

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

With one week to go, we are nearing the end of our 2024 academic calendar year. It has been a great year with many fantastic and wonderful events for the students. Thank you to everyone that was able to make it to our annual Carols on the Green event. The students performed wonderfully, and it was great to see the community come together to celebrate the students bringing festive cheer to the school. We will continue to make improvements to the event as we make tweaks every year to ensure it is a good experience for all. The timing of the event for instance, needs to be brought forward due to the length of the event and ensuring we finish with adequate sunlight for closing procedures. I expect next year there will be a minor adjustment to the start time. We will make other adjustments as we seek to balance a smooth format and retaining a community feel. I would also like to thank the P&C for their contributions to the event this year, such as running the Lolly Stall. It definitely is a popular attraction, and the additional effort put in by the P&C is highly appreciated.



STAFF UPDATE

As you will be aware, Maureen Perry retired from her Associate Principal role this term. We have now concluded the recruitment process of the Associate Principal role, and I am pleased to announce Rebecca Fall from Port Kennedy Primary School will be joining our team next year. Rebecca is currently the Principal of Port Kennedy and holds the substantive Deputy Principal position there. We are excited to have her bring her expertise to the school. Rebecca will be coordinating the Student Services team at Greenwood and assisting with the operational management of the school. To strengthen our Student Services team, we also welcome Naomi Miles in a Learning Support Coordinator role next year. Naomi will continue to work in Kindergarten

one day a week but will also work in tandem with Rebecca to



assist with the smooth running of the Student Services team as a whole. This team is comprised of our Associate Principal, Learning Support Coordinator, School Psychologist, School Chaplain and Education Assistants who collaboratively work to support students across the school. I am pleased to be able to put more resources into this critical area as we begin to roll out new changes across the school that will create positive student outcomes with their social, emotional and academic needs.

In other staffing news, Lorena Bengough who you will know as our Science Teacher, will also work an additional day to provide planning cover in our Pre-primary next year. Lorena has conducted this role in other schools, and we know she will do a great job in our early childhood team. Lina Marsland will be taking Term 1 off on long service-leave. Leah Sutcliffe will be covering Lina's role in her absence. Leah has been with us on and off in various roles over the last year and is excited to join the school in an official role for the first term. As she has been with us already and is very familiar with Greenwood Primary School, it will ensure a smooth start to the year for the students.

Lastly, behind the scenes we have been working on numerous positive changes to the way we go about some policies, procedures and processes at the school. It is important when starting in a new school, not to change everything all at once, but to systematically go through and identify collaboratively with staff where positive change can be made, and where outdated or non-contemporary understandings are in place that require rectification. After mapping out all the areas that require improvement, we then begin to work on and outline the change required and then timeline and project map the methodology in which this will occur and the persons responsible for each project to manage each area effectively. Consultation to outside parties and system experts are included throughout the change management process so we can ensure all perspectives where relevant are considered. From the start of next year, we will be making the changes that will be occurring across the school more visible and more transparent

for you, that way we can provide you more information on the fantastic new directions the school will be heading in. Areas of the school physically and digitally will also receive facelifts as we brighten up and refresh our school site.

Have a wonderful end of the year, and a safe and happy holiday.

Kind regards
Dean Gill
Principal



Dates to Remember

DECEMBER

6	Year 6 Adventure World
9	Year 6 Graduation & Dinner Dance
9	Year 2 Koalas Playcentre Excursion
9	Year 1 Pop Magic Incursion
9	Yr4 & 5 Super Bowl Excursion
10	Social Dance
11	Book Awards
12	Students Last Day of School

**STUDENTS COMMENCE TERM 1
WEDNESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2025**



HONOUR CERTIFICATES WINNERS

15 NOVEMBER

TA2	Jaxon, Ella
TA3	Jannali, Evie
TA4	Shyla, Chase
TA5	Pahandi
TA6	Lexi, Liam
TA7	Lola, Chace
TA8	Neve, Xavier
TA9	Finn, Mason
TA10	Bethany, Malachi
TA11	Storm, Max, Jade, Tyson
TA12	Sophie, Kayla
TA14	Olivia, Mark
TA15	Andrew, Leo
SUSTAINABILITY	Kayden, Jasmine, Indy
SCIENCE	Lexi, Michael

