



NEWSLETTER No. 4
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This week heralds an important week as it is National Volunteer Week as well as P&C Day on Friday May 23. Our school is the lucky recipient of many sources of volunteer assistance, with contributions big or small all playing a critical role in the education of our students. Some of the work you will see happening throughout the school day, such as the amazing help of the fundraising committee making events such as the Mother's Day Stall happen, while other work is behind the scenes and after hours, such as the P&C Committee and School Board meetings. There is an endless list of volunteers that help out at our school and provide unique and exciting opportunities that the students would likely miss out on otherwise. The names of all volunteers at Greenwood Primary School would fill up a newsletter on their own! To all the volunteers at our school, we are incredibly thankful for the time you give to the school, and we are grateful for your support. It is the students that are the direct recipients of the time and work you give us, and I know they'll join us in thanking you. This school would not be the same without you.



ANZAC SERVICE

At the end of week 1, we commemorated our ANZAC service in place of our usual class assembly. We welcomed Mr Gordon Clipston back as our special guest for the second year in a row to talk to the students about the significance of the day and relate to the students on what life was like during his time in Vietnam. The students listened and watched Gordon's speech and slideshow with great interest and I'm

incredibly proud of the way they conducted themselves during the service. Afterwards he praised Greenwood Primary School students for the level of respect they displayed. I would also like to thank the many parents that attended on the day to join in the service. It is moments like these that help create a wonderful sense of community in the school.

STAFFING

Lastly in staffing news we have a few announcements. Mrs Leah Clarence in Year 4 TA 9 is leaving us this week to embark upon focusing on her health for the final stages of her pregnancy. We have been fortunate enough to have Leah on board with us while Mrs Lina Marsland took long service leave in Term 1. As Lina has officially retired, we were lucky enough to have Leah stay on while we ran a process to identify the new teacher for the remainder of the year. We are incredibly thankful for all the care and support Leah has provided to her students and wish her well. We are joined from Monday May 26 by Mrs Lauren Pratt-Parker as the new teacher for the remainder of the year on a full-time basis. We can't wait for her to join the Greenwood Primary School community and get to know all the students and parents in her new class. Finally, Ibu Made our Indonesian Teacher will be going on maternity leave towards the end of the term. We are advertising her position for replacement in Term 3 & 4. We will announce the successful candidate once the process has been finalised.

Kind regards

Dean Gill
Principal





MUSIC

Hi Parents

I would love to include some children's songs from different cultures in the music program this year. If you have a song that your children sing at home in your first language, I would love to hear from you. It would be great to send the words in so I can work on singing the lyrics correctly.

Please email me at

Rebecca.WilsonBoyce@education.wa.edu.au

Kind regards

Rebecca Wilson-Boyce

Music Specialist

HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

TA2	Penelope, Nicholas
TA3	Aiden, Kobe
TA4	Piper, Zakharna
TA5	Ella
TA6	Edith, George
TA7	Arlo, Lawson
TA8	Leo, Scarlett
TA9	Mia, Remy
TA10	Melinda, Piper
TA11	Mila, Fletcher
TA12	Scarlett, Molly
TA14	Shyla, Hayes
TA15	Lily, Nolan
SCIENCE	Remy, Meg
LANGUAGES	Indi, Logan



Dates to Remember

MAY

23

TA8 Assembly

Lightning Carnival Away Scratch Match v Creaney PS

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Yr5 Incursion Play in the Past

JUNE

2

WA Day Public Holiday

4

P&C Meeting 7pm

5

PJ Day

6

TA15 Assembly

Yr6 Parliament House Excursion

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Lightning Carnival

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Hi Greenwood Community,

I hope you all have had an enjoyable start to the term and have settled back into the weekly routine. If we haven't officially met, my name is Emma, and I have been the Chaplain here for almost four and a half years (time flies) and work 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 need to talk, providing pastoral care (encouragement and support), giving them strategies and running small group programs. I also conduct classroom visits and help at school excursions and events.

I can be found in the library during the lunchtimes when I am at the school, where students from years 1 to 6 can come in and colour, make LEGO creations, read, play games and complete craft activities.

If your child/ren need 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

The Terracycle BIC program for recycling of used writing implements is coming to an end on 31 May 2025.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed and sent in empty marker, highlighters and pens. Every kilogram earns points for our school which converts to dollars.



We will still be collecting and recycling through other avenues, but would like to have one final roundup and earn as many points for fundraising as possible.

Please test your pens at home, we will also collect from school classrooms, then place the empties in the recycling stations by Monday 26 May.

Thank you,

From the Sustainability Team





A classroom full of rainbows!

In TA11 we have been learning about factors and multiples.

Did you know that a rainbow is a handy visual to help us to remember our factor pairs?

Factors are the numbers which divide into bigger numbers without a remainder.

