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and pay our respects to the Elders both past and present

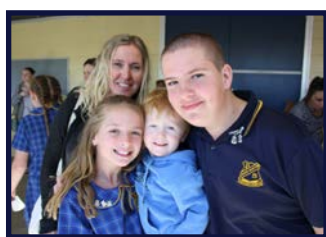
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Term 3 Week 5 - 22nd August 2019

Next week our school is celebrating SAS staff recognition week. I would like to acknowledge on behalf of our whole school community the excellent contributions of our SAS staff, whether they work in our offices, the library, in our school grounds, our classrooms or in other roles. The work our SAS staff do every day of the school year is extremely valuable to the successful management of our school. Congratulations and thank you to all our SAS staff.

Congratulations to all our students who received their Silver Badge on Tuesday at our Primary Campus. This was the first Silver Badge assembly for the year and 37 outstanding students received their badge which is an excellent achievement as these students have acquired 10 awards as part of our Positive Rewards System. This is our first assembly where our students also received a certificate recognising their Silver Badge and also received the 'I am a Proud Parent bumper sticker. Our thanks to Mrs Gillett and Mrs Rouse for their organisation, our staff and Mrs Cassematis for providing a delicious morning tea.



Last Friday our boys basketball team played Sandy Beach in the 4th round of the PSSA State Knockout. Congratulations to our team on their wonderful effort and in a very exciting game after normal time the teams were level at 27 all. The teams then had to play an extra 5 mins and unfortunately we were defeated 35-33. Thank you to our parents who supported our team and Mrs Sullivan who assisted me with coaching the team.



Thank you to our Year 4 parents who attended the Lake Ainsworth Parent Information session in our Library last night. This is an outstanding excursion for our students and staff and we are looking forward to hearing about their many memorable experiences. A reminder to all our parents only children who show positive behaviour to meet our high standards are allowed to attend these excursions. Please ensure full payment is made by Friday 30th August.

This week Caitlin Amos has been representing NSW at the Australian PSSA Hockey titles in Victoria. On Monday her team defeated Tasmania 7-nil and lost to Queensland 4-1. On Tuesday her team defeated Victoria 6-0 and ACT 6-0. Caitlin has performed at an excellent level at this carnival and again these performances showcase what our students are capable of when given the opportunity through hard work and a willingness to have a go.

Good luck to our athletes Meg Amos, Caitlin Amos, Esther Barker, Chelsea Berry, Isaac Campbell, Hailey Fensom, Oliver Hamilton, Keira Lafferty, Kiedis Laurie-Daley, Paton M, Aidan Menzies, Shilah O'Davis, Braxson O'Davis, Sophie Parente, Darby Rouse, Charlie Rouse, Gretchen Salmon, Grace Shorrocks, Georgia Shorrocks, Saphira Sinclair, Chloe Taylor, Bridgette Tough, Lilly Tough, Nicholas Walker, Khyrin Walker-Martin, Mylie Wall, Wayne Whitney, Abigail Woods who are attending tomorrow's Mid North Coast carnival at the CEX International Stadium, Coffs Harbour. The carnival starts at 9.00am. Mr Newman will also be attending this carnival to support our students.

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Thank you to all our parents who attended Tuesdays P&C meeting. Our P&C is heavily involved with our upcoming Fathers Day Stalls and Market Day organisation. Please contact Mrs Vickers if you can assist with either of these fantastic fundraisers for our school. I discussed and presented at this meeting the new NSW Department of Education Enrolment Policy. I have attached this policy to this newsletter for your information. Please read carefully as it does have ramifications for enrolment at all NSW Public Schools.

I also presented our uniform policy which has been modified to meet the needs of all our students. This was approved by the P&C. Please read carefully and if you have any questions please contact me at school.

Next week the P&C are holding Fathers Day Stalls on both campuses. The Primary is on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th August. Students bring their money to school and visit the stall with their teachers. Prices range from \$1.00 - \$10.00.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS Annabel Dungey!

The Long Way Home short story competition for Clarence Valley schools was run earlier in the year. They received close to 200 stories from school students across the Clarence Valley. They were meant to pick a top ten from each category, but the stories were just too good, so they chose a top 34! Congratulations to everyone who made the top 34 list.... they will all be published in The Long Way Home book, 'Stories from the Clarence Valley 2019'. They said that every story had something magical about it. A huge congratulations to our own Annabel Dungey from 5/6ER who won 3rd place with her story. Be proud, keep writing, keep reading and telling stories.



