PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

No. 10 Tuesday 2 April 2013

Dear Parents,

**EASTER HAT PARADE**
Congratulations everyone on a wonderful celebration. All hats looked outstanding and it was great to see so many parents share the event with us. A special thank you to the “Easter Bunny” for making the event so memorable.

**ACADEMIC and BRONZE ASSEMBLIES**
Next week we will be having special assemblies for students receiving Academic and Bronze awards. Invitations to parents whose child is receiving an award will be sent out this week.

**EXTRA SUPPORT**
Due to the extra funding from National Partnerships, we are able to offer support to those students who may need extra tuition in the areas of speaking English, Reading, Numeracy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy. A note will be sent home this week to families whose child/children are receiving such support. We ask that you communicate with the support teacher and find out ways you can help support your children at home.

**P & C ASSOCIATION NEW COMMITTEE**
Last week The Greenacre P & C Association held their Annual AGM. We are pleased to announce the new P & C Committee members as follows:

- President: Mrs Iman Arian
- Vice President: Mrs Mirva Osman
- Vice President: Mrs Anwar Samneh
- Treasurer: Mrs Sonya Turkmani
- Secretary: Mrs Leanne Dia
- Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator: Mrs Manal Hawchar

Congratulations to these wonderful people and I look forward to working with them throughout the year.

Regards
Catherine Macreadie
Relieving Principal
**COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 1**

**Week 10**
- Wednesday 3 April: 2pm Stage 2 Assembly
- Thursday 4 April: Stage 2 (Yrs 4&5) Stall Day
- Friday 5 April: Summer PSSA Round 6

**Week 11**
- Monday 8 April: 11.20am Kinder Academic Awards
  11.30am Years 5&6 Bronze Awards
  2pm Stage 3 Academic Awards
- Tuesday 9 April: Winter PSSA team trials
  9.30am Stage 1 Academic Awards
  11.30am Stage 2 Bronze Awards
  12pm KinderTeddy Bear's Picnic
- Wednesday 10 April: Year 6 Camp – Return Fri 12 Apr
  9am K-2 Bronze Awards
  2pm Stage 2 Assembly
- Thursday 11 April: 9.30am Stage 2 Academic Assembly
- Friday 12 April: Last Day Term 1 – No PSSA

**Term 2 Week 1**
- Monday 29 April: Pupil Free Day – No School
- Tuesday 30 April: Pupil Free Day – No School
- Wednesday 1 May: First Day Term 2

**Term 2 Week 2**
- Monday 6 May: Year 2 and 1/2J Excursion to City
- Wednesday 8 May: Mother’s Day Stall
- Thursday 9 May: Mother’s Day Stall
  Year 1 Excursion to City
- Friday 10 May: Winter PSSA Round 1
  Mother’s Day Stall

**MOTHER’S DAY STALL HELPERS**

This year the stall will be held over 3 days, Wednesday 8, 9 and 10 May. We desperately need helpers to serve students on these days. We also need helpers to wrap the gifts as they come in. If you can help, please call Mrs Arian on: 0412 048 842.

**LIBRARY NEWS**

All library books will need to be returned by this Friday 5 April. Please note that there will be **NO BORROWING next week** (last week of Term 1).

**NEXT P & C MEETING CANCELLED**

Due to a busy calendar, our next P & C meeting will not be held until 21 May at 9.15am in the small hall. Our meeting that was advertised for Tuesday 9 April has been cancelled.

**BOOKS IN HOMES**

On 13 March Stage 2 went to our hall and 3/4Y led the presentation. Stage 2 got to meet Kerry Millard and she talked about her experiences in life. She showed us some of her books and she told us that some of her books were published in other languages. She was very interesting and inspiring to me and to many others. Ms Millard is an illustrator, author and a painter. Unfortunately Ms Millard did not show any of her paintings but I bet they are awesome. Ms Millard was very nice to us. 3/4V won the prize for being the best and most quiet class. They got the teddy bear and the trophy. Stage 2 also sang and sounded great.

By Demi Love Kassem 3/4Y

On Wednesday 13 March the whole of Stage 2 went to a very special assembly as the author Kerry Millard was visiting. She handed out the books that Year 4 selected. She also drew 2 pictures on the whiteboard. When we went inside the hall, a few classes were already there and we were to host the assembly. Ms Millard drew a picture of herself standing on a dog while juggling books. After a few speeches, the certificates were handed out. I received an award for great advertising. Mrs Young called out the names of the Year 4’s that were getting books. I received the 3 books that I chose. They were ‘Australian and World Records 2013’, ‘Night Sky’ and ‘Most Dangerous Animals 3D’. We also received a Books In Homes bag. Ms Millard spoke next and explained a bit about herself, what her favourite book was and what her favourite book was that she had written and she drew another picture.

By Ramond Trinh 3/4Y

**EASTER RAFFLE WINNERS**

This year’s Easter Raffle was a huge success with $354 being raised!! The winners were:

1st Prize: Fatih Hawchar 6M
2nd Prize: Saxon Wise KB
3rd Prize: Mrs Muriel Bradley
Most books sold: Jessica Ibrahim 2F

**MEETING CANCELLED**
OUR TEACHERS HELP US LEARN.

K/6G CLASS

WE ARE KEEPING FIT. AEROBICS IN THE MORNING. WE ARE MARCHING TO THE "ANTS WENT MARCHING".

WE CAN DO IT!

WE WORK AND WE PLAY.
PLAY GROUP
Due to the Easter Long Weekend, no Play Group was held last week. We hope you all had a safe and happy Easter Break and we will see you back this Friday 5 April. Come along and join in the play dough, colouring, and puzzles.
Note: You need to have a child attending Greenacre Public School or have a child enrolling soon to be a part of our play group.

When: Every Friday from 9am to 11am
Where: Hall
Cost: $2.00 per child
Bring: A small, packed breakfast snack for you and your child. Refreshments provided.

Mejda Eldan, Iman & Rana - CLO

COMMUNITY PARENT MEETING
This week had a special time with 2/6T where the students and Miss Thibaux cooked scones. Yum!! Next week we will be busy helping with the school garden. Please come along and lend a hand.

When: Every Tuesday from 9am to 11am
(Refreshments/childcare provided)
Mejda Eldan, Joumana & Rana - CLO

DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS
This Saturday night before bed please remember to turn your clocks BACK 1 HOUR as daylight saving will end. It is always a good idea to change the battery in your smoke alarm when you do this. Remember: Properly working smoke alarms save lives.