



GRAFTON PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 WEEK 9 – THURSDAY 28th MARCH 2024

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<https://grafton-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

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<https://www.facebook.com/GraftonPublicSchool>

Upcoming Events

Mar 29 Apr 1	Good Friday Easter Monday
Apr 3 Apr 4	Year 5 Surf School
Apr 12	GPS Colour Splatacular


YEAR 5 SURF SCHOOL

Permission notes
and payments
now due on
Schoolbytes

**WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL
5TV AND 5TS**

**THURSDAY 4TH APRIL
5PW AND SUPPORT UNIT**

**SOLITARY
ISLANDS SURF
SCHOOL
WOOLGOOLGA**



Flick the link to
your fundraising
page to any
relatives you see
over Easter.....

GPS Colour Splatacular: 12th April


Which teachers are going on
the list to be slimed on the
day??.....here are our first 3
victims, our Senior Executive.
Watch this space for more
nominated teachers.

*All students who raise \$50 or more will go in the
draw to "slime" their favourite teacher*



School Bytes Weekly Update

Reminder



A reminder to parents: please go into your School Bytes app and complete the Long Term Permission Note for your child.

If you have not yet registered for School Bytes, please do so ASAP. If you have any questions regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

All Permission Notes in 2024 will be online

School Bytes

Parent App

Available now!

Download on the App Store or Google Play by clicking the image below.



Key Features

- Get real time push notifications from your school
- Stay signed in and save your card for secure payments for fees and excursions
- Give consent, sign forms and respond to attendance alerts

Please download and register now!

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google Play

YEAR 4 EXCURSION

Check School Bytes for important information about this camp and to make a payment.

YEAR 6 EXCURSION

CHECK SCHOOL BYTES FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THIS CAMP AND TO MAKE A PAYMENT

Important Messages

MOVING INTO YEAR 7 IN A NSW GOVERNMENT SCHOOL 2025.

The Department of Education requires all parents/carers to complete a 'Moving to High School expression of interest.' This expression of interest can be done online using this link

<https://year7.enrol.education.nsw.gov.au/?schoolCode=2060>

If you do not require a placement in a NSW Government High school, please follow the above link and click on 'Advise placement not required.'

Grafton Public School needs to know so we may support your child's transition, and the department can fulfil its duty of care to all students.

Submissions are due by 04 April 2024. If you have questions or require a paper copy, please contact the school.



ABSENCES

Due to Department of Education Policy, we have changed the way we are notifying our parents/carers of student absences.

If your child is away with an unexplained absence, whether it be the whole day, late, early or partial, you will be notified by SMS shortly after 10am every day. It will also capture the day before so as to include an absence after the 10am cut off from the day before.

Can you please either reply to the SMS message you received, email the school at grafton-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or phone the school on 6642 1000.

As with any new process we may encounter some problems at the beginning but hopefully these will be sorted out quickly.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school.



Important Messages



Return and Earn for GPS Performing Arts



Please consider cashing in your cans and bottles and pledge the dollars to our GPS Performing Arts Programs. With your help, we hope to be able to give every child a chance to shine!

South Grafton self serve centre behind Maccas
Download the Return and Earn app from App Store /Google Play. Login/register. Select Charities, search for Grafton Public School and set as payout. Scan barcode each time before you start at the South Grafton Return and Earn Centre.

Take them to the Grafton Container Return in North Street and ask that your payment be donated to Grafton Public School

An adult may bring them in to school and we will do the recycling for you. A special bin and chute will be set up at school next week for after hours collections

This is an extension of existing Environmental Initiatives at our school. The students recycle their empty poppers and use the money to ensure our garden flourishes.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

CLARENCE VALLEY YOUTH WEEK
11 APRIL to 21 APRIL
2024

ALL YOUTH WEEK EVENTS ARE DRUG, ALCOHOL AND VAPES FREE. UNDER 12'S MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT. ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL. PLEASE CONTACT ALLURA 0429 420 980 FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO MAKE A BOOKING.

