

A Tradition of Excellence

Grafton Public School Newsletter



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Term Calendar - [Click Here](#)

Term 4 Week 8: Friday 2nd December 2022

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From the Relieving Principal's Desk

Can you believe we are in Week 8 already and have started the crazy month of December? The weather surely doesn't reflect the summer month!

Our Year 2 students thoroughly enjoyed their transition week on the primary campus. I heard many comments such as "I love the playground", "I like visiting the canteen", "I hope I am in an upstairs classroom and we can come to the library at lunchtimes!". Opportunities like this prepare our students for their new environment and routines on the primary campus. Preparations have also commenced for 2023 classes. We have held one step up session, where the students tried a new class with different peers. We will hold another transition session in the coming weeks.

It's always a proud moment to see students receiving their awards and badges as part of our Wellbeing Policy. Yesterday we also acknowledged our ICAS participants, debaters and Chris Gulaptis awards. Congratulations to the many students who received Deputy Principal, Principal, Bronze and Silver badges yesterday. We have some very special Gold badges to present at the Presentation Day ceremony next week.

Earlier this week we had 28 very brave and courageous Year 5 students who presented their leadership speeches. They all spoke with great courage and passion for the role and our school. It's going to be a difficult choice for some people to pick next years' school leaders. Remember you don't need a badge to be a leader. The school will have other leadership opportunities throughout 2023. Captains and Vice Captains will be announced at Presentation Day. A big thank you to Miss Bebbington who worked with all the students to support their speech writing and delivery of their presentation.

Thank you to those students who have returned their library books. Borrowing has now finished for the year and all books at home need to be returned. It's important though for students to continue reading, sharing and loving stories as we get closer to the school holidays. Don't forget the power of oral storytelling as a means of keeping family and community connection strong.

Next week continues to be a busy week. It's been wonderful to catch glimpses of classes and year groups practicing their concert items. We are so excited to be back performing at the Saraton. Students will have rehearsal practises next Monday and Wednesday before our big Wednesday night Gala Concert. Please take the time to read the information on the notes coming home about the organisation for Wednesday night. Don't forget to get tickets in our P&C Christmas Raffle which will be drawn at the concert.

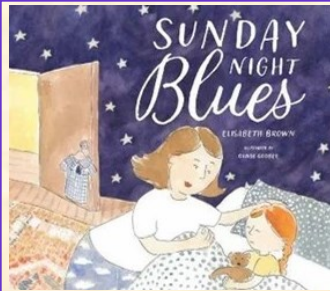


This week has been Wellbeing Week at Grafton PS and we have encouraged our staff and students to do things to 'fill their cups'. This weekend I urge you to do something a little special or different with your child/children to promote positive wellbeing. This may include things like going for a family walk, spending some time with your child; reading a new book together; playing a board game or having a family movie night.

Have a fabulous fortnight,

Mrs Fletcher
Relieving Principal

Congratulations Ms Brown



We are very proud of Ms Brown who has recently become a published author!

Her book 'Sunday night Blues' is a great read. Drop by and say hello to Ms Brown at her book launch taking place on Thursday 8 December from 3.30pm at The Book Warehouse Grafton.



Please help out - recycled materials

The infants campus is looking for recycled household items (things like food boxes, cartons, clear soft drink bottles or cylinders) to be brought to school for our Green Level Rewards activity.

Thank you!



Gala Christmas Concert



Grafton Public School Gala Concert

Wednesday 7th December 2022

6.30pm Saraton Theatre



An evening of fun and frivolity to showcase the talents of all of our students and to celebrate another great year at GPS

Tickets will go on sale on Thursday 17th November and will be available from the Saraton Theatre.

Please visit the Saraton or purchase tickets online.

<http://www.saraton.com>

Adults \$12

Students/Concessions \$8

Family ticket \$40 (2 adults and 3 students)

Families do not need to buy a ticket for students performing

Come dressed in your best Christmas outfit as there will be prizes for best dressed. The P & C Christmas Raffle will be drawn on the night. Please bring along some spare change to help spread some Christmas Spirit.

