Parent Information Evening

Our parent information night is on tomorrow, Tuesday 24th February. If you have not booked a time to see your child’s teacher please contact them as soon as you can. I will be in and around the staffroom between interviews so if you would like a cuppa or a chat, please come and join me.

District Swimming Carnival

Thank you to Mrs Johnson for all her organisation with the District Swimming Carnival and to all the parents who helped out with transport. Congratulations to all our swimmers who have made it to Region. The following students have qualified: Riley Aspin, Sophie Berry, Hamish Birch, Imogen Brenner, Mikayla Hughes, Rhys Hughes, Will Johnson, Harrison Keppie, Taylor Keppie, Niamh Mitton, Teleitha O’Bryne and William Wilson. Congratulations also to Anna Hunt who was the 11 Years Girls Champion at the Carnival. For any questions or concerns please see Mrs. Johnson.

Regional Swimming Carnival

The Regional Swimming Carnival is on Friday 6th March, in Dubbo. Good luck to all our students who are competing. It is up to individual parents to organise how your child gets to and from the carnival. If you don’t go to Regional Swimming your child gets an automatic 12 months disqualification from Western Sport. So, if for any reason you cannot go, you need to contact the school well before 6th March.

Tank Donation

Thank you to Rod Walsh for the donation of a tank to our school and for organising to get it here and set up for our use. Thank you also to Mitton Bros Earthmoving for loading and unloading the tank. We really appreciate you helping out at our school. You guys are champions!

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at the Whole School Assembly last Friday.

Principals Award

Katie Knight

Stage Assemblies

There will be Stage Assemblies this Friday, 27th February. Students can cash in 5 School Awards for a Stage Award. They will take place at 12.30pm.

P & C AGM

Our P&C AGM will be held on Tuesday 10th March starting at 7.30pm in the school staffroom. We welcome all new parents and all positions on our committee will become vacant.

Sporting Trophies

If you have a Presentation Day perpetual trophy from last year, could you please return it.

Tennis

Congratulations to our school Tennis team who won against Cowra Public School last Wednesday. A great result!
Coming to School
We have noticed that some students are entering school through the teacher’s car park or the office area, which they should not be doing. We ask all students to enter and leave school through the Warraderry Street gates, unless you are being signed in or out from the office.

Going Home Changes
We ask all parents to write notes or ring the school if their child is changing their routine to travel home. If we don’t have a note, or get a phone call, we will send your child home their normal way.

Contact Phone Numbers
If you have changed your home phone, mobile or your emergency contact numbers can you please let the office know. It makes it very frustrating if we cannot contact you in case of an emergency and I am sure you would like to know if something happens to your child.

Nut Free School
Just a reminder that we are a Nut Free school and students should not be bringing nuts or nut products to school. It has been noticed that some students are bringing Knoppers to school. We do have some students that are allergic to nuts at our school so I’d really appreciate your cooperation with this.

Concerns or Problems
If you have any concerns or problems during the year please come and see me or give me a call. We want the best for every child and sometimes we can make things a lot easier just by having a chat and sorting the problem out, or explaining why we have made a certain decision.

School Counsellor
Wayne Symons, our School Counsellor, will be here each Thursday this term. If you want to see him you can make an appointment through me. Wayne is very approachable and only too happy to help out with any problem, big or small. Wayne is also the School Counsellor at The Henry Lawson High School.

Buses
Can you please make sure your child knows how they are getting home of an afternoon. If they are not catching the bus we need a note or a phone call from you by 2.45pm or a note otherwise your child will be catching the bus home. It is especially important for K-2 students as they can often get upset when they are not sure what they are doing. If you are picking kids up off buses we do ask that you do not walk between the buses as it sets a bad example to your children and to others. The police are doing extra patrols around bus time.

Parent Helpers/Volunteers
If you are interested in helping out in your child’s classroom or when we have school events, we would love to have you here. Please see your child’s teacher or let me know.

Munch and Crunch
The whole school, K-6, will continue with Munch and Crunch. This is where we will stop for about 5 minutes during our morning session for students to have a drink and to crunch on a piece of fruit. We ask that all parents send something in with their child each day so they can be involved in this.

