

Green Valley Voice

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Congratulations to all the students who were presented at last week's assembly with an award. So many wonderful achievements from bronze, silver and behaviour awards to the amazing achievement of the students who successfully completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. And what about the students who have completed the PRC for

4 successive years, amazing!



Premiers Reading Challenge recipients

Congratulations also to the students who received a credit in the ICAS Mathematics competition and to Phillip in Year 3 for his distinction in this competition.

We have much of which we are very proud when it comes to the achievement of our students and this assembly last week was just a small sample of what has been achieved this year. Next week we will celebrate achievement of the 2013 school year at the annual presentation days.

Though we may be close to the end of the year, we need to make sure that attendance at school is of the highest priority for your children. We have done well this year to reduce our late arrivals from 32/day to around 10/day, but in my eyes, this is still not good enough and is something I will continue to pursue for 2014. We (families and schools) need to show our children how important it is to be punctual as a sign of respect. This is one of our three main rules at the school that we instil in our students, to be respectful. I am sure you will agree that if we raise respectful



Credits and distinction winners for the Mathematics competition

students, we will be leaving a strong legacy for the future years.

Can I urge you to complete the three cutoff slips on this newsletter to provide us with feedback to help set directions for the upcoming years.

Finally, an invitation is extended to all who have helped this year in anyway what so ever, to a morning tea on Wednesday 4th December at 11am in the school staffroom. We truly appreciate the help of our school families and community volunteers in assisting us to provide a quality education for our students. If you've been involved in any way at all in the school this year, we would love to see you to say thank you on behalf of our students.

Mr B Warwick
Principal

SCHOOL AMBASSADOR'S COLUMN



Hi students, It's Lachlan once again. Here is a topic I would like to bring to your attention: "School Bullying". No student should have to come to school in fear of being bullied, that is just not on. We have zero tolerance for that kind of behaviour here at GVPS. Students if you feel that you are being bullied REPORT IT - tell a teacher, school captains or prefect.

Remember we come to school for learning not bullying.

Thank you, Lachlan Beale
Your Green Valley School Ambassador.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

GATE OPENING TIMES

**Gate locked between
9.15 & 2.50 each day.**

**Between these hours
all visitors please
report to the office.**



In the interests of student safety and learning, from Monday 28th October, we have only be providing access to the school to collect students from 2.50pm each afternoon.

The pedestrian gates will only be open from 2.50pm each afternoon for collection of students. Please wait until this time before entering the school unless of course on other official school business.

HOMEWORK AND STUDY

Have your say and tell us what you need to effectively help your child with homework and study.

Complete the School A to Z survey: <http://bit.ly/184BFR3>

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

WHEN: Monday 9th December
WHERE: Cabramatta Leagues Club
TIME: 6.00pm—9.00pm
DRESS: Semi formal

PRESENTATION DAY

Our Presentation Day Ceremony is an opportunity for students to celebrate their achievements during the year. Our presentations will be held over 2 days.

WHEN: Years K-2—Thursday 12th December

Years 3-6— Friday 13th December

TIME: 9.30am for both days

WHERE: School hall

K-2 CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

HOSTED BY: K-2 Teachers
WHEN: Tuesday 3rd December
TIME: 2.10pm
All Parents are welcome.

YEAR 6 BIG NIGHT OUT

WHEN: Thursday 5th December
WHERE: Green Valley Public School
TIME: 5.30pm—10.00pm

A fun night of activities and games for our Year 6 students. Dinner will be provided for all students. A permission note has been sent home. Please ensure it is returned to your child's classroom teacher by Tuesday 3rd December.

STAGE 1 CELEBRATION DAY

We would like to say a huge thank you to all the students who dressed up for Stage One Celebration Day. Everyone looked fantastic and had a great day. We would also like to thank the many parents and grandparents who came to watch our Multicultural Dress Parade and assisted in our activities. The students thoroughly enjoyed participating in cooking, art, craft and dancing! - Stage One Team.

STAGE 2 CREATIVE ARTS SHOWCASE

WHEN: Tuesday 10th December
WHERE: School Hall
TIME: 2.00pm
WHO: Stage 2 classes

Parents are invited to come along to our creative and practical arts showcase to share what the students have been learning in visual arts, ceramics, music, dance, drama and sewing.

