PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

No. 14 – Term 2 Week 6

Dear Parents,

2015-2017 SCHOOL PLAN

2015 is the beginning of a three year planning cycle for all schools. In 2014 our school surveyed students, parents and staff to receive input into priorities regarding school culture and the learning environment at Greenacre Public School. A series of staff meetings and executive team meetings were conducted to interpret and categorise data from surveys as well as assessment data of students’ academic and social skills. This information was used to underpin our school plan.

The 2015-2017 School Plan has now been placed on our school website. To access the school plan go to our website, click on the ‘Our School’ tab to locate a drop down menu with ‘School Plan’. Thanks again to our whole school community for your input which represents our future directions over the next three years.

NAPLAN TESTS

Last week over 230 of our Year 3 and Year 5 students completed the NAPLAN tests. These tests are an important way to assess our students’ skills in literacy and numeracy against national standards for all Australian children. However, it is important to realise that these tests do not measure equally important qualities found in Years 3 and 5 children. The scores from these tests do not measure a student’s skills in a variety of other important areas such as drawing, sport, singing, dancing, computers or public speaking. NAPLAN scores cannot satisfactorily inform parents that improvements have been made in particular areas that children may once have found difficult. NAPLAN is an important way to find out how your child is progressing in only two areas of schooling – Literacy and Numeracy.

Ross Cleary
Principal
COMING EVENTS TERM 2

Week 6
Tuesday 26 May  
Year 5 to Whitlam Institute
National Sorry Day

Friday 29 May  
District Cross Country Carnival

Week 7
Wednesday 3 June  
8am ICAS Science Test

Thursday 4 June  
SRC Cake Stall

Friday 5 June  
Winter PSSA Sport Round 4

Week 8
Monday 8 June  
Queens Birthday Holiday

Tuesday 9 June  
Jump Rope For Heart Skip Off
Yrs 3-6 Digi Ed Claymation
Parent Excursion to Darling Harb.
Yrs 3-6 Digi Ed Claymation

Wednesday 10 June  
Winter PSSA Sport Round 5

Friday 12 June

Week 9
Tuesday 16 June  
9am P & C Meeting

Wednesday 17 June  
8am ICAS Writing Test

Friday 19 June  
Winter PSSA Sport Round 6

Week 10
Monday 22 June
Yr 4 Books In Homes Assembly

Friday 26 June  
Last Day Term 2

Week 1 Term 3
Monday 13 July  
Pupil Free Day - Staff Only

Tuesday 14 July  
Students Resume Term 3

RECONCILIATION WEEK

Narragunnawali is a word from the language of the Ngunnawal people meaning peace, alive, wellbeing and coming together. This week we hope to encourage a higher level of knowledge and pride in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and contributions. Our school will look at meaningful ways to increase respect, reduce prejudice, and strengthen relationships between the wider Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. To celebrate Reconciliation week, special aboriginal items will be on sale this Wednesday.

WE HAVE A NEW WATER TANK

Last Thursday we held a special assembly to accept a generous donation from two local businesses. GreenCo Water P/L and Bunnings Greenacre representatives came along and presented our school with a water tank for our garden and a cheque for $200. A competition is ongoing with other schools in the area to see how fast the tank can be put together. Our General Assistant Mr Goggins and Mr Sibai are in 2nd place. Well done!!

3-6 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

3M  
Amani Dilati  
Abu Bakr El Sankari

3R  
Ahmed Etry  
Zahira Radwa

3T  
Fouad Turkmani  
Razaan Sakar

3/4C  
Tarek Machlouche  
Imane Ben Mlah

3/4G  
Yehia Naddaf  
Zahra Dirani

3/4V  
Ali Al Jawad  
Aya Bennegadi

4J  
Hadi Hamdan  
Zainab Issa

4P  
Ahmed Abdul Wahed  
Adam Sabbagh

4S  
Ayah Razaak  
Mohamad Djanti

5S  
Noah Sayadi  
Roukaya Ajaje

5T  
Mohammed Eleche  
Tasnim Abulial

5Y  
James Duong  
Mae Eid

5/6H  
Iman Oukrit  
Farhan Raecaflice

5/6I  
Elyas Benzarouq  
Ryan Matenga

5/6C  
Remy Alonso  
Cathy Nguyen

6A  
Ayoub Adjout  
Fatat Saraya

6M  
Stephanie McGuinness  
Leane Elhelou

6/T  
Yasin Ramini  
Fatima Chamali

3/6M  
Dounya Al-Ali  
Omar Moussa

4/6T  
Salim Abdel Khalek  
Ali Mohamed

These children are all being responsible learners! Wonderful!

