



Greenmount Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Greenmount families

A Buzz in the Air



There's a buzz in the air at Greenmount Primary with lots of exciting things happening—and coming up.

The GPS Interschool team performed admirably last week, finishing second overall in the competition. We were proud of the team effort in the games and all events, and congratulate Mr Hodgson for his work in preparing the team. More details are included in the newsletter.

An excited group of Year 6s are looking forward to next week when they head off to their camp. A two night stay in Bickley will include many varied activities to challenge our students and provide them with great team building experiences. We know they will enjoy their three day camp and bring back lots of stories to share with us.

In the mornings we have our enthusiastic basketballers training for the Kalamunda Cup which is coming up shortly. They have been well supported by parents who have volunteered to train and coach our talented players and it is wonderful to see the way in which the students work so well together as a team.

The coloured markers laid around the school grounds is a reminder that the cross country is only two weeks away. Students are mindful of achieving their PBs (personal bests) as they run the course—their focus and determination is wonderful to see!

The Phonological Awareness program has begun for our Pre Primary students. Sitting on the verandahs or around desks in small groups the students can be seen working through activities to develop essential skills which are a prerequisite to reading and spelling success. This is done through the use of simple games made by the Education Assistants, and encourage the students to listen to, and identify sounds in words and syllables—and have fun while doing it!

Welcome

Welcome to Mrs Leah Stamenich who has been working at the front office since the start of term. Leah will be replacing Deb Taylor who has won a full time position at nearby Woodbridge PS.

We also welcome Ms Evie Matzkov to the role of Art Specialist. She will be replacing Mrs McEwen who is resuming her role of Associate Principal for the remainder of the year, while Mrs Jo King is on leave.

Lucy Webb
PRINCIPAL

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Please SMS if your child is absent:
name, class and reason.

SMS 0438 944 516



Please mark these dates on your Calendars

Tues 15—Thurs 17 May	NAPLAN
Mon 21 May—Wed 23 May	Year 6 Camp
Tues 22nd May	P&C Meeting
Wed 30th May	Faction Cross Country
Fri 1st June	Dental Check—PP, Yr 3 and 6
Fri 8th June	Room 14 Assembly
Mon 4 June	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tues 5 June—Fri 15 June	Swimming

MERIT AWARDS

Friday 11th May

Rm 1	Annabelle Millard	Chayse Kubitza
Rm 2	William Swadling	Asher Sutton
Rm 3	Kailey Clark	Ruby Poulton
Rm 5	Bryannie Prentice	Jaxon Howard
Rm 6	Ella Amato	Harriet King
Rm 7	Kihu Te Aho	Breeanna Egan
Rm 8	Samantha Foster	Zariah Clohessy
Rm 9	Chase Armstrong	Aidan Blacker
Rm 10	Kylah Laing	Oscar Prentice
Rm 12	Sienna Laval	Pene Punaivaha
Rm 14	Jacon Hillis	William Roach
	Sarah Marshall	
Rm 15	Thomas Houghton	
Rm 16	Breanna Grieves	Cameron Moody
Rm 17	Courtney Higgins	Lily Gardoll

Fantastic effort

School Banking

The Bendigo Bank School banking is on a Monday from 8.30am-9.00am in the Library. Teach your children about saving.

Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons will commence Tuesday 5 June until Friday 15 June. For Pre Primary to Year 6 students. Notes went home earlier this week. Please return your permission slip and payment as soon as possible to your class teacher. EFTPOS is available at the front office.



Year 6 Camp 21—23 May

Reminder that monies for camp may be before WEDNESDAY 18 May. See the office if you wish to pay instalments. Please pay through the class teacher or eftpos at the front office.

Direct bank transfer may also be made, details below
 BSB 016 359
 Account number 340879947
 Thank you



Interschool Athletics Carnival 2018

Tuesday 8th May was the Jumps, Throws and Distance events of the 2018 Interschool Athletics Carnival being held at St Anthony's Primary School.

Our students were keen to compete against other schools in the district to gauge their athleticism and they acquitted themselves with distinction. There were outstanding efforts by all our athletes. A super human effort by Lucas King saw him propel himself from a possible third place to a narrow win on the line in the Year 5 Boys 800m race. When asked how he did it? He replied, "I used every ounce of energy I had". Never give up and always give your best.

Greenmount Primary was a close second at the conclusion of the day's events.

A warm day greeted our competitors of Friday. Juniors were the first to compete. Our young ones ran their hearts out to gain valuable places and were pleased with all the ribbons that they had won.

