

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It is my pleasure to write my first 'from the principal column' at Greenwood. For those that may not be aware, my name is Dean Gill and I've been appointed as the new permanent Principal of Greenwood Primary School. I've had the pleasure of knowing and working with former principals, Ian Herbert and Peter Mulcahy, and they have only ever had great words to speak about their experiences here. I feel privileged to continue the leadership journey on from Ian and Peter and have felt extremely welcomed by staff, students and the community. I look forward to getting to know the school community better and working with the staff to continue the fantastic teaching and learning experience the school provides for the students.



WELCOMES

We welcome back Mr Jonty Harrison who has undertaken the Indonesian languages role. We are delighted to have Mr Harrison, as he has consistently shown a wonderful passion for teaching and learning at Greenwood.



I would also like to welcome the many ECU students assigned to our school completing teaching practicums as part of their studies. We hope they enjoy their time here.

THANK YOU

On behalf of Greenwood Primary School we would like to say a big THANK YOU to the P&C and all the volunteers who helped make today's Mother's Day stall a huge success. The students were all very excited to be able to have the opportunity to purchase a little something for their loved one.

PETER MULCAHY'S RETIREMENT

On the 5th of May, we formally farewelled Peter Mulcahy, celebrating his time at the school. Peter as you know was an incredibly committed and caring Principal who will be dearly missed by the staff and community. We are also pleased to see Peter continue his connection to Greenwood via his Modcrosse connections. We wish him well in retirement and thank him for the amazing service he gave to the Department of Education and Greenwood Primary School.



Dates to Remember	
May	
12	TA10 Assembly
15	Yr 6s Parliament House Excursion
17	Yr 1 & TA4 (Yr2) History Village Museum
23	Waste Free Lunch
26	TA6 Assembly

ILLNESSES

We are coming into the season where communicable diseases such as colds or flus are on the rise, and we encourage everyone to follow the Department of Health's guidelines to ensure we prevent the spread of infections wherever possible. At the school we take many precautions to ensure we reduce the potential spread of infections but also ask for your assistance to keep students at home when they may be symptomatic or experiencing a communicable disease. For further information, please refer to Department of Health.

Dean Gill
Principal

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****

Our prize this year is a Fremantle Football Club 2020 Clash guernsey, pictured here.

This prize was kindly donated by Bailey.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Hello Greenwood Community,

Welcome back for Term 2!

I hope that you all had a wonderful school holiday break and have all settled back into the school routine. Parents, this is the perfect time to treat and look after yourselves and make sure you find the time to practice some self-care. Children instinctively watch the adults and older people in their lives, learning habits, values and attitudes from the people around them. In a world of "busy" this is a great challenge for all of us as we are the role models of what a healthy life that is balanced looks like. Personally, I am all for the cake and coffee me-dates (in moderation of course)!!

I am at Greenwood Primary School on Wednesdays and Fridays and my role as the Chaplain is to provide social, emotional, mental and well-being 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), running life skills programs and equipping students with strategies and tools.

I had the privilege of giving the Prayer of Remembrance at the school's ANZAC Day service at the beginning of the term and once again was blown away by the respectfulness of the students and the turnout by the school community.

The library lunchtime program continues, with smaller numbers due to the amazing weather that we are having. Those students who have been coming in, take the opportunity to read, do puzzles, build some amazing LEGO creations, and colour in. We have some students who are still learning to knit although we have seen a rise in the games of checkers (and some chess) that has been going on! As always, time does fly in the library when you are having fun!

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Chaplain



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SUSTAINABILITY

WASTE FREE LUNCH DAY

On Tuesday 23rd May, we are holding a "Waste Free Lunch Day" when we encourage you to pack your child's lunch in reusable containers preferably, or cliplock bags that can be bought home, rinsed if needed and reused.

What is a waste-free lunch? "Waste" is anything that would get thrown away at the end of the lunch period, including yogurt containers, napkins, utensils, bags, and even food scraps. A 'zero-waste' lunch is one that avoids these items so that there is nothing to throw away at the end of the day.

After our whole school clean-up in Term 1, an audit was carried out by the Keep Australia Beautiful Team and we identified that of 928 pieces of litter, one third was small plastic food packets and bags.

How do you do a zero-waste lunch?

Pack lunch items in reusable containers. Avoid using plastic wraps, plastic bags, wax-paper bags, and aluminium foil. Buy in bulk and avoid purchasing pre-packaged items. Pack lunches in a lunch box or backpack instead of relying on paper or plastic bags.

The only rubbish bin put out on the day will be a food bin for our composting of scraps, or ... Bring home the scraps for compost. Those reusable food containers, now empty, double as compost transporters.

Students and staff will be required to take home their waste and perhaps have a discussion about how you can reduce your contribution to the amount we send to landfill at our school.

We will send a reminder the week before, now is the time we can all make a difference.

From the Sustainability Team

Waste Free Lunches!

Pack

- snacks and lunches in reusable containers
- drinks in reusable bottles
- reusable utensils
- a reusable lunchbox or bag



Avoid

- lunches packed in plastic bags, cling wrap or foil
- disposable drink boxes, cans, cartons and bottles
- disposable forks and spoons



Thank you to everyone who recycles.

Please see below all the items that can be recycled at our stations outside the Library and TA2.

ITEMS FOR RECYCLING

Please collect and bring to our stations at the Library and outside TA 2. Thank you.

Used household batteries



Wheelchairs for Kids
You can give a disabled child a wheelchair

Mobile Phones and accessories –
Collection box is inside the Library RH Side of the door



Aluminium ring pulls



Nespresso brand coffee pods



Printer/toner Cartridges



All brands of Oral Care products



NEW ITEM !!! Corks



Writing Implements



Plastic Bread tags



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Adventures at the Perth Zoo with TA 6!



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