

Term 2, 24th April 2019

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Term 2 - Week 1, 2019

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ GREENHILLS 2019

Thursday 25 th April	ANZAC DAY – PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Friday 26 th April	3pm Whole School Reflection
Monday 29 th April	Year 5/6 Excursion
Tuesday 30 th April	House Cross Country (Years 3-6)
Wednesday 1 st May	GRIP Leadership Conference (Selected student leaders)
Thursday 2 nd May	Year 3/4 Swimming
Friday 3 rd May	3pm Assembly 3.50pm Buildings & Grounds Meeting
Sunday 5 th May	2pm Recital Choir @ Montsalvat
Monday 6 th May	School Photos
Tuesday 7 th May	6pm Education, Policy & Communications Meeting 7.30pm PA Meeting
Thursday 9 th May	Mother's Day Stall School Review Validation Day
Friday 10 th May	3pm Whole School Reflection
Tuesday 14 th May – Thursday 16 th May	NAPLAN Testing – Years 3 & 5
Thursday 16 th May	Year 3/4 Swimming
Friday 17 th May	3pm Assembly
Saturday 19 th May	Bunnings BBQ – PA Fundraising event
Monday 20 th May	6.45pm School Council
Tuesday 21 st May	School Review Fieldwork Day
Thursday 23 rd May	Year 3/4 Swimming

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to Term 2! I hope everyone was able to enjoy some family time over the Easter break and recharge ready for the very busy term ahead. Once again, my family enjoyed our annual trip to Pambula (one of my favourite places on Earth!). The weather was sensational and the water temperature amazing. In fact, it was so good that it's hard to believe Winter is only a few weeks away.

LOOKING FORWARD TO TERM 2

We have a lot to look forward to this term. As always it will be action packed and engaging. Some of events and activities this term include:

- House, District & Division Cross Country
- NAPLAN testing
- Maths Olympiads
- Year 3/4 Swimming lessons
- Bunnings BBQ
- Recital Choir Events
- Mothers Day
- Incursions and excursions

And much, much more!

3RD DIVISION SIGNALS ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday, I had the privilege of travelling with 19 of our Junior School Councillors and House Captains to visit the Shrine of Remembrance and hold a special memorial service to honour the 3rd Division Signals Association. Our school makes this annual visit as part of our ongoing and special relationship with the Association which started back in 2008. The partnership fosters relationships and enables schools to carry on the legacy of an ex-service organisation, which is a very special honour for our school.

During the service, our student leaders read speeches and pledges that they had written about the significance of ANZAC Day and keeping the memory of the sacrifices of all those men and women who have served our country alive.

Many thanks to Bianca Fedele and Tegan Smith for organising this very memorable event.



BUNNINGS BBQ



Greenhills Primary School Fundraiser Events
Saturday May 18th – Eltham Bunning's BBQ – Bunning's Cake Stall
Election Barbecue at Greenhills.

On Saturday May 18th, we have three fundraising events planned by the Parents Association. These will raise important funds for Greenhills Primary School. We are seeking volunteers for the Bunning's Barbecue fundraiser, the Bunning's Cake Stall and the election barbecue that is happening at the school. We need as many volunteers as possible and any help is appreciated. We are so lucky to have an amazing school community and this is certainly another way that you can help contribute to it.

Information on how to register to volunteer for one or more of the events will be sent home and emailed on behalf of the Parent's Association early next week. If you are unable to help out on the day, a contribution to the cake stall on the day,

ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION EVENTS

ANZAC Day – 25th April – is one of Australia's most important national occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War, which broke out in 1914. In 1915 Australia and New Zealand sent soldiers on an allied expedition to Gallipoli. The soldiers landed at Gallipoli on April 25 with the aim of capturing Constantinople (known as Istanbul today). However, what they thought would be a quick mission turned into an eight-month long ordeal, during which more than 8,000 Australian soldiers were killed.

This news significantly affected Australians back home, and in 1916, April 25 became the date we paid our respects to those who had sacrificed their lives for their country. From the 1920s, the day picked up momentum and commemoration services were held throughout Australia, New Zealand and even overseas.

These days, on ANZAC Day we don't just remember those who fell at Gallipoli, but all of those who have fought and assisted in every battle on behalf of our nation. It's not just for the soldiers, but also the nurses and other aides. The spirit of ANZAC, with its human qualities of courage, mateship, and sacrifice, continues to have meaning and relevance for our sense of national identity.

