

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

PROTECTIVE BEHAVIOURS WORKSHOP

It was amazing to see over 70 people attend this P&C facilitated event last Tuesday evening. I would like to thank the P&C, especially Tash Mott for their hard work in developing the night. I would also like to acknowledge the significant staff presence at the evening. It is obviously a very important topic in today's society.



STAFF CHANGES

Mrs Dias will be in the role of Associate Principal for the last four weeks of the year. Mrs Perry was due to take three weeks Long Service Leave, but also has had to deal with the passing of her mum last Friday, so has had this week off as well. I know that, as a community, our thoughts are with Maureen and her family at this difficult time.

Miss Hawker will be the teacher in charge of TA10 for the remainder of the year.

TALENT SHOW

It was beautiful to see this totally student developed and organised event come to fruition with the finals conducted last Tuesday. Well done to all the students who auditioned and congratulations to our student leaders, Angus Fraser, Kayla Shortall, Lara Anstiss and faction captain Dylan Cordier for your commitment to seeing this task through to the end.



2017 PLANNING

Thank you to the families who have informed us of their leaving Greenwood in 2017, and to those who have informed neighbours. We are now full in many year levels and look like starting 2017 with the highest numbers in the school's history. If you have not told us you are leaving, please do so asap.

SCHOOL BOARD

Our final meeting for 2016 was held last night. I want to thank the members of the School Board for their ongoing support of the school. Parents can find out who the Board members are by visiting the school website. There is a link on the Tiqbiz app.

K/PP MEETINGS

These were held last week and were exceptionally well attended. I hope that the Kindy parents found our new information Booklet useful. Thanks to the staff and P&C for their contributions to the sessions.

END OF YEAR

There are many activities to come including, reports, graduation, book awards, social dance and our concert on the green. Make sure that you have your app nearby to keep up with all that is happening at this wonderful school.

Dates to Remember	
December	
1	Dance
2	Assembly - TA3
6	TA4 & TA5 Community Day
7	Christmas Concert
8	Yr 6 Excursion – Adventure World

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Our ECU final year Pre Service therapists held parent sessions this week. I want to thank all of the parents who took the opportunity and hope that you will use the resources and advice provided. If you do regularly follow up, the impact for your child will be significant.

THIS FORTNIGHT'S "FATHERING TIPS" – (from Prof. Bruce Robison- The Fathering Project)

Helping kids realise they have a special future;

- Keep telling your kids about their special future, which is different to others, and that;
 - You are looking forward to seeing it happen.
 - It will happen with ups and downs.
 - They may not be famous but will be a gift to the world.
- They are here to live their own lives, not to do what they think **you** want them to do.
- Teach them that success cannot accurately be measured by money, power or fame.
- Encourage flexibility in their career choices.

Handy website <https://www.fathers.com>
([Interesting link to our school here!](#))

SCIENCE SUPPORT FOR PARENTS

Please see the attached sheet designed to give ideas to parents. Offering some support for young children developing those early scientific skills/interests. Ideas are transferrable to other year levels.

STARS OF THE FORTNIGHT

TA2	Brok Waetford
TA3	Cailin Cambridge, Tahnee Woodard
TA4	Scarlett Adams, Charlotte Ali
TA5	Noah Woods, Sami Tyson
TA6	James Wells, Cooper Thomas
TA7	Ayden Hackshaw, Lily Carson
TA8	Dempsey Kieran, Charlotte Mascall
TA9	Brannon Kohlschein, Riley McCarthy
TA10	Paige Parker, Angus Fraser
TA11	Makayla Byrne, Ash Stageman
TA12	Ava Frankel, Morgan Cunningham
TA13	Jack Jenkins, Calhagn Serfontein-Rabe
TA14	Amy Kohlschein, Mary Haddow
TA15	Tijuana Green, Denzel Gage-Williams
W/WISE	Eden Short, Lachlan Daniel, Lukas Tarabay
MUSIC	Imogene Williams, Cheyenne Welch
SCIENCE	Tyler Hill

CHOIR

Our school Choir will be performing Christmas songs at Warwick Grove Shopping Centre on Thursday 1 December from 6.00 pm.



