



GREENETHORPE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Yesterday, I attended day two of a three day course on Visible learning. This course is based around the research of Professor John Hattie who has spent twenty years trying to focus on what really works in classrooms. Hattie's research has involved hundreds of thousands of students and teachers internationally and he is considered by many to be the most respected in his field. It was interesting to see how he ranks certain strategies and gives them an effectiveness score. Logically, he encourages teachers to avoid the lower scoring strategies and to use those that have the highest impact. We will be implementing some new strategies over the next few months to test his theories. I am sure the results will be positive.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Many thanks to those children who attended the athletics carnival last Friday. It was a good day and we were blessed with perfect weather. The highlight of the day was winning the march past in the morning. It has been several years since Greenethorpe have held this special cup. It must have been the indoor practise with the team from Gecko Sports that did the job. Well done everyone. Next year it would be much better if we could have some families stay for the entire carnival. It was a bit disappointing that we didn't have a student to accept the marching trophy at the presentation.

CLOTHING

Every day, the pile of clothing just gets bigger. We are no longer going to search for owners of unlabelled clothing because it has become a chore that we just don't need. Any non-uniform items will be thrown out after a week. PLEASE label all items of your child's clothing and have a good talk to them about the cost of clothing and their responsibility to look after it. We have done this many times but we need your help as well. Thank you.

SPORTS LEADERSHIP DAY

The primary children will be attending our annual sports leadership day in Young tomorrow. Please be sure they have full sports uniform and a hat for this event. Children will need to bring their own recess, lunch and a drink. Many thanks to everyone for getting permission notes back so promptly. Mrs Bryant will be at school to take the infants children following scripture and sports.

RECITATION DAY

Participation in the recitation day is voluntary and unfortunately we do not have many volunteers this year. All children will still be required to learn an Australian Poem this term. I will call for nominations so I can submit names tomorrow morning.

HENRY LAWSON FESTIVAL ART

Congratulations to all children who completed a work of Art for entry in the festival. I will submit these entries tonight for judging. All art will go on display in the shop windows throughout the festival.

Date	Event	Venue/Time
Friday 25 th May	Sports Leadership Day Primary Students	Young High School All Day
Wednesday 30 th May	Principals' Network Meeting	Venue TBA All day.
Thursday 31 st May	Finance Training Webinar	Greenethorpe Public School 9:30-11:00am
Monday 4 th June	Literacy and Numeracy Progressions Training	Charles Sturt University Bathurst All Day
Thursday 7 th June	Recitation Day Henry Lawson Festival	Grenfell Public School
Tuesday 12 th June	Website Development Training day	Cowra Public School All Day

