Thursday, 27 November 2014

Values:

Resilience  Respect  Honesty  Responsibility  Learning

Purpose:
To develop confident and resilient students through the provision of a diverse range of learning experiences and challenges which encourage curiosity, excitement for learning, thirst for knowledge and connectedness to their community.

This is underpinned by a whole school community whose moral purpose is committed to promoting success for all students.

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**IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

School Website: [www.greenvaleps.vic.edu.au](http://www.greenvaleps.vic.edu.au)

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**DECEMBER**

| Tuesday  | 2nd | Last Day for Dollarmite Student Banking |
| Wednesday | 3rd | 2015 ‘Flying to Foundation’ Session 6 |
| Thursday  | 4th | Year 5 – Commonwealth Bank Smart Start Program |
| Friday    | 5th | STUDENT FREE DAY - Students Do Not Attend School On This Day – Staff Curriculum Day |
| Tuesday   | 9th | 2015 Student Book Pack Collection for Years 1 & 2 |
| Wednesday | 10th| 2015 Student Book Pack Collection for Years 3 & 4 |
| Thursday  | 11th| 2015 Student Book Pack Collection for Years 5 & 6 |
|           |     | School Christmas Concert |

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**From The Principal’s Desk**

Angelika Ireland

**The Portsea Camp**

I spent the day last Thursday at Portsea camp with the Year 6 students, staff and parent helpers. The day was cloudy but warm so allowing the students to take part in the aquatic activities. Rotations for the day were snorkelling, canoeing, the giant swing, beach games and other activities. It was really great to see the enthusiasm of the students as they joined in.

This term has been a busy one for camps, this being the third one in 6 weeks. Thanks again to Mr Andrew Bouzikas who organized and attended each camp this term, and for this one, the Year 6 teachers Mr Matthew Kerby, Mrs Joyce Hickling and Mrs Robyn Johnson, Mrs Wendy Glover our Education Support staff member and parent helpers Mr Don Nawanna, Mr Ozkan Akyildiz, Mr Daniel Galea and Mr Mahmoud Elakkoumi.

Photos below show our students involved in snorkelling activities and canoeing.
**Parentline**

Parenting is not always easy. From time to time, all families can benefit from extra support. Parentline is a Department service which began in 1998. It provides information, support, and referral services to parents from 8:00am to midnight seven days a week.

Whether you’re struggling with everyday tasks, or simply wish to discuss parenting ideas, Parentline is a valuable source of counselling and assistance. The qualified and experienced social workers and psychologists who staff the service answer approximately 13,000 calls per year from parents from all backgrounds looking for support and advice. They will work with you to better understand your relationships and personal situations to help you to develop strategies which are tailored to your individual needs. Parenting is challenging, but Parentline can help you to develop positive coping strategies, allowing you more freedom to enjoy your time with your children.

- Parentline provides a state-wide telephone counselling service to parents and carers of children aged from birth to eighteen years
- Professional counsellors are able to explore a variety of issues that impact on parenting and relationships
- Parentline can provide contact details for community services
- Parentline respects the confidentiality and right to privacy of callers

You can ring Parentline on **13 22 89**. For more information click on the following link - [Parentline](#)

**School Finishes at 3.30pm………….………..**

At 3:30pm all children are dismissed from their classroom to go home. At times, a parent may have an emergency where they are running late, but this should be the EXCEPTION and not the norm.

I am concerned about the children who are not picked up on time and can be waiting until after 4:00pm to be picked up. The school office is not a care facility for children after school, and children should not be waiting somewhere around the school on their own. Every parent has the responsibility to pick up their child/ren at 3:30pm. Yard supervision finishes at 3:45pm. If you have a commitment, you can arrange for your child to go to After School Care. They cater for occasional care and are really well subsidised. Please ring the OSCH Club on **8564 9000** or go to their website at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) and enquire.

**No Exceptions. No Excuses**

As temperatures begin soar, so too do the dangers of leaving kids alone in cars on hot days.

To remind parents of the risks, ‘*No Exceptions. No Excuses*’ was re-launched alongside Kidsafe ahead of the 2014/2015 summer season.

On hot days, the temperature jumps as soon as the car door closes. Within minutes the temperature in the car can double, which can be extremely dangerous – even fatal – for children left inside. Although it is never the intention to leave children alone for long, many parents do so while making a quick stop at the newsagent, chemist, or corner shop.

A quick stop to pick something up can take much longer than expected. Research shows that one in three parents admit to leaving children alone in the car, with one in five believing it is acceptable for less than five minutes.

Kidsafe Victoria Project Manager Jason Chambers said young children are particularly at risk as their body temperature can reach dangerous levels more quickly than expected.

‘A young child’s body temperature rises three to five times faster than an adults does, placing them at greater risk of life threatening heatstroke, dehydration and other health risks,’ Mr Chambers said.

