather than eat fewer, bigger meals.
- Sweet treats fill kids up, leaving little room for healthy lunch options.
- Reassure your kids that it's OK to bring their lunch home so you can see what they need to eat that evening.
- Lunch is not as vital as breakfast in setting your child for the school day.
- Concern is warranted when meals at home are being skipped as well as lunch.

Lunch versus play

There are two big reasons why kids don't eat their lunch. More often than not is simply means your lovingly packed lunch has lost out in the competition for attention from other lunchtime activities, or, as also frequently happens, the healthy contents have gone by the wayside in the race for the sweetest treats.

- Lunchtime and recess are when children get to play. There are also other extracurricular activities, and that's when kids get to socialise.
- Parents need to be looking at how to make lunch quick and portable, seeing that it's only one of the lunchtime activities that's really important for children.

