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Principal's Report...

State swimming
Good luck to Mikaela Hughes who is off to the State Swimming Carnival this week for the 8 Years Girls’ 50 metres Freestyle and Western Relay team. Go get them, Mikaela!

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* Congratulations to the following students who received awards at the Whole School Assembly last Friday, 20th March:

** Grenfell Blues **
* Niamh Mitton and Riley Gray

** Principals Awards **
* Joshua Holz, Hayden Reid, Sally AlBadran & Jethro Fenton

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HENRY LAWSON FESTIVAL FUNDRAISERS
IN SUPPORT OF OUR KING ENTRANT, MR KILBY!

EASTER EGG RAFFLE - Children can continue to send in eggs for our monster raffle that will be drawn on Thursday 2nd April at our Easter Hat Parade. There will be a prize for the class that brings in the most eggs. Raffle tickets are attached to this newsletter.

MOVIE NIGHT - Saturday 2nd May, 6pm start. This will be held on the bank in front of our School Hall. The cost will be $10 per person or $35 for a family ticket. Tickets can be pre purchased at the school office or on the night. Our first movie will start at 6.00 pm sharp. During interval the P & C will have food, drinks and snacks for sale. We will then start our second movie and the night will finish at around 10.00pm. It should be a great family night so I hope everyone can come along and support it.

SEAFOOD NIGHT – The date for this event has been changed - more details will follow shortly.

BATTERY DRIVE - If you have any old car or truck batteries (not the old double AA’s) lying around that you’d like to donate, the P & C would greatly appreciate them. Batteries can be dropped off at school, or contact John Gorman to make alternative arrangements.

FUN RUN - See details in Cross Country information.
SPORT

Girls Cricket
Last Tuesday the Girls Cricket Team played Forbes Public School at Forbes. The girls won the game, beating Forbes’ total of 5/85 by one run, on the last ball, with a score of 4/86. Well done, girls! Our next game will be against Wellington Public School.

Girls Netball
Good luck to our Girls Netball team who will be playing against Cowra this Thursday.

School Tennis Team
Unfortunately our Tennis team was defeated by Calare Public School from Orange last Friday. Our students played really well and should be proud of their efforts. Thank you to Mrs Taylor for all her organisation.

Boys Cricket
We are still waiting to find out who our next opponents will be. As soon as we know something we will send notes home.

Rugby League
We have a number of boys trying out today for the Cowra District Rugby League teams that will compete in Dubbo on Monday 30th May for the chance to be selected in the Under 11s or Open Rugby League Western teams. Good luck boys. Mr Kilby and Mr Martens will be taking the teams to Dubbo, so if you have any questions please come and see them.

Rugby
Sam Ramati, Angus Birch and Mac Bucknell are competing today in Cowra for the opportunity to go to the Western trials in Dubbo which will be held on 1st April. Good luck boys!

Cross Country/Fun Run
Our school Cross Country Carnival will be held at the Grenfell Racecourse on Friday 24th April. Students 8 years and older will catch a bus from school to the Racecourse at 10.15am for a 10.30am start. We will start with the 12 years and 11 years running 3km, followed by the 10 years and 8/9 years running 2km. The rest of Stage 1 students will catch a bus out to the Racecourse at 12.15pm for their race and lunch at the racecourse. There will be no canteen at school on Friday, so Stage 1 will need to bring their own recess. We will have a canteen operating at the Racecourse from 10.30am. We will have a BBQ lunch for everyone to purchase. If you can help on the canteen at the racecourse please see Kye or Trudie O’Byrne. We should return to school at around 2.00pm by bus.

This year, we are also using our School Cross Country as a major fundraiser by holding an Adidas School Fun Run.

The School Fun Run is a healthy, fun and active fundraiser that ensures we send the right message to our students about getting active, having fun and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. The main focus of this event is on participation. Family support is most appreciated as we encourage all students to get involved.

All students will receive a Sponsorship Form to help collect sponsorship on behalf of the school. The funds raised will be used to purchase important school resources.

We ask all parents to read the sponsorship form and sign the front page to grant permission for their child to fundraise and participate in this event. Students who raise just $10 or more will receive a reward for effort. On the sponsorship form you will also find many other prizes like the chance to win a family holiday to Disneyland!

Finally, we would like to welcome parents and family members to attend the School Fun Run event day at the Race Track to help cheer on the students.

Thank you, good luck and happy fundraising  Mr Kilby

Term 2
School starts for all students on Tuesday 21st April. Monday 20th is a Pupil Free Day. Our teachers will be in Forbes on this day attending professional learning.