Some suggestions for our school families to do to commemorate ANZAC Day are:

- If you or a relative are in possession of medals, show them to your children and explain their relevance.
- Discuss the meanings of words like "battalion," "digger," etc.
- Draw maps of the soldiers' journey from Australia to Gallipoli.
- Talk about other conflicts Australia has been involved in and look them up on a map.
- Make sure you know what ANZAC stands for.

I encourage all families to attend a memorial service tomorrow. Our school will be represented at the Greensborough RSL service at 9am at War Memorial Park (next to Greensborough Woolworths). Students can proudly wear their school uniform if they are attending and join our school group in laying a wreath.



James Penson
Principal



NOTICES SENT HOME

Whole School
Grade 6

School Photos & Mothers Day Stall info
Grade 6 to Year 7 Transition



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ GREENHILLS Teaching and Learning

Don't forget to check out the Blogs

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PREP?

<http://prepsatgreenhills.global2.vic.edu.au/>

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN GRADE 1

<http://greenhillsgrade1.global2.vic.edu.au>

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN GRADE 2

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN GRADE 3 & 4

<http://grade34ghps.global2.vic.edu.au>

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN GRADE 5 & 6

<http://grade56l.global2.vic.edu.au/>



SCHOOL BANKING

HAND YOUR BANKING BOOKS TO THE OFFICE PRIOR TO THURS MORNING for PROCESSING

New savers welcome

Accounts can be started online <https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html>
or at a Commonwealth Bank branch.

Bring your bank books to school by Wednesday each week, with your 2019 class marked on the front.



The Commonwealth Bank donate money to Greenhills Primary School from student banking, so the more you save, the more you are helping your school.. win win!



Happy Birthday to the following students celebrating birthdays:

(Apologises for incorrect names in last weeks newsletter)

Angus S, Callum O, Maddy B, Willow T, Emma T, Jayla H, Nora C, Blake G, Cahira H, Owen D, Eliah P, Tadg A, Madyleine T, Jaxon O, Charlie L, Caelan R, Lucille V, Olivia M, Morgan F, Tully S, Hamish L, William G, Tayla P, Lilly S, Yanisa B, Hudson M, Leroy M, Joshua S, Henry H, Audrey P, Claire M, Oscar S, Zoe B, Ashley T, Jack T, Maya M

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

PARENT PAYMENTS - 2nd Instalment

Term 2 Payments will be deducted this week if you have provided your details to the office. If you chose to pay your instalment via QKR please organise your payment before the end of Week 1.

NETBOOK LEASE PROGRAMME

Netbook Instalments are due on 30th April (Grade 5 & 6 2019), automatic payments will be taken on this date, if you have elected to pay via QKR or at the office, please do so prior to this date.

REMINDER IF YOU HAVENT PAID FOR YOUR FIRST INSTALMENT PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE TO ARRANGE PLAN



Kate Reade, Nicole Pearson & Anne Doolan

School Administration Team

FIRST AID

ALL CHILDREN MUST WEAR HATS UNTIL THE END OF APRIL

(Children are encouraged to bring their own sunscreen to reapply.)

MEDICATION GUIDELINES

If children need to take medication at school, we are more than happy to administer it to your child.

Please bring the medication to the office in its original packaging and your child must collect the medication at the end of each day to take home.

Medication must not be left in school bags, lunchboxes. This is a safeguard for all our students.

A **Medication Administration Instructions** form is available at the office.

MEDICAL PLAN If children have any type of Medical plan please ensure you bring it to the office.

Karen Heitzmann
First Aid Officer



DEVELOPING HOME-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

Daily Lessons in Resilience for Kids by Michael Grose

Recently, I saw a mother give a simple, yet profound resilience lesson to her three year old. The toddler fell into his dog's bowl, saturating his t-shirt and giving himself a fright. His mum quickly helped him saying, "Oh well!" The three-year-old bravely parroted his mother, saying, "Oh well!" and dashed off to play.

"Every day there are opportunities for parents to give their children lessons in resilience. Promoting personal resilience focuses on helping kids cope with life's hurts, disappointments and challenges in the present, while building strengths for the future."

