



Greenmount Primary School NEWSLETTER

Learning Side By Side



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Dear Greenmount families...

Fire Procedures

The Department of Education (the Department) is committed to maximising the safety of its students and staff. Greenmount Primary School has been added to the Bushfire Zone Register. Inclusion on this register means that the school may be required to invoke a pre-emptive closure on a day for which a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating (FDR) has been declared for the Shire of Mundaring.

A Catastrophic FDR means that if a fire starts, it is likely to be uncontrollable, unpredictable and fast moving. What does this mean for our school? When given advance warning by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) that a Catastrophic FDR has been forecast for a given day, the Deputy Director General, Schools may direct the pre-emptive closure of Greenmount Primary School. If the school receives such a directive, you will be informed of the possible planned closure by a letter sent home with your child. Parents of students absent on the day this letter is sent home will be contacted by telephone, so please ensure the school has up to date contact details for you. In the intervening period between the declaration of the pre-emptive closure and the day of planned closure, DFES will keep the Department informed of any change to the FDR forecast for the declared day.

The final decision to pre-emptively close the school will be confirmed with the principal no later than 4.30pm on the day before the planned closure. If the forecast changes after that deadline, the closure will stand, regardless of improvements to the weather conditions later in the afternoon of the day before the planned closure or overnight. The intention is to limit confusion or uncertainty for parents and to allow you ample time to make alternative child care arrangements. Parents will be advised of the confirmation of closure, or its reversal, by a note sent home with your child on the day before the planned closure. Again, parents of students absent on this day will be contacted by telephone.

How will I know when our school is reopening? It is anticipated that the school will typically only be required to close for a single day at a time, however this will depend on the weather. You will receive an SMS to advise you whether our school will reopen the day after the planned closure, or whether it will remain closed.

The school website will contain a notice to advise you of the current status of the school closure and when it is expected to reopen. I ask that you monitor local media for current information about fire danger ratings and notification of schools reopening.

Staying tuned to ABC Local Radio in your locality is advisable. You can also check with DFES on 13 DFES (13 33 37) or www.dfes.wa.gov.au and Emergency WA website: www.emergency.wa.gov.au. Alternatively, you can call me on 9257 0600.

If any of the options listed above for finding out when to send your child back to school are problematic, please contact the principal to arrange for us to phone you to advise you when the school will reopen. Please contact us on 9257 0600 if you have any questions about planned closures during the bushfire season.

Please see Page 4 of the newsletter for further information on fire safety.

50—68 Innamincka Road, GREENMOUNT 6056 Ph: 9257 0600
Email School : greenmount.ps@education.wa.edu.au
Email Principal : lucy.webb@education.wa.edu.au
Website : www.greenmountps.wa.edu.au



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

SMS 0438 944 516

Snake sighting

Our junior students were quite excited by the sighting of a snake in the front garden on Monday and it created much chatter and imaginative stories!

To ensure that everyone was well away from any risks, students sat along the veranda outside classrooms 8 -10 for lunch, with staff ensuring students stayed well clear of the area.

I'm pleased to report that our visitor was successfully found, removed and taken to a new location in Walyunga National Park, and the daily routine for our junior students has returned to normal!

Mr Anderson has taken the whipper snipper to grassed areas around the school to encourage 'visitors' away from the school buildings.



Quiet zone and garden beds

We're delighted to see students enjoying the new outdoor chessboard in our 'Quiet Zone'. Many students have challenged friends to games and are enjoying being outside and hefting the 3D pieces around the brick chessboard laid so beautifully by Mr Scott Rogers – thank you Scott!

Work at the Polygon Place entry continues – a grassed area has been laid and an area prepared for the installation of raised garden beds. Our plan is to have several garden beds ready for students to plant and grow a variety of herbs and vegetables as part of their classroom learning programs. Alongside the many fruit trees already growing in the area, we may be producing enough to give the local stores some competition!

