

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MR MULCAHY

We are fast approaching the end of the school year, with the prospects of some change in the air for next year. As I am sure you are all aware, Mr Mulcahy is retiring early next year after more than 40 years with the Department of Education.

On behalf of our school and community I wish to warmly thank Mr Mulcahy for the amazing job he has done here at Greenwood PS as our Principal and leader, since 2014. He has encouraged growth in our thinking and performance wherever possible. (Most of us were unaware of a sport called Modcrosse prior to his arrival)! I am sure that you will all join me in wishing Mr Mulcahy a long, happy and wonderful retirement.

END OF YEAR

Can you believe that we are almost at the end of the 2022 school year! Only a week to go now for students (I am sure that they are counting the days). How quickly time has flown!



As per usual, we have some special events happening for our graduating students – with Adventure World on Friday, Graduation on Monday, followed by the Dinner-Dance that evening.

Tuesday will see the children's dance lessons put into action with their Social Dance with Shari Gilkison. Please remember that the children have their choice of dress for the day and parents are also invited to attend. Our whole school Book Awards presentation is scheduled for Wednesday morning.

I wish to publicly thank the amazing staff of Greenwood PS for their fantastic efforts to bring a high standard of education to every one of our students every day. They have worked tirelessly to make a difference for each and every individual child. This of course includes our teachers, education assistants, MCS, school officer, library officer, school psychologist, school chaplain and gardeners.

With the end of the year, we have a couple of farewells to make. Firstly, I wish to thank Miss Wojcik for stepping in and taking our Kindergarten class each Friday. I also would like to acknowledge Mrs Fernandes for taking over the Year 3 class when Ms Petkov left us at the end of Semester 1.

Dates to Remember

December

- 9 Yr 6 Adventure World excursion
- 12 Yr 6 Graduation Ceremony
- 12 Yr 6 Graduation Dinner Dance
- 12 TA6 & TA15 Chipmunks excursion
- 13 Social Dance
- 14 TA9, TA11, TA13 & TA12 (Yr 5s only) Warwick Super Bowl excursion
- 14 Book Awards Assembly
- 15 Last Day for Students

Students return on Wednesday
1 February 2023



CHRISTMAS CONCERT



Mrs Dias deserves a special mention. As you are all aware, she has been our Associate Principal for Semester 2. Mrs Dias has carried out all of her duties effectively, efficiently and with aplomb. Her care and consideration for our students, staff and community is first rate. I sincerely thank Mrs Dias for her support and professionalism throughout the semester.

We also have two Education Assistants leaving us; a big thank you goes to Mrs Biddle and Miss Morris for the fabulous work they have done in assisting our students in various areas of the school. The efforts of all our staff leaving Greenwood PS at this stage, are much appreciated by us all.

CHRISTMAS ON THE GREEN

Congratulations to all students who attended this community event last evening. What great performances were presented by the various groups. We were also pretty lucky with the weather, seeing the forecast had been for 'possible storms'!

IN CLOSING

I extend my thanks to all community members for their support of our school throughout the year. It has been a pleasure to work with people who have the best interests of our students at heart.

I wish everyone all the best for the festive season, along with a Happy New Year. Obviously, I also extend my good wishes to all those who are leaving us. Enjoy the break everyone!

Maureen Perry
Principal



GREENWOOD DENTAL THERAPY

The Dental Therapy Centre will be closing from the 16 December until Tuesday 31 January 2023.

Our emergency clinic from 19/12 – 23/12 will be Landsdale DTC on 9302 2969.

For the remainder of the holidays please contact Mt Henry DTC on 9313 0552.



HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

TA2	Asher, Leo
TA3	Olivia, Jace, Brodie
TA4	Xavier, Isabelle, Parker
TA5	Joshua, Zak
TA6	Cleo, Stephanie, Mia, Oliver
TA7	Hugo, Aubree, Maddison, Charlie, Harper
TA8	Scarlett, Tina, Indy, Lola
TA9	Harper, Layla, Reed, Kayla, Ben, Sophie
TA10	Cailin, Domonic, Kade, Sophia, Luca
TA11	Claire, Maddison, Pedro, Kyen
TA12	Abbie, Clinton, Elijah, Madison
TA13	Blake, Tyrelle, Bayden, Isabella
TA15	Grace, Marcus, MacKenzie, Nathan
SUSTAINABILITY	Reuben, Sumaya, Daniel, Lola, Ryder, Charlotte, Skye

TA4 & TA10 BUDDIES

In December, we spent a great morning with our buddies. The Year 6 students interviewed their buddy to find out about their interests, special hobbies and favourite sport. The Year 6 students have done a super job as role models for our students. We wish them all the best as they transition to high school next year.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Hello Greenwood Community!

We made it – what a year it has been! A massive thank you to the whole school community – students, staff and parents for making me feel incredibly welcome at Greenwood Primary School. It has been an absolute pleasure to get to know the students either on a one-on-one basis or in the Library at lunch times or whilst I walk around the school and I am looking forward to building on these relationships next year.

If you are stuck for some holiday ideas, here are just a few, although to be honest it was difficult to choose which things. I hope you and your family have a wonderful and safe break, full of fun, adventure and making many new memories.

TO WATCH: Puss in Boots: The Last Wish

Beloved character Puss in Boots has gotten older and has now used up 8 of his 9 lives. He embarks on a quest with Kitty Soft Paws and new character Perro to find the Wishing Star whilst coming up against some well-known fairy tale characters to get back the lives he has lost.



TO DO: Jurassic World by Brickman

Dinosaurs and LEGO. What a combination! Encounter over 50 life-sized dinosaurs and recreate scenes from the movie franchise, plus you will also get to make your own creations and mosaics with LEGO of course! A lot of fun for little (and big kids) alike. I've seen the display one and marvelled at the sheer number of LEGO pieces and skill that went into just this one dinosaur, so am curious to see what the rest of the exhibit is like!!



TO DO: Thomas Dambo's Giants of Mandurah

Take a day trip or arrange a small getaway to Mandurah and go on an adventure to find the six hidden Giants. Word of caution from one person who has seen the Giants – some of them are a fair walking distance but it is worth it! Pick up a map and clues from the Visitor Centre and download the Guidebook from online which has information and activities to complete all to help you find the super-secret location of the final giant!



TO DO: A World of My Own Drop-In Zone at WA Museum Boola Bardip

Coinciding with The Wonderland exhibit and the FRINGE WORLD Festival, during January children are asked to stop and explore "Wonder in a world of our own" through many different activities such as exploring how your brain works, looking at insects, building a Wonder town and examining animation and moving images. Also, if anyone can tell me what a phenakistoscope is without looking it up – gold star to you!!

TO DO: Get Creative at Home

Whilst the beach and parks are a great and cheaper option – there is nothing like enjoying time at home. Do some baking together; make a cubby house or fort from blankets and pillows; put on a show; do some art and craft activities; have a home cinema movie night complete with sweet treats – the only thing stopping you is your imagination!!

*Emma Swan
Chaplain*



RECYCLING NEWS

It has been a very successful year in terms of the amount of recycling that has been collected by our students and school community.



Our efforts have resulted in many kilograms being kept out of landfill, lots of it being made into new products.

The P&C Containers for Change Bin has been emptied a couple of times and has recycled approximately 900 drink containers.

Thanks to everyone who donates their recyclable drink containers into the bin.



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In TA6 and TA15 we love learning together!



We've had lots of awesome excursions and fun times together in 2022!

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