NEW SPORT EQUIPMENT RULES

Students from Years 2 to 6 are now able to borrow sports equipment from the primary sports storeroom during lunchtime. Borrowing commences at the beginning of lunch and goes from Monday to Thursday. Students will need a sports pass to borrow. Equipment ranges from game balls to tennis and cricket kits. The borrowing program aims to promote a healthy lifestyle and to help students build responsibility, respect and teamwork amongst one another.

NATIONAL SORRY DAY TODAY

National Sorry Day acknowledges and raises awareness of the history and continued effect of the forced removal of Indigenous Australians. Flying the Indigenous flags shows our respect.

INTER SCHOOL CHESS RESULTS

On Friday 22 May, Greenacre B defeated PLC, Greenacre C defeated PLC, and Greenacre A won on forfeit against Strathfield South. We are all very proud of the way our students welcomed PLC to our school.
5/6H Poetry
The Cinquain
5 lines, 15 words to describe something

Melon
Healthy, Hydrating,
Ripping, slicing, rolling,
Always quenches my thirst
It's too hard to resist!
Aamir

Basketball
Fresh Delicious
Dripping Ripping
Rolling
Fills my massive appetite
Hot day at the beach
Yanick

Nutritious
Scented Smooth
Explosion of taste
Want to have more
Refreshing on hot summer days
Naiba

Sphere
Crunchy Fresh
Rolling Moving Ripping
Fill till tummy bursts
Seeds are fun to spit
Milan

The Haiku
A traditional Japanese poem of 3 lines
With a pattern of 5, 7, 5 syllables.

Cream filled in my mouth
The best teacher in the world
Big licks are the best
Jana

Different types
Vanilla or
Strawberry
Good things for hot days
Shahrazade

Melting in my mouth
All for well behaved children
The way to cool down
Jenny

Melts, creamy, so nice
People love to eat it twice
Feels soft cold tasty
Alexandra
PLAYGROUP EACH THURSDAY

This week we will be working on another letter and sound. Craft activities are also a fun part of our playgroup and we will be making something to take home. Please bring a small breakfast snack for you and your pre-school aged child. $2 per child cost. Note: This playgroup is for parents of pre school age intending to attend Greenacre Public School.

Mejda Eldan – CLO

SRC CAKE STALL 4 JUNE

Reminder: Next week, Thursday 4 June, the SRC will be holding a cake stall. Please bring in cake, cupcakes, slices, biscuits, scones, pikelets etc. SRC students will be selling the cakes at recess on this day. Money raised will go to the Smith Family, and Australian Mitochondrial Disease Foundation.

Don’t forget to bring money to buy cakes too!

COMMUNITY & PARENT GROUP

Our regular gatherings will continue each week with the next P & C meeting being 16 June. Come along and enjoy an activity each Tuesday from 9am in the Block H Kitchen.

Mejda Eldan – CLO

FATHER’S MEETING

Each Thursday, Greenacre PS fathers are invited to attend an informal afternoon tea in the Block B Community Liaison Office, located downstairs. We have been seeing some new faces this term which is great. The meeting starts at 2pm and finishes at 2.55pm in time for you to pick up your children.

Anwar Samneh – CLO

WALKING GROUP

We meet at the front of school at 9am for half an hour walk around Roberts Park Oval. Bring your littlies in the pram for a quick bit of exercise and socialising.

Mejda Eldan – CLO

OC APPLICATIONS FOR 2016

Important dates are as follows:
ONLINE APPLICATIONS HAVE NOW CLOSED.
Wednesday 22/7/16: OC Class Placement Test.

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