



Emu Creek Echo

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"Achievement for All in a Happy, Safe & Caring Environment"

Principal's message

Welcome to week 7, we are quickly racing through our final term for the year and ticking off some very special events that we haven't been able to do in a while.

Excursions

First of all, our excursions, we are still facing challenges, however navigating them with the support of everyone to make sure they still go ahead. Stage 2 will now head to Borambola in the last week of term, as last week it wasn't safe to send our students away. Many thanks go to Mrs Radnedge and Miss Hunter for their flexibility and time in negotiating with Sport and Rec to secure a date, these are generally booked out 12 months in advance. Also, to Loaders coaches and community transport for making sure we have transport available.

Stage 1 are very excited to be heading to our nation's capital this Wednesday to look around the Zoo. We know they will have a great time and we can't wait to see some photos.

Captain speeches

This Friday at 9:30am we have our Year 5 students presenting their speeches in the hope of being elected as school captain for 2023. We know they have been working hard on preparing their speeches and we look forward to hearing what they have to say. All parents of children presenting a speech are welcome to attend at 9:30am in the school hall.

Swimsafe

Thank you to all those families that have returned their notes for Swimsafe, we are still trying to finalise everything and would appreciate that all notes are returned ASAP. I would also like to remind everyone that we allocate the students into groups and then on the very first day of Swimsafe, Leann and her instructors go over the groups and adjust as they see fit. Remember that where a child may have been at the end of last season, they may not necessarily be there at the start of the next, especially when they are still learning to swim. All students are placed into groups here at school, using your recommendations and then adjustments are made at the pool.



Thank you Mrs Kilby and Kinder Navy for our Marimba performance.

Congratulations to all our students who received a Principal Award and Grenfell Blue at last Friday's Assembly.

Week 7	
Wed 23rd	Kindergarten Canberra Zoo Excursion
Fri 25th	School Captains Speeches 9:30am Stage Assemblies-12:30pm
Week 8	
Mon 28th	Swimsafe program begins
Fri 2nd Dec	Whole School Assembly -12:30pm in the Hall

Last week we held Grandparents Day for the first time, and we all can say that it was a huge success. It was so lovely to have our grandparents on site. The weather was kind, and the students all enjoyed some time in the sun reading, sharing their persuasive writing, and displaying some fine rhythmical talents. A beautiful morning tea was shared outside the hall looking down on the children playing. Many children sneaking up to the hall to say hi and have grandma/nan sneak them some of the lovely morning tea that was provided. (As only a grandparent can do!!) It was so lovely to see the interactions between the children and their families and I know it was talked about all day. Please pass on our gratitude to the grandparents who made the time to come to school and share in the student's school life. Grandparents play such a vital role, and it was lovely to see our students really demonstrate our PBL values- particularly respect, and what wonderful role models they have to teach them this.

Last Wednesday saw Mr Kilby spend a full day with our prospective Kindergarten children for next year. What a wonderful day they had. They all had a chance to cook with Mrs Forde and Mr Gorman and do STEM with Ms Forfar in our Library. The day rounded up with a performance of Mr Clickety Cane for their parents who had a chance to ask any last-minute questions and enjoy the beautiful cooking that was especially prepared for them. We are all looking forward to them starting next year.

Year 6 spent a full day at THLS, enjoying some special activities to prepare them for the next phase of their school life. Many Year 6 students have had their High School Interviews this week, which is all a part of the process in trying to cater and meet the needs of all of our students. We know Year 6 are ready for the year ahead.



End of School Year

- Presentation Day- Tuesday 13th December.
- Reports will go out - Wednesday 14th December.
- Year 6 Farewell - Thursday 15th December.
- Stage 2 Excursion to Barambola Thursday 15th to Friday 16th December.
- School finishes for students on Friday 16th December.
- First day back 2023 Years 1 to 6 Tuesday 31st January.
- Kinder Best Start testing Tuesday 31st January to Thursday 2nd February.
- First full day for Kinder Friday 3rd February 2022.



