



GREENSBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL – 2062

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Thursday 14 February 2019	Hockey Clinic – Grades 1 to 4
Friday 15 February 2019	Interschool Sports Competition – Away – Watsonia Nth PS
Monday 18 February 2019	School Council Meeting – 7pm
Tuesday 19 February 2019	Cyber Safety Evening “Think U Know!” – 7pm
Thursday 21 February 2019	District Swim Meet – 9.30 am to 12.45pm
Friday 22 February 2019	Interschool Sports Competition – Home – Norris Bank PS
Tuesday 26 February 2019	Twilight Sport Event – 6pm (Barbeque starts at 5pm)
Wednesday 27 February 2019	Division Swim Meet
Friday 1 March 2019	Interschool Sports Competition – Home – Watsonia PS
Tuesday 5 March 2019	Drum Workshop – 9am to 12pm
Wednesday 6 March 2019	2019 Camp Information Evening – 6pm
Friday 8 March 2019	Interschool Sports Competition – Away – Bundoora PS
Monday 11 March 2019	Labour Day Public Holiday – Student Free Day
Thursday 14 March 2019	Cricket Clinic – 9am to 11am
Friday 15 March 2019	Interschool Sports Competition – Home – Watsonia Heights PS
Sunday 17 March 2019	Banyule Arty Farty Fest – GPS Drumming Team in Grand Parade
Monday 18 March 2019	School Council & Election – 7pm
Tuesday 19 March 2019	Northern Regional Swim Meet
Thursday 21 March 2019	Cricket Clinic – Grades 1 & 2 – 9am to 11am
Friday 22 March 2019	Interschool Sports Competition – Away – St Marys CS
Sat 23 & Sun 24 March 2019	GPS Team: Diamond Valley ‘Relay For Life’
Tuesday 26 March 2019	Southern Cross Recycling - drop off before 9am
Thursday 28 March 2019	Cricket Clinic – Grades 1 & 2 – 9am to 11am
Friday 29 March 2019	Interschool Sports Competition – Make Up Round / Finals
Thursday 4 April 2019	Cricket Clinic – Grades 1 & 2 – 9am to 11am
Friday 5 April 2019	Last Day of Term 1 Easter Bonnet Parade Easter Egg Hunt and other fun activities Early Dismissal – 1.30pm
Tuesday 23 April 2019	First Day of Term 2

Principal's Report

For anyone who's thinking the weeks are flying by even faster than you thought and it seems like only last week that the newsletter was published.....you're right. Yes, it's only been one week since our last newsletter, however it's much easier for Meghan if the newsletter production doesn't coincide with the local payroll cycle. For this reason we are publishing the newsletter this week and then it will return to the usual fortnightly publication, and the next newsletter will be on Thursday 28th February.

Thank you to all the parents/caregivers who attended the Parent/Teacher, 'Meet and Greet' on Tuesday. These meetings are a great opportunity for teachers and parents to further develop the relationship between home and school and ensure we are all working together to enable your children to achieve success and optimise their outcomes. Any parents who were unable to attend this meeting are encouraged to make an alternate appointment with your child's teacher.

Congratulations to our new Junior School Councillors in Grades 1-6. These students gave excellent speeches to their classmates explaining how they would represent them on the JSC and from what I've heard it was very difficult for students to select two candidates from the many worthy contenders in each grade. Alison Gibson has already met with Evie the JSC president, and new JSC members and begun to formulate plans for the year. Student leadership is very important at Greensborough Primary and this week we have proudly published photos of our 2019 leadership team in this newsletter, as well as displayed their photos in the school entrance.



**Celebrate.
Remember.
Fight Back.**

and



Our Student Leaders are keen to raise funds not only for our school but also for other worthy causes. One that they are targeting is the Cancer Council's Relay For Life. This is a fun and moving overnight experience that raises vital funds for the Cancer Council's research, prevention, information and support services. Relay is a chance for our school to join the wider Diamond Valley community to recognise and celebrate local cancer survivors, patients and their carers, to honour and remember loved ones lost to cancer and to raise money to help save more lives.