Please arrive at 6pm for pre-concert entertainment and be ready for a 6.30pm start.



Enrolments 2023

Are you moving away over the Christmas holidays, or are you moving to Grafton and will be enrolling at our great school? If the answer is "yes" then we need to know ASAP.

It is vital that we have the correct enrolment numbers for staffing and class placements for 2023. We are planning and drafting them now.

If you are moving away and have not informed us, or if you would like to speak to someone about a new enrolment, can you please call the office on 66421000 or email graffton-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

If we have the correct information, we can make the best decisions for our school in 2023. Thank you.

Annual Presentation Day

On Thursday 8 December, we will have our annual Presentation Day. This annual award ceremony acknowledges the many accomplishments of students in the classroom, across the school and in the wider community. Families of all award winners have been notified and are very welcome to join us at the Saraton for the ceremony. Parents of Year 6 students are also welcome to come, as this is where our Year 6 students will receive their Graduation Certificate.

The ceremony commences at 10am.

Doors to the theatre will open at 9.40am.

GRAFTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

Nil Sine Labore



ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY AWARDS CEREMONY
THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER 2022
SARATON THEATRE

Seeking an Inspirational Dance Instructor

Grafton Public School are seeking a dance instructor to lead our dance programs in 2023. This position will require a current Working with Children Check. The position is a paid position. The successful applicant would be employed to choreograph and rehearse our Junior and Senior Ensembles. Both ensembles perform regularly at school and community events. The successful applicant would be supported by a member of staff that will assist with logistical support and management of the ensembles.

The GPS Dance Programs have been based around a jazz style. The successful candidate would have to bring their own strengths and develop a program that inspires children.

Applications will be by email. These can be forwarded to timothy.keogh@det.nsw.edu.au. The application can take the form of a short letter, outlining your experience and vision. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding the position. Applicants will be given the opportunity to meet the team in a sit-down interview. There may also be the opportunity to run a short rehearsal which will allow both the applicant and the school to assess ensemble management and compatibility of vision.

Tim Keogh
Performing Arts Coordinator.

Student Leadership Speeches

Congratulations to our student leadership contenders for 2023. They all spoke with great courage and passion for the role and our school. Captains, Vice Captains and Prefects will be announced at Presentation Day. A big thank you To Miss Bebbington for supporting the students in speech writing and the delivery of their speeches.



P & C Christmas Raffle

Grafton Public School P & C Christmas Raffle

This year, we have chosen an online raffle. Please either click on the link below or scan the QR code in the first picture to be directed to the raffle online. This link and the QR code can be shared to family members elsewhere in NSW if they also wish to support our school. There are some great prizes to be won. Total prize pool is close to \$2000.

The raffle will be drawn at the Christmas Concert so get your tickets now!

<https://www.raffletix.com.au/grafonpsxmasraffle2022>

Grafton PS P&C Xmas Raffle

\$1 Tickets



Grafton PS P&C Xmas Raffle



A child's Fitbit Watch and Adult Forerunner Garmin Watch

1st Prize: G - Gadgets

Grafton PS P&C Xmas Raffle

A variety of gift vouchers from local business:

- Christmas Cake - Cathy's Cake
- \$100 Coles
- \$40 Grazing Platter from Grafton Mall Butchery
- \$50 Purrle Juice
- \$50 Sweet Temptations!

2nd Prize: P - Party Pack

Grafton PS P&C Xmas Raffle

The Ultimate Beach day Pack Consists of Cabana, Bombie Board, Beach Cricket, Beach Bash, Beach Soccer Ball, and 2 Bunch 9 Balloons.