Buses
The teachers and the bus drivers have noticed some parents walking between the buses in the afternoon. This is a very unsafe practice and sets a bad example for your children. You need to use the crossing or wait until the buses are gone.

Teacher’s Car Park
There should be no reason for anyone to walk students in or out of the teacher’s car park. This is not a thoroughfare and it is a very dangerous practice. Please use the Warraderry Street entrance.
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.

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.

Our school receives $5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

Thank you for supporting our school and helping to teach your child the benefits of saving regularly.

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.

Waste 2 Art

Grenfell Public School has taken up the challenge of the Waste to Art Community Art Competition this year. The requirements of the competition are to enter one substantial art piece that is to remain at the school. We decided the most suitable way to include the entire school community is to create a piece that all students can contribute too. We are making a structure out of steel. This will include the main structure constructed to look like a bare tree. Students can then add something that might otherwise go to waste to make the leaves of the tree.

Several parents have volunteered to make the main structure and it is under way. We are asking for small items no larger than 30cm diameter in the next couple of weeks. Items should be made from a material that will last. Some examples include old garden hand tools, small pieces of steel off the farm, old hand tools or something you think fits the purpose. Items can be left in their original state or painted a bright colour. It is up to you.

To avoid safety concerns of students hurting themselves by bringing items to school we have set aside times so can drop them off at the school. Mr Cartwright will be on Melyra St (near KKs room) to collect your items on Wednesday 25th March from 3:15 – 3:30pm, and Wednesday 1st April from 3:15 – 3:30pm.

Head Lice

We have had some reported cases of Head Lice at school, especially in Stage 1. Please check your child’s hair and make sure that if they have head lice, that you treat it correctly. Your child should not return to school until all lice and eggs are removed. For treatment please see the local chemist, or we have information packs at school.

Lost From 5/6J Classroom

Black Rip Curl Pencil case with Smiggle, pencils, pens, rubbers etc. All items are labelled with Megan Wilson’s name. If found, please return to school.
Red Food Day  
Monday 30th March  
Hot Dog  
+  
Can Sparkling Fruit Juice  
$6.00

If you would like to order a special lunch please write your order, child’s name and class on a lunch bag, and send into the Canteen with money enclosed by this Friday 27th March.

Attention Fathers!!
The Grenfell Dramatic Society calls for two able bodied men to guard five female prisoners as they take part in Drama Therapy for the State Arts Council. The two vacant positions will suit applicants who enjoy a challenge and can stand their ground in the face of combined female ingenuity.

If you think you’re capable please call Cathy Gilbert on: 0427...

STYLING & MILLINERY POP-UP SHOP
Your one stop shop for millinery & styling advice!
2 DAYS ONLY

Come in & view the new and extensive range of hats from Lisa Schaefer Millinery.

Be quick to pick your favourite, in time for the Grenfell & Parkes picnic races! Summer Panama hats also available.

Race in store, for your individual consultation with Susie Taylor (Personal Stylist). Pop-Up Specials starting @ $25 for a mini Colour Consult or for a “Power Hour” of Colour or Style only $150. Susie is passionate about helping women dress for their body shape, in colours that are perfect for their complexion! To make a booking or for more information, please call Susie on: 0425 217 058

WHEN: 10am–6pm Mon 30th & Tues 31st March, 2015
WHERE: Egoista Beauty Salon – Main St, Grenfell

To wrap up the 2 days of Pop-Up Shop fun, we invite you to join us in-store Tuesday 31st March @ 6.30pm, for a glass of bubbly and a free information session about all things stylish….

Susie – Dressing for your body shape, colours for your complexion
Lisa – Millinery trends, Hats for your face shape
Katherine – Skin care & make up tips

Please RSVP for Tuesday night to - Katherine (Beautician) on: 6343 2979.

Sports Ability

Creating sporting opportunities for people of all ages and all abilities

Sports Ability is an inclusive activities program with two main aims:
• to provide those working in a physical activity and sport setting with more ways of including people with disabilities;
• to provide a medium, for the integration of people with and without disabilities to interact in a sporting environment.

Sports Ability activities are based around five games:
• Rowing
• Sitting volleyball
• Putt Putt
• Table cricket

Participants will develop techniques, strategies and the confidence to adapt and modify any activity while playing the Sports Ability activities.

A Sports Ability training session will be conducted by Sport and Recreation.

