**Borough Bulletin March 4th 2016**

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<td>Easter Bonnet Parade and Easter Egg Hunt 9:15 AM 1:30 finish</td>
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<td><strong>Monday 11th April</strong></td>
<td>Start Term 2</td>
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<td>Starting to read 9:30 – 10:30</td>
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<td><strong>Monday 25th April</strong></td>
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**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

A big thank you to everyone who attended last Tuesday evening’s Twilight Sports. This is a great community event which features strongly in students’ memories of their school days and, as such, it is highly valued by everyone involved. A special thanks to the teaching staff, especially Chris Blake and Erin Donaldson, for coordinating events and to staff for volunteering their time to attend. Thanks also to the Parents’ Club for their catering and ongoing financial support of the school.

**PATHS Program**

Last Monday staff completed their second day of training in the PATHS (Promoting Alternate Thinking Strategies) program. This is an internationally recognised, research based program which sequentially assists students to develop skills in the five areas of:

- Emotional Understanding
- Self Control
- Building Self Esteem
- Peer Relations
- Problem Solving Skills
These are all important lifelong skills and we are pleased to have the opportunity to deliver this as part of our core school curriculum. Classroom teachers will communicate directly with the families of students in their grades to keep everyone informed on the timing and content of the delivery of the program. Many thanks to Maria Plesa for leading the implementation of PATHS at GPS.

Grades 3-6 Camp
There is great excitement regarding the Grade 3-6 camp next week and, on behalf of the school community, I would like to thank the staff for not only the enormous effort that goes into organising activities such as these but also for giving up the time with their families to spend two nights away from home caring for your children. Thanks also to the parent volunteers who will be assisting over the three days. Much like Twilight Sports, school camps are pivotal memories in children’s lives and we are all very much looking forward to hearing about the wonderful time had by all.

Student Details
Yesterday forms were sent home which contain all the current medical and contact details we have for your child. PLEASE check these forms, make any changes or adjustments if necessary, and return the forms to the school as soon as possible so we can ensure that we have up to date and accurate information on our files.

Student Accounts
On Monday statements will be sent home to all families who have outstanding amounts on their accounts. The accounts cover all items for which parents have responsibility for payment such as camps, excursions and individual student resources and workbooks. One of the items included in the annual student subject contribution is a subscription to Mathletics so students can access this excellent Mathematics program both at school and at home. This is a relatively expensive cost to the school but, if used, the benefits of the program make it worthwhile, so we hope all families take the opportunity to encourage their children to access and use Mathletics at home. As always, if parents require any additional support or information regarding student statements, we encourage you to contact the school office and we will assist in any way possible.

Buildings and Grounds
We work extremely hard to make the precious dollars we have for maintenance and improvements to our Buildings and Grounds go as far as they possibly can. In the first term holidays we have contractors coming in to paint the Prep double classroom and Erin’s Grade 1/2 room. We are planning to have one section of the school painted each year (unless we win Tattslotto in which case we’ll do more!) but either way we have a plan to sequentially update and refresh the walls and trimming in the school. On March 20th the Corrections Crew will spend the day at the school and we are hoping to have the balance of the donated mulch spread on garden beds and to also have purchased softfall mulch spread under the Lorimer St playground equipment. We are thrilled with the completed redevelopment of the old computer hub (now Curiosity Corner) and the refurbishment of a new withdrawal room off the library which was made possible by all the Science equipment being moved to the Heritage building and Wayne committing a significant amount of time and energy over the Christmas holiday break. With all of the positive feedback about the open wire fence being installed on the Grimshaw St /Circuit corner we are looking to match this fence design on the Horonda St /Grimshaw Corner. It is amazing how this has lifted the school’s profile in the area as it has given the outside community the opportunity to actually see our buildings and grounds and appreciate what great facilities we have.

It is extraordinary that there are only three weeks of his term remaining however we are very pleased with all the programs and initiatives underway thus far and are looking forward to continuing with our innovative and high quality curriculum programs in Term Two.

MARGARET HIRTH
Acting Principal
Parents & Friends

Food Day's
Thank you to Juishi Sushi for their support for the Sushi Food day this Friday. The final food day for this term will be a Bakers Delight day on Friday 18th of March.

Twilight Sports
A huge thankyou to all those parents who helped out with the BBQ – we couldn’t have done it without you!

Easter Raffle – donations needed
Easter eggs are in the shops, please consider making a small donation towards the Easter Raffle. A prize donation box will be available in the foyer near the front office. Thank you

Hot Cross buns
This year we will be selling Baker’s Delight Hot Cross buns as our fundraiser. We sell these for the same price as in store however each pack sold raises $2 for our school. Order forms will be coming out over the next couple of weeks.

Trivia Night – Save the date: Saturday 21st of May
Pop the date in your diary! Our main fundraiser for the year is a fantastic social evening open to families and friends of the school. Last year it raised over $6000, and everyone who attended had a great time.
If you would like to donate items for the auction, or know businesses that would like to donate, please let the front office know.