You can be part of our ***Greensborough Primary School team*** by registering online or obtaining a form from the office. Registration: Youth \$25, Adults \$35 and Family \$80. Families can nominate to participate for whatever length of time they wish. The day is filled with fun activities, including a Guinness World Record attempt. This is an amazing opportunity for our students and families to be World Record holders! – More information about this will be revealed in the coming weeks.

Register now; Diamond Valley 2019 Cancer Relay For Life

Date: 23-24 March 12.45 Saturday to 10am Sunday

Location: Willinda Park, Beatrix St Greensborough

Family Information Details

Attached to this newsletter are forms with student information details for families to update. It is important that families check these details and inform us of any changes to contact numbers and also medical information, to ensure student safety and speedy communication with parents.

Please also check information re employment details as these may have changed from when you originally filled in the forms. Student funding from the Government is driven by the levels of schooling of parents/carers and community characteristics, e.g. types of employment, so it is important we enter the correct data to receive the correct funding entitlement for our students.

Cooperation **A**chievement **R**espect **E**mpathy

Anaphylaxis Update including drill

Student safety is paramount at Greensborough Primary and for this reason we conducted an 'Anaphylaxis Drill' this week. During recess one of our students feigned an anaphylactic reaction and students and staff responded according to our Anaphylaxis Management Plan. We are very pleased that our response was timely and the students and staff acted quickly as they had practised in class. The student's epipen was 'administered' one minute from the onset of her reaction and her 'recovery' was prompt.

Thank you to all families who remain vigilant and refrain from sending nuts or nut products to school for snacks and lunches.

School Council Elections

Thank you to the parents who have expressed interest in School Council. Detailed information was included in last week's newsletter and if any parents would like to nominate themselves or another parent, nomination forms are available at the office. The closing date for nominations is next Thursday 21st February. School Council meet twice per term in the evening and members also form sub-committees which also meet twice a term either in the day or evening, depending on the availability of members. School Council plays a pivotal role in the effective management of the school. If you have any further queries about School Council involvement, please do not hesitate to contact either Margaret or myself.

Twilight Sports

We're looking forward to our Twilight Sports Night, Tuesday 26th February. For families new to the school, this annual event is held on the oval and is a great night where students come dressed in their House colours and compete in their grade levels in House Teams, cheered on by their parents and family members. Dinner can be purchased from the Parents and Friends' Barbeque or families may bring a picnic with rugs and chairs.

Our Grade 5 and 6 students run various stalls to raise money for Graduation, including Face Painting, Hair Spraying, Nail Polishing in House Colours and much more, so please bring along your gold coins! The barbeque will begin at 5pm and sporting events at 6pm. More information will be sent home closer to the date.

Have you registered for MY Skoolbag App yet??

Parent feedback is that MY Skoolbag app is a great way to receive notices and reminders about school events. If you haven't already done so, please register today and tick for notifications for the 'whole school' and for the year levels of your children. Download the My Skoolbag App from iTunes or Google Play. Please contact the office if you would like further information or assistance to download the app.

Oz Child School Counselling Services

Families new to the school may not be aware, that at Greensborough Primary our students are able to access counselling provided by the OzChild organization. This is a great service to families as it means there is very little disruption to the students' day as there is no travel time and parents don't need to take time off work. In order to receive counselling families need to obtain a Mental Health Care Plan and a referral letter from your GP and return them to school and we will forward them to OzChild.

We have been very fortunate to have had excellent health professionals provided to us and our current counsellor is no exception. If any families would like further information about this service please contact Margaret or myself at any time.

