Principal's Report...

Week 1 was certainly a wet and cold beginning to our Term. On Monday the staff spent their first day completing professional development in Technology and Curriculum planning before our lunch break. The afternoon was used to plan for term activities in Stage groups. So as you can imagine, it was a busy day as well as a very valuable one, with some fantastic discussions and plans being made for this semester.

On Tuesday night a band of people braved the cold to venture outdoors to attend a Canteen and P & C Meeting. Many things were discussed and sorted. Two very important events coming up are the Father’s Day Stall this term and our Fete next term. If you were unable to attend last week and have some great ideas for these events, please pencil in the next meeting or contact Trudy O’Byrne, the P & C president. We would like to encourage as much support as possible, remember all money raised from these events goes straight back into providing for our children.

Next P & C Meeting - Tuesday 11th August
Father’s Day Stall - Friday 4th September
Grenfell Public School Fete - 16th October

Mr Cartwright and Mrs Joyce had a fantastic opportunity to attend an English conference in Sydney last week. Mrs Cartwright from THLHS and Mrs Toole from Caragabal also attended. Our schools have received funding to work with a group of English teachers from across the State to use a trial document that will be introduced by the Department in 2016. They have come away with great plans to work together in order to develop programs that will enhance our delivery of exciting and comprehensive English programs.

Athletics Carnival

The carnival is now this Friday, 24th July. All students who turn 8 years or older this year will need to meet at the Henry Lawson High School by 9.10am. Students who regularly travel to school by bus can get off the bus at the High School. Stage 1 students who are under 8 years of age will travel to the High School at 12 o’clock by bus. All students will be dismissed from the High School. If you are willing to help out on the day and Mr Kilby or Mrs Forde don’t have your name, you can easily contact them here at school. Your assistance is always valued.

State Cross Country

Will Johnson travelled to Sydney last Friday for a very cold and wet Cross Country Carnival. He ran very well, all things considered. He came in in the middle of the group, exact results will be known shortly. Well done, Will. Will was able to check out some ‘fast cars’ on the track.

Education Week

Week 3 this term is Education Week. On Friday 31st July we would love to invite you all to our Book Fair during recess time and after that why not stroll on up to the hall for a Special Assembly. We will have a few items for you to enjoy as well as some special awards to present. Following this, we will run our annual Tabloid activities where our Stage 3 students organise and run some fun activities for us all to enjoy. Stay on for a sausage sizzle for lunch. The P & C will be cooking up a free sausage sizzle for everyone on that day. Please note that normal canteen orders can be taken on that day as well if your child is not keen to have a sausage. So come along for a great day!
Transition 6-7
From all accounts Year 6 had a fantastic time last week at THLHS. Just a reminder, this will be an ongoing activity for the term. Year 6 will be travelling to THLHS each Wednesday at 1:30pm on a bus and will be dismissed from there at the end of the day.

Kindy 2016- Transition
It’s that time of year again where we begin the process to welcome our next year’s Kindergarten children to school. The first step will be an information evening to be held at the Preschool on Wednesday 5th August. Mr Kilby is busily preparing a fantastic presentation that showcases all of the wonderful programs our school has to offer. The following Wednesday morning at 9:30am we welcome parents of the new Kindergarten children to school for a more detailed information session. This session will include a discussion of our transition program in Term 4, a tour of the school, further details on routines that we follow and a great chance for new parents to ask any questions they may have in regards to their child starting school. Please come along or let others know if they have a child ready to start school in 2016.

School Photo’s
We have been given a date for our School photo’s. It is Friday 11th September. Please keep this in mind when planning appointments and the like; it is great to have everyone in attendance on that day. As soon as we are given envelopes for orders we will pass them straight on to you.

Excursions
Just a reminder for parents of students in Stages 2 and 3, final payments for these will soon creep up on us all. Remember you can pay these off; they don’t have to be paid for in one full payment. Check with the ladies in the office if you are not sure of where you are up to, they will be only too happy to help.

Monica Joyce - Relieving Principal

QUALITY WORK AWARDS
Congratulations to the following students who received Quality Work Awards for Handwriting at Stage Assemblies last Friday:
Sophie Berry, Millie Ingrey, Kiara Sears, Georgia Brenner, Lucy Power, Riley Cartwright, Teleitha O’Byrne, Matilda Muldoon & Emerson Squires.

School Uniform - Price Rises
We have a large range of clothing available for purchase from the front office. Please note that some items have increased in price:

- Polo Shirts - Sizes 6-16 ~ $18.00
- Shorts - Sizes 18 up ~ $20.00
- Skorts - All sizes ~ $15.00
- Skorts - All sizes ~ $15.00
- Track pants - All sizes ~ $25.00
- Navy Polar Fleece jackets ~ $30.00
- Parkas ~ $40.00
- Pale Blue Jumpers (up to Size 10) ~ $32.00
- Pale Blue Jumpers (Over size 10) ~ $34.00
- Shower Jackets ~ $35.00
- New Hats (House Colours) ~ $12.00
- Hats (Navy blue) ~ $6.00
- Scarf ~ $6.00
- Beanie ~ $6.00
- Gloves ~ $4.00
- Sunnies ~ $8.00

Highlighted items are those that have risen in price.
Uniform items are also available from Louisa’s Locker
STUDENT BANKING

The following competitions are running at the moment and this is what you need to do to enter:

1. Make at least **3 deposits this term** and you will automatically be entered in the draw for a chance to win some amazing prizes. These include 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB, 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo Headphones, and 200 x $30 Booktopia Gift Certificates.

2. Make **25 or more deposits for the year** to be automatically entered into the competition to win a family trip to Disneyland. This prize includes return airfares, five nights accommodation, transfers and three days park entry for up to two adults and two kids, plus $2000 spending money. A number of our students are getting close to this mark already.

The Glow-in-the-Dark Solar System and the Cosmic Light Beam Torch are now available as Reward items as well as all items listed on the note that Mrs Eppelstun will send you when you are eligible to claim a reward item.

Reward items and certificates are handed out at each Whole School Assembly - if your child is away they will be handed out at the following Whole School Assembly. If your child would like their reward item before this they can come to the office and collect it.

Keep up the great work and don't forget to send in your deposit each week!

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Expression of Interest

We are seeking expressions of interest for a casual School Administrative Officer for two days per week for the remainder of the year.

Applicants need to address the following criteria:

- a proven ability to undertake financial and accounting responsibilities, including the use of computerised financial systems.
- efficient administrative, keyboard and word processing skills and an ability to work independently and/or with limited supervision.
- effective interpersonal and communication skills including the ability to work with all members of the school community, both individually and as a member of a team.
- a capacity to exercise initiative, organise resources and meet deadlines.
- an ability to understand/learn about NSW Department of Education administrative policies, practices and procedures used in schools.
- an understanding of occupational health and safety, equal employment opportunity and anti-discriminatory practices and behaviour as applied in a work environment.

Expressions of interest should not be more than two pages in length.

Expressions will close on **Monday 3rd August 2015** and should be addressed to:

The Principal
Grenfell Public School
30-42 Melyra Street
Grenfell NSW 2810
or emailed to: grenfell-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

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Lost and Found

Harrison Keppie is missing 2 school jumpers (one with Logo, one without). Harrison’s name is on the jumpers. If found, please return to school asap.
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