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<i>Friday 1 March 2019</i>	<i>Interschool Sports Competition – Home – Watsonia PS</i>
<i>Tuesday 5 March 2019</i>	<i>Drum Workshop – 9am to 12pm</i>
<i>Wednesday 6 March 2019</i>	<i>2019 Camp Information Evening – 6pm</i>
<i>Friday 8 March 2019</i>	<i>Interschool Sports Competition – Away – Bundoora PS</i>
<i>Monday 11 March 2019</i>	<i>Labour Day Public Holiday – Student Free Day</i>
<i>Thursday 14 March 2019</i>	<i>Cricket Clinic – 9am to 11am</i>
<i>Friday 15 March 2019</i>	<i>Interschool Sports Competition – Home – Watsonia Heights PS</i>
<i>Sunday 17 March 2019</i>	<i>Banyule Arty Farty Fest – GPS Drumming Team in Grand Parade</i>
<i>Monday 18 March 2019</i>	<i>School Council & Election – 7pm</i>
<i>Tuesday 19 March 2019</i>	<i>Northern Regional Swim Meet</i>
<i>Thursday 21 March 2019</i>	<i>Cricket Clinic – Grades 1 & 2 – 9am to 11am</i>
<i>Friday 22 March 2019</i>	<i>Interschool Sports Competition – Away – St Marys PS</i>
<i>Sat 23 & Sun 24 March 2019</i>	<i>GPS Team: Diamond Valley ‘Relay For Life’</i>
<i>Tuesday 26 March 2019</i>	<i>Southern Cross Recycling - drop off before 9am</i>
<i>Thursday 28 March 2019</i>	<i>Cricket Clinic – Grades 1 & 2 – 9am to 11am</i>
<i>Friday 29 March 2019</i>	<i>Interschool Sports Competition – Make Up Round / Finals</i>
<i>Thursday 4 April 2019</i>	<i>Cricket Clinic – Grades 1 & 2 – 9am to 11am</i>
<i>Friday 5 April 2019</i>	<i>Last Day of Term 1 Easter Bonnet Parade Easter Egg Hunt and other fun activities Early Dismissal – 1.30pm</i>
<i>Tuesday 23 April 2019</i>	<i>First Day of Term 2</i>

Principal's Report

What a fantastic night we had at Twilight Sports this week! The weather was perfect and there was a lovely community atmosphere as parents enjoyed the shade of the trees on their chairs and rugs, and enjoyed picnics brought from home, or the sausages and hamburgers from the Parents and Friends barbeque. It was wonderful to see so many ex-students who returned to lend a hand or just join in the fun and catch up with old friends. Our student leaders did an outstanding job as marshals and were perfect role models to the younger students.

Once again, our students made the evening even more memorable by dressing up in their House colours and adding accessories for extra effect – thankyou to parents for supporting their efforts. The Grade 5/6 students did a magnificent job spraying hair, painting faces and nails, and adding to the evening's fun. Congratulations to all the competitors who performed to the best of their ability, especially those in Eucalyptus for being the overall winning House for 2019. A special mention to Tahlia, Evie, Alysha and Jesse, for winning the 'Best Dressed' in their respective Houses.



A night like this requires a lot of work behind the scenes as well as on the actual night and I'd like to thank everyone who contributed to make this night so successful, especially Parents and Friends who organised the barbecue and sales of icy-poles and drinks. Special thanks also to Jane, Laura and the organizing committee for successfully revamping some of the events and giving the night a fresh look, whilst retaining the students' favourite events.

One of the highlights of Twilight Sports is seeing the children in House groups cheer each other on, encourage their teammates and take genuine delight in celebrating everyone giving their best efforts. These sportsmanship qualities were also evident at the District Swimming Carnival last fortnight, where our squad members were loud in their support for each other. Thank you to Erin Donaldson and the parents who attended and congratulations to all competitors, especially Amelia, Amihan, Lachie and Ruby who all received ribbons in their races, and Adrian who has made through to the Division Swimming Carnival next Wednesday 6th March. A great effort!

School Council

Thank you to the parents who have nominated for School Council. We still have one x one-year vacancy, so if a parent would like to nominate themselves or another parent, please collect the nomination form from the office. 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. In the next newsletter a list of all School Councillors will be published.

2020 Prep Enrolments

If any families know anyone who is coming to Greensborough Primary next year, please encourage them to register their details as soon as possible, (this includes siblings of current students). We have already had a number of enquiries and school tours for places in 2020 and the sooner we get a sense of our intake for next year, the sooner we can start planning for grade structures.

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Camp Information Night Wednesday 6th March

Next Wednesday 6th March at 6pm, Jane Byrne will hold a Camp Information Night for parents of students in Grades 3-6 who will be attending Mt Evelyn Recreation Camp from May 22nd – 24th. This session will run for 20-30 minutes and Jane will answer any parent queries.

