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and pay our respects to the Elders both past and present

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Term 3 Week 3 - 8th August 2019



This week we have been celebrating Education Week with this year's theme 'Every student, every voice'

On Monday we held the Premier's Spelling Bee challenge in our Primary Hall.

Congratulations to our Stage 2 winners Nate Tattis and Riley Lolic and Stage 3 winners Matika Gaddes and Alanna Burchell who will now compete in the Regional Finals at Maclean PS on 5th September.

Congratulations to all our other class representatives and our thanks to Mr Davies for his organisation and Mrs Berry for her adjudication.



On Wednesday morning our parents had the opportunity to have morning tea with their children at the Primary campus followed by open classrooms in the Primary campus and Infants campus. Our parents then had the opportunity to enjoy a picnic lunch at the Infants campus with their children.

On Tuesday and Wednesday we held our Performing Art concerts which were outstanding. On Tuesday our students performed in front of our Primary audience and on Wednesday morning they performed in front of our Infants audience and parents followed by our night concert for our families. Congratulations to our students on their superb performances who are supported by our wonderful staff who always go above and beyond ensuring our students have these wonderful opportunities. A big thank you to Mr Tapp for organising these concerts, Mrs Berry for compering and all of our staff for their support. A big thank you also to our families who attended these concerts.



Last Friday our students competed in the Clarence Zone Athletics Carnival which was held at Junction Hill. Our school recorded some outstanding performances and were placed 2nd overall at the carnival.

All of our students displayed excellent sportsmanship and a great attitude. Congratulations to the following students who were very successful in their individual events: Caitlin Amos who was Senior Girl Individual Champion and Esther Barker who was runner-up and Aidan Menzies who was Junior Boy runner-up.

Congratulations to the students who placed and will now attend the Mid North Coast Athletics Carnival being held at Coffs Harbour on Friday 23rd August.



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Today our Chess team is participating in a Chess Tournament being held at Yamba PS. Good luck to the following students Chelsea Berry, Elisha Scott, Jayden Barker, Riley Stanton, Reagan Carpenter, William Berk, Damien White and Samuel Finlay who are representing our school. Our thanks to Mr Jones for organising our chess team.

Good luck to our two debating teams who are debating in the next round of the Premier's Debating Challenge at Grafton PS on Monday. Our Dolphins team are debating against Grafton PS Blues and our Kangaroos team are debating against Grafton PS Knights. I will be accompanying our debating teams to these debates.

Our fabulous Kindergarten Orientation Program, Preschool Playgroup Plus (PPP) continued on Tuesday. Our thanks to our wonderful staff and Mrs Berry who coordinate this program. Please complete an enrolment form at either office to enrol your preschooler for 2020.



Good luck to our girl's soccer team who play Wauchope PS next Thursday at Rushforth Park starting at 11.00am in the 6th round of the PSSA State Knockout competition. Thanks to Mr Newman for his coaching and our parents for their support. We are looking forward to another great result from this outstanding team.

Next Tuesday we have a representative from our local Police visiting our school to talk to our Stage 3 students about Cyber Safety and the repercussions of poor usage and supervision of social media outlets. Cyber Safety is an essential element for keeping our students safe online and we are looking forward to our students learning the importance of learning strategies while using social media.

Have a great week
Mr Peter Hickey - Principal

ICAS

South Grafton Public School will be participating in the ICAS Assessments again this year. This year all tests are online with the exception of the Year 3 and 4 writing tests which are still paper based.

Children have been advised at the assemblies that these competitions are available. Students need to get a permission note from Mr Jones or the office if they want to participate. Dates of competition closing and sitting dates as well as costs are set out below.

Subject/Paper	Years	Payment Due	Payment
Digital Technologies	3-6	23rd August	\$14:50
Science	2-6	23rd August	\$14:50
Writing (paper)	3-4	12th August	\$14:50
Writing (online)	5-6	23rd August	\$14:50
Spelling	2-6	23rd August	\$14:50
English	2-6	23rd August	\$14:50
Mathematics	2-6	23rd August	\$14:50

Reader of the Week

Henry Ricketts of 4DH is a super duper borrower! He has borrowed every week of his school life!! And he is great at returning his books as well. Henry loves Non Fiction books about anything from dinosaurs, Australian animals, the weather and much more. He really loves reading science books, but will also balance his reading by borrowing some picture books and chapter books too. His favourite chapter book series right now is Iron Fist.

Henry is another inspiration for READER OF THE WEEK. He has been away this term and I have definitely missed him in the Library!

Each week I will highlight and present a short profile of our SGPS READER OF THE WEEK. Each READER OF THE WEEK receives a \$5 Book Club voucher. See Mrs Heyman when you would like to use it to order a book from Book Club.



Mrs Heyman - Librarian

Craft Group

Our Craft group is looking for more volunteers to help make and create craft items. We meet every Wednesday morning at the craft room at Infants from 9.00am - 11.00am. We make items for the Mothers Day, Fathers Day Stalls and Market Day Craft stall. We would love some new parents to join us. All funds raised go back to P&C to support the school with purchases of equipment and resources for our kids. Contact Kelly Vickers 0419 162 075 for more information or enquiries.