29 NOVEMBER

TA2	Phoenix, Chloe
TA3	Evelyn
TA4	Isla
TA5	Lillian
TA6	Lonica, Angus
TA7	Mila, Oliver
TA8	Xanthe, Remy
TA9	Bethany, Izaiah, Harriet
TA10	Lyla, Oliver
TA11	Elias, Indy, Jade, Seysha
TA12	Kaeley, Dan
TA14	Indi, Leo
TA15	Rocco, Noah
SUSTAINABILITY	Elias, Lola, Harper
MUSIC	Benjamin, Bethany, James

VALUES

TA2	Olivia – Perseverance
TA3	Griffin – Perseverance
TA4	Darcy – Caring
TA5	Evelyn – Courtesy
TA6	Jordan – Caring
TA7	Stella – Kindness
TA8	Isabelle – Respect
TA9	Baden – Trustworthiness
TA10	Eneas – Consideration
TA11	Mikayla - Caring
TA12	Amelia – Kindness
TA14	Amelia – Perseverance
TA15	Harper - Perseverance

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

We have almost made it! I cannot believe how fast this year and this term have gone. I know I am looking forward to the holidays and I hope that you and your family have a wonderful, safe, and relaxing break and I look forward to seeing you again next year.

If you need some holiday inspiration, here are just a couple of ideas for you:

TO WATCH:

The holidays see some great movies coming to the cinemas, and in the summer months, the air con is also a plus. Watch out for Moana 2, Wicked, The Gruffalo's Child & Stick Man, Mufasa: The Lion King, Sonic the Hedgehog 3, and Paddington in Peru... there's something coming out for the whole family.

TO READ: Anh Do "Kung Fu Roo: Enter the Roo"

Fans of Anh Do and his popular book series, can take delight in Anh's first graphic novel about the adventures of the world's greatest martial artist – who is a kangaroo.

TO READ: Maddy Mara "Eloise the Flame Dragon"

The latest book in the Dragon Girls series is set to be released around Christmas Eve and tells the story of the much-loved dragons and their quest into the Fire Realm to stop an evil queen.

TO PLAY:

Family and/or friend game nights are about to get just a little bit more competitive with the launch of UNO Teams.

TO MAKE:

It's time to get crafty! Try something new like paper mosaics or origami; get some beads and make some jewellery or bookmarks or something weird and wacky using their imagination.

TO DO:

The summer months are a perfect time to get out and go for an adventure together, making some memories as you go. There are so many parks, beaches, attractions, and other hidden gems not just in Perth but around the state to explore. Take a picnic and make it a day!

**Emma Swan
School
Chaplain**



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SUSTAINABILITY

Thank you everyone for being environmentally responsible and supporting our sustainability efforts at Greenwood Primary School throughout the year. We love seeing the students being aware and taking action to reduce landfill. Please continue to collect items over the holidays and if possible, store them until we return in Term 1.

Thank you from the Sustainability Team



GREENWOOD DENTAL THERAPY CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY HOURS

- **OPEN** Monday 16 & Tuesday 17 Dec
- **CLOSED** Wednesday 18 Dec – Fri 31 Jan

Emergency Clinic: Landsdale DTC 9302 2969

- **OPEN** – Monday 20 – Friday 24 Jan
- **CLOSED** – Tuesday 28 – Friday 31 Jan

Emergency Clinic: Carnaby Rise DTC 96401 8111

OPEN Mon 3 FEB 2025

Thank you
Greenwood DTC Team





Thank you so much to our generous school community who contributed to our Salvation Army Giving Tree Appeal.

We managed to donate a massive 43 hampers, which will be distributed to those in need over the Christmas period.



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