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# Grafton Public School Newsletter



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**Term Calendar** - [Click Here](#)

**Term 2 Week 6: Friday 3rd June 2022**

**School Website** - [Click Here](#)

## Flood Recovery Funding

The Minister of Education announced an education funding package, a 'Hardship Package', to support Public Schools in 7 identified Local Government Areas affected by recent floods in the Northern Rivers Region. All families should have received both a note and an email earlier this week regarding the Government's Flood Recovery Funding to all students. This money is available to students from now until the end of the 2023 school year. There are many school related expenses that this money can be used for including excursions and activity fees. It is a family's decision as to what to use the money for.

This money can be used for purchases at the canteen by simply noting on your order that payment is by "flood funding".

Music tuition fees from the Clarence Valley Conservatorium can also be paid with this funding. Please contact the Clarence Valley Conservatorium office and ask that your invoice be paid with "flood funding" and we will process it on your behalf.

## From the Deputy Principal's Desk

On Monday night, we welcomed many new faces into our school. The current Kindergarten team gave our 2023 parents an insight into what 'big school' is like at our fabulous school. It was lovely to catch up with familiar faces and meet new families. Thanks Mrs Black and the Kindergarten team for holding this event. If you have a child starting school next year or know of families who live in our zoning area, we are currently taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2023. Enrolments can be completed online through the Grafton Public School website.

Last week, some staff attended professional learning with Eddie Woo (a very famous Mathematics Teacher) to develop their knowledge and understanding of teaching mathematics. Staff are looking forward to imparting this knowledge back into their classrooms.

Our prefects and Miss Mel attended the GRIP leadership day in Coffs Harbour last Friday. The leaders enjoyed the day and experienced presentations on leadership, integrity and team work. Well done Year 6 leaders.





## From the Deputy Principal's Desk continued...

Many students have been participating in a variety of sporting teams over the last fortnight and this will continue throughout the rest of the term. We wish them all the best and know they will demonstrate wonderful sportsmanship qualities. Our students in Years 4, 5 and support unit classes will experience a session in the coming weeks from the Sports Abilities Program. This program promotes inclusion in our sporting games and playground that aims to give students a better understanding of people with disabilities.

National Reconciliation Week. The title of the 2022 week is 'Be Brave Make Change'. This week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. A big thank you to Miss Jody and Mrs Eveleigh for taking a large group of students to the Close the Gap Excursion day at Maclean yesterday.



Teachers are in the process of writing your child's Semester 1 Report. Reporting is the process of providing feedback to parents/carers and students about student progress. This year we have reflected on our school context and feedback from parents and staff to make slight changes to our GPS Reports. These changes include descriptors about content being learned and learning goals from teachers and your child (this is a big focus of our school this year). Teachers' comments will describe the skills and knowledge demonstrated by the student and an area of development. Features that remain the same are an overall judgement (A-E) for each Key Learning Area, a rating for effort and attendance information. Parents and carers will receive reports at the end of this term. Year 6 reports will go out Friday 24th of June and Kindergarten to Year 5 will receive their reports the following week on Thursday 30th of June.

Have a great fortnight,

Kelly Fletcher  
Deputy Principal

## Sporting News



Well done to Tegan (left) who attended the PSSA Touch Football State Titles two weeks ago in Tuggerah.

This week 5 students (right) attended State Titles in Tamworth for Hockey and Basketball.

Well done to Bella, Jacquelin, Polly, Hugh and Milla. Well done also to super coach Ms Buckley!





## COVID news

We are still recording a reasonable number of COVID-19 cases amongst staff and students. Staff and students need to stay home for a full 7 days if they test positive for COVID-19. If a student or staff member receives a positive RAT test, they need to

- Record the positive RAT result through the Service NSW website or Service NSW app.
- Notify the school of the positive RAT or PCR test as soon as possible
- Follow NSW Health advice to isolate for 7 days
- Parents / Carers also need to notify the school if your child is considered a close contact

We do understand that at this time of year as the weather gets cooler, some children and families are going to get colds. We ask that if your child is unwell that they undergo a RAT at home and even if negative, will need to stay at home until they are symptom free.

It is also important for our families to contact the school office or teachers through SeeSaw if your child is unwell to explain their absences. Parents must provide an explanation of absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period absence.

## Junior and Senior Dance

The Mid North Coast Dance Festival is to be held Tuesday 21st of June 2022 at the Coffs Harbour Education Campus (CHEC) commencing at 7pm.

Ticket sales open on 6th of June for families.

A merchandise note has been sent home for dancers.

Further information will be confirmed regarding travel to Coffs Harbour and proceedings of the day.

Families of the Junior and Senior Dance Ensembles are reminded to use the SeeSaw invitations sent home to connect with Mrs Eveleigh and Mrs Rose about all upcoming events and details.



## Reminders

Our Primary canteen operates on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays only. This canteen also services our Infants campus. Students on both campuses can place orders for recess and/or lunch by person or through the online ordering system 'quickcliq'. **If you would like to use 'flood funding', please complete a paper order and write 'flood payment'** on it as our online ordering system will not recognise this funding.

Our next **P & C meeting** is being held on **Tuesday the 14th of June**, starting at 6.30pm in our Library. All welcome.