Advance Notice of Pupil Free Days

Each year, schools are allocated four days they can set aside as 'pupil free' days to allow for professional learning opportunities for staff, curriculum development, etc. The day before students started school, was the first of these four days and two more will be held on Friday 7th May and Monday 4th November - both these days will focus on teacher moderation of student work samples for report writing. Students will not attend school on these days and if numbers permit, OHS Club will provide care for students – please contact them for more information. The date of our fourth day is still being finalised and the focus will be professional development that will build staff capacity to achieve the goals of our Strategic Plan.



**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, and 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

Banyule Council and Road Safety Around Schools

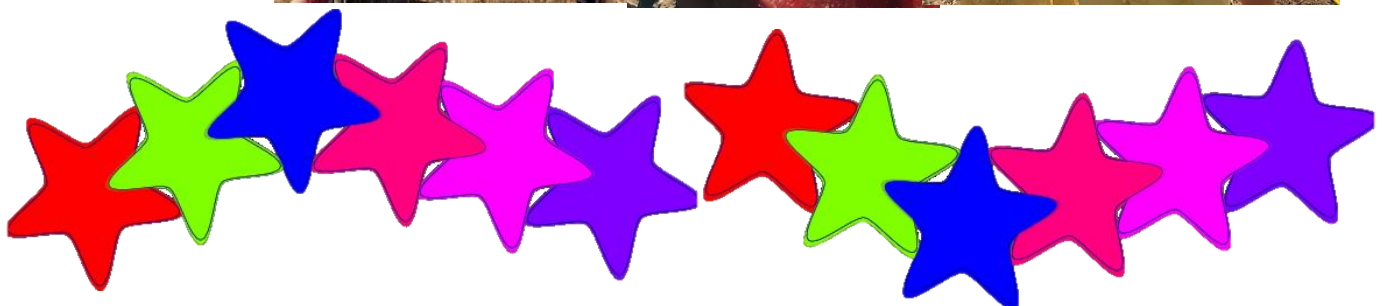
Banyule Council has notified us of the actions they are taking to improve the safety of primary school students. Council has installed a variety of road safety treatments including traffic calming devices, line marking and parking restriction signs. Parking Officers have also been employed to enforce parking laws and monitor school crossings and surrounding areas. Camera mounted vehicles will also take photos of vehicles breaching parking rules and will subsequently issue infringement notices to owners. We urge families to observe parking signs in order to keep our students safe.

Angela Morrìt

Principal



Twilight Sports 2019





FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

To be eligible for the fund you need to be a parent or legal guardian of a student attending Greensborough primary school in 2019, and:

- a) Be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
- b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
- c) Submit an application to the school by the due date

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (29 January 2019) or term two (23 April 2019).

Payment Amounts

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student to the value of \$125 per year. The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

Please see Meghan at the office for a CSEF form or any queries you may have about eligibility.

Junior School Council

The JSC will be selling Icy Poles every Friday until the end of Term 1 for \$1.00 each.

Thank you,

Alison Gibson

On behalf of the JSC



WOODWORK – CAN YOU HELP?

Our wonderful new learning area outside the Art room is now in use! We are extremely grateful for the time and effort that Wayne and Geoff have put in over the past few months to achieve this fabulous new area for our school. At the beginning of this year, to further promote Student Voice, I conducted a survey with the Grade 5/6 students to gauge their areas of interest in Art. Woodwork was a clear winner and many students are keen to set up a woodwork area in our new learning space.

So here's where our school families come in...

If you have any spare tools at home (in good working order) and would like to donate them, we would love to help you de-clutter! You can bring them to the Art room or leave them with Mehgan at the office.

In particular, we are looking for:

