

# Green Valley Voice

Green Valley Public School

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



The importance of education is, I am sure you will agree, vital in the development of healthy, happy successful students who are able to participate fully as an active member of society.

The skills of reading, writing and mathematics need to be honed very carefully at an early age so that more complex concepts can be mastered in the latter years of primary and into high school.

The more time and effort put into developing skills and knowledge, the greater the rewards. So it goes without saying that being at school regularly for every minute the school is open will enhance the chances of success.

We have set a challenge for the students to be at school on time every day. Currently just over 30 students a day do not make it to school for the start of the school day. This impacts greatly on the smooth start to the day for admin staff, class teachers, but more importantly the impact on their education.

I would dearly love to have all students at school on time every day, but I have set the challenge of getting us down to 5 students a day or less signing in late.

The students believe we can do it, but we need your support to make it happen.

School begins at 8.50am. Ideally students should be here for at least a few minutes of play before the 8.50 bell, this way they can be part of the morning assembly routine and get a chance to catch up with friends before the day begins.



You will soon see in your letterbox or in the Liverpool Champion and advertisement similar to the graphic on this page. If you know of a family who is looking to start school next year, could you please pass on the information about the evening we have planned for the 18th June.

*B Warwick*

Mr B Warwick

Principal

## CONGRATULATIONS

### AUSSIES OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Mark and Lucas for being nominated and selected as the Aussie of the Month for displaying the values of Green Valley PS and Australia.



Mark Parlapiano 4C

Lucas Dinh Tram 1TJ



### PUBLIC EDUCATION AMBASSADOR

Congratulations to Lachlan Beale who was nominated and selected to be the GVPS Public Education Ambassador.

## AMBASSADORS COLUMN

Teachers expect students to come to school each day on time with good manners, respect and the willing to learn. Students rely on teachers to teach and educate us for our future.



Both teachers and students can work together to learn, listen and respect each other.

Students are expected to arrive at school on time so that they don't miss out on important lessons, messages of the day and don't disrupt classes.

Green Valley Public School is now monitoring the lateness of students with a wall chart. We need to value this by arriving at school on time to start lessons all together.

Thanking you. Lachlan Beale, *your Green Valley Public School Ambassador*

## Green Valley Public School

Your Local Public School

### Open Night



Enrolling now for 2014!

Come along on Tuesday 18th June at 7pm to find out about your local school and the quality teaching and learning that happens at Green Valley Public School.

Call 9607 8710 for more details or RSVP by email to [greenvally-p.schools@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:greenvally-p.schools@det.nsw.edu.au)



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# SCHOOL INFORMATION

## WALKATHON

Year 6 is holding their annual fundraising event to raise funds towards their farewell and a gift to the school. The walkathon will take place on Wednesday 5th June. Sponsorship forms have been sent home to collect donations. When the donations are totalled, it will allow your child to choose ONE prize from the prize sheet that was sent home. All sponsorship cards and money must be returned to school by Tuesday 4th June with your child's name, class and amount written on the sponsorship card. On the day of the Walk-a-thon, we ask that students wear their sports uniform and bring a drink bottle.

K-2 will commence at 9.30am—10.30am and Years 3-6 will commence at 12.00pm—1.30pm. Parents are welcome to attend. Part of this day will include Cupcake Day. Proceeds raised from this part of the day will go towards a family of GVPS who have lost their possessions in a fire. Please get behind the family and show them your support.

## AASC FITNESS CLUB

Due to a public holiday on Monday 10th June, Fitness Club for students in K-2 will be held on Thursday 13th June (only for that week).

## STAGE ONE INCURSION

Just a reminder that the Stage One Reptiles Incursion will be on tomorrow, Tuesday 4th June in the hall. Students who have returned their permission slip and payment in 1TJ, 1NR, 1/2WL, 2A and 2Z will attend.



Mission Australia

## FAMILY COUNSELLING

Mission Australia have a free family counselling service here each Tuesday for confidential family support. Either contact the school for a referral or simply drop in on Tuesdays from 2-3pm with the friendly Mission Australia staff.

## SPORT— PSSA TRIALS

Season 2 Green Valley PSSA trials will be held on the 7th June 2013. Students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be given the opportunity to try out for Boys Soccer, Girls Oz-tag, Mixed Rugby League, Mixed Netball, Mixed AFL and Mixed Newcombeball.