School Award System
Students receive awards at school and they work in the following manner:
Students receive School Awards in class and when they get 5 School Awards they can cash them in at a Stage Assembly for a Stage Award. For infants (Stage 1) the 5 School Awards get given to Miss McIntyre who has a special box in her room that students can put them into. For Primary (Stage 2 and 3) students can put their 5 School Awards in a box that is in the staffroom foyer and Mrs Joyce sorts them out.
When students have 4 Stage Awards they give them to Mr Hooper and the students will receive a Principals Award at the next Whole School Assembly. When students get 2 Principals Awards they also give them to Mr Hooper to receive a Grenfell Blue. Students who receive a Grenfell Blue get invited to a special morning tea or lunch at the end of each semester.
One student from each class also gets a Quality Work Award at a Stage Assembly each fortnight. Their name is displayed on our notice board near the canteen and they get invited to a special morning tea or lunch at the end of each semester.
Each month we hand out an Aussie of the Month for each stage. Students receive a special certificate and get invited to a special morning tea or lunch at the end of each semester.

Rugby Gala Day
Our school will be involved in a Gala Rugby day next Tuesday, 3rd March. Mrs Radnedge has organised this and notes have already gone home. Please see Mrs Radnedge if you have any concerns.

Young Leaders Day
The school Captains and I will be attending the Young Leaders Day in Sydney on Monday 23rd March. A note will go home this week once the community bus is confirmed.
**TUESDAY IS SCHOOL BANKING DAY**

Congratulations to Isabel Pereira, Roman Logan, Grace Heatley, Tahlia Troy, Brodie Petty and Linda Hucker who received reward items at the Whole School Assembly last week.

**Get involved in the School Banking program**

You can get involved in the School Banking program by opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at any Commonwealth Bank branch, over the phone on 13 2221, or via NetBank if you are an existing customer with NetBank access. You can also obtain an application form from the school office.

Remember to take in identification for you and your child (driver's license and birth certificate).

You will receive a Dollarmites wallet and deposit book that your child will use to participate in the program.

Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124. Call 13 2221 at any time. As this advice has been prepared without considering your objectives, financial situation or needs, you should, before acting on this advice, consider its appropriateness to your circumstances. Full terms and conditions for transaction and savings accounts are available from any branch of the Commonwealth Bank and should be considered in any decision about the product. If you have a complaint in respect of this product, the Commonwealth Bank's dispute resolution process can be accessed on 13 2221.

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**Disco**

Our SRC are running a Disco on Tuesday 17th March in our hall. They held a meeting last week to organise this so more details will be coming soon.

Andrew Hooper - Principal

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**Red Food Day**

**Monday 2nd March**

**Cheese Burger + Zooper Dooper**

$5.00

Please write your order on a lunch bag and send in with money by this Wednesday, 25th Feb.

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**Book Club Issue 1 orders have been placed and should arrive this week.**

This year a new online system of ordering and payment has been made available to parents. This new system is called LOOP and you can access it by logging onto scholastic.com.au/LOOP. On this site you can order your books and make a payment. It will ask you to nominate your school and when you order and pay, the books will be delivered to school. We will then hand out the books to students as per normal. Using this system means you can order at any time (whilst the issue is current) and you do not need to send anything back to school.

As well as the above, you are still able to order in the following ways:

1. Fill out your order form, then make an online payment using your credit card. Send your order form to school with details of your credit card payment on the form at the bottom of the order.
2. Complete your order form and send to school with cash or cheque enclosed.

Whatever way you choose to order, all books are sent to the school to hand out to students. The school also receives commission on all orders which we use to purchase resources for our Library.

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**Grenfell Junior Rugby League 2015 Player Registrations Now Open Online**

Grenfell JRL is starting to gear up for the 2015 season. Round 1 of the 2015 season is due to kick off on the 2nd May. This year all returning and new player registrations are available to be completed and paid online. 2015 returning player & new player registration fees are as below:

- **Returning Player**
  - First Child - $80.00
  - Second Child - $80.00
  - Third & thereafter child $75.00

- **Single Parent Player**
  - First Child - $75.00
  - Second Child - $75.00
  - Third & thereafter child $70.00

**Note:** Registration fee includes one pair each of shorts and socks.

Social membership to Grenfell Country Club to attend Grenfell JRL social functions, Eg. Home game BBQ’s.

**New Player - FREE**

All new player registrations will receive a free pair of shorts and socks.

**New Player Registration Days** - The club will be hosting a series of new player registration days. Details to be advised.

**How to register your child**

Visit the club’s website at [http://www.grenfelljrl.sportingpulse.net/](http://www.grenfelljrl.sportingpulse.net/) or click on the website link available on the clubs Facebook page. Click on the button “Register Now” and follow the prompts.