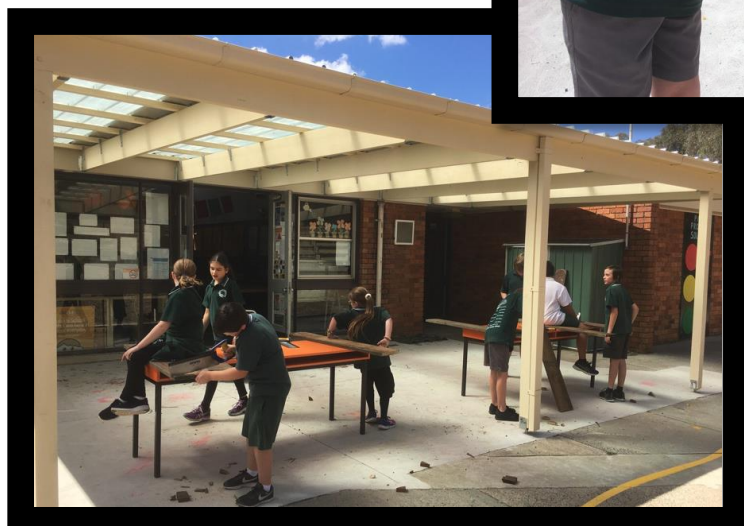
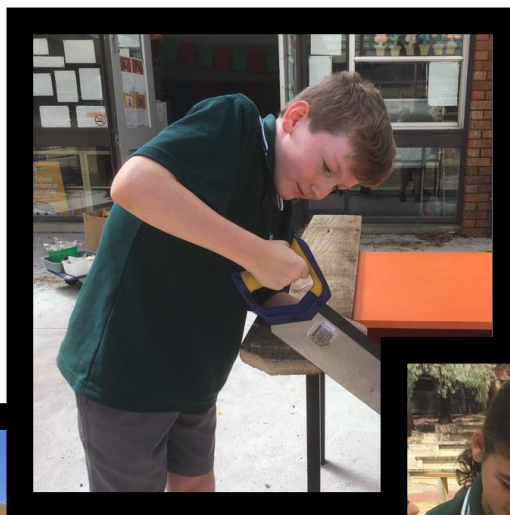
- Hand saws
- Sandpaper
- Tape measures
- Hammers (large & small)
- Mitreboards
- Vices
- Clamps
- Workbenches



We would also be grateful if anyone in our community would like to be involved in our woodwork sessions, giving the students a hand and showing them how to use various tools. The Grade 5/6 Art session times are on Tuesdays at 11.30am and Wednesday at 10am for one hour. If you have a spare workbench or would like to be involved in our woodwork sessions, please email me with your name and contact details. My email address is troy.janet.j@edumail.vic.gov.au

Many thanks!

Janet Troy,
Visual Arts Teacher



Interschool Sport Report- Rounds 2 & 3

The students in Years 4-6 participated in the second and third rounds of Interschool Sport. In Round Two we played Away at Watsonia North and in Round Three we played Home with Norris Bank P.S visiting us.

The students' confidence has definitely improved over the last couple of weeks and it has been great to see the good sportsmanship with each other and with the students from the other schools.

We are also very lucky to have some students from Parade College assisting the teachers and students each week. Welcome to G.P.S Aidan, Divian, Connor and Lachlan.

The Round 2 results vs Watsonia North away were:

- Basketball: Boys: 58-10 (W.N.P.S won)
- Basketball: Girls: 42-8 (W.N.P.S won)
- Cricket: 73-40 (W.N.P.S won)
- Bat Tennis: Boys: 31-9 (W.N.P.S won)
- Bat Tennis: Girls: 33-14 (W.N.P.S won)
- Rounders: 18-25 (W.N.P.S won)

The Round 3 results vs Norris Bank at home were:

- Basketball: Boys 28-4 (G.P.S won)
- Basketball: Girls: 4-24 (N.B won)
- Bat Tennis: Boys 23-12 (G.P.S won)
- Bat Tennis: Boys: 11-23 (N.B won)
- Norris Bank did not have a Cricket or Rounders team

This week we play at Home against Watsonia Primary School. Watsonia P.S do not have a Rounders team so the girls will have a practice match on our school oval. Please ensure all students have their uniform requirements and safety gear ready for play Friday morning. Games will start promptly at 9.30am. Parents and guardians are more than welcome to come and support the students.

District Swimming

On Thursday 21st February, we had 18 students from Greensborough Primary School represent our school at the District Swimming Carnival at WaterMarc.

The selected students were: Ethan, Lachlan, Harvey, Amihan, Amelia, Jet, Nate, Will D, Petar, Lucas, Jackson, Adrian, Nathan, Aiden, Alysha, Sienna, Nala and Ruby.



All of the students tried their very best in their races and represented our school in a positive manner. We are so very proud of all of them! G.P.S placed 6th in the overall schools tally. We improved on last year's score so it was a great achievement.

Well done to Amelia, Amihan, Lachlan, Adrian and Ruby for getting ribbons in their races.

Congratulations to Adrian for progressing through to Division in his freestyle event. The Division Carnival takes place on Wednesday 6th March at Northcote Aquatic and Recreation Centre.

A big thank you to Erin Donaldson, Kerryn and Karen for all of their help and support on the day.

Daniela Darling

Sports Coordinator



Pupil of the Week

Term 1 ~ Week 3 Week Ending 15 February 2019

Prep	<i>Ivy</i>	For 'having a go' during Writing this week. You are doing such a good job!
Grade 1/2 A	<i>Vanessa</i>	For working like a superstar all week! Keep it up!
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Tahlia</i>	For displaying a caring and respectful attitude towards her peers and teachers.
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Mason</i>	For doing a great job representing GPS at cricket. Well done!
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Tiffany</i>	For always doing her best and encouraging her classmates to achieve their best.
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Bailey</i>	For being kind, caring and helpful towards his peers. Well done!
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Mia</i>	For a sensational start at GPS. We are so happy to have you in our class.
Art	<i>Reese 1/2A</i>	For always working hard in Art and producing beautiful work.