3rd Prize: S - Sand Beach Pack

Grafton PS P&C Xmas Raffle

Back to school Vouchers

- \$150 Lowes Voucher
- \$100 Target Voucher

4th Prize: Back to School Pack

Grafton PS P&C Xmas Raffle

A set of Jaybird wireless sport headphones

5th Prize: Wireless HeadPhones

P & C Disco

On behalf of our P and C committee, we would like to thank all of the students and families who supported the disco. A great time was had by all in attendance. The new slushie machine, recently purchased by the P and C, was a huge hit, as were the glow sticks. Our Infants students loved their icy poles. A profit of over \$1000 was raised. A huge thankyou is also extended to Woolworths for their support of the fundraiser.



Big River Primary Schools Film Festival

On Wednesday four of our Year 6 students represented Grafton Public School at the Big River Primary Schools Film Festival. Vinh and Ardra did a fabulous jobs as emcees for the event and Olive and Amiah accepted the award for our school. The students wrote, starred in and edited the film titled 'Grafton Public Schools Got Talent'. Congratulations to all the students involved in the film.

This event would not be possible without the organisers of the event and we would especially like to thank the main organiser, Mrs Dalglish from Coutts Crossing Public School for inviting us to participate.



Calendar

WHAT'S COMING UP...

Dec 5 - Rehearsal Day - Saraton Theatre

Dec 7 - Christmas Gala Concert at the Saraton

Dec 8 - Presentation Day

Dec 12 - Green Level Rewards - Movies and other activities

Dec 14 - Reports handed out to students

Dec 15 - Year 6 Farewell

Dec 16 - Year 6 - Big Banana Waterpark

Dec 16 - Last day of Term for students

CLARENCE YOUTH SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 12-18!

WEEK 1

LASER SKIRMISH
Tuesday 3rd January, 4pm to 6pm
Barnier Park, Junction Hill
Just turn up!

GRAFFITI ART WORKSHOP
Wednesday 4th January, 2pm to 4pm
Yamba Skate Park, Yamba
Bookings essential – Text 0423 134 173

DROP IN, BBQ, CANVAS ART & AUS TAG
Wednesday 4th January, 3:30pm to 5pm
Grafton Skate Park, Grafton
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

SKATE WORKSHOP
Thursday 5th January, 10am to 12noon
Coutts Crossing Skate Park, Coutts Crossing
Bookings essential – 0432 049 408
<https://www.yambaskate.com/events>

ART WITH JIMMY WAGS & TULLI STEVENS
Thursday 5th January, 2pm to 4pm
Changing Lanes Shed, Through Street, South Grafton
Bookings essential – 0412 924 120

GRAFFITI ART WORKSHOP
Friday 6th January, 2pm to 4pm
Wooli Skate Park, Wooli
Bookings essential – Text 0423 134 173

SURF LESSONS
Friday 6th January, 9am to 12noon
Brooms Head Main Beach, Brooms Head
Bookings essential – 0447 693 863

For more information and updates, check out our Facebook pages 'Clarence Valley Youth' or 'Clarence Valley Youth Hubs'. The current COVID-19 situation has limited our capacity for numbers, so these activities will have restrictions. Please call 0428 420 908 if more details are required. Outdoor activities will be postponed in the case of wet weather. Programs proudly sponsored by:



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WEEK 2

WEARABLE ART WORKSHOP
Monday 9th January, 2pm to 4pm
Changing Lanes Shed, Through Street, South Grafton
Bookings essential – 0414 284 150

DROP IN & GAMES
Monday 9th January, 3:30pm to 5pm
Coutts Crossing Skate Park, Coutts Crossing
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

ART WITH JIMMY WAGS & TULLI STEVENS
Tuesday 10th January, 2pm to 4pm
Glenreagh Community Hall, Glenreagh
Bookings essential – 0412 924 120

DROP IN, BBQ, CANVAS ART & AUS TAG
Wednesday 11th January, 3:30pm to 5pm
Iluka Skate Park, Iluka
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

SKATE WORKSHOP
Thursday 12th January, 10am to 12noon
Wooli Skate Park, Wooli
Bookings essential – 0432 049 408
<https://www.yambaskate.com/events>

STAND-UP PADDLE BOARDING
Thursday 12th January, 9am to 12noon
Whiting Beach, Yamba
Bookings essential – 0447 693 863

