PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

No. 4 – Term 1 Week 5

Tuesday 23 February 2016

Dear Parents,

DISCIPLINE POLICY
To ensure our school is a happy and safe school, our teachers have formulated an effective discipline policy. Our discipline policy is based on positive rewards called 'Bee Awards' which enable students to progress to Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards.
However, when students display inappropriate behaviour, the following consequences are applied:

➢ **White slips** - Students receive white slips for breaking the school rules. The white slips are issued by all teachers. Each term is a new beginning for students and their first white slip is a warning but every white slip after that equals one lunchtime detention.

➢ **Dentention** - A one day detention is immediately given to students after they have received 1 white slip. Detention is at lunchtime from 11am-11.40am. First half lunch, students complete activities based around the school rules, what they have done wrong and what they could do better next time. Second half lunch, students complete community service where they learn how to maintain clean and respectable school grounds. A letter is sent home to parents outlining the student's behaviour and the rules broken. The note needs to be signed and returned. While on detention, students cannot attend PSSA and excursions.

➢ **Suspension** - Suspension is the decision of the Principal or if delegated, to the Deputy Principals. The number of days of suspension is up to the Principal. When students come back from suspension they have a re-entry into the school where they meet with their parents and the Principal or Deputy Principals. The school endeavours to make changes in managing the student's behaviour for their re-entry to be successful.

P & C ASSOCIATION
Please consider attending our P & C meeting tomorrow if you wish to learn more about our school while supporting us with fundraising efforts. The meeting will be at 9am in my office. I look forward to meeting some new parents.

Ross Cleary
Principal
DATES TO REMEMBER FOR TERM 1

Week 5
Tuesday 23 February  3.10pm Yrs 5&6 Parent Info. meeting
Wednesday 24 February 9am P & C Annual General Meeting
Thursday 25 February  9am Playgroup with Mejda
Author visit to Library
Friday 26 February  Final Swimming Scheme Day
No PSSA due to Swim Scheme

Week 6
Wednesday 2 March  Scripture Begins
9am Father’s morning tea
Thursday 3 March  9am Playgroup with Mejda
Friday 4 March  PSSA Summer Sport Round 3
National Ride to school day
Clean Up Australia Day

Week 7
Thursday 10 March  9am Playgroup with Mejda
Friday 11 March  PSSA Summer Sport Round 4

Week 8
Thursday 17 March  9am Playgroup with Mejda
Friday 18 March  PSSA Summer Sport Round 5

Week 9
Thursday 24 March  9am Playgroup with Mejda
Friday 25 March  Good Friday Public Holiday

Week 10
Monday 28 March  Easter Monday Public Holiday
Thursday 31 March  9am Playgroup with Mejda
Friday 1 April  PSSA Summer Sport Round 6

Week 11
Tuesday 5 April  School Photos
Friday 8 April  Final Day Term 1
PSSA Summer Sport Round 7

Term 2 Week 1
Monday 25 April  ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 26 April  Pupil Free Day - Staff Only
Wednesday 27 April  Students Resume for Term 2

EAST HILLS GIRLS HIGH 2017

All girls in Year 6 are invited to meet staff and students to view school work and school facilities.
The sessions are on tomorrow 24 Feb at 1pm and 6pm. Call 9773 9160 for more information.

SCRIPTURE VOLUNTEERS MEETING

Mrs Blackford invites all parents wishing to volunteer for scripture to come along to a meeting tomorrow at 10am. Meet in office.

YEARS 3-6 ASSEMBLY AWARDS

| 3C | Zayd Kataieh   | Serene El-Mallouhi |
| 3L | Taha Najjarine | Ali Khodr           |
| 3T | Bilal Sawan    | Abdalrahman Welyo   |
| 3/4J | Yussef Rifahi  | Meriam-Djamel Laanani |
| 4G | Angela Takkouch | Rami El Masri       |
| 4I | Anh Vu         | Ahmed Etry          |
| 4M | Lamya Younes   | Mohammad Rahman     |
| 4V | Omar Berjaoui  | Rayan El-Zahab      |
| 5S | Eyad Bou Hamdan | Raneem Abulial     |
| 5T | Ahmad Dabboussi | Batoul Dia          |
| 5Y | Shaimaa Nassif  | Bahaa El Mourad     |
| 5/6C | Emily Huynh    | Dylan Liang         |
| 5/6H | Moiz Khan      | Rayann Doha         |
| 5/6I | Yvonne Tutangata | Carolina Makeh |
| 6M | Hamzah El-Bahsa | Mohammed El-Eche    |
| 6S | Jude Mooti     | Siham Dargham       |
| 6T | Salma Saraya   | Hamze Jaelou        |

These children are being rewarded for their hard work this week in areas such as Maths, Reading, displaying our core values and great swimming!

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are lucky to be a part of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program, which means our students have access to our kitchen and our gardens. Many life lessons are learned during these sessions. More classes can be involved in the program if we have parents who are willing to help the teachers in these garden and kitchen lessons. You don’t need to be an expert in the garden or kitchen - just be willing to lend a hand. See Mrs Blackford for details.

KINDY AND YEAR 1 NEWS

These classes are permitted to bring a toy for play at lunch and recess. No electronic devices are allowed. Some ideas are soft toys, dolls, dress-ups, skipping ropes, board games etc. A note about this has been sent home with your child.
4I learning to swim!
PLAYGROUP EACH THURSDAY

The children have been working on sounds. They explored the letters 'P', 'S' and 'A'. They made craft corresponding with the sounds including purple play dough, cut out and coloured in a snake and an alligator. Bring a small breakfast for you and your child to share. Come along and join in the fun with your preschooler. $2 per child cost. Tea and coffee provided.

Mejda Eidan – CLO

P & C MEETING AGM - TOMORROW

We are now meeting on Wednesdays. Our next meeting is our Annual General Meeting where all committee positions will be declared vacant. Meetings are held in Block A in the Principal's office at 9am on the third Wednesday of each month during school terms.

P & C Committee

FATHERS GATHERING NOW MONDAYS

Greenacre PS fathers meet each Monday in Block B Community Liaison Office, located downstairs at 2pm. See you there.

Anwar Samneh – CLO

NO WALKING GROUP THIS WEEK

This week we will not be walking as the P & C Annual General Meeting is scheduled. Meet Wed 2/3 near the canteen at 9am for a walk around Roberts Park. Prams welcome. Walking from 9am until 10am approximately. Bring water and wear sunblock.

COMMUNITY & PARENT GROUP

Join us in Block H kitchen each Tuesday for cooking and craft. Starting at 9am and running for approximately 2 hours we will be having a cooking demonstration. The Childcare Diploma Course is continuing to run each Tuesday. We are organising women’s swimming lessons at Kingsgrove. If you would like to join in, please see me Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday afternoon.

Mejda Eidan – CLO

CENSUS 2016 - NOW HIRING

The Australian Bureau of Statistics is looking for 2,500 motivated and community minded Area Supervisors to join their team. Temporary, casual positions with flexible working hours and great pay on offer. Apply online at: abs.gov.au/careers

FATHERS MORNING TEA INVITATION

All fathers and grandfathers are invited to a morning tea where Mr Cleary will inform you about new developments happening at our school. RSVP office.

When: Wednesday 2 March 2016
Time: 9am – 10.30am
Where: Demountable #1 next to library

SCHOOL APP TIP - REFRESH DAILY

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