



Emu Creek Echo

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

Principal's message

I hope this message finds you well and students are rejuvenated after the holiday break. As we embark on Term 2, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the recent ANZAC services we were privileged to attend. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to our students, parents, and staff for their participation in these important commemorative events. Your presence demonstrated the strong sense of community that we are proud to foster at Grenfell Public School.

A special mention goes to our school leaders—Mack, Hannah, Sam, and Layla. They did a fantastic job representing our school by reading at both the dawn and 11:00am services. Their poise and dedication were truly commendable, and they helped honour the spirit of ANZAC Day with great respect and reverence.

Be sure to keep the school calendar and mark down events as they arise. We have lots of great opportunities this term.

As we move into this term, I am excited about the learning opportunities and experiences that await our students. Let's continue to support one another and work together to make this term a memorable one.



Sporting Schools - this term, we will be offering an after-school baseball program for students in Years K to 6. The program will begin with students in **Years K to 2** and will take place every Monday afternoon for 4 weeks, starting on **Monday 12th May**. A permission note will be available through the Parent Portal App on **Monday 5th May**. As there are limited spots available, we encourage you to register promptly to secure a place. Students in Years 3 to 6 will be able to join the program beginning Tuesday 10th June (due to public holiday).

Cross Country Carnival this Friday 2nd May.
Start time 10:30am - Grenfell Racecourse.

Students to wear house colours. Please ensure permission has been given for your child to attend on the Sentral Parent Portal APP. Without permission they cannot attend.

Stage 2 Excursion reminder

If your child/ren are attending the excursion final payments are due Sunday 4th May.

Save the dates

Tuesday 13th - Wednesday 14th May - Stage 2 Excursion - Canberra
Friday 16th May - District Cross Country- Boorowa
Thursday 5th June - The Henry Lawson Festival Play Day - Grenfell Public School

UPCOMING EVENTS

WED

30

School ANZAC Assembly

FRI

2

Cross Country Carnival - Grenfell Racecourse

WED

7

Rugby 10's Wagga

FRI

9

- **Whole School Assembly no class item**
- **Mother's Day Stall**

Marimbas - Cowra Eisteddfod

Stage 1 and 3 - Wednesday 14th May.

Permission and payments due 9th May on the Sentral Parent Portal App.



Congratulations to all our students who received a Principal Award and a Grenfell Blue at our last assembly of Term 1.



Easter Hat Parade

Our Easter hat parade was once again a highly supported and enjoyable event for everyone involved. A special thank you to Jessica Brenner and Madeline D'Ombra for their challenging task of choosing the winning hats; it was clear to them how much effort went into each creation. Congratulations to all the winners! We also appreciate everyone's donations and support for our school event.



Every Book Club LOOP order earns a **\$5 PROMO CODE** Included with order confirmation to spend on our next Issue.

Conditions apply. LOOP orders only. Redeemable once per issue when you spend \$15.50.

SCHOLASTIC BookClub

Book Club issue 3 will be distributed today and orders will close Monday 19th May. Participating in Book Club helps our library accumulate points that can be used for acquiring new resources. Additionally, there is a current promotional offer that provides a \$5.00 discount on your next issue if you order through the LOOP payment option.

THE VALUE OF BECOMING A **REGULAR READER**

- R** REWIRE YOUR BRAIN
- E** EXPAND YOUR KNOWLEDGE
- A** ACADEMIC SUCCESS
- D** DREAMS TAKE FLIGHT
- E** EMPATHY & UNDERSTANDING
- R** REDUCES YOUR STRESS
- S** STRENGTHEN LANGUAGE SKILLS

SCHOLASTIC BookClub

CAN YOU HELP?

Cross Country Canteen stall volunteers

On Friday 2nd May the P&C is managing the canteen for Cross Country. We need some help in the canteen. Time slots are flexible. Get in touch through Facebook, or feel free to come by on the day whenever you can.

Mother's Day Stall volunteers

On Friday 9th May in the school hall we need some lovely stall assistants to set up, assist students in their purchases and pack up the stall. We truly have a lot of fun! And it's so beautiful to watch the children's faces light up as they pick that something special for the mumma-bears in their lives.

There will be no Mother's Day raffle this year instead each students name will go into a draw for an opportunity to win a hamper for their mum.

As our stalls cannot happen without our amazing volunteers, we would love to be in contact if you can lend a hand. If you can help with either or both stalls, please send Rach Hewen a message on FB via our P&C FB page.

Please note: The majority of this term Gemma Eastaway is on leave and will be replaced by another canteen manager.