MON 15 APRIL - 10AM-3PM
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
JJ LAWRENCE PARK, STH GRAFTON

MON 15 APRIL - 2PM-4PM
FLOWER CROWN WORKSHOP
ILUKA COMMUNITY HALL, ILUKA

TUE 16 APRIL - 11AM-2PM
COMMUNITY CULTURAL CONNECTIONS DAY
LAWRENCE MEMORIAL PARK

TUE 16 APRIL - 3PM-5PM
LASER SKIRMISH
BAILEY PARK, ULMARRA

WED 17 APRIL - 10AM-2PM
ART IN THE PARK
MEMORIAL PARK, GRAFTON

WED 17 APRIL - 3PM-5PM
LASER SKIRMISH
NIP WELSH PARK, MINNIE WATER

THU 18 APRIL - 2PM-4PM
LASER SKIRMISH
WOOMBAAH PARK, WOOMBAAH

THU 18 APRIL - 5PM-9PM
LIVE 'N' LOUD
GRAFTON LIBRARY

FRI 19 APRIL - 10AM-12PM
WEARABLE ART WORKSHOP
GLENREAGH HALL, GLENREAGH

FRI 19 APRIL - 11AM-3PM
KICK FLIPS & TAIL WHIPS
YAMBA SKATE PARK

SAT 20 APRIL - 5.30PM-8.30PM
CHANGING LANES CAR MEET
GRAFTON LIBRARY

SUN 21 APRIL - 9AM-12PM
COLOUR FUN RUN
JABOURG PARK, STH GRAFTON

THU 11 APRIL - 9AM-3PM
YOUR FUTURE FEST
CLARENCE VALLEY
GRAFTON TAFE

FRI 12 APRIL - 3.30PM-5PM
OUT OF THE BOX SESSION
YAMBA SKATE PARK

SAT 13 APRIL - 10AM-5PM
WADYARR YOUTH DAY
ESK STUDIO, ILUKA

SUN 14 APRIL - 5PM-8PM
OUTDOOR CINEMA
WHENNETT PARK, MAGLEAN

MON 15 APRIL - 10AM-12PM
WEARABLE ART WORKSHOP
DUNDURRABIN SCHOOL

Logos: NSW GOVERNMENT, TAFE, PCYC, CLARENCE VALLEY, GRAFTON, ILUKA, MAGLEAN, GLENREAGH, YAMBA, WOOMBAAH, DUNDURRABIN, ROTARY, MOMENTUM, LIVING LIFE, etc.

Camping - Canoeing - Friendship - Archery - Volunteering

GRAFTON GIRL GUIDES

TRY GIRL GUIDES
Before you join!

TWO free trials with a Unit of your choice to help you decide if **GIRL GUIDES** is right for you!



Guide Hall at:
201 Prince Street, Grafton

Contact:

Grafton.Girl.Guides@gmail.com



GIRL GUIDES
AUSTRALIA
NSW ACT NT



Cooking - Life Skills - Campfire - Craft - Sleepover - Hiking

CVCON
CLARENCE VALLEY CONSERVATORIUM

**MUSICAL WONDERLAND:
A JOYFUL JOURNEY FOR
LITTLE EARS**

FEATURING
**STRINGS'N'THINGS
KIDS CHORUS
FREE CONCERT**

**SATURDAY, MAY 11
10:30AM**
CLARENCE VALLEY CONSERVATORIUM

Logos: NSW GOVERNMENT, CLARENCE VALLEY CONSERVATORIUM

**ARE YOU A 7 TO 9 YEAR
OLD?**

**DO YOU WANT TO PLAY
SOCCER?**



Come join our club!



**REGISTER AT
WWW.PLAYFOOTBALL.COM.AU**

COMMUNITY NOTICES

**GRAFTON TIGERS**
AFL CLUB
Join us in 2024



**We are on the lookout for players for our
Junior AFL teams**

Training:

- Start date to be confirmed
- Tuesday and Thursday
- 5pm—6 pm

Location: Ellem Oval, Prince Street, Grafton

Game Day: Sunday

For more information:
Dayne – 0438 431 418
Chris – 0407 202 159
Facebook - Grafton Tigers Football Netball



Come and give it a go!





