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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Welcome back everyone to the 2026 school year and we hope you enjoy our first school newsletter. We have now made it through a month of school, and it has been great to see all the students settling back into the school year.

The beginning of the year is especially an exciting time for the Year 6 students as they have been putting themselves out there to win leadership positions. At tomorrow's assembly, I have the pleasure of handing recipients their badge to wear with honour. We have a range of positions that students try out for such as Student Councillors, Faction Captains, Choir Leader, Digital Technology Assistants and many more integral supporting roles. You will be able to see the leaders who won positions further into this newsletter.

We have an incredibly active and positive Parents and Citizens' (P&C) group in our school. We encourage everyone to get involved in this vital organisation that supports our school. The P&C Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held at Greenwood Primary School next Wednesday March 4 at 7:00pm in the staffroom. All interested community members are welcome to attend. The purpose of the AGM is to nominate members to the required roles for the P&C to function.

NAPLAN

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM
Literacy and Numeracy

On the horizon we have the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) occurring from the 11 March until the 20 March. Students in Year 3 and 5 will be tested on their Literacy and Numeracy skills in a series of online tests. NAPLAN is a federal initiative that we make as comfortable as possible for our students, so they experience a smooth testing process. If you have a child in Year 3 or 5 that you would not like to participate in NAPLAN, please notify the school office so we can organise the withdrawal forms.

Kind regards

Dean Gill
Principal



CANTEEN NOTICE

Important Notice for Canteen Volunteers:

We have had a couple of parents ask about whether siblings or younger children are able to join in on the volunteer days in the canteen.

We absolutely appreciate the enthusiasm from our volunteers who want to bring their younger siblings or children along to help in the canteen. Unfortunately the school has confirmed with the P&C that we cannot allow children to assist in the canteen during volunteer shifts.

The reason for this decision is **safety**. While we know that parents will be around, kitchens can be high-risk areas that do not always mix well with little curious hands. This increases the potential for unforeseen hazards, accidents or injuries, and we want to prioritise safety in the kitchen space and those within it.

We also understand that this may be disappointing for some of our volunteers. However, there are many other ways you can get involved throughout the year, across all the different P&C events.

Thank you for your understanding and support. We hope this doesn't deter anyone from other volunteering opportunities, as the P&C always welcome your help!



HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

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| TA2 | Riley, River |
| TA3 | Kayla, Leo |
| TA4 | Xelia, Kobe |
| TA5 | Nicholas |
| TA6 | Lily, Indie |
| TA7 | Jaxx, Jace |
| TA8 | Maera, Pahandi |
| TA9 | Mark, Jordan |
| TA10 | Taleigha, Ashton |
| TA11 | Jack, Xavier |
| TA12 | Reuben, Chelsea |
| TA14 | Violet, Lachlan |
| TA15 | Amber, Parker |
| SCIENCE | Aiden, Lola |



| | Dates to Remember |
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| FEBRUARY | |
| 27 | TA10 - Assembly |
| MARCH | |
| 2 | Labour Day Public Holiday |
| 4 | Clean Up Australia Day Event |
| 4 | P&C Annual General Meeting |
| 11 - 20 | NAPLAN (Yr3 & Yr5's) |
| 20 | Harmony Day |
| 20 | TA14 - Assembly |

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Hello Greenwood Community,

Welcome back to another school year. I hope that you all had a wonderful break and are settling into the school term. If we haven't met, my name is Emma and I have had the privilege now of being the School Chaplain at Greenwood Primary School for five years and am at the school on Wednesdays and Fridays.

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 always being available when a child or adult needs to talk, providing pastoral care (encouragement and support), giving them strategies and running life skills programs. I also conduct classroom visits and help with school excursions and events. I can also be found in the library during recess when I am at school, where students from years 1 to 6 can come in and colour, make LEGO creations, read or play games and complete craft activities.

If your child/ren needs to access the services that I provide, please do not hesitate to contact their classroom teacher or the office to arrange this. Additionally, if you have any questions, you can send me an email at emma.swan@youthcare.org.au.

Emma Swan
Chaplain



SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

We are pleased to say that our recycling efforts are off to a great start already this term.

For those families new to our school, we have our RECYCLING HEADQUARTERS behind the Library. A full list of what we are able to collect and recycle is on the side wall notice board as well as inside the gate to the Kindy/Pre-primary area.

Please sort your items into the correct holes, this makes for easier distribution to the individual organisations.

Year on year we stop hundreds of kilograms from going to landfill, that's a great effort which we hope to continue to achieve with your help.

Thank you from the Sustainability Team

Some items we recycle in the recycling hub is;

ALUMINIUM RING PULLS



PLASTIC BREAD CLIPS

(No cardboard please)



USED BATTERIES



ALL BRANDS OF ORAL CARE PRODUCTS



PRINTER/TONER CARTRIDGES



Year 6 Student Leaders



Library Assistant



Choir Captain



Values Assistants



Loose Parts Play Assistants



Digital Technology Assistants



Sustainability Assistant



Faction Captains

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Student Councillors