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.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

School Website: www.greenvaleps.vic.edu.au

Term 3 Parent/Student Calendar is on Page 5

JULY
Monday  27th  Year 2 Hands On Science Incursion
Tuesday  28th  Foundation Silly Scientist Incursion
Tuesday  29th  Foundation – 100 Days of School
Thursday  30th  Staff Curriculum Day – Students DO NOT Attend School On This Day

NETBOOK PAYMENTS DUE
Monday  3rd August  Year 4 Netbook Payment Due
Wednesday  5th August  Year 5 & Year 6 Netbook Payment Due

From The Principal’s Desk

Angelika Ireland

Year 3 & 4 Coffee & Chat
Parents with children in Year 3 or Year 4 are invited to attend our Coffee & Chat session after assembly in the staffroom on Monday 27 July. All families should have received an invitation this week. These sessions are designed to give parents an opportunity to

- Meet and chat with other parents
- Give feedback on how our school is going
- Table questions and ideas

If you have attended a previous Coffee & Chat because you have a child in Foundation, Year 1 or 2, you do not need to attend another unless you want to have further input.

2015 Parent Opinion Survey
Each year the Department of Education and Early Childhood (DEECD) gives parents in every school across the State the opportunity to respond to a Parent Opinion Survey outlining the community perceptions of the functioning of the school their children attend. The overall objective of the Parent Opinion Survey is to collect data about parent opinions and for individual schools to then use this information to drive further improvements. It is mandatory for schools to participate in the survey which is an important part of parent engagement and assists with future planning and improvement. As in previous years, 15 per cent of our families are randomly selected to participate. If your family has been selected to participate, the survey will be sent to you on Friday 24th July, and you are requested to return the completed survey to school by Friday 31st July.

If you receive a survey, please complete the questionnaire, put it into the envelope, write the name and year level of your child on the back of the envelope and return it to reception at school. As students return the completed questionnaires to school in the sealed envelopes, we will mark that your survey has been returned and tear off the back flap with the child’s name on it. We are required to return surveys to DEECD in the unopened envelopes. The survey is confidential and designed to protect the identity of individual respondents. Please take the time to respond to this survey as we value your opinions.
Making our school the best we can.................
Earlier this year, we expressed an interest to become part of the Myer Project which spans over three years, and were very excited to be accepted.
The Project is a partnership between schools, universities, DET and McRel. There are a number of clusters in Victoria and some in Queensland.

The Project Objectives are to:
1. Improve student outcomes and develop student learning skills,
2. Improve the quality of teaching by strengthening and expanding the skill base of teachers, with all teachers (and pre-service teachers) familiar with and able to deploy the ten theories of action and at least three models of practice and all schools able to “cover off” on all six models of practice,
3. Reduce variability in teaching through the implementation of school improvement teams, teacher planning teams, peer observation, new operating structures and the effective use of data and research.

So far, the leadership team have attended a briefing and spent two days at forums with other schools involved to set directions for the future. This involvement is a natural progression from Greenvale PS participation in the old Northern Region’s Achievement Improvement Zones.

Preventing Cyber Bullying for our children..........,
As a parent, do you know who your child is connecting with online? Do you know what sites they are accessing? Are they keeping themselves safe?
The Australian Government has a newly formed Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner and has introduced a cyberbullying complaints scheme administered by the Office under the Enhancing Online Safety for Children Act 2015.
The Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner is a one-stop-shop for online safety. The Office provides Australians with a range of information and resources, coupled with a comprehensive complaints system to assist children who experience serious cyber bullying online.
The aim of the Office is to help guide children and young people toward safe, enjoyable experiences online. The Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner hopes to encourage behavioural change—where Australian children and young people act responsibly online—just as they would offline.
Their goal is to create an environment in which cyberbullying is truly unacceptable. To achieve this, they hope to both educate and help prevent harmful online behaviour from occurring in the first place because they believe that all kids deserve to be safe online.
The site contains numerous resources and information that both parents and schools would find helpful. Go to www.esafety.gov.au to find out more.

Help Shape the Education State
With the release of the proposal by the State Government to make and create Victoria as an Education State, consultation is underway. As parents of children in a school, you may contribute to this consultation and have a say in what needs to be done to become an Education State. Join the Education State Consultation at www.educationstate.education.vic.gov.au

Excursion / Incursion payments
Just a reminder that late payments are not being accepted for excursions or incursions. These special events are planned with enough time to allow all families to organise their permission slip and payment by the due date.
To organise an excursion takes a lot of time and planning. Bookings for venue, buses, notes home, collection of payments, planning supervision for students who don’t attend etc.
On the day of the excursion teachers are so busy organising their students they don’t have time to collect and process late payments. Usually bus seats are already allocated taking into account student numbers. Please don’t create an embarrassing scenario for all by expecting us to take your child after the payment date is due.
Parents in Partnership – Introducing another one of our Parent Reps

I'm pleased to announce that the Parent Rep Display Board has been set up on the Noticeboard near the Uniform Shop. Thank you to all the Parent Reps who have provided photos and stories. If your photo is not included please forward it to your child’s class teacher (or to me) and I will make a new poster for your child’s class. If I have not received your story please forward this on so it can be included in the Newsletter.