DIARY DATES

*Dates are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances, * indicates new or changed dates since last newsletter.*

DECEMBER

2	Last Homework Club
3	K-2 Assembly
4	P&C AGM
4	Year 6 Orientation Day
5	3-6 Assembly
*5	Year 6 Big Night Out
5	School Banking
9	Year 6 Farewell
10	Stage 2 Creative Arts Showcase
12	K-2 Presentation Day
12	School Banking
13	3-6 Presentation Day
13	P&C Raffle Draw
13	Reports distributed
16	Buzz Day
16	Special Morning Award Assembly
17	Green Valley Idol
17	Principal's Breakfast for Platinum Award Winners
18	Students last day of 2013

JANUARY

28	Staff return for 2014
29	Students return for 2014

GREEN VALLEY IDOL

Will be held on Tuesday 17th December in the school hall at 11.40am. Audition times will be announced for each stage soon. Start preparing your item so you are ready to perform! Acts could include: dancing, singing, playing an instrument or any other talent you may have. Parents are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing all your great talents!

CHRISTMAS POSTAL SERVICE

Starts next week! Students are invited to post their Christmas cards to classmates, friends in other classes and teachers in the sack outside 4B's classroom. Please make sure the recipient's name and class is on the envelope. Students can also write a letter to Santa and will receive a reply.

SPECIAL PBIS AWARD ASSEMBLY

WHEN: Monday 16th December

TIME: 9.00am

Awards will be given out at the morning assembly.

LIBRARY NEWS

Last Friday's PRC assembly hosted by KS and K/1RS was a celebration of reading. Our K-2 students have a PRC certificate as a reminder of the thirty special Premier's Reading Challenge books they shared with their class this year. The 3-6 award winners were those students who read twenty PRC books themselves. A special congratulations to class 5L, which had 90% of the class finish the challenge, and to our Platinum Award winners **Victoria Drakakis**, **Luke Pace** and **Brandon Sivieng** who have completed the PRC every year from Kindergarten to Year 6.

All library books borrowed by students are now overdue, so please return any outstanding loans to the library tomorrow. If library books are lost or damaged, \$10 is payable to the office. All bedtime bags are also due back this week. Mrs Reardon, Mrs Whittle.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held on Wednesday 4th December 2013. The following positions are up for nomination: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary & Parent Representative. Please come along to the meeting if you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions. Only financial members are eligible to vote.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP COMPETITION

School holiday camp is great. Free school holiday camp is even better! Enter the competition to win a Kids' Holiday Camp for your child and a friend. The prize is valid for summer and Easter holiday camps.

Enter the competition: <http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/win/>

P&C NEWS

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

1st Prize: Flat Screen TV

2nd Prize: Garden Blower

3rd Prize: A large Hamper

There will also be more Hamper prizes to be won!

Tickets and money are to be returned to the school office by Friday 6th December. The raffle will be drawn at the 3-6 Presentation Day on Friday 13th December.



In 1NR we have been learning about Celebrations



Have a look at our balloons! We blew in through straws to create our background.

We made lollipops and sweets to represent birthday parties.



One windy night there was a boy named Justin. He was five years old. He lived in a village named Tower Village. Justin was scared.

The wind got stronger and stronger. The curtains blew faster. Justin got scared. Justin pushed out of his bedroom and outside. He said, 'Help!' But nobody came...

By Shintel

Take a look at our story starters about a

spooky Halloween night!

One windy night there was a little boy named Lucas. He was in bed alone. He was scared. He could hear noises and he could see shadows. But the thing he was mostly afraid of was a witch. He could hear a voice that said, "Come here Lucas. Come Here."

Suddenly, the window blew open. Lucas was very scared. He hid under his blanket. He couldn't go to sleep. Then the door blew open and shut. He thought it was a ghost in the house.

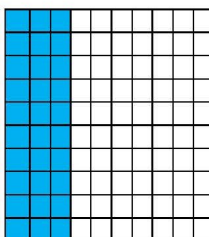
By Alexis

One Halloween night there was a little boy in his bed. The little boy was scared because the curtains were blowing and his window was open. He felt really scared. The little boy pulled back his blanket and he started crying. He was very scared. There was a gust of wind coming into his bedroom. The little boy rushed outside. He was screaming out, "Help!" and then he started crying some more.

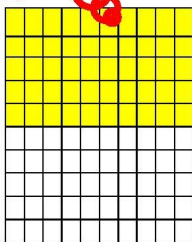
By Jade

Percentages, Decimals and Fractions

We also enjoy doing our work on the computer.



Fraction: $\frac{30}{100}$
 Decimal: 0.3
 Percentage: 30%



Fraction: $\frac{50}{100}$
 Decimal: 0.5
 Percentage: 50%

I went to the shops and saw a watch for \$300 and it was 35% off. How much did I save? \$90



\$300.00
 $10\% = \$30.00$
 $\$30.00 \times 3 = \90

4/5 W have been learning to calculate percentages using mental and written strategies.

I went to the market and saw a pencil case it was \$40 it had 25% off the full price. How much did I save? \$10.00

\$40.00
 $10\% = \$4.00$
 $4.00 \times 2 = \$8.00$
 $5\% + 20\% = \$8.00 + \2.00
 $25\% = \$10.00$ off the full price.

