



Emu Creek Echo

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

Principal's message

How wonderful it has been to experience the recent rain, nourishing our environment and bringing a refreshing change!

I am excited to share some highlights from our recent Stage 2 excursion to Canberra. The trip was a fantastic success, featuring activities such as kite-making at the Australian National Arboretum and fun at the Boundless Playground, a highlight for many of the students was the visit to Questacon. Thank you, Mrs Radnedge, for organising the excursion and Mr Dabin and Cassie for attending the excursion to support our students.

I also want to commend our students who participated in the District Cross Country carnival. Their determination was inspiring, and thanks to Mr Kilby and Mrs Radnedge for their support. We are thrilled that so many of our students have qualified for the Western Cross Country carnival on Wednesday 11th June in Orange.

Additionally, our Walk to School Day was a great success, with many students participating and embracing the benefits of walking. It was heartening to see our community come together to promote healthy habits and environmental awareness.

Thank you for your continued support as we celebrate our students' achievements.

Join us at the Henry Lawson Festival Parade!

We are excited to invite all parents/carers and students to participate in the annual Henry Lawson Festival Parade! This year's theme is "Super Heroes", and we can't wait to see everyone dressed up in their costumes.

Date: Saturday 7th June **Time:** Meet outside the Scout Hall at 12:40pm.

All parents are to pick students up at the end of the parade at the Chinese Restaurant.

Costume Ideas: This could be as simple as a cape and mask.



Congratulations to all the students who received a Stage, Quality Work and Principal Award at Fridays assemblies.

Reminder: Debating Workshop- Forbes Monday 2nd June.

Parents are kindly requested to log into Sentral Parent Portal APP and provide permission and make payment for this event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MON

26

Sporting schools K-2
3:15pm - 4:15pm

FRI

30

- Soccer - Cowra
- Stage Assemblies

MON

2

- Debating Workshop - Forbes
- Sporting schools K-2
3:15pm - 4:15pm

THURS

5

Play Day - Hall 9:15am
for a 9:30am start

FRI

6

- Whole School Assembly
12:30pm Hall - Item by 1/2 Gold
- Henry Lawson Festival weekend

Marimbas Cowra Eisteddfod



Congratulations to our Marimba groups, guided by Mrs Kilby, for their impressive performance at the Cowra Eisteddfod with both groups receiving highly commended. We appreciate Mrs. Kilby's dedication to nurturing our students' musical talents. We are looking forward to hearing our wonderful Marimba groups at The Henry Lawson Festival.



One Wednesday 21st May at 12:00pm the entire school dropped what they were doing and headed to the library to be part of National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) for 2025. NSS is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. Now in its 25th year, it is a fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book. This year's book was *The Truck Cat* by Deborah Frenkel. Students made special cat ear headbands to wear to the event. An incredible 2.2 million people at over 20,000 different venues around the country listened to this beautiful story of belonging being read by the author.

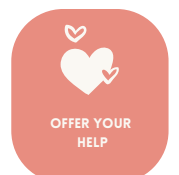
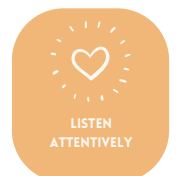
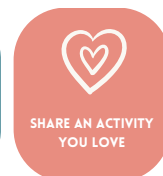
Leonie Forfar



Mack and his mother created and donated a gratitude mailbox. Students are encouraged to write positive notes for their classmates and school staff. These uplifting messages will be shared during an assembly. Thank you, Mack, for this wonderful initiative!



DAILY ACTS OF KINDNESS



Fire and Rescue Talk: A Valuable Lesson in Safety

On Thursday 22nd May, our school had the privilege of hosting a vital Fire and Rescue talk presented by Jacqueline, Stephen, and Howard. The session was informative and engaging, aimed at educating our students about fire safety and preparedness.

The firefighters spoke to the children about essential actions to take in the event of a fire. They emphasised the importance of being prepared, children knowing their own address, knowing how to call for help, and the critical step of getting down low and crawling out to avoid smoke inhalation. The team also showcased their equipment, allowing students to see firsthand the tools that help keep our community safe.

A key takeaway for the students was the importance of knowing their home address and the need to evacuate immediately in the event of a fire. Jacqueline, Stephen, and Howard highlighted that a home can become fully engulfed in flames in just three minutes, making quick action essential.

The firefighters reassured the children that there is no need to be scared when they see fire and rescue personnel in their gear. Their presence is to help and protect. We are grateful to the Fire and Rescue team for their time and commitment to keeping our students informed and safe!