**Enquiries:** Please contact: Brenda Hurst Mobile: 0423 273 371 after 6pm weekdays or Trevor Mawhinney: 0413 444 595
Junior Rugby League 2015 District Rep Trials

All players who are turning 13, 14, 15 & 16 are invited to trial. If you are interested in trialling, you must fill in the relevant form and return to Brenda ASAP or scan and email to grenfelljrl@hotmail.com. The form can be printed from Grenfell JRL website http://www.grenfelljrl.sportingpulse.net/. You will find the form under the Resources tab, select document links, select application to trial form. **All players must be registered prior to applying to trial** Please note the following important dates:
22nd March Spooners Oval Forbes Under 13s, 14s, 15s & 16s Lachlan Selection. Those that are selected must attend on the 29th March.
29th March Spooners Oval Forbes Under 13s, 14s, 15s & 16s Group X1 Selection
Please contact Brenda on 0423273371 if you have any enquiries.

GRENFELL JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

The Grenfell Junior Rugby Union Club will be holding its registration day on Wednesday, 11 March at the Rugby club. Junior Rugby has age groups under 7s, 9s, 11s, 13s, 15s. Games are held every second Sunday. There is also no rugby commitments during school holidays. Under 7s is two hand touch with no tackle to let kids get the feel of running with the ball. Many girls have played in the under 7s with great success. Tackle then starts at U9’s with coaches on the field to help with rules and behaviour. U11’s then play with the ref controlling play.
Travel with junior Rugby is in the local area: Temora, Grenfell, Coota, West Wyalong, Young and usually one game in Wagga. One longer trip per season either to Griffith or Tumut.
Rugby is a fun sport for the family with the kids enjoying being fit and active and the parents enjoying the social side.
New registrations are free, continuing registrations are $50.00, capped at $100 per family. All players receive free pair of shorts and socks as well as a Brumbies Rugby card which will gain them entry to all Brumby’s Super 15 home games in Canberra.
Please provide Medicare number and bring along your child’s birth certificate.
Please consider Rugby as a winter sport. If you would like more information please contact 0498475243.
Registrations commence from 5:00pm at the club house. A light training session and a game of touch with a sausage sizzle provided by the club on the evening. So come along and sign up for a fun year of Rugby.

Sign up for Soccer

Soccer players, it’s almost time to sign up for the 2015 season. This year registrations will take place a little differently. Registration dates are:
Wednesday 25 February – before the last junior game of 7-a-side soccer – 5 – 6pm at the 7-a-side fields
Saturday 14 March – at the soccer grounds – 10am – 11.30am
Age divisions – 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14 and 17
Our first training day for all players will be Wednesday 18 March from 4 to 5pm, but keen Under 10 and 12 players can start training with Doug McKenzie, from Football NSW, on Thursday 12 March, 4 to 5.30pm.
This year, registrations will again be done online. Laptops will be available at the grounds and there will be plenty of helpers to assist people with this process. Payments can be made to the club or online. Families can complete the registration online process at home AFTER coming to a registration session to write down the details for each child and receiving the handouts for the 2015 season.
Costs – Under 6 to 8 = $75 per player (includes new socks and shorts)
Under 10 to 17 = $95 per player (includes new socks and shorts)
Remember, games alternate between Grenfell and Young each week, and perhaps Boorowa once a term if they have a team in your player’s age division.
For more information, contact Cath Sullivan 6345 5818 or come along to a registration session.

Junior 7-a-side soccer

The last game for the junior 7-a-side players will take place next Wednesday, 25 February at 6pm. Players are invited to stay to have a free sausage sandwich and drink after their game. We’d like to thank the players and their families for making this initial season so successful with about 40 participants taking part. The plan is to run this again but only for 10 weeks during Term IV.

Swimming Club News – Week Commencing 23rd Feb

Championships continue this Friday, 27th February. Swimmers have been automatically nominated into championship events that they qualify for, except for the 200m freestyle. Nominations for this event were due before the first championship night. **You must let us know** if you choose not to compete in an event that you automatically qualify for.
The second championship night program is:

Friday 27th February

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Other dates for your diary:
Monday 9th March – Meeting in club room at 8pm
Friday 13th March – Presentation night at the pool from 6pm.
Please bring a sweet or salad to share. Swimming club will provide meat and bread. Swimmers will be provided with a drink. Families are also asked to bring their own drinks, plates, utensils and chairs. The bike raffle will be drawn at presentation night. Please return sold tickets and money.
The triathlon planned for this year will be held over until next season. We are looking to form a sub-committee of interested ‘triathletes’ to continue the organisation of this exciting event. Let Danny or Trudy O’Byrne know if you’re interested.