P&C CROSS COUNTRY CANTEEN MENU PRICELIST

Sausage sandwich	\$4.00
Steak sandwich	\$6.00
Hot dog	\$5.00
Water	\$2.50
Poppers	\$2.50
Cans	\$2.50
Fresh fruit pieces	\$1.00
Assorted chocolates	\$2.50
Red Rock Deli chips	\$2.00
Assorted lollies	\$1.00



Have you joined our Facebook page?
"Grenfell Public School P&C Association"
Be informed with the latest.

Mother's Day Stall

Friday 9th May

Yay! The time has rolled around for us to celebrate the mums, grandmas/ nans, and mummy figures in our lives. Each class will be escorted to the stall by their teacher, where students will make their purchases. This is not compulsory; just a lovely opportunity for children to choose a gift for mum and/ or loved ones on their own.)

Gifts are priced between \$2 and \$10.

Students to bring:

Money

Bag for their goodies

This stall is catered for little shoppers but thoughtfully curated with gifts that mums and mummy figures will love. So, we have got you covered! Don't forget about grandma and nans too.

MOTHER'S DAY HAMPER



To celebrate our amazing mums, nans and carers, Our wonderful P&C have organised a special Mother's Day hamper. The hamper is our way of saying thank you to the incredible women in our school community. Every student will receive an entry into the hamper to be drawn Friday 9th at assembly.

P&C



THANK YOU

Our heartfelt **thank you** for your support in our Easter raffle, through donations and the purchase & selling of tickets. **Thank you so much** for supporting the work we do, to benefit our lovely school.

Congratulations to all who won a prize!

We also want to extend **a special thank you** to Woolworths Young for donating some very generous prizes including 2x \$25 gift vouchers and easter eggs.

Community News

What's On In
WEDDIN

MONDAY 28th APRIL - SUNDAY 4th MAY

**12 MAR -
30 APR**
10am - 4pm'The Extraordinary Ordinary' by Phil Rogerson,
Heather Vallance & Rebecca Dowling
Grenfell Art Gallery*Final Days***9 APR -
7 MAY**BreastScreen NSW Mobile Van
Vaughan ParkSATURDAY
3 MAY
10pm - 4pmGrenfell Goannas Ladies Day
Lawson OvalSATURDAY
3 MAY
6pmDining in Night with the Grenfell RSL
Grenfell Country Club

(02) 6343 2059

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visitweddin.com.au/events



**Stewart House donation
envelopes are attached to the
newsletter today.
Please return by Friday 16th
May.**

Changing children's lives

Principals in public schools who have been sending children since 1931 understand the value of the Stewart House Program.

"I loved it here and I will miss everyone and I felt more loved than anything. Thank you!"

Our educational programs and excursions are designed to develop social and emotional skills, build self-esteem and improve their overall wellbeing. All children are offered medical, dental, audio, and optometric assessments and treatments during their 12-day stay. For those children who need additional support, we provide counselling.

Without ongoing fundraising support from schools and regular workplace giving contributions from Department staff, we could not continue to deliver our program free of charge to those who need it most.

We **thank you** and ask that you consider Stewart House a charity worthy of your school's support in 2024.

Driving and parking safely near schools

The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and drivers outside schools. Always take extra care when driving in our school zone.

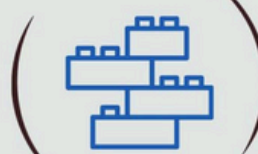
You can help keep our children safe by always remembering the following:

- ☒ drop off and pick up your child on the school side of the road
- ☒ park responsibly even if this means you have to walk further to the school gate
- ☒ give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
- ☐ never double park – it is illegal and puts our children at risk
- ☐ never call out to your child from across the road – it is very dangerous
- ☐ never do a U-turn or three-point turn outside the school as it puts our children at risk of harm

	NO STOPPING What does it mean? Under no circumstances are you allowed to stop in this area. Why is it there? To keep sight lines clear for drivers and children so both have more time to avoid accidents.
	NO PARKING What does it mean? You may only park for two minutes to drop off or pick up children, and you have to stay within 3m of your vehicle. Why is it there? To provide a safe place for children to be set down and picked up without endangering others.
	BUS ZONE What does it mean? You must not stop your vehicle in the bus zone unless you are driving a public bus. Why is it there? To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.

**Follow all
parking signs –
these help keep
our children as
safe as possible**

For further support go to the department's Road Safety Education program at education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education or visit the families section on safetytown.com.au

Bidgee**Bricks****Wagga 2025****SAVE THE DATE:**

Bidgee Bricks is a locally run and organised fans of LEGO® exhibition.

This will be a fun event for families, with any profits going towards future exhibitions and support Brick Envoy school holiday programs for the local Riverina residents and their families.

When: 23rd and 24th August 2025

Where: Wagga Wagga RSL

More information to follow in the coming weeks

Proudly bought to you by Brick Envoy

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