Adult reactions matter

It's in our reactions to these and other every day mistakes, mess-ups, muck-ups and hurts where the big lessons in resilience are taught and reinforced. The lessons for the three-year-old were simple but profound. "Oh well" meant:

- Stuff happens.
- Don't look for fault or blame
- Keep your perspective
- Pick yourself off and continue with what you were doing

How to react

The resilience lesson for this mother was equally as profound. When a minor mishap with a child occurs:

- Match your response to the incident
- Stay calm and be positive
- Don't look for fault or blame
- Remember, stuff happens

Resilience lesson for parents – "Oh well"

Every day there are opportunities for parents to give their children lessons in resilience. A child misses being chosen for a team that he had his heart set on joining. "Oh well. Let's see how you go next time." When a boy experiences rejection in the playground at school. "Oh well. You'll find that some people don't want to be your friend." When a girl doesn't get the mark she thinks she deserves in an assignment. "Oh well. Sometimes we don't get the marks we think we deserve."

Match your response to the challenge to promote resilience

There are times when "Oh well" won't cut it. When a child is bullied, he needs your continued support. When a student's continuous efforts at improvement are constantly met with criticism then you may need to act on his behalf. When a child always struggles to make the grade and is never picked for a team then you may need to help him make different choices.

These types of situations also present opportunities for daily lessons in resilience, but they require more parental support and teaching. The resilience lessons learned are deeper and include concepts such as 'things will eventually go your way,' 'there are times when you need to seek help' and 'this too shall pass.'

Promoting personal resilience focuses on helping kids cope with life's hurts, disappointments and challenges in the present, while building strengths for the future. Daily lessons in resilience are everywhere. You need to be ready to make the most of these valuable lessons when they come your way.

Roslyn Mackie

Home-School Partnerships Leader



LIBRARY NEWS

Mini Book Fair

All Mini Book Fair book orders have been distributed so please let me know if your order has not been received. Thanks again for your support of our Fair.

Library Help

The library is looking for a few parent volunteers to help with shelving books at the end of the day and a few other tasks, Monday and Thursday afternoons, from 3.10pm. If you can spare a bit of time before pick up, I'd love to have your help! If you're not sure about it, pop in any Monday or Thursday afternoon for a demonstration.

Premier's Reading Challenge

A reminder that the Premier's Reading Challenge is on so I encourage students to get online and enter the books read over the holidays using the username and password that teachers have given out.

Book Returns

Finally, many students have borrowed books over the holidays and these are now overdue. I ask you to remind your child/ren to put them in their library/school bag and place them in the Returns Chute in the Library. To protect our books, it is important that students bring a library bag to keep their library books in. Your assistance is appreciated.

Michelle Arthur
Library Technician



SCHOOL CANTEEN

Operating times for Term 1

Monday – closed. There will be no lunch orders or window sales available.

Tuesday – closed. There will be no lunch orders or window sales available.

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday – lunch orders and window sales as usual on these three days.



Volunteers are desperately needed to help in the canteen. You can volunteer for only one day per term if you wish. If you are interested in helping out (you are only required for approximately 1 hour on any day), please go to www.carebookings.com.au, type in the parent code "JGU9L" and enter the day(s) that you would be interested in helping.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

We will be participating in Woolworths Earn and Learn Promotion. The promotion commences 1st May. There will be more details to come,

Miriam
Canteen Manager



SPORT

GRADE 3/4 SWIMMING PROGRAM

To ensure minimal time is used assessing children on the first day of the swimming program, please complete the following questionnaire online (by Thursday 18th April, 2019).

<https://forms.gle/2c2v8EKpka2qhJCK7>

This will assist WaterMarc to place your child in the correct level and group prior to the commencement of the program. If you have any questions regarding the program please don't hesitate to contact the WaterMarc Swim School team.

COMMUNITY SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

If your child achieves something special (grand final win, most valuable player award, best and fairest etc.), please email me (daley.jordan.w@edumail.vic.gov.au) through photos (just make sure these photos only contain students from Greenhills PS) to post in Contact.

It is important to celebrate and recognise such successes with the school community.

SSV PRIMARY SCHOOL GOLF

This event is aimed to encourage students of any ability, both beginner and experienced, to get out on the course and have a go at golf. The event and course is modified to suit the primary aged student with all holes shortened and equipment available to borrow. To be eligible to play students must be enrolled in Grades 3, 4, 5 or 6 at a School Sport Victoria member school (which Greenhills PS is). The event consists of three stages: division events, region finals and the state final. In both the division and region events the students will play 9 holes on a short course. Those who qualify for the state final will play 18 holes on a shortened course.