When it’s 30 degrees outside, children could be suffering in up to 60 degree heat. When travelling with a child, parents need to make sure they take their child with them. No exceptions. No excuses.

Although summer is still a few weeks away, Victoria has already experienced several hot days and parents need to be mindful of the risks.

**For more information, see:**

- [Kids in Hot Cars](#)
- [Children Left Unattended In Cars – Kidsafe Victoria](#)
- [Safety: Hot weather – Better Health Channel](#)
Reminders... ..... Enrolments For 2015 – Are You Moving??
If you are leaving our school and will not require a place at Greenvale Primary School in 2015 you need to let the office
know immediately. We are currently organizing class structures for 2015, so it is essential that we are informed of any
students who are leaving.

Food For Thought:
“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched - they must be felt with the
heart”. Helen Keller

Collection of 2015 Student Book Packs
Suzanne Leahy - Business Manager
This year the ‘Student Book Pack Collection’ will be held on allocated days for each grade level as follows –

2015 Year 1 and Year 2 Student Book Pack Collection Day
Tuesday 9th December

2015 Year 3 and Year 4 Student Book Pack Collection Day
Wednesday 10th December

2015 Year 5 and Year 6 Students Book Pack Collection Day
Thursday 11th December

Parents are requested to collect their child’s book pack from the Music Room outside entrance door in Langdon Way
between the hours of 9.00am to 11.00pm and 2.30pm to 4.00pm on these days.

Parents must have paid the full amount of $145 for Educational Expenses before collecting their child’s Book Pack.
Payments can be made at the school office on the day.

These will be the only collection days for this year - the other collection day will be in Term 1 next year on Friday 30th
January, 2015 from the main office.

Election Day Sausage Sizzle BBQ
On the State Election Day Saturday 29th November our school will be used as a polling booth. Our Events Committee
will be running a BBQ on the day to raise funds for our school projects which include shade up grade and repairs to
school oval.

Please come along and grab a sausage or a drink before or after you vote. If you have already voted just pop by to say
“Hello” and support the school by purchasing a sausage or drink

Christmas Raffle
Raffle tickets will be coming home shortly. We have some great prizes donated by the
communities of Greenvale, Roxburgh Park and surrounding local areas.

The Raffle will be drawn on Monday 15th December at morning assembly

Commonwealth Bank Student Banking - Rewards Item Stock Update
Margaret Hatton – Student Bank Coordinator
We have received notification that the Handball and Swimming bag are now limited stock. We are expecting for both
items to be out of stock in approximately 2 weeks. We will not be receiving further stock.
Parents, relatives & friends,
You’re Invited!

To our
Christmas
Concert 2014!

Thursday 11th December
5.00pm to 6.00pm
On the Greenvale Primary School
basketball courts
Bring your own chair
and food

Free entry
All students will be entertaining you with
Christmas songs
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Come and join the fun at Broadmeadows Netball!

Divisions in 2015:
11 & U
13 & U
15 & U

Indoor Venue and games are played Monday afternoons.

- Registrations are now open for new teams to join our Junior Netball Competition in 2015.
- We are also seeking individual players (boys and girls!) between the ages of 8 and 13 years to play in some existing teams. Beginner and experienced children are welcome.

To register or for more information please call 0417 582 162 or email broadmeadowsnetball@hotmail.com

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WHO
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WHEN
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8:00am - 5:00pm Daily

INFO
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1. Online: www.kellysports.com.au
2. Call/email Mitch (Contact details above)
3. Return the form: P.O Box 71 Moonee Vale

WHY NOT TRY!
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Let us organise all the games and activities for your child’s party. We can tailor the event to include all of your sport preferences.
For more info, go to www.kellysports.com.au
Greenvale and Craigieburn Tennis Clubs

Tennis Opportunities before Christmas

Family and Friends Day
Sunday November 30th
Craigieburn Tennis Club
9:30am-10:30am
Greenvale Tennis Club
11.00am-12.00 midday

Community Tennis Play:
Is a 3-week tennis program through December. Opportunity for kids to play tennis in a fun supportive environment with the focus on enjoying the game with friends and being a good sport.

All children receive a FREE T-Shirt

When?
Craigieburn T.C.: Monday 1st Dec – 15th Dec 4.00 - 5.00pm
Greenvale T.C.: Tuesday 2nd Dec – 16th Dec 4.00 - 5.00pm

More Information call: 9333-6525
www.completetennis.com.au

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Summer Reading Club

This summer get ready for an adventure!
The Summer Reading Club’s – Adventure starts on Monday 1 December and runs throughout the summer holidays.

Open to children aged 0 to 17 years of age; children are encouraged to read as many books as they can to go into the draw for some fabulous prizes.
Children can come in to their local library to pick up a copy of the reading record or print a copy from the website.

www.humelibraries.vic.gov.au

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