STAND-UP PADDLE BOARDING
Friday 13th January, 9am to 12noon
Charlie Ryan Park (The Bay), Iluka
Bookings essential – 0447 693 863

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WEEK 3

DROP IN, BBQ, CANVAS ART & AUS TAG
Monday 16th January, 3:30pm to 5pm
Coutts Crossing Skate Park, Coutts Crossing
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

SKATE WORKSHOP
Tuesday 17th January, 10am to 12noon
Copmanhurst Skate Park, Copmanhurst
Bookings essential – 0432 049 408
<https://www.yambaskate.com/events>

LASER SKIRMISH
Tuesday 17th January, 4pm to 6pm
Lawrence Memorial Park, Lawrence
Just turn up!

CREATIVE CLUB
Tuesday 17th January, 2:30pm to 4:30pm
Headspace Grafton
Bookings essential – 6642 1520

DROP IN, BBQ, CANVAS ART & AUS TAG
Wednesday 18th January, 3:30pm to 5pm
Yamba Skate Park, Yamba
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

GRAFFITI ART WORKSHOP
Thursday 19th January, 2pm to 4pm
Townsend Park, Townsend
Bookings essential – 0423 134 173

SURFING LESSONS
Friday 20th January, 9am to 12noon
Main Beach, Minnie Water
Bookings essential – 0447 693 863

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FREE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 12-18!

WEEK 4

WEARABLE ART WORKSHOP
Monday 23rd January, 2pm to 4pm
Lawrence Uniting Church, Lawrence
Bookings essential – 0414 284 150

DROP IN & GAMES
Monday 23rd January, 3:30pm to 5pm
Coutts Crossing Skate Park, Coutts Crossing
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

LASER SKIRMISH
Tuesday 24th January, 4pm to 6pm
Iluka Skate Park, Iluka
Just turn up!

CREATIVE CLUB
Tuesday 24th January, 2:30pm to 4:30pm
Headspace Grafton
Bookings essential – 6642 1520

COMMUNITY CULTURAL CONNECTIONS
Tuesday 24th January, 11am to 2pm
Rocky Mouth Pavilion, Maclean Showground
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

LASER SKIRMISH
Wednesday 25th January, 4pm to 6pm
Copmanhurst Skate Park, Copmanhurst
Just turn up!

DROP IN, BBQ, CANVAS ART & AUS TAG
Wednesday 25th January, 3:30pm to 5pm
Townsend Park, Townsend
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

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2022 SUMMER VACATION CARE PROGRAM

Monday 19 December to Friday 27 January

Before School, After School & Vacation Care for the North Coast



CONTACT INFORMATION
Phone: 0466 306 220 or 6658 9757
Email: admin@communityoosh.com.au
Web: www.communityoosh.com.au



"In a world gone mad with rules & regulations, we help kids be kids"

HOURS OF OPERATION

7.00am – 6.00pm

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

During School Holidays & Pupil Free days

On all excursion days children are required to be at the centre no later than 8:45am and will return by approx. 4:00pm.

Transportation is provided in our bus or van depending on bookings.

Risk Assessments available upon request.

"WHAT TO BRING EVERYDAY"

All Children are required to bring a hat, water bottle, sunscreen, appropriate footwear and healthy lunch / snacks.

In winter warm clothes and socks are required each day.

In summer swimmers, sun/rash shirts, swim aids (if required), towel and plastic bag are required each day. Personal electronic devices are prohibited.

Please label all clothes. Spending money is optional!

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR VACATION CARE

To book please scan the QR code to be taken directly to our vacation care bookings area where you then select the centre you need and complete the form. Alternatively, go to our website at www.communityoosh.com.au and click the purple box titled "Vacation Care Bookings & Program"



VACATION CARE BOOKINGS CANNOT BE TAKEN OVER THE PHONE OR BY TEXT MESSAGE. OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO BOOKINGS BEING ACCEPTED.

