

Greenwell Point Public School



NEWSLETTER

School Motto – Growing and Learning Together

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Term 1 Week 8

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH

- 5th School Dentist visit
- 26th GRIP School Leaders Conference– Wollongong
- 28th Easter Hat Parade 12.30pm
- 29th Good Friday holiday

APRIL

- 1st Easter Monday holiday
- 4th Small Schools X Country Carnival
- 25th Anzac Day Dawn Service
- 15-29th Term 1 holidays
- 30th Students return to school

COVID RULES

If you need to enter the school grounds please sign in at the office.

**IF YOUR CHILD IS UNWELL
PLEASE KEEP THEM HOME.**

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,

Harmony Day

This week is Harmony Week. Today, students were invited to wear mufti with an orange theme to celebrate Harmony Day. The SRC collected a donation from the students and raised \$103.10. Thankyou for the donations. Teachers have planned activities to be completed today to celebrate the theme 'Everyone Belongs'.

GRIP Leadership Conference

Next Tuesday our school leaders will be attending the GRIP leadership conference with Mr Jones. The organisation exists to train and develop upcoming future leaders. We look forward to hearing all about their conference on their return.

Regional Swimming

Congratulations to all of the boys that competed at the regional carnival but an extra congratulations to Joshua Grieve. Joshua entered many events and has been successful in making it through to the State Swimming Carnival.

*****Urgent Canteen News*****

Our school canteen has a fully equipped kitchen and is certified as a Healthy canteen. It operates every Wednesday and Friday for orders and over the counter sales. The canteen is P&C operated and generates much needed fundraising for the school.

At present the canteen has a very limited number of volunteers who are working both shifts to ensure that children have access to the service. They are in desperate need of volunteers on both of these days and without them we may have to look at either closing the service or outsourcing the service which will in turn cause a price rise. Please, if you are able to donate any time, they are open for 3 hours on Wednesday's and Friday's, from 9am-12 noon, please contact the school. Even if you can only make 1 day a week, a fortnight, a month or 1 day a term, it will make all the difference. You may only have 1 hour to spare to assist with serving over the counter. They will take it! Every tiny bit helps. And so many students benefit. It would be a shame to see such a wonderful service have to close. Again, please contact the school and leave you name and number.

Stanger Danger

As part of our PDHPE lessons last week we talked to children about 'stranger danger'. Topics we covered were 'When out and about, you need to always take care and be aware of strangers'. Please follow up this with your child and consider having a buddy system, where if your child is riding or walking to school that they walk with a friend. That way when out and about they can help by alerting each other to danger, arriving safely at school or back home. The same principle can apply to being out and about in the afternoon and during the school

holidays. More information on helping kids to stay safe can be found at <https://safety4kids.com.au>. It covers a variety of topics and contains many interesting links and activities.

Catherine Secombe
Principal



Harmony Day 2024



The Fantastic Mr Fox and Bekey's Storehouse

Down in the valley there lived Bean, Bunce, Boggis and Bekey. They were nasty farmers. Bean was a turkey man. Bunce was a geese and duck farmer, and Boggis was a chicken farmer. Bekey was a horse and fish farmer. Underground lived Mr Fox and his animal friends and they were having a good life.

Until one day the farmers put up a video camera with a net on top! The next night Mr Fox crept down the hole and slowly pushed two of the floorboards up. He slowly poked his eyes and nose up through the gap but something didn't seem right, but nothing was there so he kept on going. When he tried to get the chicken legs, a net came down!

The animals were waiting for Mr Fox, but it was hours. "I'm hungry," said Badger. "Is Mr Fox ok?" said the smallest fox. "I'll go see," Badger bravely said. When he got there he lifted the floorboard and saw Mr Fox. He quietly ran down the dirty tunnel to tell the others what had happened. When he told the others they were worried so they thought of a plan.

Mrs Fox got a cloth and Badger got the scissors and Mrs Fox said, "Someone look after my babies." When they got there Mrs Fox put up the cloth, and Badger cut the rope. Mr Fox had a plan. "Hide!" said Mr Fox. All the other animals came too. When the farmers got there they said "Yes he has been defeated!"

When they left, Mr Fox got out of his great hiding place, and said, "You can come out now the war is finished." Now we are going to a new hole with a new farmer who has a horse and fishes.

Written by Lila Tierney 2/3F

By Jett Hucman

Book Two of Fantastic Mr Fox

In the valley four farmers lived. Boggis, Bunce and Bean and also Banana Bob too. They were angry farmers and also mean. Boggis was a chicken farmer, Bean was a turkey and cider farmer, and Bunce was a duck and goose farmer.

One day Mr Fox saw a camera. Mr Fox was shocked that they had placed cameras. He went off to tell the others about the big news. Mr Fox was scared because he didn't know what to do to solve this problem. Mr Fox realised if he stayed on the ground he'll be fine but it wasn't safe in the chicken house. You couldn't escape the cameras.

Mr Fox managed to trick the farmers and use the empty cider jars to break the cameras and not get caught by the farmers. They took some food and drinks and got to Mr Fox's Grandma's and Grandpa's quickly to live happily again. The first small fox was begging to get there faster but they couldn't go any quicker. They enjoyed the sunset and walked out and began their journey to the new farm at Grandma's and Grandpa's.

BOAT AWARDS

Congratulations

K/1 B: Liam & Grace

1/2 H: Kaden & Henry

2/3 T: Nixon & Indi

4/5/6 J: Sarah & Miila

4/5/6 T: Myles & Sophie