Angela Morrìtt



Grevillea
House Captains:
Emma B. & Cash
Vice Captains:
Emily & Magnus

Eucalyptus
House Captains:
Evie & Lucas
Vice Captains:
Amihan & Nate



Banksia
House Captains:
Naomi & James
Vice Captains: Jet
& Amber

Acacia
House Captains:
Holly & Jackson
Vice Captains:
Emma P. & Harvey





Student Wellbeing Leaders

Abbey, Colin, Emily, Emma, Ethan, Harry, Holly, Jackson, Jennifer, Ryan, William



*School Captains Violet and Lachie
Vice Captains Amelia, Amihan, Ethan and Petar*



Junior School Council

President: Evie. Joel L, Reese, Hunter, Olivia, Macy A, Aidan, Holly, Daniel, Kayleigh, Nate, Emma B, Ryan, Amber

Interschool Sport Report- Round 1

The students in Years 4-6 participated in the first round of Interschool Sport. This was a new experience for the Year 4 students so there was a lot of excitement and anticipation in the air!

We played Away at Streeton Primary School. The sports the students participated in were: Bat Tennis, Cricket, Basketball and Rounders.

All the students tried their best and had lots of fun along the way. It was a big learning curve for all of us and the students definitely made Greensborough Primary School proud.

Thank you to all of the coaches: Mrs Donaldson, Mr Stephens and Mrs Grima for their guidance and support on the day. It was great to have some G.P.S parents come to Streeton P.S to support the students as well.

The results were:

Basketball: Boys: 33-15 (Streeton won)

Basketball: Girls: 30-7 (Streeton won)

Cricket: 69-40 (Streeton won)

Bat Tennis: Boys: 22-12 (Streeton won)

Bat Tennis: Girls: 32-5 (Streeton won)

Rounders: 9-22 (Greensborough won)

This week we play Away at Watsonia North Primary School. Please ensure all students have their uniform requirements and safety gear ready for play Friday morning. We will need to leave promptly as games start at 9.30am.

Daniela Darling

Sports Coordinator





2019 School Banking

We would like to let all our keen Greensborough Primary School Savers know that school banking has commenced for 2019.

From all the parents on the School Banking team,

Elena B

Diamond Valley Community Support Financial Assistance



Diamond Valley Community support (DVCS) is an independent not-for-profit organisation that provides direct aid, assistance, support and information for people who live in the Banyule City Council area and have an address showing on their Centrelink card in one of the following suburbs: Briar Hill, Bundoora (part of), Eltham North (part of), Greensborough (part of), Lower Plenty, Montmorency, St Helena and Watsonia.

DVCS services currently include a Back to School Program, which provides eligible families a cheque for **\$100 per child** (up to \$500 per family). The cheque will be made out to the school, and is to be used for educational purposes, i.e. Subject Contributions, camps, excursions, and so on. DVCS is located at Shop 378a Level 3, Greensborough Plaza. Ph: 03 9435 8282 / 03 9435 5440.

CSEF Financial assistance information for parents

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes. CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a **valid means-tested concession card** or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families.

The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

New applicants should contact Mehgan at the school office to obtain a CSEF application.

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- New student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- Changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.



Pupil of the Week

Term 1 ~ Week 2 Week Ending Friday 8 February 2019

Prep	Carter A	For going out of his way to help others in our classroom!!!
Grade 1/2A	Zak C	For being an amazing role model. Keep it up Zac!
Grade 1/2 B	Joel J	For a very positive start to the year!
Grade 3/4 A	Aiden L Holly S	Congratulations for becoming Junior School Council members for 3/4A
Grade 3/4 B	Daniel S Kayleigh K	Congratulations for becoming Junior School Council members for 3/4B
Grade 5/6 A	Nate F Emma B	Congratulations for becoming Junior School Councillors of 5/6A
Grade 5/6 B	Ethan W	For being a fabulous school leader and assisting with Friday Breakfast Club and the Friendship Tree

Parents & Friends Twilight Sports + Bunnings BBQ



Thank you to everyone who has so far volunteered to help with Twilight Sports event and the Bunnings BBQ but we still have room for a few more...

Twilight sports will be held on **Tuesday 26th February**. As part of this event, P&F run a BBQ. We will require volunteers to help assist with the BBQ.

This year's Bunnings' BBQ is on **Saturday 9th of March**. We will be needing volunteers to help assist with this event on the day. If you can spare a couple of hours, we would greatly appreciate it.

