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Principal’s Message

**Staffing Update**
Next term we will be welcoming Mr Vincent Filpi and Mrs Selda Demirez to Greystanes Public School. Mr Filpi will teach 3M and he is transferring from Westmead Public School. Mrs Selda Demirez will teach 1P and she is coming from Hassall Grove Public School. I know that together with me you will welcome Vince and Selda warmly into the Greystanes school community. This week we are interviewing to fill the final vacant classroom teacher position. The successful candidate will teach 2P as from beginning of Term 2.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Amy Sami, Miss Rachael Phillips and Mrs Natalie Martin for the wonderful job they have done as temporary teachers during this term ensuring that all students in their class had a successful beginning to the school year. Mrs Martin will actually continue working with the students and staff at Greystanes Public School in a different capacity as from the beginning of Term 2, leading a music program across the school.

Sydney West Swimming
Congratulations to the entire 16 student team from Greystanes who represented Merrylands/Parramatta zone, a wonderful effort from all. Special mention to the following students.

- **Tate Crozier** -
  10th place 11yr boys freestyle,
  5th place 50m breaststroke, and
  8th place 50m butterfly.

- **Anthea Kazanzidis** -
  8th place 12yr girls 50m freestyle,
  7th place 50m breaststroke, and
  5th place 50m backstroke.

- **Lachlan Cummings** -
  6th place 8yr boys 50m freestyle.
  Congratulations everyone!

**Dangerous Parking**
Once again I have received numerous alarming reports about the dangerous manner in which some parents are parking both before and after school in Bradman Street and Merrylands Road.

I have reported these incidents to the police and to the Roads Traffic Authority and have requested more frequent patrols of our immediate school vicinity, as I am deeply concerned for the safety of our students and their families as they arrive and depart from school each day.

I am appealing to all parents to park their car in the designated zones and to walk your child or children safely through the school gate. Let’s keep our children safe!

Year 5 Camp - Point Wolstoncroft

On Monday 18th March our Year 5 students arrived at school nervously awaiting the adventure that lay ahead for them at Point Wolstoncroft. Luckily, the weather was fabulous all week which enabled the students to enjoy a fun-filled week. Each of the students had the opportunity to challenge their personal limits.

Being at camp is a wonderful experience for the children as they not only get to do things they normally wouldn’t have access to, in a very safe and controlled environment but they also get to learn how to cope without mum and dad for a few days.

The most difficult challenge for the students was being able to repack their bag for the journey home. We received so many wonderful reports about the behaviour of our students and their positive attitude to the experience.

I would like to thank Mrs Garylene Neldner for her outstanding organisation of the camp, as well as Mr Greg Blackwell and Mr Gordon Anderson for ensuring that all the students had a fabulous experience at camp. They certainly made memories to last a lifetime!
Greystanes has now registered for the 2013 Premiers' Reading Challenge and we are off to a great start with hundreds of students across Kinder to Year 6 participating in the Challenge.

Some students have completed the Challenge already and have uploaded their reading records online.

Uploading your reading records:
Students need their school login details and you will need to:-

2. LOGON using the correct username and password
3. Go to STUDENT READING RECORDS
4. Enter the PRC ID number (from the booklist) or the title of book and select ADD
5. Once you have completed the Challenge, students will need to hand the completed Reading record signed by a parent to Ms McDonald to validate the record. These Reading records may be handed in during a library lesson.

Please see Ms McDonald if you have any problems or questions.

Good luck to all and Happy Reading!

Holiday Reading

April School Holidays
Have you got April school holidays organised yet? It’s not too late to book for a Sport and Recreation Kids’ Camp. Watch the video to see how much fun these kids are having. Find out more: http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/

Parent-teacher Interviews
Have you got a parent teacher interview coming up? Here are some tips for getting the most out of these important meetings. Prepare a few questions to ask, and walk away with a plan. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/en/homework-and-study/planning-for-the-future/parent-teacher-interviews

School Calendar
What’s on when? Stay on top of school holiday, term and state examination dates across NSW. Find out more: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar/?do=setViewPeriod&categoryid=2&viewType=yearView

Attention K – 2 Parents
It is a good idea for children to have a clean change of clothes in their school bag in case of any accidents. Our supplies are running very low as some people forget to return borrowed items. If your child does come home with a change of clothes please wash and return to the office. Your assistance would be appreciated.

Road Safety
Please make sure that when you are dropping your children to and from school that you are mindful of the appropriate road rules. Heavy penalties and loss of points may apply. Merrylands Police do regularly patrol around the school particularly of a morning and afternoon.

Money Collection
Money is only collected on Wednesdays and Fridays unless otherwise advised. Please place money in the envelope provided or your own envelope clearly marked. Money must be brought to the office before 9am on these days and placed in the Money Box

Sick Children
We do ask your co-operation that you do not send students who are unwell to school, particularly if they have the flu, measles, chicken pox or other viruses that are easily spread. Also, if your child has been diagnosed with chicken pox, measles or some other highly contagious childhood illness please let the school know.

Credit Card Payment
Only payments of $20 and over can be accepted as a credit card payment. Please make sure that all details are completed correctly on the back of our school pay envelope when paying by credit card. Thank you for your co-operation.

Parking & Vehicle Access
Please remember that there is no vehicle access at all for parents after 7.30am and before 5pm. Also there is no vehicle access to the COLA area at all before school. This is to ensure the safety of our students, staff and all visitors to our school.

Voluntary Contribution
Have you paid your voluntary contribution? If not send your contribution to the office on a Wed/Fri by 12 April.

Student Details
Please return all yellow student detail forms to the office by the end of term.
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