Attendance

This is a reminder to everyone, if your child is away for any reason, we require an explanation that justifies their absence. Our school records and data are monitored and reviewed to make sure all students enrolled are attending school. Non attendance and or regular late attendance can have huge impacts on students learning. Not only does it impact their learning, it also can impact their socialisation and connection with their peers. Sometimes that handball game first up the morning can connect them for the day or missing the first 20minutes each day will generally impact the same subject and create gaps in that one area of the curriculum.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



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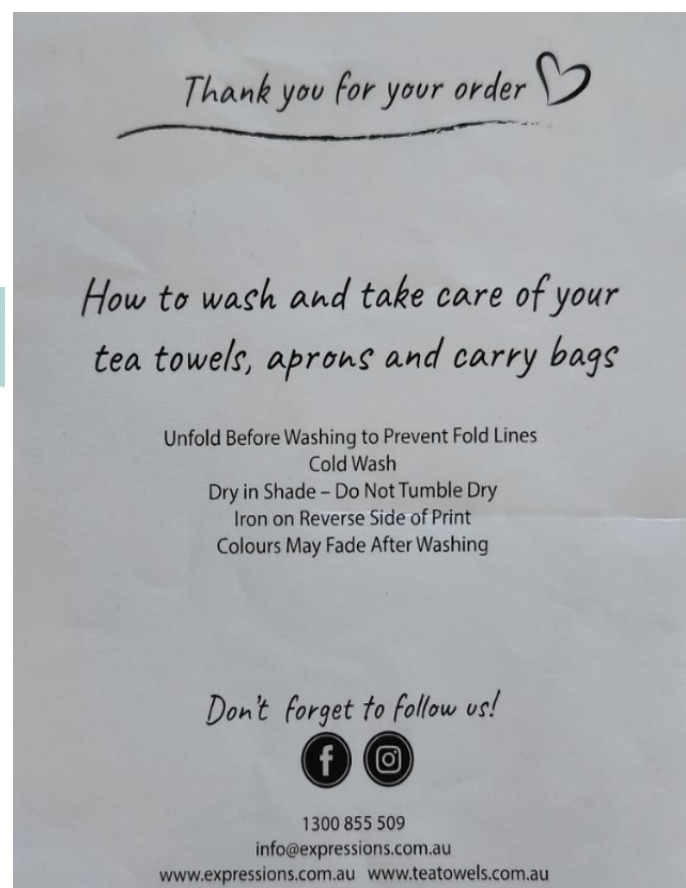
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Friday 2nd December

P&C News

It is with great sadness that I announce to you all the resignation of Ruth, our canteen manager. Ruth will finish out Term 4 with us, her final day being Friday the 16th of December.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ruth and her husband Brad for their dedication to our school and our children. Ruth works tirelessly to provide our school community with wonderful home cooked food that meets our Healthy Canteens policy and Brad volunteers his time every Friday to help run the canteen smoothly.

Tea towels have arrived and will go home Tuesday 22nd November, please follow care instructions. Thank you to all our families and community for supporting our P&C over the year.



THANK YOU
SO MUCH

YOU ARE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED!

HIRING: Casual Canteen Manager Grenfell Public School



TITLE: Casual Canteen Manager

HOURS: 14hrs a week

(Tuesday – prep day, Open Wednesday to Friday)

WAGES: Level 3 Casual in accordance with the Fast Food Industry Award 2022

Grenfell Public School P&C Association are looking for an honest, kind, hard working individual to join our team.

If you think this is you, please email our P&C President Lorene Hazell

lorenehazell@gmail.com for the full job description and requirements by Wednesday November 30.



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Are you a parent or teacher eager to learn more about how to help all children become effective communicators?

Do you have questions about where to start?

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Grenfell Community Hub

Monday 28th November 2022

6:30 – 7:30

Free

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RSVP Friday 25th November

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