PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

No. 19 – Term 3 Week 1

Dear Parents,

NEW CANTEEN
We are pleased to announce that Bon Appetit Catering is now operating our school canteen. Bon Appetit Catering is a family operated business with over 15 years of experience in the food and catering industry. They currently hold the canteen tender license for over 14 schools including Canterbury Boys High, Bankstown Girls High, Condell Park Public School and Banksia Road Public School. The quality and variety of foods which will be available is very high and all relevant foods are Halal. In addition to the operation of the canteen, Bon Appetit Catering are able to provide for special school functions and will be offering a breakfast menu before school. Please look carefully at the new canteen order forms. Students may like to try new food and the weekly specials which will be available.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOLS
Congratulations to the 14 students who have been successful in gaining enrolment at a Selective High School in 2016. Our successful students will be attending a variety of Selective High Schools eg. Sydney Girls, Sydney Boys, St George Girls, Sefton and Fort Street High Schools. Our school continues to build upon a fine reputation of academic achievement.

ATHLETICS CARNIVALS
Our School Athletics Carnivals will be held on Thursday 30 July. Our K-2 carnival will be held at school and our 3-6 carnival will be held at Amour Park, Revesby.
All children in Years 3-6 will be travelling to Amour Park by bus. Buses depart the school at 9am and will return to the school by 2.55pm. Children will need to wear full school sports uniform including the school hat and a T-shirt in house colours is preferred. Please bring food and drink for lunch and recess in a plastic bag. Even though it is winter, please apply and pack sunscreen.

All students K-6 are expected to attend.

Information regarding costs for the 3-6 carnival will be issued soon.

Ross Cleary
Principal
COMING EVENTS TERM 3

Week 1 Term 3
Friday 17 July
Winter PSSA Sport Round 8

Week 2
Wednesday 22 July
Yrs 3-6 Athletics Carnival
Friday 24 July
Winter PSSA Sport Round 9

Week 3
Tuesday 28 July
9am P & C Meeting
Wednesday 29 July
8am ICAS English Test
Thursday 30 July
9am Athletics Carnival
Friday 31 July
Winter PSSA Round 10

5/6H ARE PUBLISHED AUTHORS
Nathan Do, Michelle Au, Anna Ho and Shahrazade Tabbah have had their letters to the Editor published in the July Touchdown Magazine. Congratulations to these students.

BREAKFAST CLUB HAS CLOSED
As of Term 3 Breakfast Club will not be operating. Our new canteen will be providing breakfast daily.

GARDEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Our school aims to have many students and their teachers working in the school garden and kitchen, to make links with what they are learning in the classroom to real life. Thursdays we have lessons with Mrs Blackford and Ms Kocatekin for the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. We have a volunteer for the garden and kitchen, but would love more helpers for the cooking lessons. This involves supporting small groups and supervising them preparing the class meal. Classes are also keen to use the garden and kitchen, so if your class teacher asks for help, please consider helping.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS
It has been lovely to see students return to Term 3 with a positive attitude, happy to see their friends and teachers. If you did not speak with your child’s teacher at interviews about their Semester 1 report, please try to make an appointment to see them in the next week. Teachers appreciate your support and being able to work together to improve your child’s academic and social outcomes. Please ensure you support your child and their teacher by having your child at school every day, on time, with all the things they need for the day.

K - 2 ASSEMBLY AWARDS WK10 T2

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What a fantastic way to finish off the term.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING
All classes, K-6 will be learning about their emotions, and words to explain how they feel. They will choose three strategies to use when they feel upset or angry, and need to take control of their behaviour. Classes will have posters that teachers will use to talk with students about their behaviour and feelings. Many classes have already begun using this strategy, and children understand it well, and have shown skills in keeping their inappropriate behaviour in control. If your child talks about feeling green, blue, yellow, orange or red, as them what that means.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
On Monday, staff spent the day very productively. Ms Hailey introduced the new History syllabus. This will be mandatory to teach in 2016 and will be part of our old HSIE program. Teams and committees also worked on planning milestones to achieve our school goals for our 2015 school plan. Stage teams and teachers also planned events and programs for teaching for this term. You should know that teams of teachers spent a lot of time at school during the holidays, collaboratively planning for this term. Time was also spent at home preparing resources, setting goals and planning to meet the needs of every student in their class – a job our teachers do extremely well.
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
PLAYGROUP RESUMES 23 JULY

There will also be NO Playgroup this Thursday 16 July. Playgroup will resume Thursday 23 July. Come along and enjoy interacting with your child in a safe and friendly learning environment. This term we will be learning the skill of cutting out. Of course, more sounds will be explored also as well as a craft activity. Bring a small breakfast for you and your child. $2 per child cost. Tea and coffee provided. Mejda Eldan – CLO

COMMUNITY & PARENT GROUP

We held the Childcare Diploma information and sign up day today. Please come along to Block H next week for cooking and craft. Mejda Eldan – CLO

SCHOOL APP LOG IN DETAILS

Username: community  Password: greenacrep

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. On Thursday 23 July we will be visited by Dr Hashmat Shahid. He will be speaking about parenting and financial difficulties. Please fill in the enclosed note and return to me as soon as possible. The meeting starts at 2pm and finishes at 2.55pm in time for you to pick up your children.

PARENTS WALKING GROUP TERM 3

Our Wednesday parent walking group has been a great success. Meet Mejda at 9am outside Block B Wednesday 15 July to join in some fun and fitness. Mejda Eldan – CLO
Families Together in partnership with Greenacre Public School invites mothers, fathers and grandparents to

Keeping Cool with Your Kids

Presented by
Bruce Chan
Family Relationship Education & Skills Trainer/ Counsellor
BCS LifeCare Counselling & Family Services

The modern parent has a million demands on his or her time, meaning they have an ever increasing amount of stress. Stress can make a person quick to anger. At times a parent may feel like lying down on the floor, kicking and screaming louder than the child who is having the tantrum. Anger is one of the most difficult emotions to deal with as a parent. Many parents have difficulty expressing feelings of anger and dealing with the anger constructively. By learning how to effectively deal with anger, parents can improve their relationships with their children.

This seminar looks at how parents can manage their own anger as well as helping children with theirs.

Areas covered are -
- coping with anger – staying calm, communicating better, improving stress management skills
- how anger affects children
- how to handle our children’s anger and helping children to manage it themselves

Bookings are essential and places are limited.

Please return the slip below to Mejda or Anwar to ensure your place.

Families Together is for mothers, fathers, grandparents and carers

Children’s services workers, teachers, family support workers and other professionals will not be given a place. Families Together is for families living in the local government areas of Fairfield, Liverpool and Bankstown.

DATE: Tuesday 4th August 2015
TIME: 9.00-11.00am
PLACE: Block H Community Room
Greenacre Public School
Waterloo Road
Greenacre

No cost!

Families Together is funded by the Department of Education and Communities and sponsored by Fairfield City Council.

I will be attending the Parent Communication and School Success Seminar at Greenacre Public School on Tuesday 4th August 2015 from 9.00-11.00am

Parent/Caregiver’s name: __________________________

Child’s name: ___________________________________