Have a great week
Mr Peter Hickey - Principal

Library News



BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARDS

The Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) announced its Book of the Year winners last Friday... with many great titles to choose from in the Shortlist. For more information on the winners please visit my Library website, Library with Mrs Heyman, at <https://sites.google.com/a/education.nsw.gov.au/librarywithmrsheyman/book-week/2019-winners> Here you will find cover images and a short synopsis of each winning book. I am proud to say that SGPS Library have all of these shortlisted books in our catalogue for our students and teachers to enjoy. All except Make Believe: M. C. Escher for Kids. This book of artworks by famous artist MC Escher, was published to accompany an exhibition at the National Gallery of Victoria. If anyone has purchased a copy of this book I would love to see it, so please share it with me!

GOOD SCREEN TIME

Looking for good, educational ways your children can enjoy screen time and stories?

Vooks (<https://www.vooks.com/>) and Storytime Online (<https://www.storytimeonline.net/>) are 2 great websites to direct your children to. They have a variety of online stories that you can access for free before having to sign up. You can also try reading an eBook on our WorldBook Online subscription (<https://www.worldbookonline.com/wb/?ed=all&gr=Welcome+South+Grafton+Public+School%21>). Our username is sgps and our password is school... although most students will already know this.

Enjoy and happy Reading,
Mrs Heyman

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	Leo Catterall	3KG	Evie W
KRB	Mia Berry	3JD	Mia Muller
KET	Phoenix De Bono	3SB	Stella Lauchlan
KDR	Kalani Walters	4JR	Gemma Nicholson
KTB	Holly Bartkowski	4ES	Darby Rouse
1AV	Amelia Martin	4DH	Skye Clarke
1CK	Miley Abraham	5SD	Serina O'Keefe
1KD	Blake Howard	5KR	Ella Smith
2JT	Hayley Skinner	5TC	Nikki Truman
1/2KW	Aaliyah-May Sullivan	5/6ER	Charni Adamson
2MA	Taj Giggins	6TM	Grace Burgess
2LS	Sierra Menzies	6LG	Gretchen Salmon
		6DZ	Sierra Jacobs

Principal Awards

Cooper Watson, Olyvia O'Neill, Tyson Cameron, Amie Perkins, Lani Crispe, Jayden Barker, Maggie Clancy

Silver Badge

Jalani Bannerman, Lilly Axford, Zoe Cameron, Maddison Selby, Ava Thurgood-Randall, Izaac Bailey, Charlie Rouse, Layla Casbolt, Addison Brown, Emma Cameron, Riley Lolic, Emily Robertson, Ella Smith, Azari Higgins, Jessica Leslie, Taylah Berry, Lily Vidler, Jake Hogden, Grace McIntyre, Elisha Scott, Lexi Bryant, Ella McNee, Aila Giggins, Emily Barrett, Andrew Hughes, Sienna Caple, Tyler Allison, Phoenix Higgins, Emma Lawson, Jailon Donohoe, Evie Jenkins, Claire Patterson, Ruby Bowling, Ella Sinclair, Ava Tattis, Zoe Bailey

Blue Ribbons

Indy Loy, Jardyn Close, Acacia Carney, Leumeah McKenna, Lewis Woodley-Walker, Aaliyah-May Sullivan, Zaliah Burrows, Liam Drewett, Hayden Howard, Jacob Maher, Lachlan Cameron, Caitlyn Hutchins

Pride Award

Rayce Jackson, Declan Kirkman, Serenity McDonald, Lachlan Partridge, Jardyn Close, Rosalie Skinner, Annabelle Brooks, Joshua Bunn, Seth Sandoz, Hunter Martin, Zahli Wright, Tyler Ruhan, Jak Gudz, Jaali W, Bobby Donovan, Jarlee Hippi, Joey Gaddes, Cooper Robertson, Summah-Lee De Bono, Oliver King, Jaxon Stephens, Jaylah Hickling, Indy Loy, Isabella Taylor, Josie Vickers, Fischer Sanne, Liam Slater, Taygen Walker, George Roberts, Joseph Menzies, Tiahni Johnson, Isabella Roughley, Jack Kells, Shania McCarthy, Tyler Gordon, Anna Clancy, Beau Torrens, Ivy McConnell, Kelsey Ferrie, Elise Grimes, Khyrin Walker Martin, James Godfrey King, Lochlan Egan, Dexter McMahon, Aurora Menzies, Chloe Valencia, Isla Vercoe, Kiara Gibson, Liam Drewett, Zaliah Burrows, Ruby Elliott, Violet Cox, Heston McConnell, Harmony Fielden, Blake Gavin,

