PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents,

Over the last few weeks we have personally asked parents to remove dogs from the school gate. In each case we have explained the reason - we have a student who is terrified of dogs. The fear is such that the child might run in any direction to avoid the dog, the danger then being the road or for the child to fall while 'blindly' running away. We ask that no dogs accompany parents or carers to pick up or drop off children at school. As a school family you can understand our level of care and we thank you for your helpfulness.

This Friday is mufti day. Students are asked not to wear their uniform and in return donate a gold coin to Stewart House. Stewart House is the official NSW Department of Education charity, providing free holidays and care to children in need each year.

Easter is quickly approaching; don’t forget to encourage your children to make their hat earlier than later. The three categories are: Made cheaply from Recycled material, Best Looking and Most Original.

Four families returned last weeks note on the newsletter asking for help with the election day BBQ, the Friday night raffle and the preferred times of the P&C meetings. You do not have to contribute to everything but it would be very helpful if a member of your family could help with something. As mentioned before grandparents and fathers are most welcomed to help at all three events.

Money raised from these events provide the extra things for our school such as iPads, playgrounds, reduced costs of excursions, prizes etc. Our small school is doing OK but just think how much better it could be with your support and ideas. Plus you might enjoy the new friends and fun times while working towards a great goal for your children! Many thanks to the families who have replied.

For the benefit of new families please remember if your child is late to school or if you are taking your child early all parents need to sign their child in or out at the school office. This is a mandatory requirement from the Department of Education.

Menzies has the contract for school cleaning. A few weeks ago our cleaner was unable to take her holiday leave because there was no replacement. A company representative has asked if we might have an interested parent willing to be available at short notice to clean this and other schools. If you are interested you might like to give the company a direct call (02) 4276 1977 or let Mrs Miller know. The school is not connected to the company and cannot vouch for the working conditions, pay or anything else associated with this casual position.

Kind Regards and thank you for your support
Kate Murphy

UNSW COMPETITIONS

This year the university is offering some subjects for Year 2 students. Subjects offered and costs are: Digital Technologies Years 3-10 Cost $8.80 each, Science Years 2-12 $8.80, Writing Years 3-12 $18.70, Spelling Years 3-7 $12.10, English Years 2-12 $8.80 and Maths Years 2-12 $8.80. If you would like your child to participate then please bring in a note with the money required to the office by Friday 27th March, 15.
**YEAR 6—YOUNG LEADERS DAY-SYDNEY**

All Year 6 students received a permission note regarding the Young Leaders Day on the 23rd March, 2015 in Sydney. Please have all notes and money in asap.

**HIGH SCHOOL FORMS**—Please fill in and complete the expression of interest High School forms. **ALL students need forms to be returned by the 20th March, 2015.**

**CANTEEN**

The meal deal for this week will be a vegemite and cheese sandwich or a devon and sauce sandwich or an egg sandwich, Popper and Popcorn. Muffins will be available for 50¢.

**ELECTION DAY HELP**

We will allot times as soon as the forms are returned to school. If you wish to work with a friend at the BBQ please include their name and coordinate a similar time span with them.

Name………………………………………………  Name………………………………………………………

**I can help at the Election BBQ (Saturday 28th March) at the circled times**

- 7-8 am, 7.30-8.30 am, 8-9am, 8.30-9.30am, 9-10 am, 9.30-10.30 am, 10-11am, 11-12am, 11.30-12.30am, 12-1.00pm, 12.30-1.30pm, 1.00-2.00pm, 1.30-2.30pm

**P&C MEETINGS**

If you would like to attend the P&C meetings could you circle your preference of times, days etc.?

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday
- Friday

Mornings 9.00am-10.30am  Afternoons 2.00pm-3.30pm  Evening 6.00pm-7.30pm

Other suggestions…………………………………………………………………………………………

Name………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

**FRIDAY NIGHT RAFFLES**

Here is a change to help raise money by handing out **raffle tickets** for a short time at the local hotel of a **Friday night 6-7.30pm.** We are very lucky to have this opportunity to raise funds for the extra things we provide for your children but we need help.

Name………………………………………………………………………….

Contact Phone number………………………………………………..

Email address so you can see the roster……………………………………………………………………………

**GREENWELL POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL—Canteen**

**MEAL DEAL—Wednesday 18th March, 2015**

I give permission for ................................................................. to receive a meal deal consisting of (please circle)

- Vegemite & cheese sandwich
- Devon and sauce sandwich
- Egg sandwich,

bag of popcorn and popper for $5. All students need to provide recess. Muffins can be purchased for 50 cents.

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Parent Signature                                                                              Date