PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

No. 35 - Term 4 Week 7	Tuesday 17 November 2015

Dear Parents,

INTERNATIONAL DAY
A huge thank you to Mrs Blackford and the International Day Committee for organising a successful International Day. Thank you also to all parents who helped with dance items, selling food and cooking food at home. As a result of your efforts our school raised $16,452. These funds will contribute towards new furniture for our kitchen classroom and playground equipment. Thank you to all teachers who worked tirelessly both before and throughout the day preparing dance items and on the many fun stalls. The dance assembly items were very impressive and effectively displayed the multicultural nature of our school. Thank you to parents who ensured many of our students were dressed proudly in their national costumes. It was pleasing to chat with many parents throughout the day who were so appreciative of our school’s efforts to provide a fun day as well as recognising and providing better understandings of our multicultural backgrounds. In the past three years our International day has become bigger and better each year. The increase in parents attending this special event is impressive. It was pleasing to have Lindfield East Public School visit us. There is scope for more schools who do not have many non English speaking background students to join us on future International Days.

2016 PREFECT ELECTIONS
Congratulations to the following Year 5 students who have been chosen to be candidates for our 2016 Prefect Elections. Candidates will now have an opportunity to present a speech at the assembly of 3 December. All students in Years 3-5 will then vote and the announcement of the 2016 prefects and captains will be made on our Presentation Day on Wednesday 9 December. Good luck to all our candidates.

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Emanie Darwiche, Yousuf Kataieh

5Y
James Duong, Bee Lam, Peter Tran, Michele Prasad, Amira Salami, Ishani Sharma

5T
Dana Derbas, Rima Ayoub, Hamza El-Bahsa, Ali Yacoub

5/6C
Dylan Liang, Angelina Nguyen, Stephanie Tran, Nathan Trinh

5/6H
Ali Makhloff, Moiz Khan, Ghorsan Emir Rudzikeyani, Rayann Doha, Jana Kabbara, Alexandra Velkovska

Ross Cleary
Principal
COMING EVENTS TERM 4

Week 7
Tuesday 17 November 9.15am 2016 Kindergarten Program
9am P & C Meeting
Friday 20 November Summer PSSA Finals

Week 8
Tuesday 24 November 9.15am 2016 Kindergarten Program
Friday 27 November Schools Spectacular Excursion

Week 9
Wednesday 2 December Sports Assembly
Thursday 3 December Final Scripture & Thank You M/Tea

Week 10
Monday 7 December Books In Homes Assembly Yr4
Tuesday 8 December Year 6 Graduation Assembly
Wednesday 9 December Year 6 Farewell Dinner
11.45am 3-6 Presentation Day Assembly
Friday 11 December Gold & Principal Medallion Assemblies

Week 11
Monday 14 December Class Picnics & Year 6 Luna Park
Wednesday 16 December Final Day for Students
Yrs 3-5 Fun Movie Day & Picnic Talent Quest

Week 1 Term 1 2016
Wednesday 27 January Staff Return – Pupil Free Day
Thursday 28 January Yr1-6 Students Return Term 1
Friday 29 January Kindergarten Assessments

Week 2 Term 1 2016
Monday 1 February Kindergarten Classes Begin

EXCURSION BAGS
Bags are for sale in office for $11 each.

2017 SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL
The online applications website has closed Monday 16th November. No late applications will be accepted.

2016 PREFECT ELECTIONS
Our candidates for 2016 prefects have been announced as outlined in Principal’s Message. During weeks 7-8 their posters will be displayed along the library windows and students will be wearing green badges. Watch out for these students, get to know them, and decide if you think they would make good captains or prefects next year. The children will present their speeches to students in Years 3-5 at a special assembly on Thursday, 3 December and afterwards students will vote. Our new prefect body will be announced at the 3-6 Presentation Day Assembly on Wednesday, 9 December.

KINDERGARTEN ASSEMBLY AWARDS

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These children are trying their best. Well done!!

PSSA RESULTS

Congratulations to the junior and senior AFL teams for winning their semi-final matches and proceeding to the grand-final. The matches will be played this Friday at Thurina Park in Villawood and parents are encouraged to attend. The junior team will be competing against Bankstown North and are favourite to win. The senior team are the current AFL champions but have a much more difficult job than the juniors and will be competing against the ladder winners, Chester Hill. We will be aiming to bring home the senior AFL trophy for a third consecutive year. It is scheduled to be very hot on the day and students are encouraged to bring an ice bottle of water with them.

Congratulations also to the senior girls cricket team. They played in the second division finals on Friday and won their game to place third overall for the season.

SOCIAL MEDIA

No child under 13 years of age should have a Facebook or Instagram account. Children must understand that passwords for any account must be kept private- they should not tell anyone their password and allow anyone else to use their account. It is against the law to use social media to bully or post inappropriate messages to deliberately upset someone. Children are taught about responsible use of the internet at school. As parents, it is vital to watch your children and know what they are doing on a computer when they are at home.
'We may see a creature with forty-nine heads
Who lives in the freezing snow,
And whenever he catches a cold (which he dreads)
He has forty-nine noses to blow.

'We may see the poisonous Pink-Spotted Scrunch
Who can chew up a man with one bite.
It likes to eat five of them roasted for lunch
And eighteen for its dinner at night.

'We may see a Dragon, and nobody knows
That we won’t see a Unicorn there.
We may see a terrible Monster with toes
Growing out of the tufts of his hair.

'We may see the sweet little Biddy-Bright Hen
So playful, so kind and well-bred;
And such beautiful eggs! You just boil them and then
They explode and they blow off your head.

'We may even get lost and be frozen by frost.
We may die in an earthquake or tremor.
Or nastier still, we may even be tossed
On the horns of a furious dilemma.

'But who cares! Let us go from this horrible hill!
Let us roll! Let us bowl! Let us plunge!
Let’s go rolling and bowling and spinning until
We’re away from old Spiker and Sponge!'
PLAYGROUP EVERY THURSDAY

This week we will resume working with numbers. Bring a piece of fruit for you and your child. $2 per child. Tea and coffee provided. We meet in the school hall from 9-11am each Thursday.

Mejda Eldan – CLO

FATHERS GROUP

Greenacre PS fathers meet each Thursday in Block B Community Liaison Office, located downstairs at 2pm. Thank you to the fathers that helped out with the International Day BBQ.

Anwar Samneh – CLO

P & C ASSOCIATION MEETING

Our final meeting for the year was held today. We meet in H Block Kitchen at 9am. We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month during school terms.

WHOOPING COUGH ALERT

A person who was at our school has been recently diagnosed with whooping cough. Please look at NSW Health website for information regarding this.


COMMUNITY & PARENT GROUP

Our 3rd 2016 Kindergarten Coming To School Program session was held today. Please join us each Tuesday in H Block Kitchen at 9am. Our Childcare course is ongoing in H Block next to kitchen.

Mejda Eldan – CLO

SCHOOL BANKING TUESDAYS

School banking will take place every Tuesday. Hand in banking at the office before school as we have a parent volunteering her time for this. Banking cannot be accepted after school bell. The deposit books will be returned to your child’s class by the following day.

COMING TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

Today our new Kindergarten parents were addressed by our Instructional Leader Mrs Farrugia. Mrs Farrugia discussed an informative session on Literacy and Numeracy.