Relieving Principal’s Message
Anna Parrella

Last Week’s Swimming Carnival

Here are some photos from last week’s Swimming Carnival. Congratulations to Bradman which was the winning sports house on the day! Our Sports House Captains and Vice Captains worked hard to manage and cheer on their teams, choose their relay teams and keep their designated areas tidy and safe.

Sports Captains and Vice Captains

BRADMN – Blue

Boy House Captain: Hugh S
Girl House Captain: Samantha H
Boy Vice Captain: Ned A
Girl House Captain: Sienna L

FRASER – Red

Boy House Captain: Mac O
Girl House Captain: Jasmine B-L
Boy Vice Captain: Gus M
Girl House Captain: Yasmina R
GOOLAGONG – Yellow

Boy House Captain: Hugo R
Girl House Captain: Andie O
Boy Vice Captain: Ali S
Girl House Captain: Emma H

The Zone Swimming Carnival will be held on next Wednesday 9 March. Successful competitors representing our school have been issued with a permission note to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible. We wish these swimmers all the best at the Zone Swimming Carnival.

Staffing

Welcome to Jessica Buttel who will be teaching KJB until the end of this year. KSM has had an official name change this week. They are now known as KJB.

Parent Teacher Interviews – KJB in week 11

Information for parents and carers regarding how they can book their preferred interview times online will be distributed tomorrow. Online bookings will go live on Thursday 3 March at 4pm. A copy of Parent Teacher Interview Information has been attached to this newsletter.

KJB parent and teacher interviews will take place in the last week of this term. Details regarding the online booking of interview times will be sent closer to the time to KJB parents and carers.

Science and Mandarin Term 1 Overviews

The content to be covered in Term 1 in both Science and Mandarin can be found in the documents attached to the Newsletter. These provide details of some home tasks your child will be required to undertake.

Year 2 Artwork

Visual Arts is integrated across other Key Learning Areas. In Year 2 students have constructed and displayed Family Trees. In this photo, a mosaic technique has been utilised. Students have used marble painting, printing, dye wash and colour pencil to decorate book covers, one with an Aboriginal focus.
Emergency Evacuation and Lock Down Procedures

Over the course of the next few weeks students and staff will be involved in Emergency Evacuation and Lockdown and Lockout drills. Students will be briefed on the procedures in a non-alarming way prior to the drills.

Scabies

A student has been diagnosed with scabies at Greenwich Public School. Please see the attached information written by Kids Health Info: The Royal Children’s Hospital Melbourne. A summary is provided below:

Scabies is caused by a small, eight legged mite called Sarcoptes scabiei. Scabies is spread by close physical contact and is common in school-age children. If left untreated, it will usually spread to all other members of a child’s family. The mites and their eggs may live on clothes or bed linen for 1-2 days.

Signs and Symptoms:

It is often difficult to diagnose Scabies because the symptoms vary and the signs can be very subtle. Commonly the symptoms include:

- Bulare - raised, clear fluid-filled spot or lesion that are bigger than 1cm diameter
- Papules - solid, raised areas of skin with distinct borders less than 1cm in diameter
- Pustules - raised, fluid-filled spot that appear yellow
- Vesicles - raised, clear fluid-filled spots

A number of mites burrow into the skin, particularly between the fingers and around the wrists, elbows, armpits, chest and groin areas. Raised spots can appear on the palms, soles and scalp. It is the allergic reaction to these mites that causes the rash and symptoms.

Sometimes the only symptom is an itch, without a rash. Usually the itch is worse at night and after a hot bath or shower.

Your doctor will try and detect burrows to make a formal diagnosis for scabies.

Treatment:

- The child and all close contacts should be treated at the same time.
- A permethrin cream will be prescribed by your doctor.
- Please follow your doctor’s instructions regarding the treatment of bedding and clothing. If possible, these should be washed in hot water and dried in a dryer on a hot setting.

Infected children can return to school the day after the first of two treatments has begun. A repeat treatment must be administered one week after the first treatment.

Current Year 6 - High School 2017 Application Forms

Shortly Year 6 students will receive a booklet, ‘Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2017’. All Year 6 students are required to complete the ‘Expression of Interest’ form at the back of the booklet even if attending a non-government school and return it to the school office by Thursday 17 March.

Hunters Hill High School Gifted and Talented Selection Test

These will take place on 18 March for students wanting to enrol in Year 7 in 2017. Please refer to more information at the end of this newsletter.
ICAS (International Competitions and Assessment for Schools)

Details regarding this competition were provided in last week's newsletter and are attached once again for your information. If you would like your child to participate, please complete the ICAS form and return it to the school office with payment.

New Library System

Currently our Library software system is being transferred to ‘Oliver’ which comes with an interface that allows students to research more effectively and support the administration related to the management books and resources. As a result there have been no library borrowing facilities available this week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at both campuses.

Teacher Carparks

A reminder that students are not to walk through the staff carparks at each campus. They are to use the appropriate pedestrian gates and pathways provided. Parents are requested not to drive into teacher carparks to drop off their child/ren. This is such a safety issue that the Department has fenced off teacher carparks in schools. Cars and students do not mix.