Heidelberg Golf Club's competition on Thursday 23rd May is our closest event. Registration close on Friday 17th May, so get in quick to avoid disappointment.

To register, please go to the following link and follow the instructions provided - <https://www.golfbox.dk/livescoring/tour/?language=2057#/competition/1794853/info>

If you would like any further information or have any questions, please contact Jordan Daley (9435 4181 or daley.jordan.w@edumail.vic.gov.au).



Thank-you
Jordan Daley



CHOIR

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The students have been rehearsing in preparation for this event. Please note that the Permission and Ticket Order Form has been put on QKR also. This is due on Friday 26th April.

Kate Stewart



The Big Group Hug are running their annual 'PJ's, Singlets, Socks & Jocks' campaign over the holidays - **1 April to 3 May 2019**.

They are asking families, staff and the community to purchase **new** packets of underwear, socks and pyjamas for children sizes 2 to 16 (kids). All items donated go to families in our immediate community who are struggling with hardship, albeit financial, homelessness, single parent families etc. to ease their burden. Through a wide number of outreach services, Big Group Hug happily supply those in need with these bare necessities, but we need your help.

If you would like to help disadvantaged children and donate, please purchase these items and return them to the drop off point in the office over the first week back from school holidays.

Each day we make deposits in the memory banks of our children, today you can make a donation that will mean more than you can imagine to a child in need. Thank you **

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask, Kris - kjsheadley@gmail.com

**pjs, singlets
socks &
jocks**

make for

**warm &
happy
kids & tots!**

Big Group Hug wants to ensure all our kids are warm this winter by including pyjamas, singlets, socks & underwear in all our donated packs of clothing.

Can you help?

We are looking for **NEW PYJAMAS, SINGLETS, SOCKS & UNDERWEAR** for boys and girls in sizes 2 to 16

Who we are:
Based in Bundoora, Big Group Hug is a grassroots charity supporting struggling families in our community. We provide donated goods to help parents care for children aged newborn to 12 years old.

A typical month at Big Group Hug:

- 📞 400 requests for help
- 📦 6,000 items delivered to families

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Mon 1st April - Fri 3rd May

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE

Our next and final 2nd Hand Uniform sale will be Friday 17th MAY 3pm—3.30pm

All items \$1

Due to Hall upgrade and limited space, unfortunately this will be the last sale until further notice. Unfortunately we can't accept any more 2nd hand uniform at the office, so please pass on your uniforms to other families.





MOTHER'S DAY



*The Parents Association is holding its annual
MOTHER'S DAY STALL*

*with lots of GORGEOUS GIFTS
your MUMS, NANNAS and
GRANDMAS will LOVE!*

*Gifts to suit all budgets
with prices ranging from \$1 to \$10*



THURSDAY, 9TH May

*Children need to bring a bag for their gift/s
and their spending money in an envelope.*

CAN YOU HELP ON THE DAY?

PLEASE CONTACT LUCINDA

lucindafairlie@bigpond.com 0414 474 168

*On behalf of the Parents Association, we would like to thank you for your
support and we wish all the Mums and Nans of the Greenhills Community a
very Happy Mother's Day!*