Attached to the end of the newsletter is a slip for those who can help to fill in and return to the office. A notice will also come home next week asking for volunteers.

Thank you

Kim Hill

On behalf of P&F

If you are able to assist with either/both of the BBQ's, please fill out the slip with your details and return to the office. Thank you for your support.

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Child's Name: _____ Child's Class: _____

I can assist with **Twilight Sports Tuesday 26 February 2019** (please circle):

BBQ Money Selling Drinks No Preference

Time: setup (3pm-4pm) 4pm-5pm 5pm-6pm 6pm-7pm Clean up (7pm-8pm)

I can assist with the **Bunnings Sausage Sizzle (Eltham), Sat 9th March** (please circle):

8:30-10:30am 10:30am-12:30pm 12:30-2:30pm 2:30pm-4:30pm

DRUM OUT WORKSHOP - APPLICATIONS OPEN

The 'Drum Out!' involves a workshop at our school with creative arts company 'Fun Arts' on Tuesday 5th March. This is being offered to our school free of charge by Banyule City Council and is limited to 30 places for students in Grades 3 to 6. Students will make and decorate an instrument from a collection of recycled materials such as plastic buckets, tin cans, empty drink cans and exhaust pipes. 'Fun Arts' performers will teach students musical routines and choreography during the workshop and lead the massed school group down Burgundy Street on the day of the Grand Parade.

To attend the workshop, **it is essential that students are also available to attend the Grand Parade on Sunday 17th March 2019 at 10am in Heidelberg.**

To apply to be part of the 'Drum Out!' workshop, please fill in the form below and return it to the office. The first 30 students who return the completed form will be selected to participate in the workshop.

GRAND PARADE & KIDS ARTYFARTY FEST – SAVE THE DATE!

All GPS families are invited to attend on Sunday 17th March, 2019.

10am – 11am **Grand Parade** down Burgundy Street, Heidelberg.

11am – 4pm **Kids ArtyFarty Fest** at Sills Bend – Warringal Parklands, Beverley Rd, Heidelberg.

The Kids ArtyFarty Fest is a magnificent event that gives children the opportunity to experience and explore arts practice in all its various forms. Activities, workshops, food, performances, storytelling, games and more... All set in a quiet patch of bushland alongside the Yarra River. The Festival kicks off with the Grand Parade, marching down Burgundy Street Heidelberg, and continues with a day of creativity and entertainment in the park at Sills Bend.



Janet Troy
Art Teacher.



Drum Out! Workshop - Application

I would like to apply for my Grade 3 – 6 child / children to participate in the free percussion / music workshop at GPS on Tuesday 5th March. *As numbers are limited to 30, places will be allocated to the first 30 students who return this form to the office.*



I confirm that my family will be available to attend the Grand Parade on Sunday 17th March from 10am – 11am. Please note that children must attend the Grand Parade with a Parent or Guardian and you will be required to arrive earlier to meet up and get organized.

Student Name: _____

Student's Grade: _____

Student Name: _____

Student's Grade: _____

Signature (Parent / Guardian): _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Community Notice

Come along and join **DIAMOND CREEK (DEVILS) BASEBALL CLUB** Registration Day

BOYS AND GIRLS, JUNIORS AND SENIORS

Sunday 3rd March
10am - 12 midday

**ALL
WELCOME!**

Wednesday 6th March
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Campbell St Reserve
Challenger St,
Diamond Creek

Enquiries: Rick Campbell
(President) 0438 721 962

email: diamondcreekbaseball@hotmail.com



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Yando St, Greensborough

4pm - Kids aged 5 to 8
4.45pm - Kids aged 8 to 12

St. Mary's Primary School
210 Grimshaw St, Greensborough

9am - Kids aged 4 to 7
9.45am - Kids aged 7 to 10
10.30am - Kids aged 10 to 12
10.30am - Cardio Tennis ages 16+
(and adults)

You must book in to secure your place
and make sure your friends do too...

FREE Hot Shots racquet and T-shirt
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Please call or email to book in
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