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Students of the Week Award

KAO	Marlee Furner	3JD	Charlee Sheather
KRB	Thomas White	3KG	Kayne O'Neill
KET	Izaac Smith	3SB	Layla Casbolt
KDR	Ezra Backwell	4JR	Leo Filippa
KTB	Charlotte Gordon	4ES	Lily Vercoe
1AV	Jaxon Walsh	4DH	AJ Cox
1CK	Jaiden Skinner	5SD	Chloe Brown
1KD	Nythanuel Wyse-Kuschert	5KR	Azari Higgins
		5TC	Lexi Bryant
1/2KW	Tabitha Simiana	5/6ER	Lilyana De Fossard
2JT	Hudson Bowe	6TM	Matthew Wilson
2MA	Kiara Perry	6LG	Isaac Hall
2LS	Levi Bowling	6DZ	Ruby Bowling

Principal Awards

Damian L, Meg Amos, Felicity Vinall Rainbow, Bobby Donovan, Hunter Martin, Logan Skinner

Blue Ribbons

Joseph Simiana, Naysha Hynard, Ruby Backwell-Geerin, Isaac Campbell, Alan Haynes, Jye Lawrie, Jake Roberts, Mikinleigh Bullock, Lilly Easton, Blaize Logan, Jaxon Walsh, Deklan Collins, Beau Kells, Thea Mason, Lachlan Hamilton

Pride Awards

Zoe Cameron, Ayden Smith, Layla Knight, Jaida Collett, Lilly Axford, Jalani Bannerman, Zaliah Burrows, Jordan Wilson, Hunter Williamson, Naysha Hynard, Ruby Backwell-Geerin, Jaleela Williams, Skye Clarke, Rylee Kroehnert, Noah Reid, Blake Gavin, Joseph Simiana, Lacey Lawrie, Kage Lang, Emma Cameron, Addison Brown, Finn Hegedus, Ryan Lawson, Jasmine Eveleigh, Oliver Hamilton, Zara Bowling, Charlotte Moran, Hailey Skinner, Mia Jerrett, Violet Williams, James Skinner, Lucas McCann, Alan Haynes, Kyhe McDonald, Chase De Bono, Aila Giggins, Jorja Lawrence, Abbey Kellaway-Small, Jayden Fielden, Caitlin Amos, Grace Shorrock, Hayley Robertson, Elise Berry, Blake McPhee, Zoe Bailey, Tamika Gaddes, Ava Tattis, Skye Palin, Jayden Barker, Alana Gabanski, Owen Marsh, Sienna Caple, Claire Patterson, Kirby Bryant, Lachlan Chard, Jordan Barry, Faith Fokes, Xavier Lloyd, Poppy Katon, Oliver Jones, Holly Bartkowski, Chase Taylor, India Doherty, Connor McKenna, Brycne Esterhuizen, Heath Gilmore, Hendrix McMahon, Thomas Beadman, Amelia Sheather, Danielle Rhodes, Piper Vallarino, Beau Kells, Blaize Logan, Thea Mason, Deklan Collins, Olyvia O'Neill, Samantha King, Blake Howard, Miley Abraham, Indiana Kroehnert, Cooper Watson, Brett Cabalagnan, Priya Austen, Isabel McSwan, Yirili Williams, Scott Warwick, Skye Brennand, Lachlan Hamilton, Hayleigh Johnson, Kazrianna Duroux, Sophie Parente, Anna Clancy, Hayley Skinner, Tashiah Woodley-Walker, Jake Roberts, Lilly Easton, Olivia Reckless, Jasmine R

Upcoming Events

Thursday 8th August	Chess Tournament Yamba
Monday 12th August	Debating v Grafton PS
Tuesday 13th August	Cyber Safety - Stage 3
Thursday 15th August	Girls Soccer v Wauchope
Tuesday 20th August	Primary Silver Badge
Wednesday 21st August	Year 4 Lake Ainsworth
	Parent Info Evening
	Library 5.30pm-6.30pm
Friday 23rd August	Mid North Coast Athletics
Tuesday 27th August	Father's Day Stall-Primary
Wednesday 28th August	Father's Day Stall-Infants
Thursday 5th September	Spelling Bee Regional
Friday 6th September	SGHS Scholarship due
Thursday 12th September	Market Day
Friday 13th September	North Coast Athletics
Wed 18th - Fri 20th Sept	Year 4 Lake Ainsworth
Thursday 19th September	Infants Athletics Carnival

Canteen

PRIMARY

Monday	Julianne Parente, HELP NEEDED
Tuesday	HELP NEEDED
Wednesday	HELP WANTED
Thursday	Belinda Wormald, HELP NEEDED
Friday	Norma Purnell, Sam Pol, HELP WANTED

INFANTS

Monday	HELP WANTED
Tuesday	Simone Skennar, Christie Really
Wednesday	Sam Pol, Julianne Parente
Thursday	Jasmin Wise, HELP WANTED
Friday	Rhonda King, HELP WANTED

We are in need of more volunteers. If you could spare 1 day a month please contact Lynn on 6642 3388.



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... to pack a healthy lunch box

The average school child will eat more than 2,500 lunches during their 13 years at school.

Cancer Council's website healthylunchbox.com.au is a one-stop-shop for everything families need to know about packing a healthy lunch box.

Parents will find information on the five food groups, what constitutes a healthy lunch box, sandwich alternatives, sandwich filling ideas, snack ideas, swaps for unhealthy snack foods, recipes and tips. The website features an [interactive healthy lunch box builder](http://healthylunchbox.com.au) where parents can get their kids involved in planning the lunch box and choosing foods they will eat and enjoy.

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