Your booking requests will be confirmed by email. Please check that you receive the confirmation from us within 2 working days of submitting. The minimum notice required to cancel a Vacation Care booking where no charge will apply is 1:30pm the working day before your booking. Please note that weekends and Public Holidays are Non Working Days. All bookings not cancelled by this time will be charged at full fee.

FEES: Depending on the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) and activity hours a parent is entitled too, the out of pocket costs to parents can range from a few dollars to the full rate shown below. To find out more about the Child Care Subsidy please visit at <https://www.education.gov.au/child-care-package>. The table below shows the full fee with no Child Care Subsidy along with an example of the out of pocket expense where the highest rate of Child Care Subsidy is applied.

Your fee will vary depending on your own CCS rate and activity hours you receive. Unlike some providers, Community OOSH Services strive to put you and your children first, providing the highest quality care for the lowest possible price. Please note excursions are at an additional cost and vary depending on the excursion. The cost on each excursion are shown on the next page and these costs will have your CCS % applied to substantially reduce excursion costs.

2022 Fee Structure at Full Rate before the application of any CCS %		Example of Approximate out of pocket expenses at 85% CCS	
Vacation Care	\$65	Vacation Care	\$13.00
Sample Additional Excursion Cost	\$16	Sample Excursion CCS Applied	\$3.20

