

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### TIME FLIES

It is amazing to think how quickly time passes. Here we are in Week 6, and I feel like I have just sat down to welcome you to the 2023 school year, when in fact we are more than halfway through the term!



### SENIOR STUDENTS' ROLES

I wish to congratulate our senior students for the magnificent way they are carrying out their various areas of responsibility. They are demonstrating their capacity to be great role models for others to emulate in our school community. Thank you kindly for your hard work and high level of commitment, people.

### PLAYGROUND

It has been delightful to see the calm atmosphere and cooperative play exhibited by our students in the playground. The children are doing a great job of sharing spaces, facilities and equipment. Well done, everyone.

### PRINCIPAL'S POSITION

A number of people have asked me if I have heard anything further about the principal's position. All I can tell you is that the position has been advertised and that a rigorous selection process is underway through our regional office. When I have any further news, I shall be sure to keep you informed.



### NATURE PLAY

Thanks to a minor school project grant, provided by the State Government, we have completed adding to our playgrounds through building a Climbing Wall in the Junior Play area. We are most grateful to have received this funding, aimed at increasing interactive play opportunities to enhance the resilience of our students.



### ASSEMBLY – TA12

#### Dates to Remember

##### March

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| <b>9</b>     | <b>TA9, TA11 &amp; TA13 Sculptures by the Sea</b> |
| <b>15-24</b> | <b>NAPLAN</b>                                     |
| <b>21</b>    | <b>Harmony Day</b>                                |
| <b>21</b>    | <b>TA14 &amp; TA15 Samson House excursion</b>     |
| <b>24</b>    | <b>Assembly – TA9</b>                             |
| <b>27</b>    | <b>Yr 6s Ern Halliday excursion</b>               |
| <b>31</b>    | <b>Swimming Carnival</b>                          |





## MEDICAL PLANS

All students with identified medical conditions such as allergies, intolerances, and asthma, need to have an 'annually' updated plan. Please organise these with your medical professionals and have them at the front office by the commencement of Term 2. Many of these plans are currently out of date. Thank you to those who have already provided updated plans.

## CONSENT FORMS 2023

Thank you to those families who have completed the Consent form for your children.

Please complete these consent forms online via the Qkr app **by this Friday 10 March** so that an online services account can be used by your child. Please ensure you complete a consent form for each child and the form needs to be added to your cart then **processed through the checkout** even though it has a \$0.00 balance. Alternatively, a consent form may be completed at the front office.

## FACTION SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Our school Fun Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 31 March 2023 at Warwick Senior High School pool. Forms can now be completed through the Qkr app or at the front office.

**Maureen Perry**  
*Principal*

## MOBILE PHONES/SMART WATCHES

The Department of Education's policy, is very clear around these devices. No student is to have a mobile phone or other social media device on their person or in school bag whilst at school. Parents who need to get a message to students are to contact the front office.

If your child needs a communication device for out of school hours, **then that device must be brought to the office and stored in an individual named storage container provided.** No responsibility for the device is taken by the school.



## HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

TA2	Jorja
TA3	Zara, Samira
TA4	Lachlan, Indi
TA5	Aria
TA6	Jasmine, Bethany
TA8	Sean, Lukin
TA9	Jude, Melinda
TA10	Kyen, Skye
TA11	Blake, Amelia
TA12	Rosie, Elijah
TA13	Oliver, Charlotte
TA14	Chace, Piper
TA15	Remy, Ellie
SUSTAIN-ABILITY	Leni, Blake, Mikey

## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS - PRIZE DRAW

For your chance to win a prize ensure you have paid your family voluntary contributions by **Friday 23 June 2023**. Prizes will be drawn at the Assembly on Friday 30 June 2023.  
\*\*One ticket per family\*\*



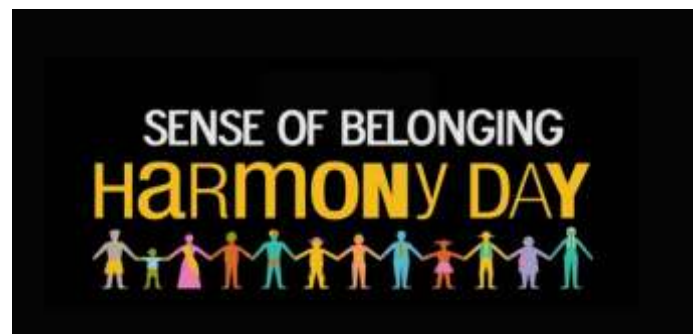
## HARMONY DAY

Harmony Day is held every year on 21 March to coincide with the United Nations International Day for the elimination of Racial Discrimination.

It is a day when we celebrate and reflect on the cultural diversity that makes us Australia. At Greenwood Primary we pride ourselves on being accepting and ensuring that everyone belongs.

This year, Harmony Day will be celebrated with Bullying. No Way!

All children are encouraged to wear **orange** or come in their **National Costume**, on the day.



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Hi Greenwood Community!

I cannot believe how fast this first term has gone! I guess having swimming in the first part of the year makes it go quick and I had the absolute pleasure of attending the lessons with one of the groups on the Wednesdays and Fridays that I was in, and it was so lovely to see how well the students represented the school.

A huge welcome (possibly again) if you and your family have joined Greenwood Primary School this year. Just a reminder that my role as the school Chaplain is to provide social and emotional support wherever it is required. I work with students, teachers and parents in meeting the needs that arise in their daily lives. This is demonstrated through being always available when a child or adult needs to talk, providing pastoral care (encouragement and support) and running life skills programs. I also conduct classroom visits and help on school excursions and at events.

Many students have escaped to the library to keep cool on these wonderfully sunny days that we have been having. Those who have been using the time to colour have had the opportunity to show their creativity on pictures of all sorts of things from meerkats to unicorns to some very particular and requested models of cars, motorbikes and construction machinery. We have also seen some amazing LEGO creations being made like the one pictured, trust me when I say it was hard to choose just one to feature! I mentioned clubs in the first newsletter of the year – we are hopeful for a late term one – term two starts! Stay tuned.



**Emma Swan  
Chaplain**

## SUSTAINABILITY

Clean Up Australia Day was on Sunday 5 March,



it was fantastic to see so many groups out and about making our great community litter free. Greenwood Primary conducted our own "Clean Up Day" yesterday. All classrooms had an allocated area and with our buckets and gloves we collected 3 large bins of rubbish from the school and immediate surrounds.

At the end of the day Sam from Keep Australia Beautiful Council came to assist us in an audit of the types of litter we are finding around our grounds. Well done to the Sustainability Team girls who helped us in this big task. We are thankful to KABC for also providing us with a Clean-up Kit which consisted of vests, buckets, gloves and tongs, to be used for our next Clean Up Day and other Sustainability events.

Thanks to all students and staff for their efforts in keeping our school looking its very best.



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## TA8 & TA13