PSSA coaches will trial students based on a range of skills and will finalise their decision with a game. Please be aware that some trials will be held on Mihajlovic Oval behind the school. Students are advised to trial in a sport which is their first preference as they may not be given the opportunity to trial for their second preference.

Students will be notified by a note whether they have been successful. Students who make a PSSA team are required to make a payment of \$5.00 each week, regardless of a forfeit. The payment covers administration fees to the GVPSSA and the cost of transport to and from the venue.

Students will be committed to a training day that could be held out of school hours. Some students will also have the responsibility of looking after a jersey in which they have to bring in their bag every Friday and will have to return at the end of the season. Failure to return a jersey will require a payment of \$20.00. Parents are welcome to attend their child's PSSA game. Students who are unsuccessful will be participating in school sport on a weekly basis. More information to follow.

## DIARY DATES

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

### JUNE

- 4 Stage 1 Incursion
- 5 P&C Meeting
- 5 School Walkathon
- 5 ICAS Science Competition
- 6 Student Banking
- 6 Stage 3 NRL
- 7 PSSA Trials
- 10 QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
- 12 K/1RS Incursion
- 13 Student Banking
- 13 3-6 Assembly
- 14 PSSA Round 1
- 17 ICAS Writing Competition
- 18 ICAS Spelling Competition
- 20 Stage 2 National Parks Excursion
- 20 Student Banking
- 20 Stage 3 Incursion
- 21 P&C Disco
- 21 PSSA Round 2
- 24 Stage 3 Camp
- 24 Stage 2 Incursion
- 25 Stage 3 Camp
- 25 K-2 Assembly
- 26 Stage 3 Camp
- 27 Buzz Day
- 27 Student Banking
- 28 PSSA Round 3
- 28 K-6 Assembly
- 28 LAST DAY OF TERM 2

### JULY

- 15 Staff development Day
- 16 Students return for Term 3
- 18 Student Banking
- 19 PSSA Round 4
- 24 OC Test
- 25 Student Banking
- 26 PSSA Round 5
- 30 K-2 Assembly
- 31 ICAS English Competition
- 31 Choir Rehearsal

### AUGUST

- 1 Education Week Celebrations
- 1 Australian Mathematics Competition
- 1 Student Banking
- 2 PSSA Round 6
- 13 ICAS Mathematics

## Next P&C Meeting

Wednesday 12th June  
9.00am in the school Staffroom  
All Welcome.



## P&C NEWS

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We had a successful Mother's Day stall on the 9th May and we hope all our mothers were happy with their gifts. Thank you to all the parents who helped with the Mother's Day working bee, we've met some new faces. Thank you to Sonia Zerafa for her excellent organisation of the Family Portrait Day. The P&C will now be selling cupcakes each Friday afternoon for \$2 each in front of the Cubbyhouse.

### FAMILY PORTRAITS

The Family Portrait Day was a great success and all families were very happy with their photos. We raised \$755.00.

### SCHOOL DISCO

Will be held on Friday 21st June. All tickets will be \$5.00 per student. Tickets can be purchased by putting \$5 in an envelope with your child's name and class and given to the school office. On the day of the disco the tickets will be handed out in class. K-2 will be from 5.00pm—6.30pm and 3-6 will be from 7.00pm—8.30pm. Food and drink will be available on the night.

### SPRING FAIR

Saturday 14th September. More details will be available in the next newsletter.

## Debating

On Thursday 30th May the Green Valley Public School debating team went to Greenway Park Public School to compete with Bonnyrigg Heights Public School. We were all excited to participate in debating. Both schools arrived at Greenway Park Public School and after brief instruction from the teacher, we split into a blue team and a red team. Our main topic was 'TV is a bad influence'. The topic was very interesting and challenging.

We gathered in a group and started to reflect and discuss the topic. The red team was affirmative and the blue team was negative. There were lots of innovative ideas, discussions, arguments and rebuttal. After spending half a day in debating, finally we came to the conclusion that TV isn't a bad influence at all. Hooray the Green Valley team won! Debating is a great confidence builder for young people to be involved in. We all had a great learning experience and fun.

Thankyou to Mrs Le Gras, Mr Warwick and Greenway Park Public School. Tejal Pradhan 4/5W.