Lucy Webb
PRINCIPAL

Crazy Hair day Friday 29 November

**On Friday 29 November Greenmount
will be having a CRAZY HAIR DAY!**

**Come with crazy hair, a crazy
hat or crazy wig**

**GOLD COIN donations will go
to Parkerville Childrens home.**



Booklists

We confirm that Book lists for 2020 were issued at the end of October. If you have not received yours please contact the office.

The list is also available on our Website.

Soundwaves is now only for Years 3-6.

Pre-Primary to Year 2 will be using a different spelling program.

Please PAY for your Soundwaves books through Champion. These books will be issued at school by your child's teacher, once they return in February.

School Canteen Lease

The current lease agreement for operation of the school canteen is expiring.

We will be advertising in local newspapers for Expressions of Interest from anyone considering taking over the lease of the canteen beginning in January 2020.

The Expressions of Interest would need to provide details of prospective licensees and ABN details and a sample menu for consideration.

We are hopeful that this will be a smooth transition so that the canteen can be up and running for the start of the 2020 school year.

Term Dates and Student Free Days in 2020

Our Updated Term Dates for 2020 are as per below:

Term 1	Monday 3rd February to Thursday 9th April
Term 2	Wednesday 29th April to Friday 3rd July
Term 3	Monday 20th July to Friday 25th September
Term 4	Tuesday 13th October to Thursday 17th December

We confirm that the following days have been approved as student free days. Student free days allow teachers to attend Professional Development as part of their ongoing training and curriculum planning for all students.

Term 1	Friday 28th February (Week 4).
Term 2	Tuesday 28th April (Week 1)
Term 4	Monday 12th October (Week 1)

Merit Awards

Rm 2	Shainie Shaw	Aurora Middleton
Rm 5	Hailey Murray	Ruby Jane Poulton
Rm 6	Darcy Moylan	Kiara Walley
Rm 7	Finn Paramanov	Ella Jones
	Mason Shaw	Fletcher Hayward
Rm 8	Briella Buck	Mikayla Murray
Rm 9	Levi Tippet	Lara Millstead
Rm 10	Seth Hill	Ruby Shaw
Rm 12	Bonnie Henry	Kael Helmbright
Rm 14	Allan Boot	Leon Vona
Rm 15	Adrian McKinlay	Sean York
Rm 16	Lachy Saunders	Tahlia Hitchcock

Website Stars

Please take the time to look at these new items on our website:

Class Items

Room 2	Literacy, Numeracy and Maths games
Room 3	Assembly and Outdoor Learning Day
Room 12	Excursion and Planting Vegetables



Fire Safety

FIRE SAFETY

Please see the following website for further important information:

www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/fire/bushfire/Pages/publications.aspx

Bushfire Warning System

Bushfire Fact Sheet

During a bushfire, emergency services will provide you as much information as possible through a number of different methods.

There are four levels of warning. These change to reflect the increasing risk to your life or property, and the decreasing amount of time you have until the fire arrives.

Bushfire Warning System



ADVICE



WATCH AND ACT



EMERGENCY WARNING



ALL CLEAR

ADVICE

A fire has started but there is no immediate threat to lives or homes. Be aware and keep up to date.

WATCH AND ACT

There is a possible threat to lives or homes. You need to leave or get ready to defend – do not wait and see.

EMERGENCY WARNING

You are in danger and need to take immediate action to survive. There is a threat to lives or homes.

ALL CLEAR

Take care to avoid any dangers and keep up to date.

Your surroundings could be your best information source.

Stay alert to what is happening around you. If you believe you may be in danger, act immediately to stay safe.



Where can you get information during a bushfire?

Know where to find information before the fire season starts. Work out what your local ABC radio station is and familiarise yourself with the DFES website.

