

'Around the Grounds' WPS Newsletter

Monday 6th May 2024

RESPECT * RESPONSIBILITY * COOPERATION * HONESTY * CARE & COMPASSION

PARENT REMINDER

2025 FOUNDATION APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENT DAYS

Thursday 16th & Friday 17th May 9.30am—10.30am

MOTHER'S DAY &
SPECIAL FRIENDS STALL
Thursday 9th May 2024



CANTEEN ROSTER

Wednesday 8th May Abbie N & Danica B Friday 10th May John S & Erin T Monday 13th May

Meaghan M & Jamie S Wednesday 15th May

Heather B

Friday 17th May

Amber G & Gabby S

Monday 20th May

Cara D & John S

All Lunch orders need to be ordered via the Qkr App



MONDAY 6TH MAY

- Newsletter via Compass
- School Council Meeting

TUESDAY 7TH MAY

WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY

THURSDAY 9TH MAY

- Mother's Day Stall
- Foundation Mother's Day Breakfast (9.10am—10.00am)

FRIDAY 10TH MAY

• I.S.S. Grade 5/6 Vs St. Doms Away Game

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Out of School Hours Care

- Before and Afterschool Care
- Holiday Program
- Curriculum Day Care

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Ms. D's Diary



Dear Westy Families,

I hope you have enjoyed a wonderful weekend. The weather was absolutely perfect for time outside. The school has been buzzing over the last few weeks and will continue to be in the weeks to come.

GRADE 6 CAMP

Many thanks to the staff who attended the Grade Six Camp last week to Cave Hill Creek. It certainly isn't a holiday when you are on call 24/7 and dealing with students who don't like to sleep! It is a big ask to have staff organise their own families and activities in order to attend camp. I am sure the children appreciate your dedication and commitment to them. I would also like to thank the attending students for representing Westmeadows Primary so positively. I have heard that all of the children used manners and demonstrated their appreciation for Camp staff. School Camps are also at the top of the list when it comes to what we remember most about school.



BABY NEWS

I am so thrilled to let you know that Tori Houston and her husband Alex welcomed their bundle of joy into this world on Wednesday 1st May 2024. Baby Shylo James and Tori are doing extremely well. In Tori's words "I didn't think it was possible to love something so small this much and so quickly!"

Teacher Jessica Johnson also commenced her Maternity Leave last Friday. I know many of you will join me in wishing Jess and Matt all the best as they welcome their new family member in the coming weeks. We will have to open our own Childcare Centre to deal with all of the new babies.

DISTRICT ATHLETICS

Twenty Four of our students competed last week in Cross Country against several of our local school. The children competed with great determination and pride.

We have ten students progressing through to the next round which will be held in June in

Kilmore. A big congratulations to:

Under 10 Girls: Evie, Indigo, Delilah and Jane

Under 10 Boys: Emir and Marc

Under 11 Girls: Elizabeth, Keely, Victoria

Under 11 Boys: Evin

2025 FOUNDATION

It is now time to submit applications to the school for Foundation 2025. If you have a son/daughter due to come to Westmeadows Primary School next year, would you please compete an application asap. Application Forms are available from Maree in the office.

Application Enrolment days are Thursday 16th and Friday 17th May from 9.30am—10.30am

If you have friends or family who are interested in joining our school, please encourage them to also complete the application form.

We hosted two well attended School Tours last week for prospective students to join our school in 2025. If you missed this opportunity and would like to tour our school, please call 9309 4350 and we can make a suitable time.

MOTHER'S DAY & SPECIAL FRIENDS STALL

Our Mothers' Day and Special Friends' Stall will be held this Thursday throughout the day. There is a range of beautiful gifts for the children to purchase for their special someone. Please send your child with a plastic bag to keep their gifts safely in.

I would like to thank the numerous parents who will be volunteering on the day to help at the stall. We can't run these events without you!

We are still accepting donations for the Mother's Day Raffle. If you would like to donate something please bring it to the school office. Thank you

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Our Foundation students will be hosting a special breakfast on Thursday morning for their Mums and special ones. I know that everyone is looking forward to this special event and preparations have been in full swing. Many thanks to the Foundation staff for organising such a memorable event.



SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our School Council will be meeting tonight. It is a packed agenda including discussion around the Confirmed budget, Annual Report, and Rolling facilities work. Just a reminder that our School Council President is Mr. Frank Moscatt. I know that Frank loves to hear your ideas and suggestions.

TRAFFIC AROUND THE SCHOOL

- DRIVE SLOWLY
- DRIVE CAREFULLY
- OBEY THE SIGNS AND PARKING RESTRICTIONS
- DO NOT PARK IN HOUSE DRIVEWAYS

We have 500 amazing reasons for you to drive carefully. Make sure you do!

Does your child walk home from school?

The school has received several complaints/concerns recently from drivers reporting near misses when the children are walking home from school. It has been reported that children are crossing the road without looking ad that they are not utilising the crossings. It appears that it is our senior students who are not being careful.

If your child walks to and from school, would you please have a good chat to them about doing this safely.

Have a wonderful week everyone, Take care,

Jane Donaldson (Principal)







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Information sessions for parents and carers



Raising Resillent Teens

A session targeting parent and carers with children aged 12-17 years of age.

Increase your knowledge in:

- Responding to your child's fears, worries in a productive way
- Connect with and understand your child.
- Building your child's resilience and nurture a positive self-view
- Explore opportunities to build their self-confidence.



Thursday 2 May

♠ 6pm – 7:.30pm

Facilitator: ParentZone,

Anglicare



School Refusal (Primary school aged children)

This session targets parents/ carers of Primary school aged children

Increase your knowledge in:

- -Understanding your child who may be anxious about going to school.
- Understanding what makes it tricky for them.
- -Learning additional strategies about ways you can help.



7 Ventura Way, Greenvale 3059 (Community room 2)

Tuesday 7 May

① 10am – 12.00pm

Facilitator: ParentZone,

Anglicare



School Refusal (Secondary school aged children)

This session targets parents/ carers of Secondary School aged children.

The first 12 people to register will be offered a spot in the session.

Register your Expression of Interest for the afternoon or online evening session.

- Homestead Community and Learning Centre: 30 Whiltshire Drive, Roxburgh Park 3064
- Tuesday 14 May
- ① 1pm 2.30pm

(Face to Face)

6pm – 7.30pm (Online session)

Facilitator: ParentZone,

Anglicare





HUME CITY COUNCIL

Primary School Refusal Session

This free workshop provides information and strategies to parents/carers to help with this ever-increasing issue.

Increase your knowledge in some of the following areas:

- · understanding your child who may be anxious about going to school
- learning additional strategies about ways you can help
- being aware and manage your own emotions about refusal

Date: Tuesday the 7th May

Time: 10am-12pm

Location: Greenvale West Community Centre, 7 Ventura Way, Greenvale



Registrations are essential, to book scan QR code or visit hume.vic.gov.au/parent-carer-workshops









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Supporting your Neurodivergent Child

This session targets parents/carers of children aged 10 and up.

Some topics that will be explored include:

- What is disability?
- What is neurodivergence?
- Affirming language

Greenvale West Communinity

Centre: 7 Ventura Way, Greenvale, 3059 (Training room)

Thursday 6 June

5:30pm - 7.00pm

Facilitator: YDAS



Raising Resilient Kids

This session targets parents/carers of children aged 5 to 12 years old

- Get a clear understanding of resilience and coping with lifes setbacks.
- Learn how to build and foster resilience in your child.
- Learn strategies to help your child bounce back from adversity.



Thursday 25 July

10am – 12.00pm

Facilitator: ParentZone,

Anglicare



Managing anxiety in your child (2-10 years)

This session targets parents/carers of children aged 2 to 10 years old.

We understand managing anxiety in children requires patience, understanding, and consistent support.

By creating a safe and nurturing home environment, this enables a space where your child can openly express their emotional needs and learn how to regulate themselves.



Tuesday 6 August

10am –12.00pm

Facilitator: ParentZone,

Anglicare



Setting Healthy Bourndaries

This session targets parents/carers of school aged children.

Topics to be explored include:

- Creating and maintaining healthy boundaries using positive approaches
- Punishment vs Discipline
- Boundary setting at home

Online Webinar

Wedsnesday 29
August

⑤ 6pm – 7.30m

Facilitator: ParentZone, Anglicare



To register or for more information, visit our website via the QR code or type the uri provided

Have a question? Let's talk! email youth@hume.vic.gov.au or phone 9205 2556.









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