Monday 30th March 2015
Where: Crows PCYC, Young Rd Crows.
Time: 11am – 2 pm
Cost: FREE
Cut Off Date to register: Wednesday 25th March
Register: For further information or to register, please contact Darrin Yates on (02) 6302 0623 or email darrin.yates@sport.nsw.gov.au

** Please dress appropriately for being active – track pants / shorts, T-shirts and training shoes. Light refreshments will be provided half-way through the training session.**
ANZAC Centenary Campout

The Grenfell RSL sub-branch is conducting a Campout on ANZAC eve, to enable local residents to participate in an active celebration of the Centenary of ANZAC Day.

Families and individuals are invited to register. Bring your own tents and camp out in Procter Park next to the Scout Hall on Friday evening 24th April. You will be woken early for the short walk up to Memorial Park for the Dawn Service on ANZAC Day itself. A light old-fashioned breakfast will follow.

Interested people may register at the Grenfell Bowling Club or Westpac where the Camp Conditions are on display. The cost is only $5 per person or $20 per family.

The RSL invites everyone to get involved in this grand initiative which will enable people to identify in an approximate manner with the early ANZACs. Please note that any group that contains children under 18 years requires a responsible adult in the camp.

Camp sites are limited so don’t leave it too late. Sites will be allocated on a “first in, best dressed” basis.

Authorised by T Lobb, coordinator for Grenfell RSL

ANZAC Centenary Campout

Camp Conditions

The Grenfell RSL sub-branch is conducting a “campout” at Procter Park on ANZAC Day eve, to offer local residents the opportunity of celebrating the Centenary of ANZAC Day in a participative way.

Registrants should carefully read and note the following conditions:

- Please supply your own tent. Alternatively, there is a very limited number of places available in SES tents.
- Sites will be allocated on a first in, best dressed basis.
- Tents may be erected from 3 pm on Friday afternoon (24th April).
- Bring sleeping bags, stretchers, ground sheets, and plenty of warm clothing and blankets.
- Earplugs may be desirable (the tents will be close together).
- Petrol or gas-fuelled lights, heaters, cookers, generators etc are not permitted on safety grounds.
- Some toilets will be available on site but no showers. Additional toilets are available at Taylor Park.
- Washing facilities are limited. Personal hand towels will be required.
- Loaders Coaches will provide a free bus to take campers to and from THLHS for the ANZAC Concert.
- Night activities are to cease by 10 pm. The occasion is a solemn one and should be respected.
- Site supervision will be provided by representatives of the Grenfell Cubs, the Grenfell Girl Guides, the Rural Fire Service and the State Emergency Service.
- Procter Park is a declared Alcohol Free Zone. Alcohol is not permitted and offenders may be asked to leave by camp supervisors or the Police.
- Weather permitting, there will be a campfire which is to be tended by camp supervisors only.
- In the event of very inclement weather, the Scout Hall will be available for sleeping.
- Campers will be woken by bugle call 15 minutes prior to the Dawn Service.
- Following the Dawn Service, a light rough-it breakfast will be available in the Scout Hall.
- The breakfast is intended to resemble that of about 1915 and will consist of:
  - rolled oats (porridge) and raw sugar
  - damper (no butter)
  - Golden Syrup (Cocky’s Joy) and/or jam
  - Billy tea with milk and raw sugar
  - cordial/fruit for children
- Breakfast will be served on disposable plates and cups. Campers may bring their own crockery and cutlery if desired.
- Breakfast will be served in the Hall. The kitchen is out of bounds to campers.
- Tents are to be removed and the site cleared of rubbish by 10 am Saturday.

The cost of the campout is $5 per person or $20 per family, payable on registration.

Approved by RSL Grenfell sub-branch, Grenfell Cubs, Grenfell Girl Guides
Enquiries to Coordinator Trevor Lobb  ph: 6343 1313 / 0490 416 724
GRENFELL JUNIOR RUGBY UNION

Grenfell Junior Rugby Union will commence their regular training on Wednesday evening at the Rugby union grounds commencing at 6pm.

It’s not too late to register!! 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 Brumbies Super 15 home games in Canberra.

Please provide your Medicare number and bring along your child’s birth certificate. After training, sausage sandwiches and drinks will be available to purchase.

Please consider Rugby as a winter sport. If you would like more information, please contact Rob Taylor on 0427 438 289 or Brad Robinson on 0427 124 805.

GRENFELL CINEMA

FRIDAY 10TH APRIL 2015
2.00 PM
Tickets available at Louisa’s Locker