



Emu Creek Echo

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Principal's Report ...

"Aussies of the Month"

Congratulations to the following students who were our Aussies of the Month for August:

Kyle Mawhinney
Osha Haug
Courtney Blandthorne



"Principal's Awards"

Congratulations to the following students who received Principal's Awards at last Friday's Whole School Assembly:

Sophie Norris George Mitton
Hayden Haug Sally Patrick
Beth Simpson William Brown

"Grenfell Blues"

Congratulations to the following students who received Grenfell Blues at last Friday's Whole School Assembly:



Sophie Norris
Emily Whatman
Beth Simpson

Kindergarten 2010

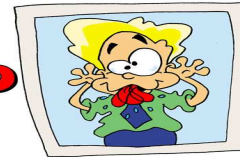
We are taking enrolments now for Kinder 2010. Information packs and enrolment forms are available at the front office.

Sickness

We ask that you keep your children at home if they are not well. This includes a runny nose, cough, high temperature or any other sign of sickness. Cases of Swine Flu have been diagnosed in Grenfell and it is important that we look after everyone by not spreading illnesses. We will be contacting you to come and collect your child if they show any signs of being sick. Let's make an effort to look after each other.



PHOTO TIME!



Our school photos will be taken this wednesday, 9th September. They will commence at 9.10 with the whole school photo. We ask that you please don't make appointments on Wednesday so that all students can participate. Children are to wear their full winter school uniform and if it is a nice day we will be taking the photos in their blue polo shirts. Photo packs need to be returned with money by Wednesday morning.

Change of Routine for Students

Just a reminder that unless we get a note or phone call from you, students are expected to go home the way they normally do from school. It is very important that your children are aware of this as well as other members of your family. It makes it very difficult for you and for us at school if these procedures are not followed.



Father's Day Stall



Thanks to Nicola Mitton for all her work with the organisation of our Father's Day Stall and to all the parents who helped out or donated items. Congratulations to the Ryan Family who won 1st prize in the raffle which was a cordless drill and to the Pereira family who won 2nd prize which was a torch.

Grenfell Show

Thank you to all our Circus Arts and Marimba participants for their performance at the show on Saturday. Congratulations also to all the students who won prizes in various sections.

Footy Colours Day

It was great to see all the staff and students supporting Footy Colours Day last Friday. We raised over \$120 for Cancer Research which is a great result.



Loving to Read

Kylie Taylor has been running A Loving to Read afternoon each Thursday in the Kinder room from 3.30pm - 4.30pm for students starting school in 2010. If you haven't been attending and want your child to come along you are more than welcome. Please see Kylie Taylor for more information.

Family Contact Numbers

We still have a lot of students with incorrect contact numbers for home and the emergency contacts. It is very frustrating if we are trying to contact you and we can't do this especially if your child is sick.

Absence Notes

For any day that your child is away from school we require a note. If your child is away for 3 days or more we require a Doctor's Certificate.

Active After School

Please note there will be no Active After School this week – we will recommence the following Thursday, 17th September.

Andrew Hooper
Principal

P & C News!

Father's Day Stall

Many thanks to all those who helped out on the Father's Day Stall – Julie Dawes, Cathy Southwell, Tracey McKellar, Sarah Birch, Ngaire Soley & Cathy Gilbert. A special thank you to Nicola Mitton who did a great job co-ordinating the stall and to all those who donated items to sell. Congratulations to the raffle winners – the Ryan and Periera families.



Our next P&C Meeting will be held **tomorrow night, Tuesday 8th September** at 7:30pm in the school staffroom. All Welcome.

P&C Survey

Before the end of this term the P&C will be sending out a survey for parents to complete. This will help us decide the future direction of fundraising activities. We look forward to your input.

School Fete

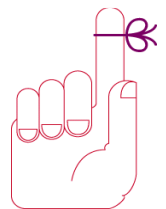
Our School Fete will be held on Friday 23rd October which is the first Friday back after the school holidays. Please mark this date on your calendar as this is a major fundraising event for the year and your support would be greatly appreciated.