### THIS TERM.....

**Jun 6** - K/1 Indigenous hearing checks

**Jun 7** - PSSA Girls Cricket

**Jun 8** - PSSA Touch Football  
- Sports Abilities Program

**Jun 9** - PSSA AFL Knockout Gala Day

**Jun 10** - Swim sessions K-6LJ, 3-6BP, K-6AW

**Jun 13** - Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

**Jun 14** - Badge ceremonies  
- Dion Drummond performances across both campuses  
- North Coast Cross Country - Nana Glen  
- P&C Meeting Library 6.30pm

**Jun 15** - North Coast Cross Country Lismore  
- Sports Abilities Program

**Jun 16** - GPS Netball knockout Gala Day in Yamba

**Jun 17** - Rugby League Knockout Coffs Harbour  
- Swim sessions K-6LJ, 3-6BP, K-6AW

**Jun 20** - GPS Athletics Carnival Primary

**Jun 21** - MNC Dance Festival

**Jun 22** - Sports Abilities Program

**Jun 23** - Back up date for Athletics Carnival

**Jun 24** - Year 6 Reports go home  
- Swim sessions K-6LJ, 3-6BP, K-6AW

**Jun 26- Jul 1** - Year 6 Canberra Excursion departing in the evening on the 26th of June and returning in the morning of the 1st of July.

**Jul 27** - NAIDOC Opening Ceremony

**Jul 29** - NAIDOC Public Speaking - Westlawn PS

**Jul 30** - Reports Years K-5 go home

**Jul 1** - Last day of Term



## National Sorry Day

On Thursday 26 May it was National Sorry Day, a day that acknowledges the trauma and loss that continues to affect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, families and individuals. National Sorry Day is a chance to focus on healing and pursue reconciliation in Australian society. Many classes participated in a variety of lessons to reflect on this important day.



## Badge Ceremony



We held a Badge Ceremony on the Primary campus last week. Congratulations to all our worthy recipients! Pictured are just some of our many award holders. More pictures can be found on our facebook page.





## Grafton Public School Canteen Menu 2022

SANDWICHES *	PRICE	DRINKS	PRICE
Multigrain/white			
Vegemite, Jam, Honey	\$2.00	Water 600 ml	\$1.50
Cheese	\$2.00	100% Fruit Juice Popper 200ml	\$2.00
Egg	\$3.00	Messy Monkeys choc/strawberry 250ml	\$2.50
Egg and Lettuce	\$3.50	Chill J's 250ml	\$2.50
Ham	\$2.50	Up & Go Choc/vanilla/s'berry/banana	\$2.50
Ham and Cheese	\$3.00	Plain Milk 200ml Cup	\$1.00
Ham, cheese, Tomato	\$3.50	Milk with Sippah Straw	\$1.50
Ham Salad	\$4.50	Cold Milo (Hot in winter only)	\$1.50
Chicken	\$3.50	<b>HOT FOOD</b>	<b>PRICE</b>
Chicken, lettuce, mayo	\$4.00	Cheese burger *	\$4.00
Chicken Salad	\$4.50	Chicken Burger *	\$4.00
Salad	\$4.00	Veggie Burger	\$5.00
<b>Extras:</b>		Chicken Tender Roll	\$3.50
All Toasted Sandwiches extra	\$0.50	Mrs Mac's Lite Pie	\$4.00
Roll	\$1.00	Sausage roll	\$3.00
		Dino Snacks (3)	\$2.00
<b>WRAPS *</b>		Spaghetti Bolognese *	\$4.00
Chicken, lettuce and Mayo small size	\$4.50	Cheesy Mac *	\$4.00
Ham, cheese and lettuce small size	\$4.50	Hot Ham, egg and cheese burrito*	\$4.00
Chicken Caesar Salad Large	\$6.00	Pizza Slice*	\$4.00
Chicken Salad Large	\$6.00	Tomato Sauce	\$0.40
Ham Salad Large	\$6.00	BBQ Sauce	\$0.40
Pesto Chicken, cheese, tomato, lettuce	\$6.00		
Salad Large	\$6.00	<b>SNACKS</b>	<b>PRICE</b>
<b>JAFFLES *</b>			
Baked beans	\$3.50	Custard	\$1.00
Spaghetti	\$3.50	Jelly	\$1.00
Egg	\$3.50	Pikelets (2) with butter &/or jam *	\$0.50
		Frozen Pineapple ring	\$0.50
		Frozen Watermelon Slice	\$1.00
<b>SALADS *</b>			
Chicken Caesar Salad large	\$8.00	Ice Cream cup	\$1.00
Mini Munch Salad	\$4.00	Paddlepop	\$1.50
Add Boiled egg, ham or chicken	\$1.00	Quelch 1/2	\$0.30
<b>TOASTED TURKISH *</b>		Quelch	\$0.60
Chicken, cheese, tomato	\$6.00	Popcorn	\$0.50
Sw. chilli chicken, cheese tomato/pineapple	\$6.00	Scrolls Small \$0.50 Large	\$1.00
Ham, cheese, pineapple	\$6.00	Hashbrowns	\$1.00
Ham, cheese, tomato	\$6.00		
Pesto Chicken, cheese and tomato	\$6.00	* canteen made	