Bushfire Warnings at www.emergency.wa.gov.au

DFES Information Line on **13DFES (13 3337)**

Local radio and other local media



**Stay alert when a bushfire starts!
Do not wait and see, this can be deadly.**



**For more information visit dfes.wa.gov.au
or contact DFES Community Engagement – 9995 9816**

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Department of Fire & Emergency Services



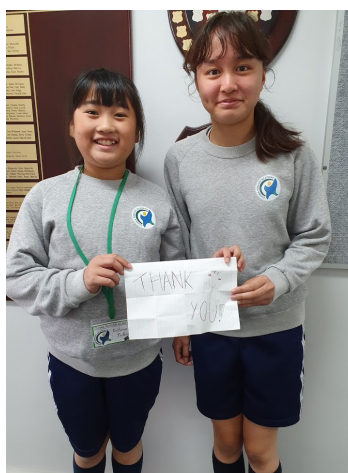
Japanese Visiting Students

Japanese Exchange Program

From October 21st to November 5th, Greenmount Primary School had the pleasure of hosting Japanese students from Gunma Kokusai Academy, Japan. The Japanese students were billeted with families from our school and attended classes with our students. The Japanese students also had the opportunity to attend an Aboriginal cultural day with Mrs Nelson.

Thank you to the families and the teachers who hosted the Japanese students. Thank you Mrs Nelson for the wonderful cultural experience you provided. We hope that we are given the opportunity to host Japanese students again next year.

Ruth Smith
Japanese Teacher





Please mark these days on your calendar

Fri 22nd Nov	Room 1 Assembly
Fri 29th Nov	Crazy Hair Day
Fri 6th Dec	Room 10 Assembly
Thurs 12th Dec	Presentation & Graduation Evening
Tues 17th Dec	Year 6 Dinner
Thurs 19th Dec	Students last day of Term 4

Swan View Senior High School Orientation



SWAN VIEW SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

**Year 7 Orientation Day
Thursday 5 December 2019**

Orientation Day is open to all enrolled Year 6 students.

A whole school assembly will be held from 8:50am to 9:45am in which you will be welcomed to the school. Please arrive by 8:30am and assemble at the front of the school.

Parents, guardians and other family members are highly encouraged to attend the assembly and the morning tea that follows, to be held in the library.

Orientation Day runs from 8:30am to 2:45pm.

SVSHS canteen will be open for students to purchase recess and lunch; alternatively, we are providing morning tea and a sausage sizzle at lunchtime.

Tudor Uniforms will be in our school library 2:45pm-3:45pm for anyone who wishes to size their child for a school uniform.

Community News

ALL THINGS PARENTING

West Leederville/Midland/Joonbalup
November 2019

All About Anger for Parents & Teens Sat 9 Nov 6.30-9pm \$50 p/family

This workshop, for both parents and their teens, has been designed to assist families when anger is becoming troublesome. Gain a deeper understanding of the ways we create and maintain angry feelings within our family, and develop language and skills which will help family members respond to their own and other's anger in a more constructive and positive way.

Dads Raising Teenage Girls - JOONBALUP

Wed 13 Nov 6.30-9.00pm \$30 p/person

This workshop helps Dads understand the changes occurring in their teenage daughters and shows ways to help them navigate this difficult time and encourage them to make good choices.

Parent-Teen Connection x 9 Mon 18 Nov-9 Dec 6.30-9pm \$50 p/person

This course will provide you with a practical 'how-to' guide to help you understand their behaviour and show you some skills to manage their behaviour effectively.

Successful Single Parenting Mon 18 Nov 6.30-9pm \$30 p/person

If you are a single parent and are well through that initial relationship break-up stage, this course will provide strategies that will help you develop a close and special relationship with your child.

Fathering after Separation - MIDLAND

Tues 19 Nov 6.30-9pm \$30 p/person

This workshop help you develop parenting skills that are responsive to your children's needs as they find their way through the family separation, and to assist you find helpful ways to stay in contact with your children.

How to Develop Qualities in your children

Sat 23 Nov 9.30am-4.30pm \$60 p/person

All parents and those caring for children would like to see children display such qualities as kindness, truthfulness, fairness and respect. This workshop offers strategies to develop these qualities and is based on the Virtues Project.

Dads Raising Girls

Mon 25 Nov 6.30-9pm \$30 p/person

Find out how to build a rewarding father-daughter relationship and how it impacts their self-concept and self-esteem.