Come and Play for
The South Grafton Rebels
Junior Rugby League



- U6-U7 LeagueTag
&Tackle Ready Program
- Mixed Tackle U8-U12
- Male tackle U13-U16
- Female Tackle
U13,U15,U17
- Girls League Tag U13-U16

SIGN UP NOW

Playrugbyleague.com

0409049888

Stan originals.

FREE COMMUNITY SCREENING TO
CELEBRATE LENNOK MONAGHAN'S BIG SCREEN DEBUT!

WINDCATCHER



WEDNESDAY - APRIL 3RD @ 6:30PM

THIS IS A FREE TICKETED EVENT
POP INTO THE SARATON TO COLLECT YOUR TICKET.

PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY



COMMUNITY NOTICES

2024 AUTUMN VACATION CARE PROGRAM

Monday 15 April to Monday 29 April

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	"WHAT TO BRING EVERYDAY"
7.00am – 6.00pm MONDAY TO FRIDAY During School Holidays & Pupil Free days	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!
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.	

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 2 weeks notice. 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.

2023 Fee Structure at Full Rate before the application of any CCS %	Example of Approximate out of pocket expenses at 85% CCS
Vacation Care \$68	Vacation Care \$10.20
Sample Additional Excursion Cost \$16	Sample Excursion CCS Applied \$2.40

GRAFTON PROGRAM

OPENING HOURS 7AM TO 6PM

MONDAY 15th APRIL	TUESDAY 16th APRIL	WEDNESDAY 17th APRIL	THURSDAY 18th APRIL	FRIDAY 19th APRIL
EXCURSION +15 CAROBANA "Ompa Loompa doomp-dee-dee, if you are wise, you'll listen to me!" There's a hidden gem that's been under our noses for years! Our very own Chocolate Factory here in Coffs Harbour! Come with us as we tour and sample some of the treats of the Carobana Factory where delicious confectionery creations are made!	IN CENTRE - A WORLD OF WONKA! Roald Dahl's immortal character, Willie Wonka turns 60 this year! As well as a trip to his very own Chocolate Factory these holidays, we thought we'd also spend a day immersing ourselves in ALL THINGS WONKA! From Oompa Loompas & Fizzy Lifting Drink to Lovable Waltpoot, prepare to enter "a world of pure imagination!"	IN CENTRE - SPIRIT OF ANZAC In the lead up to Anzac Day, today we're going to take a walk in the shoes (or should I say boots) of our service men and women for a great day of Military Fun! From boot camp to battleships and jumping jacks to jet pilots, a great day of fun awaits! We'll send you home today in "ship shape to ship out!"	EXCURSION +15 MOVIES "KUNG FU PANDA 4" It's chosen to become the spiritual leader of the Valley of Peace. However, when a powerful shape-shifting sorcerer sets her eyes on the Staff of Wisdom, he must claim a new warrior: "TIEN", a picnic in the park with your friends for some games and activities in the sun! (Picnics and drinks not included).	EXCURSION +16 SPRING LOADED Time to turn yourself into a human catapult today and have you bouncing off the floor, walls and ceiling! (Please wear active clothes and socks!) When that's done, we'll head off for a picnic in the park with your friends to enjoy lots of games, activities and fun!
MONDAY 22nd APRIL	TUESDAY 23rd APRIL	WEDNESDAY 24th APRIL	THURSDAY 25th APRIL	FRIDAY 26th APRIL
EXCURSION +16 BIG BANANA WATER PARK Big sliding fun awaits at our favourite Big Banana Waterworld! (Oranges & 50 cily bags available) After that we'll head off for a picnic at the beach reserve to top off a great day of fun!	EXCURSION +16 "SHANIS RE OPP 1" (The Taylor Swift Experience!) Love her or hate her, everyone's talking about Taylor! In a one-off, exclusive to Grafton OOSH kids, we've been given the opportunity to take you to the 5th Grafton service Club, where we'll have the ultimate Taylor Swift tribute Show! Then we'll head off for a picnic!	EXCURSION +22 JETTY ONE BOAT RIDE ADVENTURE A jetty picnic day with a difference as we've been given an amazing chance to take a spin around our very own harbour to get a "Wallo's eye view" of our beautiful city! Like and our friends from Jetty One are again ready to give us the ride of a lifetime! TOTALLY SAFE! TOTALLY FUN!	PUBLIC HOLIDAY ANZAC DAY At the Grafton Down of the Sun, We'll Remember Them	IN CENTRE - "WHAT'S MY TEAM?" A famous saying in coaching circles is that "There's no 'I' in team!" There's generally no 'I' either, but today there is! That's because we're going to put YOU in the middle of a fantastic day of fun sampling & playing a variety of different well known... (and some not so well known!) team sports from around the world! Come dressed in your colours for great prizes!
MONDAY 29th APRIL	ATTENTION ALL PARENTS IN CENTRE - MONSTERS, MYTHS & LEGENDS Bunyips in silhouettes, Yellies in the Himalayas, Bigfoot in the hills of Dakota and Nessie in a Scottish lake! For centuries there's been stories of mysterious creatures roaming the planet, doing their thing and trying to keep busy from us humans who were trying to find them! WEL, NOT ANYMORE! Today we're bringing them to OOSH so that THEY can find YOU! We always it is done under the strict safety standards & supervision and is a perfectly safe & memorable trip!			