Term 1 ~ Week 4 Week Ending 22 February 2019

Prep	<i>Edward</i>	For a sensational start at GPS. We are so lucky to have you in our class!
Grade 1/2 A	<i>Flynn</i>	For putting effort and care into his writing this week. Well done.
Grade 1/2 B	<i>Jesse</i>	For a fantastic effort when writing his narrative in 'Big Write'. Keep it up!
Grade 3/4 A	<i>Ezra</i>	For doing a great job with Bat Tennis during Interschool Sports. Well done!
Grade 3/4 B	<i>Roxana</i>	For an outstanding and detailed persuasive text. Well done!
Grade 5/6 A	<i>Isaac</i>	For putting 100% into all of his work this week. Well done!
Grade 5/6 B	<i>Evie</i>	For being an outstanding role model to her peers and younger students.
Art	<i>Matthew 1/2A</i>	For showing empathy when one of his classmates was upset.
Student Wellbeing	<i>Joel 1/2B</i>	For being a great leader to our Preps.

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Parents & Friends

This year, all funds raised by P&F for the year will be going towards leasing laptops for Grade 5/6, the purchase of new readers for Preps to Grade 2s, \$1700 towards the resurfacing of the hall floor and \$5000 towards new outdoor play equipment.

Food Day



Our first food day will be this Friday 1 March 2019 and will be a Baker's Delight Day. Thank you to the parents volunteering to assist with the food day.



Twilight Sports

A big thankyou to all the volunteers who assisted with the twilight sports. Thank you also to Greensborough Gourmet Meats and the Kim Kim Bakehouse (both in Were St, Montmorency) for providing us with the meat & bread for the event.

Bunnings BBQ – Saturday 9th March

Thank you to those who have said they would be able to assist with our Bunnings BBQ. We still need volunteers to assist with this event. 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 more volunteers.

Thankyou,

Kim Hill

On behalf of P&F



If you are able to assist with this BBQ, 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 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



COMMUNITY CORNER

Artificial Flowers Required

Help us to decorate our leafy green walls in the Library area. We would love some donations of artificial flowers to make this area cheerful and bright.

Thank you,

Simone Wilson



HOST: FIONA HAASZ
WEDNESDAY 27TH MARCH, 7:00 PM
HOYTS CINEMAS GREENSBOROUGH
25 Main St Greensborough
\$20.00 AUD Admission + **\$2.00**
booking fee = **\$22.00**



Greensborough Primary School is going green...

Help us save the trees

Some of our wonderful families have already put their hand up to receive a colour soft-copy of the Borough Bulletin newsletter each fortnight. We would like to encourage all our families to nominate for an electronic copy of the newsletter and help us to reduce our carbon footprint. Currently we supply a black and white copy of the Borough Bulletin to about 70% of our school families.

Your task, should you choose to accept it, is to provide your current email address. You can either send me an email at greensborough.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au with the subject line 'Borough Bulletin Opt In' together with your child/ren's name or fill in the section below and return to the office as soon as possible.

Thank you,

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Borough Bulletin Opt In

Date: / /

I agree to be sent the fortnightly Borough Bulletin to my email address which is listed below:

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

My child/ren's name is: _____

Signed: _____





PRIME MINISTER

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION

Dear parents, carers and the school community,

Keeping our children safe is a shared responsibility. Schools, governments at all levels, the Australian community and, first and foremost, parents take this obligation seriously.

As parents, we know that it can be challenging to raise children today in a world where risks to safety can appear not only on the street but online. And it is not always easy to navigate when the online world can have real world physical and mental health impacts.

That is why our Government has developed resources to empower parents (and schools) to protect children and prepare them to be resilient, responsible and respectful adults:

- www.esafety.gov.au – resources that promote online safety including tackling image-based abuse and a complaints service for young Australians who experience serious cyberbullying.
- www.studentwellbeinghub.edu.au – support for students, parents and teachers to create a learning environment that promotes student wellbeing and the development of respectful relationships.

You can also visit www.bullyingnoway.gov.au for education and advice for kids, parents and schools on how to combat and respond to bullying.

Whatever age your kids, it is never too late to make changes to improve their welfare. With the fresh start that a new school year brings we encourage you to use these resources for practical advice on keeping your family safe and well through the year.

Yours sincerely

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SCOTT MORRISON

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan Tehan'.

DAN TEHAN