

Grafton Public School

A Tradition of Excellence



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Term Calendar - [Click Here](#)

Term 4 Week 6: Wednesday 18th November

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Brief But Important

* Excursion Updates:

The Year 4 excursion last week was awesome! Beautiful weather and beautiful location. The students loved the schedule of activities and, for some, the excitement of catching their first fish made it a truly memorable day. Special thanks to all the staff who made this excursion possible. Also a big thankyou to our wonderful bus drivers Stu and Scott for their assistance and to Mr Patterson and Copmanhurst Public School for their help in organisation.

The Year 2 excursion permission notes and money are due back by this Friday 20th November.

Notes regarding the Kindergarten "Teddy Bears Picnic" excursion will be issued shortly.

* P & C News:

Our P&C are looking forward to their biggest fundraising event of the year 'The GPS Christmas Raffle' and have organised some fantastic prizes.

Students will come home next week with a booklet of tickets to sell for \$1 each. When a ticket is sold, the buyer can choose which prize they would like to be in the running for: G, P or S. Once the major prizes are drawn, the tickets are combined for drawing the numerous runner-up prizes.

Which pack would you like to win.....

G - Gadgets (Adult and child fit bit)

P - Pool and Beach Pack - a variety of pool and beach equipment to keep all the family entertained this summer

S - School Ready Pack - vouchers to local business to get everything you need for the 2021 school year. Vouchers from Lowes, Athletes Foot, Target and Red Hot Hair.

The Christmas Raffle will be drawn on Friday 11th of December.

Photos of the prizes will be included in next week's newsletter and also on Facebook.

* Library News:

Bookclub Issue 8 is out. Student cash orders are due back to the library by **Friday 27th November Week 7**. This will be the last bookclub for the year.

Scholarships on Offer

As we move into the final stages of the year we are preparing for our virtual Presentation Day which is on Thursday, 10th December, at the Saraton Theatre. There are several scholarships on offer for Year 6 2021 students, including the Marie White Scholarship and the Riverside Church Scholarship. Scholarships offer current Year 5 students \$150 towards their Year 6 education expenses such as stationery, textbooks, school uniform and clothing, tuition and/or excursions.

Scholarship Criteria: All current Year 5 students may apply for these scholarships. These are all-rounder scholarships available to students who have a proven record of consistent academic achievement and positive school participation. Evidence of participation in the wider school community should be provided along with evidence of academic achievement. Specific achievement in co-curricula areas will also be recognised. The application is to be no more than a total of two pages which addresses: Personal Attributes; School and Community Citizenship; Academic Achievement; Other Information; and a personal handwritten answer to: Why I deserve a scholarship.

Scholarship Process: The scholarships are assessed following the review of the application and supportive material and an interview. Students are expected to maintain their interest, work effectively and behave appropriately in order to maintain the scholarship. If the student transgresses this expectation, the scholarship panel will meet to review the suitability of the student maintaining the scholarship.

Applications should be addressed to Miss McDonagh and close on Tuesday 1st December, with interviews on Thursday 3rd December.

* Numbers are restricted to 500 people. You can pre-purchase your tickets from the GPS Office.

* BBQ and other hot foods available for dinner options



Join us for a night of music and entertainment under the stars to help support Trish and Paul Winters and their family during Trish's health battles.

When: Saturday 21st November from 5.30pm

Where: Grafton Public School grounds

Entry \$5 per head.

BBQ, cold drinks and snacks available.

Ham wheel operating for your chance to win a Christmas ham.

Please see the Facebook event for the lineup of performers.

COVID Safe plan in place and social distancing will apply.

* Join in the Music Trivia Challenge in between acts.

* Gate raffle includes a huge seafood tray

Thankyou to the many businesses who have supported this event including GDSC Butchery, Farmer Lou's, Hanks Kitchen, Naeco Blue and Woolworths.