PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

No. 16 – Term 2 Week 8

Dear Parents,

SCHOOL UNIFORM
As the days are becoming colder it’s important that all students are dressed warmly in school uniform and clothing is clearly labelled with their name. Our lost property containers are over flowing so please check if you are missing a hat or a jumper.

CAKE DAY
Thank you to all those parents who contributed to the SRC cake stall. We had so many cakes that we ended up selling cakes for 2 days!! The amount raised was $1,268.90. This is going to the “Smith Family” and the “Australian Mitochondrial Disease Foundation.” Well done Greenacre!

MULTICULTURAL PUBLIC SPEAKING
This Thursday Greenacre Public School will be hosting the District Multicultural Public Speaking Competition. Schools from around our area will be participating. Year 3 & 4 will be in the morning between 9am and 12pm and Year 5 and Year 6 will be in the afternoon after 12pm. This is a great opportunity for students and parents to listen to some wonderful and inspirational speeches.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART
This week teachers and students from Years 3 – 6 will be taking part in a skipping “Jump off” to raise money for the Heart Foundation. Thank you to those parents who have already donated money to this worthy cause. It certainly has kept us fit and healthy.

KIDSMATTER
Greenacre Public School has become a member and participant of the “Kidsmatter” program. This organisation will help us to further strengthen our communication and support with the community, parents, teacher and students.

Successful schools start with healthy minds.

Ross Cleary
Principal
COMING EVENTS TERM 2

**Week 8**
- Wednesday 10 June: Yrs 3-6 Digi Ed Claymation
- Friday 12 June: Winter PSSA Sport Round 6

**Week 9**
- Tuesday 16 June: 9am P & C Meeting
- Wednesday 17 June: 8am ICAS Writing Test
- Friday 19 June: Winter PSSA Sport Round 7

**Week 10**
- Monday 22 June: Yr 4 Books In Homes Assembly
- Friday 26 June: Last Day Term 2 NO PSSA

**Week 1 Term 3**
- Monday 13 July: Pupil Free Day - Staff Only
- Tuesday 14 July: Students Resume Term 3

NRL GALA DAY

Last Wednesday GPS participated in the Canterbury All Schools Rugby League Gala Day. Three teams were present on the day. The senior boy's team fought some very tough competition in the top division and reached the semi-finals before losing 3-2 against Lidcombe PS. Their effort was outstanding, running hard at the opposition and putting their bodies on the line. The senior girl's team went one step further, reaching the grand final before losing out to Berala PS. This is the second year in a row the girls have been runners up and they keep getting better and better. Finally, the junior boys not only reached the grand final but also avenged our senior team by defeating Lidcombe PS. They worked incredibly well together, spreading the ball when they needed to, holding their line in defence and encouraging one another. The coaching staff, Mr Carter, Mr Sibai and Mr Tax are all very proud of their achievement as is the whole school and we look forward to another successful Gala Day event in the future.

3-6 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

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Congratulations to these students. They are showing a high level of achievement across all areas of their schooling.

NAIDOC PACKS FOR SALE

Pencil cases, wrist bands and resources will be on sale this Wednesday and next Wednesday at lunchtime in the playground. Packs are $3 and proceeds go to the Koori Kids Foundation.

CHESS RESULTS

We are nearing the end of the competition, and all teams are in the running to win. Last Friday, the A Team drew with Strathfield North, 2 all, the B Team defeated St Michael's Belfield, 3-1, and the C Team also defeated St Michaels, 4-nil.

ANTI GRAFFITI CHAMPIONS

On Thursday 11 June, Bankstown City Council and Warner Youth Education will be attending our school to speak to all of our Year 5 and 6 students on the topic of Graffiti Education and life skills. The aim of the program is to create a generation of 'Anti-graffiti Champions' by educating young people to be against graffiti, through legal, social and personal costs and consequences of graffiti. The program runs for approximately 45 minutes and is free of charge to our school.
BUSY TIMES IN STAGE 3

Term 2 has been very busy this year for our students at Greenacre. Students in Stage 3 recently attended an excursion to the Whitlam Institute at the University of Western Sydney. Students have been learning about Democracy in our unit of work on Australia as a nation. Students got to work in groups to create posters to present to the director of the Institute.

Last week the SRC led by Mrs Cini and Miss Petkovski worked very hard at running their cake stall to raise money for the Smith Family and the Australian Mitochondrial Disease Foundation (AMDF).

Students in Stage 3 are all involved in the Jump Rope for Heart Foundation in learning skipping skills to improve their fitness and to raise money for the Heart Foundation.

Students also attended the NRL Gala Day last Wednesday. Thanks to Mr Sibai and Mr Carter who took the Junior boys and Senior Boys and Senior Girls teams. Well done to the Junior Boys Rugby League team who won the Grand Final. Awesome effort!!! The boys will now go on to the District Gala Day to compete against other teams.
Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability Notification for Parents and Carers

From 2015, all Government and non-Government schools across Australia are required to participate annually in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD).

All Australian schools will collect data on their students who are receiving adjustments to meet additional learning and support needs in accordance with their obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and Disability Standards for Education 2005. This data will be provided to the Australian Government to assist in the development of a consistent, national picture of the education needs of students with disability.

