PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:
Dear Parents/Carers,
Many thanks to the parents who have already taken boxes of chocolates home to sell. We still have many to go. You might like to ask if you could place a box at work. The Freddo’s are very popular and help make a busy day at work go quickly!
Our school hosted the Illawarra South East Region Ensemble today. We were entertained by the talented singers, dancers and musicians from our Public Education system.
Congratulations to our School Captains who are attending a Leadership Day in Sydney today. They have been accompanied by Mrs Hiscox and the children and staff of Terara Public School.
On Saturday I found a simple idea for our Fete which requires a cake of soap and a face washer. If you find any ideas like this that we could produce simply at school, could you let me know? If we have enough interest I would like to start up a craft group who could start next term in readiness for the fete.
Staff decided to encourage children to participate in the cross country by asking them to gain sponsors. Other schools use this competitive approach to make the run more meaningful and worthwhile. Any funds raised will go towards our new tactile play area. This event is for cross country students who turn 8 this year.
The Easter school holidays are fast approaching. Please make sure you know where your children are and who they are associating with. Stranger danger is always important even in a sleepy place like Greenwell Point.

Kind Regards
Kate Murphy

EASTER HAT PARADE
Parents you are invited to join us at 1 pm for a FREE sausage sizzle lunch and hat parade on Friday 11th April followed by our school assembly. Please sign the attendance sheet and say how many sausage sandwiches you require. Please include one for your children.

CROSS COUNTRY
The 2014 FISST Cross Country for small schools will be held next Monday 7th April, 2014. If your child is turning 8 this year then they are eligible to compete at the carnival. All schools are to be there at 10am to walk the course with the first event starting at 10:45 and concluding at 2pm. A canteen will be available however students are to take their own lunch and recess with maybe a treat after their race. All students must wear comfortable running shoes, hat, sunscreen and sports uniform.

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH
31 ISER Ensemble

APRIL
7 Small schools Cross Country Carnival
10 Easter Church Service 10:45am
11 P&C meeting
11 School Assembly 2pm Hall
11 Last Day of Term 1
28 Staff return Term 2
29 Students return Term 2
Cost for this carnival will be $6 per student. Travel will be by bus. Please completed the attached permission note.

**P & C CHOCOLATE DRIVE**
The P&C are participating in the school chocolate drive again. If you would like to sell a box of Cadbury’s chocolate then please collect a box from Mrs Miller in the office.

**CANTEEN NEWS**
Canteen will be running as usual this week. Please remember to mark you lunch orders on a brown paper bag.

**GREENWELL POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**EASTER HAT PARADE BBQ**

I would like to order for my child/family …………………………………………. (name) ………………… (amount) sausage sandwiches for our school BBQ before the Easter Hat Parade and assembly. The sausage sandwiches are FREE.

Parent Signature  Date

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to:

Giorjet Pinkard who turned 7 last Thursday and
Jordan Murray who turns 7 on Sunday

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**UNSW COMPETITIONS**
The University of NSW Educational Assessment Australia is once again offering students in Years 3 to 6 to sit for these tests. Students can sit for these tests and will be marked by the University and be given either a participation, credit, distinction or high distinction certificate. You do not have to participate in all exams, just the ones your child would like to do. These exams will take place at different times throughout the year from 30th May till 12th August, 2014. If you would like your child to participate in this competition then please fill in the form below. Exams will cost each student: Computer skills $8, Science $8, Writing $17, Spelling $11, English $8 and Mathematics $8.

I would like my child ……………………………………… to participate in the UNSW Competitions and I would like them to enter the following subjects, please circle: Computer skills $8, Science $8, Writing $17, Spelling $11, English $8 and Maths $8. Please bring the money to the school office.

Parent Signature  Date

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**BOAT AWARDS**

K/1—Alyssa Walda
1/2—Elisha Sanders
3/4/5/6—Andrew Rowley

BIG BOAT CLASS OF THE WEEK: Mrs Spelta’s Year 1