Did you know that the P&C provided the funds for the sails over the sandpit and playground equipment???

Canteen Roster

Tues 8th Sept - Ngaire Soley
Wed 9th Sept - Karen Bognar
Thu 10th Sept - Vacant
Fri 11th Sept - Sue White
Mon 14th Sept - Donna Robinson



Operation Christmas Child

At the Stage 2/3 Assembly recently, Darryl Knapp spoke to the students about the opportunity for them to participate in an activity designed to help less fortunate children in Third World countries. The activity is organised by a Christian organisation known as Samaritan's Purse. More details about this are in the leaflet that was attached to last week's newsletter. If you require any further information contact Darryl Knapp 6343 1284.



Community News!

HOLIDAY SPORTS PROGRAMS

Quality Sports in Orange have organised coaching camps for the next school holidays for Athletics, Cricket and Swimming. All three camps will be over three days on 13th, 14th & 15th October and will be held at the Kinross Wolaroi School facilities in Orange.



The Swimming and Cricket camps are Open to the age group of 9 to 14 years and the Athletics will be for 8 to 15 years and all three camps are available to boys and girls. Residential places are available that include all meals and accommodation and the cost is \$290. For those wishing to live out and just attend each day, the cost will be \$235 which includes Lunch and Morning and Afternoon fruit and drinks.



Application forms can be obtained by phoning 63629244 or by visiting the Kinross Wolaroi website.

Junior Soccer News – September

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday 7th September at 7.30pm at the Bowling Club. All Welcome.

As advertised previously, our Presentation Day will be held on Saturday, 19th September, from 3.30pm at the Grenfell Bowling Club. We would like to start on time so please be there early. All players receive a trophy. Players will be provided with a sausage sandwich and a can of drink. Non-players can purchase a sausage sandwich for \$1.00.

The AGM will follow straight after the presentation of trophies. The present executive office bearers are prepared to stand again for election, so don't be scared to stay for the meeting. Of course all nominations are welcome.

Congratulations and all the best to our Under 14's teams in the semi-finals.



Year 6 and Youth Group 2009

The Grenfell Presbyterian Church runs a Youth Group for students in Years 7-12. Year 6 students who will be going to High School in 2010 are invited to check it out for themselves for the first time **this Friday, 11th September, 5.00 pm – 7.00 pm** at the Presbyterian hall which is on the corner of Weddin St and Middle St opposite Taylor Park.

What happens at Youth Group? The students are encouraged to use the Bible to add to their understanding about the BIG QUESTIONS in life such as:

Why am I alive?

Do my choices matter to anyone?

Does it matter what I believe?

This is done through a variety of activities including quizzes, active games and discussion times.

Each week afternoon tea is provided as soon as students arrive (because many members of Youth Group come directly from High School where they have been having after school band practice).

What if I can't come this Friday? There will be three more opportunities this term!

Friday 18th, 25th September and October 2nd.

Can't make it this term? There is always next term!

NB There is no cost to the students.

For more information phone Darryl or David Knapp 6343 1284 OR email one of us at knappdm@westnet.com.au OR knappysan@yahoo.com.au

Grenfell Junior Cricket

Junior Cricket will be holding registration days on **10th, 17th & 19th September at the Bowling Club, 4pm to 6pm.** We will be nominating three teams in the Cowra Competition U12, U14 & U16, with every second game at Grenfell.

In2Cricket (U9) will be held at Grenfell and U10 will be played at Cowra.

Rego Prices: In2Cricket \$35 per player

U10-U16 \$45 per player

\$80 2 players

\$110 3 or more players.

We need registrations finalised ASAP to notify Cowra with teams.

Any questions please ring Megan Starr 6343 7159



Grenfell Swimming Club

Grenfell Swimming Club will meet on **Monday 14th September at 7.30pm** in the club room. All are welcome to come along to discuss the coming season.