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### HOW TO PAT A DOG SAFELY:

1. WALK UP SLOWLY AND STOP.
2. ASK THE OWNER.
3. SMELL YOUR HAND.
4. STROKE GENTLY.

**GREAT JOB, MRS REILLY**



**Early Stage 1 & Stage 1 learnt about responsible pet ownership.**



## Stage 3—NRL Development

Throughout this Term, Stage 3 have had the opportunity to train and develop skills with the help of the Wests Tigers and the NRL Development Team. As part of Stage 3 RFF program coordinated by Mrs Kelleher, students have been developing a range of skills including: passing, kicking, tagging, playing the ball and scoring tries. The Stage have had a fantastic time and are looking forward to the Final Gala Game day next Thursday. Here are some quotes from excited students:

<b>Desiah 5L</b>	I've enjoyed the NRL especially the tags and slipping over.
<b>Jarrah 5P</b>	I like running and learning the drills and having fun.
<b>Ben P 6K</b>	I love the running.
<b>Tim 6K</b>	Its lots of fun!!!
<b>Cindy 4/5W</b>	It has been really fun and I love catching the people.
<b>Jarrett 5L</b>	I've had a great time learning all about Rugby League.
<b>Tianna 5P</b>	I've enjoyed playing as a team.



## GVPSSA Cross Country Carnival

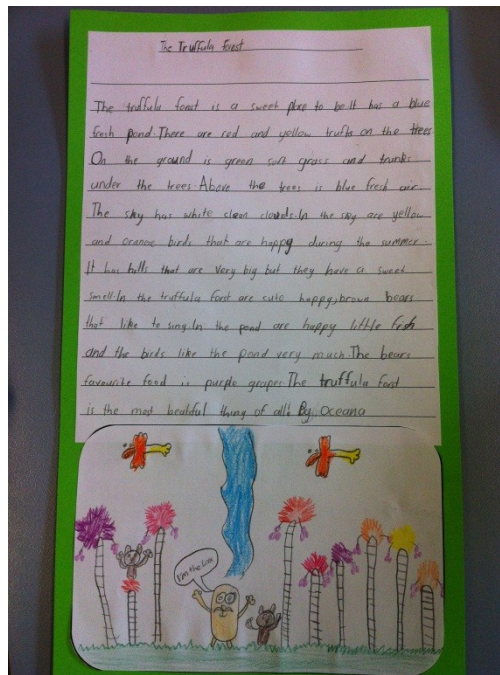
The GVPSSA Cross Country Carnival was held on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May at Joe Broad Reserve. Green Valley had 29 competitors representing our school. All students ran their best race and made Green Valley proud. Further information about SSW Regional qualifiers will be communicated to those students in the following weeks.

Congratulations everyone.

Mrs Wicker and Miss Chiovo





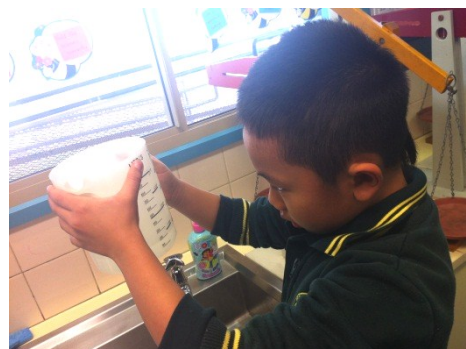
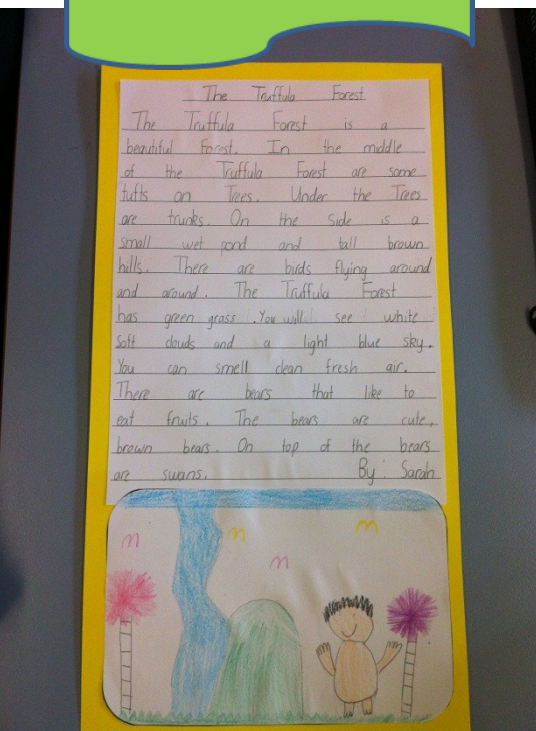


Writing to describe



Lots of fun maths activities

Look at the fun things we have been doing in 2Z





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