By Christina Le and Aneena



NSW SOFTBALL TEAM



On the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th of November I went to play NSW Representative Softball at Blacktown International Sports Park. There were 6 teams including our team. The teams were A.C.T., Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, New South Wales and New South Wales invitational. I was in the NSW invitational team but I didn't care.

The 4th

The first game we played was against S.A. and we won. The score was 8-0. We played on diamond 3. Zara hit a homerun and got 2 other people home. She hit the ball and it went to the fence. It was a really good hit. Everyone was cheering her on when she was running the bases. The second game we played was against Victoria and we won again. The score was 20-5. We played on diamond one which had a grand stand. Sarah S hit a homerun and Tara got a homerun off a bunt. She got home because of their over throws. Sarah's hit went to the outfield and they missed it.

The 5th

On the 5th we first played NSW. We lost 18-2. I took an awesome catch to Sasha. It was going to centerfield but then I came in and ran to the ball to catch it on the full and I didn't drop it once it was in my glove. It was a bad game because we weren't cheering a lot and we weren't batting good. Our second game was against A.C.T. We won this game as well. The score was 16-0. We had a good game because we were cheering, batting and fielding great. Georgia Barton hit a homerun so did Isla and Zara. That game was the best game so far that we had played. Next we played QLD. We won 26-4. We mercy ruled them. We were talking better than before. To finish the game I took another awesome catch. The ball was going over my head and then I jumped up and caught the ball. We all did some outfield hits.

The 6th

On Wednesday we went to Darling Harbour to go the wildlife park and the aquarium. I had lots of fun at the aquarium. I saw lots of sharks and big fish. A shark swam under me. I took lots of photos. At the wildlife park I saw a crocodile above and below water. It was 4 metres long.

The 7th

First we played A.C.T. We won 25-1. We had a really great game. There was lots of cheering, great fielding and great batting. We may have got hit a few times but we got on base. Our coach said to do whatever we can do to get on base. Next we played NSW we lost but we got 7 home so we did a lot better than the last game we played them. We did some more outfield hits. Our fielding was great and so was our batting. We lost 25-7. Next we played S.A. we won 23-4. We had another bad game because our cheering wasn't loud, our batting was bad and so was our fielding. We only did some good hits but they were really good ones.

The 8th

We played QLD again but we lost 10-3 because it was really hot. Otherwise we would have won. Our batting was bad and so was our fielding. There was good cheering but we needed to cheer a lot more than we did. It was a bad game. Our last and final game was against Victoria. We won. We mercy ruled them 28-0. We were cheering, batting and fielding very, very well. That game was the second best game out of the whole tournament. We got hit by the ball a few times but we didn't care. All that mattered was that we got on base.



By Jasmine Gunn 4/5W

FREE School Holiday Program



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Dates:

Tuesday	14th January
Wednesday	15th January
Tuesday	21st January
Wednesday	22nd January
Time:	10am—2pm

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9732 6502

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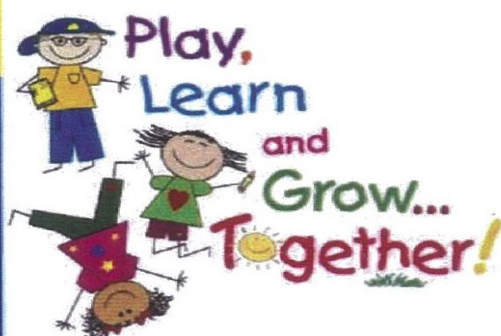
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Wednesday 4th December
9.00am in the school Staffroom
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SCHOOL SATISFACTION SURVEY

Please complete this slip and return it to the school office by Friday 22nd November

Circle on the following 1-10 scale your response to the following question:

Imagine a new neighbour moves in next to you.

How likely would you be to recommend Green Valley PS to the new neighbour as the school to enrol their children?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Would you like to make any comments about Green Valley PS to help us improve what we do?

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2014 CLASSES

When forming classes for 2014, please take into consideration the following for my child _____ who is currently in year _____ in class _____.

Name _____ Signed _____ Date _____

Please complete additional details over page if necessary or if requesting consideration for more than one child.

ENROLMENTS 2014

Please complete this slip and return it to the school office if your child/children **are not** returning to Green Valley PS for 2014 or will be returning but later in the 2014 school year.

Year 6 students need not return this form

My child/children _____ will not be returning to Green Valley PS in 2014.

They will be moving to the following school _____.

OR

My child/children _____ will not be returning to Green Valley PS for the start of the 2014 school year. They will return to Green Valley PS by _____ (Date)

Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

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