If you have a few moments to spare, please come along and support our wonderful Choir.

Rebecca Wilson-Boyce
Music Teacher

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

This year Greenwood PS will be supporting the Salvation Army Food Appeal. Please offer your donations of non-perishable goods to our Giving Tree, which is located in the Library.

Your generosity will help make Christmas special for needy families in our community.

Many thanks
Greenwood Staff



UNIFORMS

Please contact our supplier directly, Tudor School Uniforms can be contacted by phone on 9408 2666 or by visiting their website via the link below.

<http://www.tudorschooluniforms.com.au/register-greenwood-primary-school>

The school does have a small supply of school hats available from the office for \$8.00 per hat. These hats are meant for the emergency situation of a lost hat. If you are purchasing a second hat or new uniform go through Tudor Uniforms. All hats should be named inside with a white (or light colour) marker pen. Please, don't just label the tag as these often tear off.

Peter Mulcahy
Principal





You can give HOPE where it's needed most.

Facts you may not know about Christmas:

- One in 10 Australians report they cannot afford to buy enough food.
- Salvation Army aim to provide 10,000 meals in 150 centres during the Christmas week.
- 2.5 million Australians live below the poverty line. 603,000 are children.
- More than 70,000 people come to Salvation Army for care.

Christmas is a time of added expense and it can be just too much for families. By donating non-perishable food items, you'll be helping families and individuals enjoy a special Christmas meal. In addition, by providing food to eat over the Christmas and New Year period you'll also be easing some of their financial burden.

This year, Greenwood Primary School will be partnering with the Salvation Army to bring hope and joy to families this Christmas. Students will have until week 9 to place their food donations in the baskets located around the Christmas tree in the school's library. Attached to this newsletter is a poster providing you with some food ideas and suggestions from the Salvation Army. A representative from Salvation Army will be coming to our Christmas Concert to collect the Christmas hampers so that they can be distributed to the families.

Handy Hints

- Ring-pull tins are preferred as not all people receiving food will necessarily have access to a can opener.
- Please ensure foods donated are non-perishable and their expiry dates are well into next year.
- Wherever possible, please refrain from purchasing no-name brands as people will be receiving these goods as gifts. This is a simple way to make someone feel a little extra special at Christmas.

As you enjoy the festive season with family and friends, know that an Australian family is having a much brighter Christmas because of your generosity! Thank you

Kelly Collins
YouthCARE School Chaplain
Greenwood Primary School

Thursday & Friday
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SUMMER HOLIDAY FUN – COMING SOON

Get ready for a 'Sensational Summer' of fun! Camp Australia's Summer Holiday Club is coming to your school and it is going to be one of our greatest holidays yet.

Here are just some of the feature theme days coming up:

At the movies

SING (PG) The movie event of the Summer is here. We're off to meet Dapper Koala Buster Moon and see the world's greatest singing competition!

Science Spectacular

Interactive Science Session – Bubble, Bubble, POP! Mini Scientists get ready, it's time to experiment! With a take-home Science notebook.

Flying Hole in One

Frisbee Golf Course – will you be first to score a flying hole in one? A colourful and wildly fun indoor obstacle course awaits and we're ready to score! Plus, you'll get your own take-home Frisbee!

Inside Out

Nesting Dolls – Design and take-home your masterpieces. Will it be a footy team? A music band? The choice is yours!

Program Details

To find out more about what's on at our Holiday Club program on site and to book visit:
www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon.

From the Team at Camp Australia



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN TA 8!



DANCE

We have been enjoying dance lessons and social skill development with TA6 and TA14.



ARTWORK

We have made some beautiful springtime flowers and butterflies using symmetry and pattern.



PHYS/ED

Mrs Dunham is helping to build our cricketing skills.



SCIENCE

Mr Ryan has been conducting experiments with us about melting a solid to a liquid.

CONSTRUCTION

Jackson, Mitchell and Declan are showing their skills as future engineers.