GRAFTON CHRISTMAS 2022 PROGRAM

Mon 19 Dec	Tues 20 Dec	Wed 21 Dec	Thurs 22 Dec	Fri 23 Dec
IN CENTRE GUINNESS BOOK OF RECORDS The 2023 edition is about to be released and it's not too late to put you in it! Whether it's the biggest, tallest, longest, strongest or most disgusting, today you can break down all the barriers and show us the whacky, weird and wonderful hidden talents that make you... YOU!	EXCURSION • \$16 "STRANGE WORLD" A legendary family of explorers reunite and embark upon a most crucial mission into an uncharted and treacherous new world to save our existing world from destruction! After that, we'll head off for a picnic and a swim at the local reserve. (\$7 popcorn drink deal available)	IN CENTRE • \$16 "H2O • WATER" Water makes up 60% of your body weight. It also covers about 71% of the earth's surface. This year it was more like 100%! We've had so much lately we can afford to waste a bit today! We'll wild fun with water bombs, water pistols, slip & slides, giant bubbles, wet feling & more!	EXCURSION • \$16 CARNIVAL CAPERS They're here! Every year we anxiously await the arrival of the Jetty Carnival because it's opening in the afternoon JUST FOR US!!! By far and away our best "value for money" excursion of the year and a ton of fun to boot! "Carnival here we come!"	IN CENTRE CHRISTMAS COUNTDOWN Two more sleeps!!!!!! The chubby old bloke in the red suit is packing his sleigh harnessing the reindeers and getting ready for take-off! We've got loads of last-minute Christmas gifts and crafts to make, cooking to do and hilarious games to play and last minute preparations to make before he comes!
Mon 26 Dec	Tues 27 Dec	Wed 28 Dec	Thurs 29 Dec	Fri 30 Dec
BOXING DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY 	ADDITIONAL CHRISTMAS PUBLIC HOLIDAY 	EXCURSION • \$7 MYSTERY TOUR The Magical Mystery Tour is waiting to take you away! A fantastic day of fun awaits with a rolling scavenger hunt, prizes and hot chip sandwiches for lunch I'd tell you where we are going, except I don't know myself!!	IN CENTRE • GAME MASTER Are you mentally adept and physically fit? If the answer is yes you also have a great vocabulary! Be it ultimate UNO, terrific TWISTER or the perfect Pictionary conquering these could make you the perfect GAME MASTER! Only time will tell!	IN CENTRE CHRISTMAS EVE PARTY!!! 2022 is almost over, so it's out with the old and in with the new! Get ready to party hard & celebrate the approach of a brighter and brighter 2023!!! Loads of dancing, prizes, party games and fun!!!
Mon 2 Jan	Tues 3 Jan	Wed 4 Jan	Thurs 5 Jan	Fri 6 Jan
NEW YEARS DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY 	HOLEY MOLEY Back by popular demand! We're off to the Golf Range to learn the basics of chipping, putting, driving and FUN! Hole in one here we come! Then we'll head reserve for a picnic and splash at the jetty foreshores.	EXCURSION • \$16 CARNIVAL CAPERS If you missed it the first time, don't make the mistake of missing it again!! By popular demand, the Jetty Carnival is again opening up in the afternoon JUST FOR US!!! It's fantastic value for money with a great day of unlimited rides, fun and excitement	IN CENTRE "WE CAN BE HEROES!" Get ready to discover your innermost Superpower and to challenge yourself to see whether or not a Marvel or a DC Hero is ready to make you a franchisee! BUT... most of all... get ready to wear your underpants on the outside!!! (Great prizes for the best dressed!)	EXCURSION • \$16 SPRING LOADED Time to turn yourself into a human "superball" today and go bouncing off the floor, walls and ceiling with your friends! Afterwards, we'll have a swim, splash & a play and enjoy a picnic at the reserve. (Please wear active clothes and socks today)
Mon 9 Jan	Tues 10 Jan	Wed 11 Jan	Thurs 12 Jan	Fri 13 Jan
IN CENTRE • PASSPORT TO FUN! Climb aboard and buckle up today at OOSH as we bring a world of adventure to your doorstep! Whether it's the wildest of deepest darkest Africa, the heights of Mt Everest, the pirate coasts of tropical Jamaica or the chills of the Arctic Circle.	EXCURSION • \$15 SHERWOOD INDOOR ARCHERY CENTRE There's nothing better than being allowed to touch and play with the dangerous stuff that your parents never let you touch! It's GREAT FUN!!! Join our band of "Merry men" today as bring out your inner ROBIN HOOD!	EXCURSION • \$16 SURF SCHOOL It's back to school today, surf school that is! Learn how to hang 5, 10 & even 20 (if you're really clever)! Essentials skills for the Australian lifestyle! Learn from the professionals while playing & having fun. Add in a picnic lunch, beach games, sand modelling and a lazy swim! It's a tough life!	IN CENTRE • "TRON" Your parents keep saying "Get off your computer!" Well today we're telling you to "Get INTO your computer!" Get animated today as we zap you with our high tech OOSH "Laser Digitaliser" and send you through the ether to play and conquer real life versions of your favourite video games!	EXCURSION • \$16 THE RAINFREST RATTLE TRAIN RIDE A unique chance to step back in time today to the year 1923 for some "rockin', rollin', ridin'" good old-fashioned fun! A train ride through the Coffs hinterland and then a picnic lunch and a splash & swim at the reserve makes for a great day out!
Mon 16 Jan	Tues 17 Jan	Wed 18 Jan	Thurs 19 Jan	Fri 20 Jan
EXCURSION • \$15 "LYLE, LYLE THE CROCODILE!" A young boy struggling with a new house and new school finds a new friend in Lyle, the singing crocodile! That's when the fun begins! THEN we'll head off for a picnic and a swim at the local reserve. (\$7 popcorn drink deal available)	EXCURSION • \$16 CARNIVAL CAPERS Don't miss the LAST CHANCE to enjoy "all the fun of the fair" at the fantastic Jetty Carnival! We can't get enough of this amazing, "value for money" day of fun! Bring your swimmers today to cool off with a splash and a play at the Jetty Foreshores.	IN CENTRE "NEVERENDING STORY" The world of books opens the gateway to your imagination! Enter it with us today as we base our fun and games on the literary worlds of the greats such as Roald Dahl, J.K. Rowling, Dr Seuss, Mem Fox, Andy Griffith, Paul Jennings and the mighty William Shakespeare!	EXCURSION • \$16 JETTY THEATRE LIVE SHOW Come with us today to experience the magic of live theatre and the performance arts! We'll share the adventures of Wayne the Humpback whale on his journey from Antarctica to the warmer waters of the Australian East Coast!	EXCURSION • \$16 MULLAWANG CREATIVE WORKSHOP By popular demand JIMMY WAGGS and TULLI STEVENS are back to get your creative juices flowing and inspire your own artistic flair by teaching you the tricks of the trade! Then all you've got to do to be famous is grow old and out your war off!
Mon 23 Jan	Tues 24 Jan	Wed 25 Jan	Thurs 26 Jan	Fri 27 Jan
IN CENTRE • AUSSIE! AUSSIE! AUSSIE! OI OI, OI OI, OI!! They call it "the Lucky Country" for a reason, so stand up, take pride and be grateful for what we've got to celebrate ourselves as a nation! Heaps of Aussie games, crocknosh races, test matches and a lot of prizes. PLUS... We'll shout you lunch and chuck a snag on the barbie!	EXCURSION • \$16 WATER PARK Summer sliding fun awaits at our favourite Big Banana Water slides!! (Optional \$2 lolly bags available) After that we'll head off for a picnic at the beach reserve tips off a great day of fun!	EXCURSION • \$15 "PUSS IN BOOTS - LAST WISH" Puss discovers that he has burnt through eight of his nine lives. He begins a final epic journey to find the mythical "Last Wish" which will restore his nine lives. THEN we'll head off for a picnic and a swim at the local reserve. (\$7 popcorn drink deal available)	AUSTRALIA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY 	IN CENTRE TOYS THROUGHOUT TIME! From the most ancient cultures through to our modern-day society it appears that the sledge "kids" will be kids "ings" true! Be it the earliest toys made from rocks, sticks, and clay to modern technological wonders, we're going to make, sample and play with the best of them!