Kim Hill
On behalf of P&F

Pupil of the Week

Term One ~ Week 4 Week Ending February 19th 2016
Prep ~ Michael ~ For showing great determination while practising his writing.
Grade 1/2 A ~ Cash ~ For trying his best in all areas of his learning. Keep it up!
Grade 1/2 B ~ Levi ~ For always using his manners, listening to others and making good choices.
Grade 3/4 A ~ Luke ~ For his great JSC speech. Such confidence and amazing vocabulary.
Grade 3/4 B ~ Alex ~ For your attitude towards learning. Keep it up!
Grade 5/6 A ~ Chloe ~ For her outstanding work during Writing. Great use of vocabulary.
Grade 5/6 B ~ Maslah ~ For working so hard and starting his Grade 6 year so successfully.
Art ~ Darcy ~ For trying his best in Art and making excellent choices this week.
PE ~ Emily ~ For demonstrating great Tennis skills and helping others within PE.
Library ~ Paris ~ For starting the year as a fabulous borrower. Paris loves books.
Term One ~ Week 5  Week Ending February 26th 2016

Prep ~ Nala ~ For working so hard on her counting skills during Maths.
Grade 1/2 A ~ Emma ~ For working so hard on her writing. Well done on successfully using paragraphs.
Grade 1/2 B ~ Adrian ~ For showing confidence and independence towards all learning tasks. Well done!
Grade 3/4 A ~ Holly ~ For her amazing preparation and effort for Big Write this week.
Grade 5/6 A ~ Zac ~ For the outstanding effort he has put into all tasks. You’re a star!
Grade 5/6 B ~ Lilly ~ For the preparation and effort she put into her historical recount.
Library ~ Orlando ~ For doing such a great job sharing his work with the class. Well done!
PE ~ Levi Se ~ For being a good role model in PE classes.
Science ~ Paris ~ For amazing insight during class discussions. Keep up the good work.

Guardians of the Galaxy
ACTIVITIES FROM
6.30pm
Sat 5th March, 6.30pm-10.30pm
LOCATION
Anthony Beale Reserve
St Helena Road, St Helena
- FREE children’s activities, including face painting, start from 6:30pm
- Movie starts from 8:15pm
- BYO seating and blanket
- BYO picnic
- Sausage sizzle
- Meet your local Councillor Wayne Phillips and our ‘Out and About’ team
- Accessible event
- No bookings required

MORE INFORMATION
www.banyule.vic.gov.au or call us on 9490 4222
Welcome to another fantastic week of OSHClub News. I am happy to say that I have returned from my amazing trip overseas. It was great to be welcomed back by all the lovely families and children in the Greensborough Primary School community.

It seems that the children have been very creative whilst I was away with some fantastic art work being displayed in the OSHC room. The children have been busy with their pictures and paintings and using a variety of other available equipment to express their creativity. Well done to all our students.

It is hard to believe that the school holidays are approaching us in the next month. All families that are currently enrolled in OSHClub will be receiving an email with all the fantastic things we will be running over the holiday period. For all other families the holiday program will be available from the front office as well as being distributed to all the class rooms for students to take home. We would love to see you all there and don’t forget parents, if you need a break over the holiday period, OSHClub would love to have a playdate with anyone that would like to attend our program.

Just a reminder to all families that we close promptly at 6.00pm. A late charge of $2 per minute will be charged per child for any late pick-ups.

JACQUI BAKER
COORDINATOR

Program Update

Next Week’s Activities

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<td>Spring Flowers Handball</td>
<td>Drawing the seasons.</td>
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<td>Silent ball</td>
<td>Room signs</td>
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<td>Autumn colouring pages.</td>
<td>Summer butterfly fan</td>
<td>Springy snakes.</td>
<td>Cooking – Apple pastry squares.</td>
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<td>Winter umbrella.</td>
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Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0447-868-204
Coordinator: Jacqui Baker
Assistants: Tina Jack
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Greensborough Primary has a rich history of parents and family members volunteering their time to assist teachers with class and school programs or maintaining and beautifying our buildings and grounds and we are very appreciative of your support. The wonderful programs and school events we hold would not be possible without this assistance. Volunteers also give freely of their time at fundraising events and money raised is used to purchase items for your children. Parents and Friends, with your support, have raised money for iPads, interactive whiteboards for classrooms, laptop computers, the roof on the outside of the Library, outdoor furniture, Fruit Fridays and the list goes on.

Many parents often ask us how they can help at school while many others have their “regular” spot eg. At Bunnings barbecues or changing readers in class. To assist us with our planning and also to provide you with an opportunity to help out if you would like to volunteer, we have created the list below.

Please tick any areas you would like to assist us with and the coordinator of these events will contact you. If you have any additional ideas about helping at school please contact myself or Margaret. Thank you for your continued support for our school community – our students and staff appreciate your assistance.

Angela Morritt

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<td>Monday – Friday: 20 minutes – 1 hr, depending on task. Change readers, hear children read or assist in class program</td>
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<td>Fruit Friday</td>
<td>Friday mornings for approximately one hour, cutting fruit for classes. One or two mornings per term.</td>
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<td>Library</td>
<td>Contacting books, assisting with borrowing in junior grades’ lessons on Wednesday and Thursday.</td>
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<td>Mother’s Day and Father’s Day stall</td>
<td>Week of the event, for 2 hours, selling items and assisting children with choosing gifts.</td>
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<td>BBQs</td>
<td>Twilight Sports, Bunnings (Sat June 25th), Family Christmas Event – last Monday night of Term Four.</td>
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<td>Parents and Friends’ Lunch Day</td>
<td>1 – 2 hours, depending on number of people helping. Usually Friday morning 10 – 11.</td>
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<td>Canteen</td>
<td>Every Friday during lunchtime.</td>
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<td>Magic Maths</td>
<td>Term One: Monday 2:30, Tuesday 12:30, Friday 11:30. Hour sessions</td>
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<td>Inter School Sport</td>
<td>Tasks include: helping supervise at events, assist with walking to events, training/coaching or judging at athletics trials.</td>
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<td>Working Bees</td>
<td>At a time that suits you or on designated working bee dates: moving mulch, moving soil, planting etc.</td>
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<td>Gardening</td>
<td>At a time that suits you: weeding, cutting back branches, watering plants.</td>
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Name: ___________________________________________ Contact Number __________________________

Child/Children’s names________________________________ Grades_____________________

I am available to assist on the following days:
Monday am / pm Tuesday am / pm Wednesday am / pm Thursday am / pm Friday am / pm