The Grenfell fire department offers complimentary home fire and safety inspections. You can request this service by sending a message to their Facebook page, Fire and Rescue NSW Station 308 Grenfell.



Play Day is scheduled for Thursday 5th June, starting at 9:30am with three sessions. Additional information will be provided as the date approaches. To ensure fairness to the performers, audience members will only be allowed entry before the beginning of a session and after a play has concluded.



Book Club issue 4 will be distributed today and orders will close Friday 20th June. 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.

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



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

Community News




**June Long Weekend
5th – 9th June 2025**

Festival of Arts, Parade, Street Party, Markets, Live Music, Poetry, Rides, Family Fun, Car Show and More

This event is proudly supported by:  More information and events at henrylawsonfestival.com.au

What's On In WEDDIN

MONDAY 26th MAY – SUNDAY 1st JUNE

**7 MAY –
29 MAY**
10am – 4pm

'A Backpack Full of Glassware - Five Years Moving Forward' by Linda Chant
Grenfell Art Gallery

Final Days

WEDNESDAY
28 MAY
10:30am

Knit & Natter
Grenfell Public Library

FRIDAY
30 MAY
11 am

Seniors Brain Games
Grenfell Public Library

FRIDAY
30 MAY
6:30pm

Trivia Night
Grenfell Bowling Club

(02) 6343 2059

info@visitweddin.com.au

visitweddin.com.au/events

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@ Henry Lawson Festival



Are you a young person who is creative or love nature or want to learn new skills in the creative industries?

Be a part of a free 3 day workshop in Grenfell to learn video making skills, event management and video projection mapping in a hands on and fun way.

Wed 4 - Fri 6 June 2025

Scan the QR Code
to book your spot

Find out more:
<https://bioluminescence.au>



**ALL WEEKEND
CAMPING \$20
PER CAMPSITE**

CARAGABAL

**CAMP-OVEN
COOK OFF**

**CAMP-OVEN/SMOKER COOKING COMPETITION
AND FAMILY FUN DAY OUT**

**MUSIC BY
DJ MOORE**

SUNDAY, 8TH JUNE 2025 - 12PM

**CARAGABAL SPORTS GROUND,
MID WESTERN HIGHWAY, CARAGABAL NSW**

**BILLY
BOILING
COMPETITION**

**HOT FOOD
& DRINKS
AVAILABLE**

**MUSIC Friday night @ Caragabal Pub
Platinum Duo 7PM.**

**BYO
COOKING GEAR,
CHAIRS &
DRINKS**

**CALL DONNA
0410800855
OR
SUE 0439698427
FOR MORE INFO**

**ENTRIES MUST BE COOKED AND PLATED @ 5:30PM - \$10 PER ENTRY
ALL PROCEEDS TO THE CARAGABAL MEMORIAL HALL**

CAR SHOW

**8TH JUNE
2025**



GRENFELL CAR CLUB (INC).

● 8AM - 3PM | MAIN STREET (TOP END) ●

REGISTRATION 8.30AM - 10AM | SINGLE ENTRY \$20



GPS P&C News

HLF Stall

Make sure you come and support our stalls on the June Long Weekend. We will be holding two stalls: **Sizzling BBQ Stall** and a **Children's Novelty Stall**. There will be helium balloons and other goodies for sale. And if you get in early, some knickknacks handmade with



Playday Morning Tea Jun 5th

At this upcoming event, we invite you to enjoy a cuppa and a slice (or two). This is proudly brought to you by P&C, along with our baking heroes. Please remember to bring a gold coin donation. No doubt, stomachs will gratefully welcome any plates of yumminess to add to the spread 😊
Donations can be dropped off Wed arvo, or Thu morning,

Thank You!

A BIG thanks to our team of volunteers at the P&C Mother's Day stall. Not only did you bring a willingness to help, but bright smiles to warm every child's heart.

Thank you for making it another memorable one!

Volunteers Required!



Helpers for our P&C HLF (Henry Lawson Festival) stalls. Can you spare an hour? Shift times can be found on our FB page.



Canteen helpers for this term's roster. Shifts are only on a Friday between 11:30-1:30pm. Dates can be found on our P&C FB page.



Canteen helpers at our school Athletics Carnival.

All interests & enquires can be made by contacting Rach Hewen through via our P&C FB page.

Hi Parents & Carers! Have you joined the two Facebook pages that our school offers?



"Grenfell Public School"

"Grenfell Public School P&C Association"

Please note that joining the P&C page doesn't mean you have to be a member of the P&C or attend meetings – it's simply a great way to stay informed on the happenings of our school, including upcoming events, fundraisers and how we are supporting our students and school community.

Stay connected, get updates, and keep informed!