

Our School Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Megan Lockery

Remembrance Day Assembly

Today we commemorated Remembrance Day with a student led assembly. The members of the Years 2-6 Student Representative Council (SRC) explained the significance of Remembrance Day and reflected on the sacrifices made by armed service men and women and medical corps. Simon S played a stirring rendition of 'The Last Post' and students paused for a minute's silence. The SRC, Simon and Mrs Walker did a wonderful job presenting this assembly. Students exited listening to the music 'Heroes Marching'.



We also heard about the *The Pozières French- Australian School Project*. This initiative is being organised by the Camp Gallipoli Foundation, a not for profit organisation established to educate Australian children about particular moments during World War 1. To help mark Remembrance Day, school children across Australia were asked to bring in a gold coin donation to help rebuild a school in the village of Pozières in France, where thousands of Australian troops died in fierce fighting in 2016. The campaign proposes to build seven classrooms, a teachers' common room, a small library, toilets, an assembly hall and some accommodation, commencing July next year.

Donations to the *Pozières French –Australian School Project* will be collected for the rest of this week. Please give your donation to Mrs Walker. Thank you for your generosity.



Reading Eggs/Mathletics in 2016

In 2016 GPS will no longer be subscribing to Reading Eggs and Mathletics due to low levels of interest. If you wish to continue with these programs you will need to subscribe as a private individual.

Student Leadership Elections for 2016

Year 5 students have begun the process of applying for a student leadership position in 2016. The policy was issued to students on Tuesday and can be found as an attachment to this newsletter.

Selective HS Reminder

Online applications for 2017 Year 7 Selective HS close on November 16. Please ensure that you have applied by this date.

Interrelate

Thank you to those who attended the Interrelate sessions last Monday night. Each session had over 180 participants. Our educator was both informative and entertaining.



Group Photos

Photos of sports, music dance, choir, Year 6 Muck-up and Student Representative Council groups are now available for purchase online at advancedlife.com.au using the Code PY2EMPQTY. You may view these photos on the notice board in the school hall.

Megan Lockery

Principal

Northern Suburbs Primary School Tennis Challenge 2015

Last Saturday November 7 our GPS tennis team of Greenwich PS played in the finals of Northern Suburbs Primary School Challenge 2015.

We were among 13 top tennis schools from the North Shore, playing against each other for the NSTA Shield. There were many other schools playing different divisions at other tennis centres on the night. As a new team in the finals we did a great job finishing in the equal 11th place with Queenwood School for Girls.



It was awesome to have a taste of a higher level of tennis at the finals. We now have an idea of what to expect next year.

Michael J (5LV)

Year 1 to Year 2 Transition - Parent Orientation Morning

Ms Parrella and Mr Richmond would like to invite parents and carers of current Year 1 students to an orientation morning and tour of the Kingslangley Rd Campus on Tuesday 24 November from 9.30-10.30am. This is a great opportunity for parents who have not had a child attend school at the Kingslangley Rd campus to familiarise themselves with this campus. Parents/carers will be shown around the school and will have the opportunity to participate in a question and answer session. Please note that this morning is for parents/carers only.

Luke Richmond
Assistant Principal

Kindergarten Goes to the Farm

On Friday 6 November, Kindergarten students had a wonderful excursion to Calmsley Hill City farm in Abbotsbury. The students were able to see with their own eyes, many farm animals, farmers and how farms operate. The students impressed the farmers with their knowledge of farm animals and farm processes. We saw donkeys, alpacas, cows, ducks, geese, pigs, sheep and even a camel, peacock and lizards. The students got to snuggle with and pat baby lambs, chicks and kids. They were able to see a calf drink from its



mother and also had the chance to milk a cow. We enjoyed watching the whip show and thought our KJS mum, Katie Petering was a natural



when she had her turn. Watching the cheeky but clever Dot round up the sheep was fascinating and we all enjoyed having a sing-a-long at the end of the day watching a very woolly sheep being shorn.

Thanks to the parents that came along to help supervise, do toilet stops and fill up water bottles. A special big thank you to the Kindergarten students for exhibiting exceptional behaviour and representing Greenwich PS proudly. What a great day!!

Kristy Johnson, Kindergarten Assistant Principal



P&C NEWS

Gonski

The Greenwich P&C is supporting the 'I Give A Gonski' campaign, which is focused on making sure the Federal Government delivers on its commitments to provide additional funding to public schools.

If you are interested in supporting this program please go to

www.igiveagonski.com.au

Christmas Wine Drive- Stock up now!

The P&C is running a Christmas Wine Drive this year. There is a great selection of wine, which is priced at Dan Murphy specials but as an extra bonus for every case sold Wine Direct will generously donate \$50 back to the P&C. The deal also includes free delivery to your door. Simply email the form directly to them.

