



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### SCHOOL APP PAYMENTS

Thank you to the 190 users who have registered and are now using the app for permissions and payments. A reminder that if you choose not to use the app as a payment and permission return, then you need to come through the office and make cash payments in person. This is because you need to physically sign the permissions. **Classrooms are no longer equipped to receive payments.**

### SWIMMING CARNIVAL

We desperately need **TWO** parent helpers for each of the carnivals. Please contact Mrs Dunham on: [Belinda.Dunham@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Belinda.Dunham@education.wa.edu.au) or call the front office if you can assist.

It has been a bit unfortunate that this carnival was the first event we have used for the payment app. It is a whole school event so the teething issues are magnified, but I thank parents for their patience as we all learn together.

### SCHOOL BOARD

We had our first meeting for the year last night and farewelled a number of members who have completed their tenure and a couple of parents who for family reasons have had to resign their positions. I want to acknowledge and thank the following members who are leaving our School Board for their dedication and professionalism. Emma Dobson, Naomi McArthur, Sharon Thomson and Mairi Walsh. That now means that we have **FOUR** new appointments to confirm. *Please see the attachment calling for nominations and explaining the process with closing dates.* I really encourage parents to consider the School Board. It is a great way to know what is going on and learn about how the system works as well as contributing to strategic direction for the school.

#### Dates to Remember

##### March

- 3 Assembly – TA9
- 6 **LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
- 8 P&C Meeting 7.00pm
- 10 Fun Swimming Carnival
- 13 In-Term Swimming Lessons begin

### IN-TERM SWIMMING

As indicated in the last newsletter our In-Term Swimming lessons are due to occur in Weeks 7 and 8. The pool has increased its charges, but we have managed to keep the cost to \$50 per student thanks to the generosity of our bus provider “Perth Bus Company”. That has meant we have been able to charge less than the amount forecast in our Contributions and Charges communication that you all received last November. Information went out yesterday and we need **ALL** enrolment forms back as soon as possible to allow for the massive planning required. If there are any parents (especially Dads) who are able to help, please contact: [Maureen.Perry@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Maureen.Perry@education.wa.edu.au) or telephone the front office.



### HARMONY DAY

As you were informed on the app last week, because of a clash of dates with our In-Term Swimming, we are celebrating **Harmony Day tomorrow 3 March**. To show support of us all being united and having pride in our cultural diversity, accepting that everyone belongs here in our Greenwood community, children are encouraged to wear National Cultural costume or come to school dressed in orange.



**Harmony Day tomorrow 3 March – students are encouraged to wear orange or their national costume.**

## LOOSE PARTS PLAY

Please see the back page for some photos of the action. Notice the staff involvement! Staff were involved in a three hour workshop looking at the development of play and its importance in building resilience for children. **Very soon your P&C Association will be offering a parent evening run by an Occupational Therapist from Nature Play Solutions.**

Please endeavour to get along so that you understand the new directions for the school and can begin to implement some of the knowledge in your home environments.

## PERSONAL THANK YOU

I have appreciated all of the support from the community on my return to school. Surgery went well and hopefully I can get back into shoes in a couple of weeks. Business attire and thongs is a strange fashion look!

**Peter Mulcahy**  
**Principal**



## SECOND-HAND UNIFORMS

The Year 6 students will be selling secondhand uniforms before and after the assembly on a Friday morning. The school jumpers are \$5.00, school shirts and black items such as skirts, skorts and shorts are \$2.00. The money raised goes towards fundraising for the Year 6 Graduation activities. If you have any school clothing donations, please drop them into the office.

**Sandra Dias**  
**Year 6 Teacher**



## STARS OF THE FORTNIGHT

TA2	Fletcher
TA3	Stella, Clinton
TA4	Maddie, Oliver
TA5	Carys, Ashton
TA6	Wyatt, Hannah
TA7	Ally, Iris
TA8	Samuel, Madeleine
TA9	Jessica, Madison
TA10	Emma, Paul
TA11	Nyah, Riley
TA12	Jude, Ava
TA13	Lachlan, MacKenzie
TA14	Gurman, Zachary
TA15	Ameeka, Jordan
SUSTAINABILITY	Savannah, MacKenzie, Riley
LOTE	TA14, Zachary
SCIENCE	TA9

## VALUES 2017

This year our Values Program is linked to the Western Australian Values of Schooling.

Our first value is **respect and concern for others and their rights.** Each student is encouraged to be caring and compassionate, to be respectful of the rights of others and to find constructive ways of managing conflict. This includes the right to learn in a friendly environment.

Emma and Emily, our two Values Assistants, have made posters to display in our blocks, library and front office.

Our values awards will be given out on 31 March.

**Amanda Vicary**  
**Values Co-ordinator**



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



### Tackling Anxiety

Masters & Co present their next master class event on tackling anxiety with guest speaker and clinical psychologist Rochelle Masters and her team. Rochelle will unpack the biology and psychology of anxiety to bring tools, tips and tricks to better understanding anxiety management.

Rochelle Masters is one of Perth's sought-after Clinical Psychologists. She is Managing Director of Master Psychology & Co, a bustling private practice in Perth's northern suburbs. As an accomplished public speaker, she presents regularly to various interest groups on health, business and psychology-related topics.

The evening will have a presentation, Q&A and a light supper and drinks will be provided.

Tickets cost \$13.53 and are available from [tacklinganxiety.com.au](http://tacklinganxiety.com.au)

#### Date and Time:

**Friday 10 March 2017  
7.30 – 9.30pm**

#### Location:

**Pearsall Hocking  
Community Centre  
Lot 21 Willespie Drive,  
Pearsall WA 6065**

#### **Kelly Collins**

YouthCARE School Chaplain  
**Greenwood Primary School**  
Thursday & Friday  
9243 1143

#### **MATHS TIP**

One fun game to begin learning number concepts in the early years is Dr Paul Swan's *Shake and spill*. An instructional video of this game can be found on his website, in the video section – early childhood routines.  
<http://www.drpaulswan.com.au/>



## SCHOOL BANKING

The P&C are currently recruiting for volunteers to continue the successful school banking system that has operated at Greenwood PS for many years.

We are hoping to commence school banking on Thursday 9 March Week 6 in the school Library.

The school banking is operated by Year 6 students but they require the support of parent volunteers. No experience in banking is required just a willingness to commit approximately an hour of your time on Friday mornings. Volunteers can help with a variety of school banking tasks including setting up in the Library, tallying deposits and banking deposits at the Commonwealth Bank.

If you would like to volunteer or find out more, please get in touch with the P&C Vice President, Sandra Jackson on 0409 608 823.

## CAKE STALL AND BOOK SALES

The Year 6 parents and students will be selling cupcakes and secondhand books (adult and children's books) on Saturday 11 March (Election Day) at Greenwood Primary School between 8.00am and 2.00pm. The money raised is going towards fundraising for their Graduation events. Please come along and support the students.

**Sandra Dias**



GREENWOOD  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
(AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL)  
*Strive to Achieve*

**Uniform free day for  
Radio Lollipop  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March**



Bring along a gold coin donation!

Kids helping Kids 

# Loose Parts Play



Look out for the P&C workshop on play - COMING SOON!