Alexander Harper, Emily Loy, Rylee Kroehnert, Beau Salmon, Liam Stanton, Bridgette Tough, Arafura Elliott, Ruby McNee, Mia McKenna, Eli Whitney, Jacob Maher, Zahlee Kilduff, Saphira Sinclair, Charlotte Moran, Byron Perry, Cadence Wilkinson-Byrnes, Ethan Henderson, Abigail Woods, Keira Lafferty, Mikayla Crapp, Emilee Patterson, Jake Wagstaff, Jami Reid, Kaleb Mahy, Ally Graham, Lilly Tough, Sophie Johnson, Esther Barker, Lachlan Cameron, Teya-Rae Sweeting, Kaleb B, William Cameron, Anthony Parente, Dean Brown, Chloe Taylor, Emily Barrett, Jordan Barry, Ruby Bowling, Emma Lawson, Caitlin Hutchins

Upcoming Events

Friday 23rd August	Mid North Coast Athletics
Tuesday 27th August	Father's Day Stall - Primary
Wednesday 28th August	Father's Day Stall - Infants
Thursday 29th August	Girls Soccer v Kingscliff
Monday 2nd September	Fresh Dental Talk Infants
Tuesday 3rd September	Cyber Safety - Stage 3
Wednesday 4th September	Skipping Team - Armidale
Thursday 5th September	Spelling Bee Regional
Friday 6th September	SGHS Scholarship due
Monday 9th September	Infants Silver Badge
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
Wednesday 25th September	Infants Silver Badge

Canteen

PRIMARY	
Monday	Chris Cummins, HELP NEEDED
Tuesday	Riley Burton, HELP NEEDED
Wednesday	Julieanne Parente, HELP NEEDED
Thursday	Belinda Wormald, HELP NEEDED
Friday	Sam Pol, Rebecca Fletcher
INFANTS	
Monday	Sam Pol
Tuesday	Rhonda King, Barbara Tibbett
Wednesday	Sam Pol, Tiffany Trudgett,
Thursday	Jasmine Wise, HELP WANTED
Friday	Simone Skennar, Sarah McClymont

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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The Athlete's Foot

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Enrolment policy

Information for parents

The Enrolment of Students in NSW Government Schools policy is in place to assist schools to meet their obligations under the *Education Act 1990* - to ensure that every student has a place at their local school. The policy also communicates to staff and the community a transparent enrolment process.

Why was the enrolment policy revised?

Across the state, many communities are changing. Some are growing at rates never seen before. Some schools that used to be able to accept out-of-area enrolments, no longer have the room to do so.

The revised policy is designed to support schools to manage all enrolment applications, encourage greater consistency in decision-making and make sure the enrolment choices are clear for parents.

What are the changes?

The enrolment cap

The enrolment cap is the number of students that can be enrolled at a school based on the school's permanent accommodation. The enrolment cap tells us whether the school may or may not have the capacity to accept non-local enrolments. It is not a target or limit on the number of local enrolments a school can take.

Each school with a local intake area will have a cap set by the department from Term 4 2019.

Within the enrolment cap, a number of enrolment places (the buffer) must be kept aside for the likely number of local students who will need to enrol during the year. For this reason, a school will not take non-local students once they reach their buffer, unless there are exceptional circumstances.

100-point residential address check

Parents planning to enrol their child at a school that is near or at its buffer or cap will be asked to complete the 100-point residential address check to confirm they live within the school's designated intake area. This means parents will need to provide documents to verify the child's current address.

So that schools only seek information relevant to the child's enrolment, a list of approved documents for the residential address check is available from the school or the department's website at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/enrolment-of-students-in-nsw-government-schools>.

Selection criteria for non-local enrolment

Sibling enrolments are now clearly prioritised (where possible) and selection criteria for non-local enrolment will not include student ability, performance or achievement.



What has not changed?

Schools will continue to enrol students who live in their local intake area, regardless of the school's cap status.

