Welcome back Mr Hooper, it is great to have you back within the school. We have lots to share with you and plenty of exciting things to catch you up on. Thank you to Mr Martens who looked after 5/6J for the last little while, I’m pretty sure that we will find plenty of work for him, so we can keep him around.

Our Bike day on Friday was a great success. Thank you to Mrs Johnson for all of her hard work and to Snr Constable Brendan Sirol and Constable Craig Slater from Young who came along to work with the children. The children all learnt about ways to keep themselves safe whilst on the road and what a safe bike looks like. A great day was had by all participants and the police are keen to come back next year to follow up with more days like Friday.

A special mention must be given also to Craig Johnson and the Weddin Shire. Craig collected the road signs that were used on the day that council happily loaned us. Thank you for your support.

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MATHS QUALITYWORK AWARDS were presented to:
- Jasmine McAway
- Georige Squires
- Megan Wilson
- Brodie Loveridge
- Jebediah York
- Dale Ryan
- Tyler Stevens
- Brett Knight
- James Wright
- Seth Drummond

Change of Weather
Our weather has definitely turned cooler and it is time to wear jumpers and jackets. Please remember to label all items of clothing. Mrs Taylor often collects clothing from the playground if they are left behind and sends them to the office. We can easily distribute them if they are labelled.

Whole School Assembly
The item this week will be presented by 1/2 M. We can't wait to see what you've prepared.

Upcoming EVENTS
TERM 2 - WEEK 4
TUESDAYS
SCHOOL BANKING
Tuesday 12th–Thursday 14th May
Naplan Testing
Friday 15th May
Whole School Assembly
(please remember to return your Stage Awards to Mr Hooper before Friday)
Excursions

Notes have been sent home recently for our Stage 2 & 3 excursions. Both excursions have asked for a deposit to be made that we would be grateful to receive by their due dates. This assists us with our organisation of numbers and specific arrangements. Please consider paying off the rest of the money owing so it doesn’t have such an impact all at once.

BOOKCLUB

Book Club Sheets have been handed out to all students. Orders and payments are due back to school today but we have decided to extend that until next Monday 18th May. You can also order and pay online—see order sheets for details.

Arrival Times:

Just a reminder for everyone, children are to arrive at school from 8:40am and not any earlier. Whilst there may be staff at school before this time they’re not officially on duty to supervise your child(ren). Many staff use this time for preparation and general organisation, supervision begins at 8:40am. The same applies for the end of the day; our bell goes at 3:10pm. All of our staff attend duty to help with the dismissal of students at this time. If for some reason you are held up and cannot make it on time, we would appreciate a phone call and will certainly watch your child in the office area until you arrive. On many occasions the staff will attend meetings after school and also use this time for preparation. Thank you for your cooperation and remember that if there is a change in how your child goes home please notify the school in plenty of time, last minute changes at 3pm can make it difficult for all concerned.
Mother's Day Stall

A big thank you to Faye Aspin, Trudie O'Byrne, Belinda Stock, Ashleigh Simpson, Joalee Knight, Emma Amery, Heather Windred, Tennille Starr, Mia Westman, Mandy Reid, Cherie Reid, John Gorman (and anyone else that we may have forgotten) who came to assist us with our Mother's Day Stall last Friday in the school hall. The children were able to select gifts for their Mums and Nans from a wide variety of items at very reasonable prices!

The P & C raised approximately $1200 from the stall and raffle. First prize, being a $100 voucher at the Beauty Spot, was won by Peter Mitton. Second prize of a $50 voucher at Jan Partlett's was won by the Westman girls, and third prize of a Dinner voucher at the Railway Hotel was won by Louise Murdoch. Congratulations to all the winners.

Seafood Night

Don’t forget the Seafood Night set down for Saturday 30th May at the Grenfell Country Club. Tickets are $50 each and need to be pre-paid before the evening. Grab a few friends and come along and enjoy multiple courses of delicious seafood! Tickets are available at the school office. Individual or group bookings can be made. This is our major fundraiser for Steve Kilby, our King entrant for the Festival so come along and give GPS some support whilst having a great night out.

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, we would greatly appreciate them. Batteries can be dropped off at school, or contact John Gorman to make alternative arrangements.

100 Club

We are running a 100 Club for our Festival King. The prize is $1000, and tickets are $20 each. Tickets are available from the school office NOW!!

CROSS COUNTRY/ FUN RUN

We are in the throws of winding up the Fun run paperwork. For any one who has not returned their sponsorship money to school, please do so immediately!!

Thank you to everyone who has supported our school with this Fundraiser.

Mr Kilby
Grenfell Swimming Club will be holding their AGM **TONIGHT**
Monday 11th May, 2015 at 7.30 pm in the club room.
All welcome.

**DIFFUSE**

*Anger Management*

Cowra

Is a 6 week Anger Management program for adults to help understand:
- Why do we get angry?
- What can I do about it?
- What other emotions can I not get angry?
- Learn how to communicate effectively with others.
- Is it really your problem or is it someone else’s?

Please call Carmel Rathmell on 0431989044 to register for this course. The cost is Free.

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**STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE 2015 ~** Don’t forget to return your envelope to school with your $2 gold coin donation by Friday 8th May. You will then go into a draw to win a $4000 holiday to a destination of your choice. Your donation supports the 1800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT. During their stay they are provided with optometric, dental and medical treatment as well as emotional support.

**ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES AND GIVE BLOOD**

Mobile Blood Service visiting:

**Stewarts House**

**Grenfell**

Vaughn Park, Cross Street

Monday 18 May 10.00am – 2.30pm

- Bring: 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate
- Eat: Have a good sized breakfast or lunch
- Please bring photo ID, with you

**FREE TO A GOOD HOME:** There is only 1 ginger kitten left, FREE to a good home.
Please contact the school if you are interested.

**Kids Creative Corner**

This June Long weekend come to the ‘Kids Creative Corner’ There’ll be hand puppets, dress ups, play dough sculptures, face painting, paper bag puppet making and Interactive story times.

**Saturday 6th June - 10am till 4pm**
(closing for the parade from 1-2:30)

**Sunday 7th June 10:30am till 3pm**
Interactive story times will be held at 10:30, 11:30, 12:30, 2:30 and 3:30 (Saturday only)
It will be in the upper main street as part of the Henry Lawson Festivities.
Hope to see you there!