Understanding Stepfamily Relationships

Sat 30 Nov 9.30am-4.30pm \$60person/\$100couple

This one day workshop is based on research that highlights some of the more helpful ways of forming and living in this new family, be it a stepfamily or a blended family. Learn some useful strategies around how to parent and maintain healthy relationships in this context.

Places are limited - please contact (08) 6164 0239 to register today
For more information about our courses and workshops, please click [here](http://www.relationshipsaustralia.org.au) or visit www.relationshipsaustralia.org.au

Relationships Australia

Summer of

ENTERTAINMENT

Local events for local people

CINEMA UNDER STARLIGHT

Gates open 6pm

7 December

Get Santa's Boys Out

11 January

Mary Poppins Returns | Chidlow Oval

22 February

Secret Life of Pets 2 | Glen Forrest Oval

7 March

Dumbo | Wooroloo Primary School

TWILIGHT TUNES

Sculpture Park Amphitheatre

4pm - 6pm

1 December

Celebrating Indigenous music with Muggill Moons

16 February

Cool Summer with Mundaring Folk'n'Blues Club

1 March

Jazz in the Park featuring LARA

AUSTRALIA DAY CONCERT

Sculpture Park Amphitheatre

6pm - 9pm

26 January

Celebrate Australia Day in the heart of Mundaring

Live music, DJ and more right show

180 picnic or take advantage of event specials from local restaurants and cafes. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Register for your FREE Early Bird ticket for a chance to win!

Sponsors:



For more information on these FREE events visit mundaring.wa.gov.au or call 0290 6682

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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).



P&C Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 3rd December at 6.30pm in the Staff Room. Please use the service entry and park on the basketball court. This will be our last meeting for 2019. Everyone welcome.

2019 Christmas Raffle



Christmas Raffle



Donations are now being sought for the 2019 Christmas Raffle and we welcome Christmas themed items suitable for inclusion in gift hampers eg. fruit mince pies, shortbread, confectionery, chocolates, Christmas crackers, decorations and serviettes, craft items etc. These items will be used to make up the Christmas hamper prizes. The more goodies, the more hampers we have to raffle off and the more money we can make for our children's school.

Please leave donations in the box provided in your child's classroom by Monday 9th December.

Raffle tickets are \$1 each. Notes with tickets will be sent home later this week. Please return the ticket stubs with your name, contact number and class number along with payment by close of school on Tuesday, 10th December. Extra tickets are available at the office, and also prior to the draw on Presentation Night, Thursday 12th December.

Thank you for your support this year with our fundraising events - P&C Fundraising Team

Uniform Shop Upgrade

Over the weekend of Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th October the Uniform Shop received an upgrade to the cupboards on one side of the room. The old equipment that was in there had become dangerous.

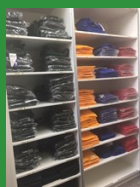
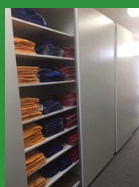
Special thanks go to **Denyse Kleynhans** for all the design work, sourcing of quotations and time spent in getting everything ready for the big install weekend. Huge thanks to **Clinton Kleynhans** & **Ken Kleynhans** for volunteering their time over the weekend to remove the old shelves then assemble and install the new cupboards.

Thanks also to

Natalie Astle - for coming to the school Saturday and Sunday morning to give us access and in the afternoon again to close up for us.

Leanne Kleynhans - for keeping us fed and refreshed each day

Karen Donnelley - your help in the pack up all the uniform stock on Thursday and then again on Monday, organising all the items back in the cupboards was greatly appreciated.



Gilberts Fresh



Thanks to the families who are supporting us at Gilbert's Fresh as part of their Support our Schools Program.

This year we are receiving \$372 from the program.

Thank you Gilbert's Fresh for your support of local schools.

Scholastics Warehouse Sale in Midland

Scholastic Warehouse Sale in Midland!
Thursday 5th December 8am to 5pm
Midland Sports Complex,
45 Patterson Drive, Middle Swan