Hi, my name is Liz Nugent.
I am Parent Rep for Grade 3/4S.
I have two boys at school, one in Year 3 and one in Year 4. I have been a parent helper for many years and always tried to help out around the school where possible.
I worked in veterinary sciences for 20 years and then became a stay at home mum. I have recently gone back to school myself and have been working casually as an integration aide.
I enjoy living on my small hobby farm with my husband, children and all the animals.
I love camping and the outdoors and seeing our amazing country.

Food For Thought
“ If you can’t fly, then run,
If you can’t run, then walk,
If you can’t walk, then crawl,
But whatever you do,
You have to keep moving forward.” - Martin Luther King Jnr.

Assistant Principal’s Report
Meredith Clegg

Woolworths Earn & Learn

The Woolworths EARN & LEARN promotion is underway and our school wants to make the most of this opportunity to receive free educational resources. Please help by shopping at Woolworths and collecting the Earn & Learn Stickers between 15th July and 8th September 2015.

Attach the stickers to a Sticker Sheet. You can get your Sticker Sheets any Woolworths Supermarket or you can download the from woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn. Place the completed Sticker Sheet in the Earn & Learn Collection Box at the school office.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE Every Day Counts!
These are the student attendance statistics since the start of the year. In the first week of this term there were a high number of absences, which has increased the average absence rate per student quite considerably.

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Community Events News
Jodie Howitt, Sharon Matuauto and Sarah Muscat - Community Events Committee

We have some fantastic events coming up that will all benefit our School Community.

**Term 3**
**Chocolate Drive:**
Chocolate boxes were distributed through the Classrooms on Wednesday to the eldest child. Monies are to be returned by Friday 7th August.

**Save this Date - Father's Day  Friday 4th September**
Parents helpers will be required, a note will go home closer to the date.

**Term 4**
"Stickybeaks"  Reusable lunch bags and pouches

**Christmas Raffle**
Winding up the year with our sensational Christmas Raffle
If any families are interested in donating a Raffle prize now is the time to start thinking about it. A note will go home Term 4

Thanks and looking forward to working with all the community volunteers for our upcoming events.

**Uniform Shop News**
Dianne Barresi

**Uniform Shop Days and Hours**
- During Term 3, the Uniform shop is open **fortnightly between the hours of 8:45am and 11:30am.**
- If you are unable to be at the shop early, you can arrange to meet your child at the shop during recess hours, **11:00am to 11:30am**

The next Shop day will be **28th July  2015** , followed by:
- 11th August
- 25th August
- 8th September

**Class Room Orders**
- Classroom orders are only processed on **Tuesdays.**
- Uniform orders can be sent any day using the classroom order system
- Classroom orders will be filled and returned to your child’s classroom on **Tuesdays.**
- Ensure that you have the current 2015 order form and correct payment.
- Incorrect order forms and payment will delay the process of your order.

**Year 5 Students - Special Year 6 Uniforms – 2016**
During Term 3, the Uniform Shop will commence the ordering process for the special 2016 Year 6 Uniform. This Uniform is available to all our current Year 5 students.

If your child will be absent from school for an extended period this term, please contact Dianne Barresi from the Uniform Shop to make arrangements, so that your child does not miss out on their 2016 Year 6 Uniform.

**Long Sleeve Polo Tops**
The Uniform Shop has a limited stock of Long Sleeve Polo Tops available in Green. Please note that not all sizes are available in Green so please contact the shop prior to placing your order.
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Asthma Kids

Our new Asthma Kids site helps children and their parents/carers learn more about asthma in a fun and engaging way.

Monthly prize draws!
On successful completion of the trail, children can enter a monthly prize draw to win a Grit scooter and helmet or a voucher for Spencil stationery!

To find out more about asthma contact your Asthma Foundation on 1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462).

Asthma Australia
Supported with funding from the Australian Government's Asthma Management Program

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Get free help with your tax return from a Tax Help volunteer.

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Australian Taxation Office

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Get into Tennis – Term 3 Special!
The NEW Hume Tennis and Community Centre is offering half price tennis lessons, for anyone who starts tennis in Term 3. More info: call 1300 486 382, Email: office@humetennis.com.au
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