Enrolment procedures for students accessing particular education settings (for example selective schools, distance education, specialist support classes for students with disability, Intensive English Centres) are not affected by the revised policy.

In schools with available places, there are no changes to enrolment rights of siblings of non-local students. Each enrolment application is considered on its merits, including if siblings currently attend the school. If the school is below capacity, out-of-area applications for siblings of current students will be given enrolment priority.

Schools will continue to provide families with support and advice during the enrolment process, including assessment of exceptional and compelling circumstances particularly for vulnerable students and their families.

Schools will also continue to apply the policy fairly and consistently using transparent and accountable processes when making decisions about enrolment applications. Parents have a right of appeal to determine whether the stated processes have been applied in a procedurally fair manner.

But what do the changes mean for me?

What if my child is already enrolled but we do not live in that school's intake area?

Your child will remain enrolled at the school as the revised policy does not affect students already enrolled in NSW Government schools.

We were in area when my child was enrolled in the school. The department has since changed the school's boundary and our residence is now out of area. I have other children and I want them all to go to the same school. What are my options?

At times it is necessary for the department to make adjustments to a school's local enrolment intake area. This could mean a family with a child/children already enrolled is then outside the local intake area. When this happens, the family will still be able to enrol siblings together at the school, regardless of whether the school is over the buffer or cap.

I already have a child enrolled as an out-of-area student in a NSW Government school. Can I enrol my other children at that school too?

This will depend on the capacity of the school:

- If the school is **not near its buffer**, then siblings should be able to be enrolled at the school. In fact, siblings of students currently enrolled will be prioritised, where possible, over other non-local enrolment applications.
- If the school is **nearing its buffer**, then the school will form a non-local enrolment panel. The panel considers non-local enrolment applications when the number of non-local applications received exceeds the number of places available below the buffer. Again, in this instance, siblings of students currently enrolled will be prioritised, where possible, over other non-local enrolment applications.
- If the school is **at capacity**, it will not accept non-local enrolment applications unless there are exceptional circumstances.

I have already accepted an offer for my child to attend a school in 2020 that is not my local school. What happens now?

The enrolment will proceed. Non-local enrolments accepted before Term 4 2019 for students starting in 2020 should not be affected.

What is the criteria for enrolment in a school that is not my local school?

Schools that are able to accept non-local enrolment applications establish a non-local enrolment selection panel, if demand exceeds the number of places below the school's buffer.

Schools are required to make the selection criteria available to the school community.


My circumstances are challenging and I think this school is best for my child. We live outside the school's intake area. What should I do?

We understand that not everyone's circumstances are the same, and that there are instances where exceptional and compelling circumstances will need to be considered. If this is the case, you should talk to the principal of your local school.

Contact

For general enquiries contact: 1300 679 332 or email: DoEinfo@det.nsw.edu.au

For enrolment enquiries, speak to your local school. Find school contact details at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/finding-a-public-school>





South Grafton Public School

UNIFORM POLICY 2019



South Grafton Public School prides itself on a high level of presentation supported by an outstanding uniform.

All students are expected to abide by our School Uniform requirements.

Uniforms listed below can be worn throughout the week. Girls have the option to wear shorts or pants.

Unisex uniform requirements:

- Blue checked dress, navy socks or navy tights and black shoes.

- School navy polo, unisex navy shorts, navy socks and black shoes.

- School navy polo, unisex grey shorts, navy socks and black shoes.

Unisex option for the cooler months may be worn with the above requirements:

- School navy tracksuit pant, school embroidered jacket, school zip fleece jumper or school v neck jumper.

School bucket hat must be worn everyday – no hat no play Sun Safe Policy.

All school uniforms are available from our Uniform Shop at the Primary Campus between 8.30am-3.15pm daily. We offer this service so our community can purchase the correct uniform at a reasonable cost. We also provide a clothing pool where our second hand uniform items can be purchased for a small donation. Please contact the school if you need any support with uniforms.

South Grafton Public School ethos is PRIDE and students who are chosen to represent our school are expected to wear our formal uniform on occasions such as - Leadership, Eisteddfods, and Anzac Day Marches etc. Girls have the option of wearing the unisex grey shorts with the navy school polo on formal occasions if they wish too.

This uniform is listed below:

- Blue checked dress, navy socks and black shoes.

- Navy school polo, unisex grey shorts, navy socks and black shoes.

The school provides blazers to be worn by students on representative occasions.

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