

Greenwell Point Public School



NEWSLETTER

School Motto – Growing and Learning Together

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16th March, 2023

Term 1 Week 8

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH

15-27 NAPLAN Testing

17 **NO CANTEEN**

17 Book Club Due

21 Harmony Day

31 Assembly/Easter Hat
Parade 2pm in hall

APRIL

7-21 School Holidays

24 Staff Development Day

25 ANZAC Day

26 Students Return

28 School Photos

COVID RULES

If you need to enter the school grounds please scan the QR code and sign in at the office.

NO HAT NO PLAY

No hat will be given to any student who forgets their hat. They will play under the cola.

IMPORTANT REQUEST

Please **DO NOT** bring peanuts or use peanut butter at school.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents,

Gala Day

On Friday of Week 7, students from Years 3-6 competed in the Shoalhaven PSSA Paul McGregor and Rod Wishart Rugby League and Blues Tag Gala Day.

Greenwell Point showed some of the highest number of participants from the small schools and entered 3 teams consisting of a boy's development side, boy's competitive side and a girl's blues tag side. All 3 teams competed in an inclusive environment against other schools from our local district. It was great to see students from a range of Rugby League backgrounds build their ability and confidence while displaying pride in their school as they cheered on one another from the sideline. Hugh Piert and Jetson Bond were standouts on the day for backing up Culburra and Nowra East Public School's year 5/6 teams. I would like to thank the Culburra Beach Dolphins for lending us their jerseys and our parents/carers who showed up to assist and support our students on the day.

Regional Swimming

The 'Greenwell Point Marlin'

On Friday the 10th of March Joshua Grieve (3/4 F) represented Greenwell Point Primary at the 60th South Coast Primary Schools Swimming Championships held at Dapto pool.

Joshua qualified in 5 events for the day. This being the Junior (8-10 years) Boys 200m Individual Medley, the 50m Backstroke, Breaststroke and Butterfly events as well as the 10years 50m Freestyle event.

He swam amazingly on the day finishing with 6th in the Backstroke, 5th in the Breaststroke and 4th in the Butterfly event. A special mention goes to Joshua's effort in the 10yrs boys 50m Freestyle where he finished a very close 2nd place as well as his tremendous effort in winning the Jr Boys 200m Individual Medley event. He won this race by a massive 10 seconds!

Joshua will now represent South Coast PSSA at the NSW State Swimming Championships on the 5th & 6th of April at Sydney International Aquatic Centre in Homebush. Good Luck Joshua!

Leadership Conference.

On Tuesday of Week 7 we attended The National Young Leaders Day at the Darling Harbour Conference Centre. The aim of the day was to build our leadership skills as school captains and prefects. We had an early start at 6am to travel to Sydney with Mr Tucker and 7 other schools on a bus. At the conference centre we listened to 5 different speakers who taught us valuable leadership lessons. The speakers who stood out to us were Chris Green (professional cricket player), Caitlin Basset (Professional netball player) and His Excellency, The Honourable General David Hurley (Governor-General of Australia). Some of the key messages we learnt were: 'don't fear making mistakes', 'we lead not for ourselves but for others', 'listen to your team and show respect to them' and to 'accept the challenges that we face and work hard to overcome them'. Since returning to school we have been trying our hardest to set a good example for others and assist the school in achieving its goals to make our school a better place for everyone.

Olivia, Nikola, Lilly and Isaac.

Speech Screener

Results were sent home yesterday of our speech screening for students in

kindergarten and those identified as requiring an assessment. Please read through the information carefully and contact the school if you require more information. We will be collating and analysing the results to formulate the best way to support any students requiring intervention and support.

High School – EOI 2024

The school is requesting you return the High School Expression of Interest forms, for placement in Year 7, 2024. These forms were sent home earlier this term. **The forms are due back to the school before 24th March 2023** even if you are going to attend St John's, NAC etc. Reminder forms went out yesterday to students who had not returned them.

NAPLAN

Weeks 8 and 9 sees students across the State sit their NAPLAN exams. We wish all of our students the best of luck during this time.

Assembly

Our end of term assembly is scheduled for Friday 31st March at 2:00pm.

Class 1/2 will be performing for us. We will also be holding our Easter Hat parade on this day.

Time to get started on those Easter hats. There will be a random lucky prize draw for 1 student from each class who participates in the Easter Hat Parade. The P&C will be running an Easter raffle and are asking for donations of Easter Eggs be sent to the office.

Please come along and join in the fun.

Cross Country Practice

This year the whole school will be practicing our X-Country fitness and technique by running along the Greenwell Point waterfront. This will be occurring on Friday 24th March, Thursday 30th March and Wednesday 5th April. This is weather dependant. If you see our kids out and about, don't forget to say hello. Notes are not required for this activity as it is covered under our local walking area note. Any student that has not returned their orange 2023 Information sheet, which was sent out earlier in the year will not be able to participate until this form has been returned to the office. With all the success we have had in the last few years and months in sport, we are, as a school looking like a competitive force, and hope to do well at the upcoming X- Country event to be held next term at Willandra. Please encourage your child to attend, it is a school event, and every child that participates (walking or running) gains a point for the school.

Have a great week!

Catherine Secombe
Principal

THERE WILL BE NO CANTEEN OPEN TOMORROW, FRIDAY 17th MARCH



Paul McGregor and Rod Wishart Rugby League and Blues Tag Gala Day.



Leadership Conference

BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations and Happy Birthday

March Birthdays

Brakx, Sam & Ruby



BOAT AWARDS

Congratulations

K/1: Wylie, Jack, Hamish & Nixon

1/2: Lila, Will S, Jaxson & Finley

3/4: Kenzi, Connor & Summer

4/5: Myles, Eli B, Olli & Ivy

5/6: David x 2, Chris & Isabel

COMMUNITY

Easter Fete at Greenwell Point Community Hall on the 8th of April starting at 9am till 1.30pm. Lots of fun for all, from chocolate wheel, the local fire truck, stalls to entertainment and also a visit from the Easter bunny.



Referees Wanted: for Junior and Senior Games

Referee level 4 course for 13 years and older, Saturday 18th March. At South Nowra clubhouse, from 9.00am - 1.30pm. The cost will be \$100 including lunch, a flag and a whistle. Please email your details to secretary@sdfra.com.au

Cadet referees 10 years or older, on Saturday 18th March at South Nowra clubhouse starting at 1.30pm. Please email details to cadets@shoalhavenfootball.com.au