The Intermediate and Senior competitors were the next to compete. We competed well in the sprint races. It is difficult enough to win a sprint race without giving your competitors a head start. Rejoyce Iloh had given some of her competitors a 15m head start (thinking that there was a definite false start). However, she was determined to catch the pack. She was gaining with every stride but would she have distance to catch the leaders? She did and with 5m to spare. What a run.

It was a great effort by all our competitors. They all deserve a pat on the back. Thank you to the parents who helped out when they could and a big thank you to Mrs McEwen and Miss Waitland.

Mr Hodgson



STUDENT COUNCILLOR TERM 2



PROFILE 2018

NAME: Emily Hayward

AGE: 9 **ROOM:** 17

TEACHER: Mrs Voakes/
Mrs Giles

**WHAT I HAVE TO
OFFER AS A STUDENT
COUNCILLOR**

I will be kind, honest, respectful and responsible.

WHAT I ENJOY ABOUT SCHOOL

I enjoy having my friends around me and learning new things.

HOBBIES/INTERESTS

I like art, sport, maths, computer, Japanese, TV and swimming the most.

FAMILY AND PETS

My mum, my dad, my sister (Lydia), brother (Fletcher) and 11 chickens (6 eyes of browns and 5 aUSDORPS)



NAME: Jacob Hillis

AGE: 11 **ROOM:** 14

TEACHER: Mrs Sims

**WHAT I HAVE TO
OFFER AS A STUDENT
COUNCILLOR**

Make the school safer, be kind to teachers and students and help if someone is hurt.

WHAT I ENJOY ABOUT SCHOOL

I enjoy sport, art and maths.

HOBBIES/INTERESTS

My hobbies are football, hanging out with friends, playing video games and playing with pets.

FAMILY AND PETS

Mum, Dad, sister (Lauren), dog (Shelby) cat (Bobby) and snake (Fluffy)



Term 2 Prefects



Isabelle Room 14



Naomi Room 14



Taine Room 15



Riley Room 14

P & C News

Uniform Shop

The Uniform shop is open on a Wednesday morning from 8.30—9.15am and a Thursday afternoon from 2.30 to 3.15pm (next to Room 5).



Our next P&C Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 22nd May at 6.30pm** in the Staff Room.

Please use the service entrance and park on the basketball court. **Everyone is welcome**

Bookclub

Issue 3 orders are now closed for delivery to school. Home delivery orders (incurs a delivery fee) can be submitted via LOOP on-line with payment by credit card. Thank you, Book Club Committee

Guardians of Greenmount - Garvey Park Gathering

Dads and kids of Greenmount Primary how about give Mum the afternoon off and join us for a picnic by the river with some games in the park.

Great opportunity to get to know the other Dad's at the school and spend some time together outdoors with the kids.

TIME: Saturday June 9th at 2pm.

PLACE: Garvey Park - Fauntleroy Avenue, Ascot

Bring an arvo snack and a rug or chair.



MythBusters Busting Myths about joining our P&C

Myth 1: Joining the committee is just for mums

Busted: The school committee is definitely not just for mums, we welcome and encourage dads, step-parents, grand-parents, teachers and school staff and community members who may no longer have kids at the school but who live in the area and are interested in what happens at the school. You don't even need to join the committee – you can just come along to one or two meetings to see what happens. We also have our sub-committee for the Fathering Project known as Guardians of Greenmount.

The committee is for anyone who has an interest in what happens at the school.

Myth 2: I work full time so I can't help at school events

Busted: Joining the committee can actually be a good way to maintain links to the school even when you are unable to do school drop off or pickup, and find it difficult to attend after school events. Many of the major school events take place on weekends and evenings, but even if you work shifts there are always things you can do at home or online that will help.

Remember all members of the committee have family plus work and other commitments, so we definitely appreciate that your time is precious.

Myth 3: The committee is full of cliques who all know each other

Busted: We are lucky that we have a group of parents who return to the committee year after year, but the membership is constantly changing as kids graduate and families move. We have new members joining all the time, and people often work in different groups for different events so are constantly meeting new people and getting to know each other. We have parents on the committee who have been in the school for more than five years as well as families who are in their first year. Joining the committee can be a great way to meet new people.

You are always welcome to join with a friend.

Entertainment Books are available to purchase online:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/8607k4>

Enjoy great savings on meals, activities, car hire & more.



Visit www.trybooking.com/VEWY to book your bay

Come along on Sunday, find yourself a bargain and enjoy a bacon & egg roll for breakfast.

We hope to see you there!

Greenmount Primary School
Top Oval

Sunday 20th May

Sellers admitted from 7.30am

@ \$10 per Bay

Buyers from 9am by gold coin donation.

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

