Special Sports Assembly
Every year we have a Special Sports Assembly to hand out awards for Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics. This will take place this **Friday, 5th December, at 12.00pm in the school hall.** This will be followed by 1/2WT presenting their item at 12.30pm. We will also hand out any Principal Awards or Grenfell Blues that students have cashed in. If any Year 6 students have 5 School Awards to cash in for a Stage Award, please hand them in this week and these will be handed out as well.

Presentation Day and Christmas Concert
We will be having our Presentation Day on Tuesday 9th December starting at 9.30pm sharp, in the hall. This will be followed by our Christmas Concert under the COLA at 11.30am. Everyone is welcome to attend, and having both events on the same day hopefully allows you to do this. As usual, I will not be letting anyone know beforehand who is receiving awards so that it will be a surprise for everyone.

Year 6 Farewell
Our Year 6 Farewell is on Thursday 11th December, with students in Years 5 & 6 in attendance. Invitations will go home early this week.

Reports
Reports will go out on Monday 15th December. If you go on holidays before this date we will post them to you.

New School Hats
Our new school wide brim hats have arrived. They have the school logo in navy blue on one side and our house colours on the reverse side. These have already been very popular with students. You can purchase them for $10 from the office.

Carols in the Park
We are again supporting the Carols in the Park on Saturday evening, 13th December. We will be singing 2 songs, ‘Stars Shine Bright’ and ‘Santa Clause is Back in Town’, and we will be wearing a Christmas shirt. Students are to meet Miss Hunter at the park at the start of the evening. If you are able to come along it would be great.

P & C Dinner
We will be having our P & C Dinner at the Grenfell Chinese Restaurant on Wednesday 10th December at 7.30pm. If you would like to come along please ring Faye Aspin or Andrew Hooper. Numbers need to be confirmed by next Monday, 8th December.
Year 6 Transition to High School
Year 6 will have their last transition day this Wednesday, 3rd December. Students are to get themselves to and from the High School.

Kindergarten for 2015
If parents have enrolment forms, can they please bring them to the office so we can finalise our Kindergarten numbers for 2015. If you have any concerns or questions please come and see me.

Captain Speeches and Voting for 2015
Our Year 5 students standing for School Captain for 2015 gave their speeches today in the hall. Staff and students from Years 2-5 then voted for next year’s captains. I will announce to the school who our Captains will be on Monday 8th December, and we will induct them at our Presentation Day Assembly on Tuesday 9th December.

Parent Helpers Morning Tea
The staff at Grenfell Public School will be hosting a Morning Tea for all our parent helpers on Tuesday 16th December at 11.00am in the school staff room. If you have helped out in any way this year at our school we would like to invite you to this morning tea.

Kittens
Free to a Good Home
If anyone would like a free kitten please see Mr Hooper. He has 6 to give away.

Andrew Hooper - Principal

End of School Year
School finishes this year for students on Wednesday 17th December. On this day we will have class parties at the pool. Permission notes for this will go home this week.

School for 2015
School starts for students in Years 1 to 6 on Wednesday 28th January and for Kindergarten students on Thursday 29th January.

Swimming Carnival for 2015
We have booked our school Swimming Carnival in for Thursday 5th February 2015. This is the second Thursday back. We will be running a twilight carnival once again.

LIBRARY STOCKTAKE
A big thank you to those students who have returned outstanding books to the Library for our end of year stocktake. All books are to be returned to the Library this week, no later than Wednesday. Mrs Dinham has handed out notices to those students who have overdue books and we would appreciate it if families could take the time to have a good look around at home for the missing books. If you are unable to find a book, please let Mrs Dinham know, or you can pay to have it replaced (the cost of the book is listed on the overdue notice). Thank you for your help with this.
SCHOOL BANKING
Tuesday is School Banking day.

Unfortunately Mrs Eppelstun forgot to send the reward items and certificates to the Whole School Assembly last Friday to be handed out, therefore, they will be handed out at the Sports Assembly this week.

Deposits can be made each Tuesday until the end of the year, the last day being Tuesday, 16th December.

Some of the reward items for this year are no longer available, and some will be available at a later date. Currently the Sea Streamers, Shark Keyring and Scented Pencils are available for immediate delivery. The Swimming Bag and Projector Cup can still be ordered but will not be delivered until Term 1, 2015.

2013 items that can still be ordered include the Spen or Prue moneyboxes, Blue Wallet, Knuckles Jacks Game and the Headphones.

To help avoid disappointment, two additional items have been included for order - they are a Dollarmites Slap Band Ruler and a Dollarmites Beachball.

If you are eligible to order I will send a note home with your deposit book which will have all items available listed on it. Simply return this with a tick next to the item you would like to redeem and I will order it for you.

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY - FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

Principal Awards:
Tiarnha Rolls
Angus Birch
Angus Brown,
Mea O‘Bryne
Lachlan Aspin
Casey Walker
Emily Whatman
Izzy Heathcote
Hugh Wilson
Caitlyn Milne
Max Reid
Riley Gray
Marcus Soley

Grenfell Blues:
Mitchell Haddin
Riley Aspin

University of NSW Competition Certificates
Mac Bucknell
Josh Carpenter
Hayley Taylor
Michael Smith

Aussies of the Month - October
Tom Robinson,
Riley Edwards &
Brooke Brandt
Swimming Club News – Week Commencing 1st Dec, 2014

Each time we run an event at swimming club the list of swimmers gets organized into heats and lanes according to their times. This is called Seeding. It doesn’t take very long and it’s not hard. It’s the printing out of the marshall lists, timekeeper sheets and getting them delivered to everyone that takes time. That’s okay. When someone withdraws from an event, even if it’s for a valid reason, reseeding takes time. That’s okay too, things happen. It becomes a problem when someone withdraws just before, and then someone else, and someone else … and someone else… It holds up the entire event. It took us a long time to start and finish the 50m freestyle on Friday, especially considering there were so many swimmers away, and there were mix ups with sheets because of reprinting and redistributing. This is why we need to know well beforehand if a swimmer is withdrawing from an event. Sometimes if everyone has some understanding of the process it helps things run smoothly. Every year as the season goes on we all get better at whatever we do at swimming club, we always do.

Emails have been sent regarding two carnivals that our club members have been invited to. West Wyalong are having a twilight carnival on Saturday 13th December and Condobolin on the Sunday 14th December. It’s great experience to get together with other members of our club and head off to another town for a carnival. Have a talk with some friends and consider going to one. We would need to know by this Friday if you want to enter.

Our regular Friday night raffle was won by our chief Marshall, Sonia Cotter. 

Next week’s timekeeper/raffle roster:
Day, Mitton, Hooper, Aspin, Hunter, Beasley, (spare spot yet to be filled).

Our next club meeting will be Monday 8th December at 8pm in the Club house. All welcome.