The data provided to the Australian Government by the NSW Department of Education and Communities is provided in such a way that it cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.


Privacy Protection

The NSW Department of Education and Communities follows the requirements of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 and the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002. Schools will collect, record, store and use data about individual students in line with these requirements. Data security and protection is a priority and students’ personal details will be kept confidential.

Under Clause 52 of the Commonwealth Australian Education Regulation 2013, data collected by the NSW Department of Education and Communities for the NCCD must be provided to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training. This includes the number of students at each level of education, the number in each category of disability and the number at each level of adjustment. The information is provided to the Commonwealth as a series of number sets that cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

The Australian Government Department of Education and Training follows the requirements of the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988 when handling any data provided by NSW Department of Education and Communities in connection with the national data collection. A privacy notice has been developed to by the Australian Government to provide students, parents and carers with important privacy information in relation to the data collection. This notice is available on the department’s website at http://education.gov.au/notices

If you have any questions about the data collection please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Macreadie (9759 1305).
Successful schools start with healthy minds.

Greenacre Public School has become a member of KIDSMATTER.

What is Kidsmatter?

Kidsmatter provides schools, parents and the wider community with proven methods, tools and support to nurture happy, balanced kids.

The purpose is to provide schools with an over-arching but flexible approach to improving the mental health and wellbeing of students. It works on its own and as an umbrella under which other existing programs can comfortably fit.

What is Mental Health?

Mental health is about how well respond to challenges in our life. At Greenacre Public School we teach social/emotional skills through the program You Can Do It!

How does it work?

A small team of teachers are driving this initiative and are being trained over the next 2 years in the 4 core components of the program.

1. Positive school community.
2. Social and emotional learning for students.
3. Working with parents and carers.

Student and parental involvement is actively encouraged.

Over the next few weeks we will be surveying parents about your thoughts in the school’s work around mental health and well being.

Mrs Macreadie, Miss Vaux, Mr Sibai, Mrs Petkovski, Miss Pettit & Mrs Mino
GREENACRE PUBLIC SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN 2016 ENROLMENTS

Limited positions available

Attention Parents

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2016.

Enrolment forms are available from the office.

If you have children already at Greenacre Public School or a friend please ask them to collect the enrolment form from the office and take it home.

Please supply these items along with your completed enrolment form:

- Child’s Birth Certificate (or passport)
- If parents born overseas – A passport
- Immunisation History Statement or Blue Book
- Medicare Card
- Proof of address – Rates or Electricity/Lease

Welcome to Kindergarten
GRAFFITI HURTS EVERYONE

WORKING AS A COMMUNITY TO HELP STAMP OUT GRAFFITI

Graffiti is a highly destructive problem which affects the entire community. It has damaging economic, social and environmental consequences and costs many millions of dollars each year to police and clean up. Every dollar spent on graffiti removal is a dollar that could be used in other positive ways in our community.

HOW STUDENTS CAN HELP

Your child will be exploring the issues of graffiti in an educational presentation. Delivered by leading educationalists Warner Youth Education, the Graffiti Education program informs young people about the legal, social and personal consequences of graffiti. It encourages them to be part of the solution by developing a sense of civic pride.

HOW PARENTS CAN HELP

☑ Encourage your child to discuss with you and others what they learned in the presentation.
☑ Encourage your children to become involved in a range of city wide youth programs and events.

UNDERSTAND GRAFFITI LAWS

Tough graffiti laws in New South Wales give police special powers to search, arrest, fine or charge individuals. Penalties range from community services and/or compensation and can include:

- Marking property without owner’s consent.
  Max penalty: $2,200 fine or imprisonment for 12 months.

- Possession of a graffiti implement.
  Max penalty: $1,100 fine or imprisonment for 6 months.

REPORT GRAFFITI!

To make our community a tag free zone report graffiti marking by phoning:
Council 9707 9999
Police 1800 333 000
NSW Graffiti Hotline 1800 707 125

Or report via Our Bankstown social media pages:
Download Smartphone App
Visit Facebook or Twitter

Warner Youth Education  T: 03 9975 7375  E: info@warneryoutheducation.com.au  W: warneryoutheducation.com.au
PLAYGROUP EACH THURSDAY
This week we will be going to Jungle Play at Yagoona. Please meet at the venue after you drop off your children to school. Next week we will resume our regular Playgroup. Mejda Eldan – CLO

COMMUNITY & PARENT GROUP
Today was our parent excursion to Darling Harbour. Mr Cleary came along and the weather was beautiful for us. 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. Our 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

PARENTS WALKING GROUP
We need more people to join us on our weekly walk around the school block. It’s a great way to start the day. Bring along the littles in the pram and remember to dress warmly as Winter sets in. Meet Mejda at 9am outside Block H to join in. Mejda Eldan – CLO

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- Casual Care
- Overnight Care
- Occasional Care - Holidays
- Full Day Care ages between 3-5 years old (meals provided) 9:30am-2:30pm

**Location**

- Convenient Location (Greenacre)
- Kids learn, play and interact
- With certificates III in childcare working with children the child care educator is fully competent to provide a caring and learning environment.

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Contact: For further information to see how it works!!
Limited spots available so get in quick!!
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Email: IFFCfamilydaycare@gmail.com

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