Anna Pavrella
Relieving Principal

Years 2-6 SRC Eggstravaganza

The organisation for this hugely popular event is upon us once again. Please refer to the information below:

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**Eggstravaganza**

This year Greenwich Public School Years 2-6 will be holding an Easter Eggstravaganza Competition to celebrate Easter 2016.

If you would like to enter the competition, all you have to do is use your imagination and create an “egg sculpture.”

Your egg sculpture can be made using materials of your choice.

You may like to use blown eggs, plastic eggs, chocolate eggs, paper mache etc.

You may use one or more eggs and other materials where and if needed.

Some ideas are the “Eggful Tower” and “Queen Eggizabeth”. Please bring your “Eggstravaganza Sculpture” to the library by Monday 21st March for display during the week before Easter.

Please give your egg a name and include your name and class. Enjoy this “Eggocting event”

The Student Representative Council
TENNIS - NSTA PRIMARY SCHOOLS CHALLENGE

The first challenge this year will be held on Saturday evening March 19 at Talus Street, Naremburn. Entries close on Friday March 11.

The format is the same as previously, graded round robin doubles.

There will be a trial practice match next Tuesday, March 8 at the tennis court at Greenwich Public School, Kingslangley Road campus at 3.30pm.

If you are interested in taking part please contact Elena Jeregui at ejeregui@gmail.com.

P&C NEWS

GPS DRINKS BY THE HARBOUR
SAVE THE DATE!
SATURDAY 21ST MAY 2016
School Banking

School Banking Account Opening Day

Greenwich Public School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

The School Banking program provides children with an opportunity to deposit money into their Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at school each week. The program is about how often your child makes deposits, not how much they deposit.

To encourage regular savings behaviour the program offers an exciting Rewards Program. Every deposit earns your child a Dollarmites token, and once they’ve collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for a reward.

The rewards available during 2016 are:

- Flying Snake Tail
- Wildlife Writer Set
- Mud Splat Handball
- Outback Pat Bag Tag
- Backtrack Eraser Pen
- Jump and Skip Rope
- Bush Fly Fan
- Wriggly Glow Worm

School Banking day is Thursday. Each week you need to send your child to school with their completed deposit slip and money in their banking wallets and go to the banking desk under the COLA at each site between 8.45am and 9.10am.

We will be holding an Account Opening Day at our school:

- **Time:** 8.45am
- **Date:** Thursday, March 17th, 2016
- **Location:** K-1 site, Greenwich Rd, Greenwich.

If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account for your child please bring along your current driver’s licence or another form of photographic identification.

Alternatively, you can open an account at your local branch. All you need to bring is your current identification as well as your child’s birth certificate. If you are an existing Commonwealth Bank customer and have NetBank, you can open an account online.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2016 School Banking program information pack from the school office.
Term 1 Week 6 K-6

Merit Awards

Bronze Awards

Silver Awards

DIARY DATES

TERM 1 2016

WEEK 6
Friday 4 March
- Clean Up Australia Day

WEEK 7
Monday 7 March
- Parent Teacher Interviews will take place this week

Wednesday 9 March
- Zone Swimming North Sydney Pool

Thursday 10 March
- Selective High School
WEEK 8
Tuesday 15 March
- K/1 SRC badging at Assembly

Wednesday 16 March
- Sydney North Swimming Carnival Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre

Thursday 17 March
- Year 2 excursion Ryde School Museum

Friday 18 March
- Hands on Science – Hunters Hill High School. 6 nominated students Years 5 and 6.
- Year 1 Ryde School Museum
- Years 2-6 SRC badging at Assembly

WEEK 9
Friday 25 March
- Good Friday

WEEK 10
Monday 28 March
- Easter Monday

Thursday 31 March
- 4pm School Council meeting

Friday 1 April
- Recognition Assembly 9.30 – 10.15am

WEEK 11
Tuesday 5 April
- Drinks by the Harbour Dress Up and Donation Day

Wednesday 6 April
- State Swimming Carnival Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre
- P&C Meeting and AGM

Thursday 7 April
- State Swimming Carnival Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre

Friday 8 April
- Last day of Term 1

TERM 2
Saturday 21 May
- Drinks by the Harbour

HARDCOPY NOTES SENT HOME
- Parent Teacher Interview Information

SURVEYS FOR YOUR ATTENTION
- Nil

EMAIL ATTACHMENTS HOME THIS WEEK
- Parent Teacher Interview Information
- ICAS for Years 3-6
- Scabies Fact Sheet
- Mandarin Term 1 Overview
- Science Term 1 Overview

HUNTERS HILL HIGH SCHOOL
GIFTED AND TALENTED SELECTION TESTS
for Year 7 and 8, 2017

2016 Year 6 and 7 students have the opportunity to sit an entry test for Hunters Hill High School Year 7 and 8, 2017 extension classes on

SATURDAY 19 MARCH,
9.30am in the school hall

Phone or email the school to reserve your place by Thursday 10 March

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