Autumn School Holiday Activities

COST: \$32 Half Day - \$50 Full Day

AGES: 5-12 years

TIME: Half Day - 8:00am - 12:00pm; 12:30pm - 4:30pm

Full Day - 8:00am - 4:30pm

BOOK NOW



ADDITIONAL INFO: Water bottle, lunch, enclosed shoes, change of clothes

Mon 15th	Messy Day: A day dedicated to Messy Play including Tie Dyeing, Slime Making and a Colour Run (\$10 Extra)
Tues 16th	Olympics Day: In the run up to the Olympics, we will be taking part in different sports in the Olympics including Gymnastics, Basketball & Track & Field
Wed 17th	Morning: Team Sports - A Morning focusing on team sports including Futsal, T-Ball, & OzTag Afternoon: Team Building Challenge: An afternoon of team-based challenges to complete
Thur 18th	Morning: Cooking - Lemon Drizzle Cake: A delicious cake with a Lemon Tang Afternoon - Paint and Shake: we will be making Shakes and painting on canvases (\$5 extra)
Fri 19th	Morning: Gymnastics Workshop Afternoon: Futsal Workshop
Mon 22nd	Earth Day: A day focused on the Earth day Theme: Planet vs Plastics and in the afternoon we will be creating terrariums! (\$10 Extra)
Tues 23rd	Young Inventors Day: A day centered around Science such as aerodynamics of Paper Planes, Marshmallow Catapults and Chemical Reactions
Wed 24th	Morning: Craft - Paper Poppies - we will be creating paper poppies for kids and family. Afternoon: Cooking ANZAC Biscuits: We will be making these classic aussie biscuits!
Thur 25th	ANZAC Day: Closed
Fri 26th	Morning: Craft - Clay Jewellery Making: Designing Jewellery using polymer clay! Afternoon: Laser Tag and Minute to win it games - A PCYC favourite! (\$5 extra)
Mon 29th	Pajama Day: A day to come in and play slumber party games, watch movies and eat popcorn!

CONTACT US:

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Website: <https://www.pcycnsw.org.au/grafton/school-holidays>

Book now for Autumn School Holidays!

Join us for a fun filled holidays with Gymnastics, Rugby, Cooking, Laser Tag & more! Scan the QR code to learn more!



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