Copmanhurst Family Fun Fair

Family fun activities and games, over 25 market Stalls, entertainment, BBQ, plus more!

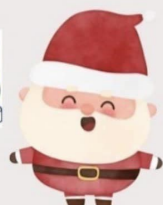
Chill to the tunes of Country Mud and Sound Trap

Saturday December 3rd 2022
2pm until 7pm

Gold Coin Donation on entry

Copmanhurst Showground

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SURF LIFE SAVING
NEW SOUTH WALES



GONE FISHING

Rock Fishing Safety & Skills Day

FREE HOBBIE LIFEJACKET VALUED AT \$160!

- Free Lunch
- Family Fun
- Fishing Skills
- Beach Safety Session



SATURDAY DECEMBER 3

Coffs Harbour Jetty Beach
9.30am to 3.30pm

REGISTER

LEARN MORE & REGISTER YOUR SPOT NOW

https://Gonefishing_CoffsHarbour.eventbrite.com.au
or email community@surflifesaving.com.au



Transport for NSW



School Travel

Term 4 2022

2023 school travel applications are now open

Applications for student travel in 2023 open from **Monday 10 October 2022**.

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass for 2023 can [apply](#) now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, have repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [renew or update](#) their details before **the end of term 4**. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications, and entitlements remain valid for the start of the 2023 school year. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade (i.e. grade two to grade three), the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), we will send an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

[Term Bus Pass](#) holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2023.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes.

Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Travel from Term 1 2023

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for 2023 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel open at the start of Term 4 2022, so parents/students can [apply](#) or [update](#) details early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a busy period for local transport operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Students using School Opal cards are also reminded that they must tap on and tap off in line with the [Student code of conduct](#) and [Opal terms of use](#).



Further information can be found at transportnsw.info/travel-info/using-public-transport/school-travel

Enquiries can be submitted at transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/passes-concessions-feedback



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Entry Forms: Available at Ferry Park Gallery, Maclean

Entry Fees: Open \$12.00; Youth (under 16) \$7.00
Both include 8x8 canvas

Entries Close: 4.00 pm Friday, 17th March, 2023

Opening and Awards: Friday 31st March, 2023 (Open)
Saturday 1st April, 2023 (Juniors)

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