



NEWSLETTER No. 6 Thursday 14 August 2025

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I would like to start this newsletter by thanking our wonderful school community. If you've been down to the undercover area lately, you may have noticed some large boxes containing a fan waiting for installation in the school assembly area. This is due to the amazing fundraising efforts of the P&C and our school community, the P&C has been able to purchase an industrial sized fan which will provide a much needed cooling option for the area during warmer months. We are working through the engineering and installation process at present and should have it in place well before we need to use it for summer. The fan will definitely help to keep our assembly area cool and more usable during our long hot summer months for school activities.



We have only been able to enjoy this upgrade to school facilities thanks to those of you who have been able to help the school P&C with volunteering and

fundraising. Events like the school lapathon, sausage sizzles, lunch orders, the disco, Mothers and Father's Day stalls, quiz nights and evening fun at Scitech are run by parents who want to make sure our school goes from strength to strength. It's your efforts which have meant that nearly \$20,000 of funds were available through the P&C to purchase this fan which we will all benefit from.

This year you'll see some more projects come to life because of your efforts, including improved playground equipment. I strongly encourage parents, carers, grandparents and community members to get involved with the P&C however and wherever possible. This could be done either by donating time or by assisting with fundraising.

Opportunities to get involved in events will be announced through Connect and the P&C Facebook group.

COMMUNICATION PLATFORM

We are in the process of transitioning to a new communication platform and school data management system. The system is called Compass and is part of the Department of Education's Program Kaartdijin which is unifying and modernising the systems currently in use at schools. We are working through exactly how this will look for us regarding communications provided to you as we want to ensure that we are able to do this in a timely and effective manner. We understand that Connect can be frustrating for parents to use, so with this new system, we are ensuring that how we can communicate to you can be done with greater ease and less steps for you before making a final decision on exactly what platforms will do what at our school. We will have more on this shortly in further notifications.

ATHLECTICS CARNIVAL

You will no doubt be aware from the many communications going out at present that this time of the year is somewhat frantic with events. Assuming we have good weather, next week we host our annual Jumps and Throws Carnival on Wednesday and the Athletics Carnival on Friday. Having been a Physical Education Teacher in the past, as well as having worked in many schools prior to coming to Greenwood, I can say with 100% honesty that our carnival format is the smoothest I have ever seen a carnival run. I am aware that the split format during the day, where some year groups move off back to their rooms, can often create a talking point in the community. This helps the logistical running of the event immensely. We are often working down to the wire close to 3.00pm on the day, monitoring the times and making sure that we adjust events as we go. Our own Physical Education Teacher Belinda Dunham does a great job running the format and creating a memorable day for all to experience. I

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thank her for her efforts and for the amazing job she does during this busy period of the year.

Lastly, taking on parent feedback about events, you may have noticed gradual changes over the last few years with us trialling condensed versions of events during Book Week. We understand in the past many events run over the week can be chaotic for your own personal schedules and have been refining how this looks. Last year we trialled the first streamlined version of Book Week and this year we are trimming down even more. All the events will happen on the one day now Wednesday 27 August and we encourage you to come along and to enjoy the Parade and the Picnic Morning Tea.

See you all soon!

Kind regards

Dean Gill
Principal

HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

4 July 2025

TA2	Cole, Vaani
TA3	Sophia, Sonny
TA4	Elena
TA5	Emilia
TA6	Henry, Kenny
TA7	Xanthe, Neve
TA8	Beau, Leo
TA9	Finlay, Addilyn
TA10	Lola, Lukin
TA11	Lola, Luca
TA12	Mikayla, Rhys
TA14	Lilliam, Ellie
TA15	Shea, Aria
SCIENCE	Remy, Jack

8 August 2025

TA2	Ava, Eli
TA3	Fiadh, Aria
TA4	Griffin, Joey
TA5	Evan, Will
TA6	George, Calvin
TA7	Xanthe, Liam, Abel
TA8	Jace, Harper
TA9	Charlotte, Ayva
TA10	Brady, Indy
TA11	Harry, Mason
TA12	Max, William
TA14	Desmond, Jaxon
TA15	Chloe, Logan
LANGUAGES	Chelsea, Mia, William

AUGUST

Dates to Remember	
14	School Board Meeting
20	Yr4-6 Faction Field Events Jumps & Throws
21	Yr5 Buzz Day Warwick SHS
22	Faction Athletics Carnival
26	Year 4 Freo Prison Excursion
27	Book Week Parade, Morning Tea Picnic, Open Night/Book Fair
29	TA14 Assembly

SEPTEMBER

2	Interschool Athletics Field Events (Yr4-6)
3	P&C Meeting 7.00pm
4	Interschool Athletics Track Events (Yr1-6)
5	Father's Day Stall
9	Yr5 Kings Park Excursion
10	Yr2 Scitech Excursion

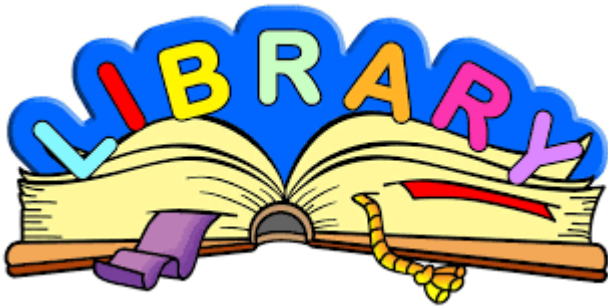


CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Hello Greenwood Community,

I hope you're well and have settled into the term well.

The library is the place where I find time simply gets away from us. Students from year one to six can come in at lunch times on Wednesdays to Fridays and colour, create LEGO creations, draw, play games, read or simply relax and unwind.



Emma Swan
Chaplain



SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

TREE PLANTING DAY

On Tuesday our National Tree Planting Day was enjoyed by all classes. This year we focused on planting more mature Banksia trees around our school, to eventually benefit the Black Cockatoos which live around our area. Thank you to all who wore green on the day and helped to plant and water the new additions to our gardens. Mrs Dempster and Miss Young give special thanks to Mr Nikoloski, our wonderful Gardener, who dug all the holes for us.

The students proved to be very knowledgeable with lots of information on the benefits of trees in our environment.

Please assist our trees to grow by walking on the paths and not through the garden areas.



Thank you,

From the Sustainability Team

TA 4 & 5 Visit from Eco Action for Science

Our classes really enjoyed the visit with Maria from Eco Action. Students carefully handled the insects to observe their features. They asked lots of great questions. Many insects were very clever at camouflage and honestly – they were very hard to spot in their habitat. We would like to extend our thanks to TA 4 & TA 5 parent helpers, who kindly helped us to facilitate the rotations.



TA 4 & 5 NAIDOC DAY

Our school celebrated NAIDOC Day with a special assembly. After the assembly, classes were invited to share some activities with the high school students from Warwick Senior High School. Children made bracelets, braided belts, read stories and had their faces painted.