Please see attached the wine order form or download from

www.greenwichpandc.org.au

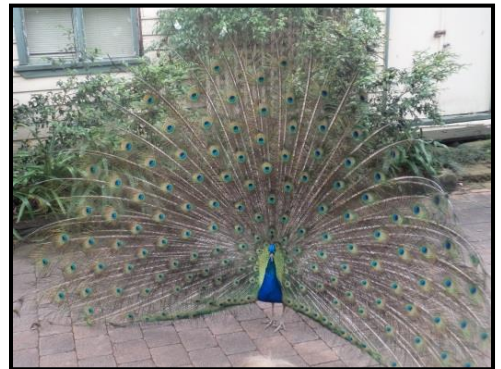
Adam and Dave

ART SHOW CARDS

Gift card packs remaining following the recent Art Show are now available for sale on Flexischools (www.flexischools.com.au). Many class cards did sell out so there are only limited packs available until sold out.

PERFORMING ARTS

String Ensemble





Does your child want to learn the VIOLIN or CELLO at Greenwich Public School? ¶

Accepting enrolments for 2016 ¶

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Please call Anita Crawford on 0430 763 493 ¶

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From the Office

For 2016 School Student Transport Scheme Passes:

For the 2016 School year students who already have a school travel (SSTS) pass will automatically receive their own Opal card (sent to school) at the beginning of the 2016 school year. However this does not include children entering Year 3 or 7 who will need to re-apply.

Please see the list below for further details.

2016 Passes can be applied for online at:

<https://tfnsw-prod-iac.pegacloud.com/ApplySSTS/ApplySSTS.html>

When you've completed the online application, you'll need to print off a copy of your completed application and hand it in at your school for endorsement.

If you don't have a printer, you'll be able to save your application as pdf and print it later.

However, you will need to complete an application form if:

- applying for SSTS for the first time
- enrolling in kindergarten
- progressing from year 2 to year 3
- progressing from year 6 to year 7
- changing name, school and/or address
- requesting a new additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation.

Eligibility

To be eligible a student must be a resident of NSW and enrolled as:

- an infant student (K-2) older than 4 years and 6 months who lives any distance between home and school
- a primary student (Years 3-6) who lives more than 1.6km (straight line distance) from school, or 2.3km or more by the most direct practical walking route
- a secondary student (Year 7-12) who lives more than 2km (straight line distance) from school, or 2.9km or more by the most direct practical walking route
- Students who live too close to school for a SSTS pass, may be eligible for a Term Bus Pass.

2016 Term Passes can be applied for online at:

<https://tfnsw-prod-iac.pegacloud.com/ApplyTBP/ApplyTBP.html>

MERIT AWARDS Week 6**Years K/1****Years 2-6**

Bronze Awards



Bronze Awards



Silver Awards



Silver Awards



DIARY DATES**TERM 4****WEEK 6****Wednesday 11 November**

- Top of the Hill, Hunters Hill High School (15 senior students)

Thursday 12 November

- 2MS, KNH Robotics excursion

WEEK 7**Monday 16 November**

- Stage 2 Field of Mars incursion

Wednesday 18 November

- KJS, 1MR, 1LR Robotics excursion

Thursday 19 November

- 2SH Robotics excursion (amended date)

WEEK 8**Tuesday 24 November**

- Year 2 2016 Information Morning 9.30am – 10.30am

Wednesday 25 November

- 1OF, 1LR and KSM Robotics excursion

Thursday 26 November

- 4pm School Council Meeting and AGM
- 1AK, KKJ, 1LR Robotics excursion

Friday 27 November

- School Spectacular

WEEK 9**Monday 30 November**

- 6.30pm Performing Arts Concert

Thursday 3 December

- Public Schools High School Orientation Day
- Thank You Morning Tea 11am

WEEK 10**Monday 7 December**

- Greenwich Carols by Candlelight
- Year 6 Fun Day

Tuesday 8 December

- Presentation Assembly at Hunters Hill High School 10am

Wednesday 9 December

- Year 6 Graduation dinner

Thursday 10 December

- Stage 3 Strike Bowling, Chatswood

WEEK 11**Monday 14 December**

- Stage 3 Disco 5.30 – 7.30pm
- Stage 2 Picnic Day

Tuesday 15 December

- K-2 Picnic Day
- Stage 1 Picnic Movie Day

Wednesday 16 December

- K/1 Christmas Concert
- Years 2-6 Talent Quest
- 2pm Year 6 Graduation Assembly
- Last day of Term 4 for students

Term Dates for 2016**Term 1 January 28 – April 8****Term 2 April 26 – 1 July****Term 3 July 18 – 23 September****Term 4 October 10 – 20 December****HARDCOPY NOTES HOME THIS WEEK**

- Student Leader Election Process 2016

SURVEYS FOR YOUR ATTENTION

- Nil

EMAIL ATTACHMENTS HOME THIS WEEK

- Student Leader Election Process 2016
- P&C Wine Drive Order Form

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Holiday Programs

Junior Tennis & Sports Camps

From December 7 through to January 27

- Camps held rain, hail or shine during all school holiday periods
- Casual bookings and excursions available!
- **FREE** before care and racquet hire!

Term 1, 2016 Programs

From January 28 through to April 10

- ANZ Tennis Hot Shots Coaching (4-13yrs)
- Ladies & Adult Clinics (Beginnner & Intermediate)
- Private Lessons and more...