STUDENT OF THE WEEK (10) - PRESENTED AT ASSEMBLY on FRIDAY 3rd May 2019

Tilly A	Prep BH	Tilly, I love how you always try your hardest with everything you do. You have become a super writer and I am so proud of you. Keep it up Superstar!
Lucas L	Prep CM	For his fantastic reading. I love how you are using the pictures and first letter sound when you are reading. Well done Superstar!!
Isabelle	Prep KO	for her amazing writing! Isabella, you amaze us each day with how much your writing improves. You are a superstar!!!
Willow T	Prep SM	For being a delight to teach! Willow you are always trying your hardest with every task, especially sounding out words you don't know in your writing. Keep up the amazing work Willow!
Noah K	1AD	Noah is such a dedicated reader in our classroom. Each morning he gets straight into his day by starting his reading quickly, and even recommends books to the class!
Jackson	1RG	For always trying his best in all work. Jackson is always willing to help others in class, thank you for being such a great role model in class.
Luke	1RG	For all your hard work. Luke always gives 110% to all work that he does. Keep up the amazing work Luke.
Mia A	1RM	For consistently giving her best and always being happy to help others. Mia makes 1RM a great place to be.
Ari B	1RM	For the great effort, he has made with his reading. Ari is passionate about reading and the joy that it brings him, inspires him to read everyday. You are an inspiration to your peers Ari, Congratulations!
Ellie M	2BJ	For your positive attitude and amazing efforts in our buddy maths sessions! It has been so great to see you try your best and never give up when completing all the activities for place value. Keep it up superstar, I am very proud of you!
Christian C-G	2RS	For showing his understanding of forces and passion for design and construction during our Inquiry unit. I can't wait to see more of your creations next term Christian. Keep it up super star!
Tayla P	2SH	For your outstanding effort in your learning. Tayla it is fabulous to see you always doing your best and even setting yourself a personal challenge to improve your handwriting. Well done superstar!
Arjunaa K	2TW	For being a super mathematician. Your skill with numbers is amazing, I love seeing what you can do and what you know.
Hanbi K	2TW	Hanbi, you are the happiest person in the grade, you come to school and light up the room. Keep smiling.
Toby M	34E	For your hard work to improve your understandings in Place Value. You understand and order big numbers and represent numbers in different ways. Keep up the fantastic work Toby.
Josh T	34H	For your amazing ideas, excellent teamwork and enthusiasm shown, when conducting experiments, during our Matter Inquiry Unit. Your slideshow for the Science Expo. was incredible! You make learning about science fun and exciting!
Oliver B	34J	For his consistent growth mindset towards writing. You always listen to feedback and try your best to apply it in order to improve your work. Well done Oli!
Ruby S	34K	Ruby consistently demonstrates maturity and dedication towards her learning. She accepts feedback and uses it to further extend her ideas, especially in writing. it is always a pleasure reading Ruby's sentences.
Grayson T	34R	Aren't we lucky to have Grayson in our class. His friendly nature and positive attitude to learning is infectious and he is learning do much!
Faolan	34S	For the excitement and enthusiasm you showed during our Inquiry unit! It was amazing to see you share all of your knowledge with your friends. Keep it up Faolan!
Sione K	56B	For balancing all of her extra curricular activities, including representing Greenhills for swimming, with such dedication and enthusiasm.
Elijah P	56B	For taking on feedback during writing sessions and working hard to achieve his goals. Your persuasive writing has been excellent Elijah!!
Hannah S	56D	For her brilliant science investigation. Hannah was able to successfully extract DNA from a strawberry by carefully planning and conducting an experiment. Well done Hannah, I'm so impressed!
Ainara	56F	For always showing the Greenhills value of Enthusiasm. Ainra you are always eager to learn and continuously try your very best in all areas. Keep up the great work superstar!
Kate M and Gabrielle T	56M	Kate has made the jump to 5/6 look easy this term. She's taking it in her stride and asking all the right questions. Her enthusiasm for learning is amazing and we are very much enjoying having her in the class. Gabrielle has worked hard this term and is really kicking goals up in 5/6. She is a confident learner and manages to work well with all the new concepts and strategies that we are learning.
Milly F	56O	Milly is always eager to learn and is always demonstrating a growth mindset by challenging herself in everything she does. We are so lucky to have you in our class, keep it up Milly!
Chad K	56S	For leading a thorough investigation into the melting and freezing points of different liquids. Your detailed observations made for an impressive presentation.
Charlie M	56S	For the effort he put into preparing and conducting his science inquiry experiment on water rockets. It was amazing to see how much you learnt and how excited you were by the outcomes.

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FESTIVAL

Saturday, May 4th, 2019

A community event for everyone

LIVE MUSIC ALL DAY

School Bands

Fourth Strategy

Local Acts

5pm Greg Champion

Charles Jenkins

Joel Quinn & Alamein Train

FOOD TRUCKS AND BAR

MAKERS MARKET

GIRAFFE A-GO-GO SHOW 3pm

KIDS ENTERTAINMENT 1-5pm

ROVING PERFORMERS

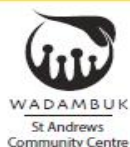
MEN'S SHED ACTIVITIES

1pm - 9pm WADAMBUK, St Andrews Community Centre

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