### **Greenwell Point Public School**



## NEWSLETTER

School Motto - Growing and Learning Together

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24th March, 2014 Term 1 Week 9

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

PRINCIPAL: Mrs Kate Murphy

#### **MARCH**

31 ISER Ensemble

#### **APRIL**

- 7 Small schools CrossCountry Carnival
- 11 P&C meeting
- 11 School Assembly2pm Hall
- 11 Last Day of Term1
- 28 Staff return Term 2
- 29 Students return Term2

# GREENWELL PT.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to Natalie, Robert and Megan on the birth of your son and brother. I don't have the current population of Greenwell Point but it must be on the rise with so many babies being born over the last 2 years. Just what our gorgeous small school needs for its future—lots of children!

Many thanks to the parents who made it to the Cuppa And Yarn with the teachers, last week. Thank you also to the teachers who prepared a presentation. I hope those who came felt it was worthwhile.

I'm very impressed with the healthy food coming to school. I appreciate as an old mum that it isn't always easy to get children to eat healthy or to always have the healthy option available. However as a teacher I know if everyone makes an effort then the children happily eat healthy because everyone else is. The benefits to you means the children are not sick and for us their concentration levels improve. The overall outcome means we have developed healthy, happy, educated children without them even knowing!

The community fete will be held in term 4 this year. If you know of anyone who is thinking of having a garage sale they might like to also have a car boot sale at our fete. We need contacts for donations and also names of stall holders who might like to be part of the day. Winter time is a good time to make things so please ask family/community members if they would like to help.

The children are doing an excellent job with their virtue awards this year. They are returning them after they collect 5 to gain the next certificate. They are well on the road to achieving the rainbow of colours and the trophy at the end of year presentation.

School attendance has improved this year however parents are forgetting to follow up with either a return to school with a letter of explanation or a phone call. Medical certificates are also required if your child has needed more than the acceptable few days to recover.

The ISER musical ensemble will be performing at our school next Monday 31st March starting at 2pm sharp in the school hall. All parents are welcome to attend this visiting performance. The school will be meeting the costs for students and parents.

All Year 3 and 5 students will have attached to their newsletter a letter to parents for the NAPLAN assessment for their child this year.

#### 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.

#### **CANTEEN NEWS**

THIS WEEK CANTEEN WILL BE HAVING A MEAL DEAL ONLY. This deal consists of a chicken, lettuce & mayo wrap or a salad box, fruit box and a popper for \$5. Please fill in the order below.

#### **HEAD LICE**

Please make sure you are checking your child's head on a regular basis. Unfortunately our children mix with friends and neighbours and the 'pesty' little critters keep revisiting the lovely coastal school of Greenwell Point. Thank you to the parents who let us know when they have found them so we can set everyone on 'Nit Patrol.'

#### STUDENT BANKING

Please don't forget to send your child to school each Monday/Tuesday with their banking.

#### **UNSW COMPETITIONS**

The University of NSW Educational Assessment Australia is once again offering students in Years 3 to 6 to sit for these tests. Students can sit for these tests and will be marked by the University and be given either a participation, credit, distinction or high distinction certificate. You do not have to participate in all exams, just the ones your child would like to do. These exams will take place at different times throughout the year from 30th May till 12th August, 2014. If you would like your child to participate in this competition then please fill in the form below. Exams will cost each student: Computer skills \$8, Science \$8, Writing \$17, Spelling \$11, English \$8 and Mathematics \$8.



BOAT AWARDS
K/1—Sophie Bond
1/2—Paige Lember
3/4/5/6—Bradley Denny

#### 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.

	UNSW COMPETITIONS	
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Parent Signature	Date	~ 6
	WELL POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL EAL DEAL—Wednesday 26th March, 2014	
I would like my child would like to order : Chicken, lettuce & mayo wrap or Chicken salad box Fruit box and popper	to purchase the meal deal for \$5.00.	I
Signature	Date	