



Coutts Crossing Public School

Newsletter

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Week 2 – 4th February, 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to all our returning families for 2019 and a special welcome to the new families joining our school community this year.

Thank you for entrusting us with the care and education of your children. We look forward to a productive year filled with exciting learning experiences and new challenges.

We are very excited to be welcoming Mrs Karleigh Moran to the teaching team as our 1/2 classroom teacher and Mrs Nicola Moloney in the role of School Learning Support Officer this year.

The beginning of the school year can be an anxious time for students (and parents) as they adjust to a new class, new teacher and new routines. Our staff are focused on ensuring student welfare and are committed to helping students settle quickly and happily into their new classes. If you have any concerns at all, please contact the school and we will work together to ensure every child has a positive, happy start to 2019.

Michelle Dalglish

In the weeks ahead

This week	Week 3	Week 4
Monday- Kindergarten first day Wednesday- Captains Induction Assembly 10.30am	Friday 15/2- Clarence Small Schools Swimming Carnival Thursday 14/2- 2019 P&C AGM & General Meeting 9.30am	Wednesday 20/2- School Photos Thursday 21/2- Clarence District Swimming Carnival

Captains induction assembly-

This Wednesday morning, our 2019 school captains, vice captain and house captains will be officially inducted into their leadership roles at a special assembly at 10.30am. Join us for this special occasion as we congratulate our newly elected leaders.

Parent information sessions-

Parent information sessions will be held this Tuesday and Wednesday after school. This is a great opportunity for parents and carers to meet their child's teacher and find out about classroom routines. All classroom information will also be sent home during the week. Child minding will be available in the school hall.

Please see session timetable below:

Tuesday 5th February

K/1 5.00-5.30pm

1/2 5.30-6.00pm

Wednesday 6th February

2/3/4 5.00-5.30pm

4/5/6 5.30-6.00pm

Small Schools Swimming Carnival-

The Clarence Small Schools Swimming Carnival is being held at Grafton Pool on Friday 15th February. Notes for the carnival will be issued this week to swimmers who qualified at the school carnival held in Term 4.

School Photos-

2019 school photos will be taken on Wednesday 20th February. Individual student envelopes will be handed out this week. Envelopes for sibling photos are available at the school office.

Each child returns their own envelope, even if payment is included in a siblings envelope. Do not place envelopes inside other envelopes as they are not opened on the day. Please note the timing of photography on the day cannot be guaranteed. Please follow the order and payment instructions on the envelopes and contact the school office if you have any questions.

Netball-

Our school is offering a chance for students who are in years 3-6 to be a part of a school netball team that will participate in the local Grafton competition on a Saturday morning. This will be organised by Miss Nay. If you are interested please notify Miss Nay by Friday 8/2.

Further netball information is included in this newsletter.

Survey results-

At the end of 2018 our school community were surveyed to gain feedback about our current homework and awards systems. The results of the survey are included in this newsletter. If you would like to participate in discussions about any amendments to our current school homework and awards systems please join us at the next P&C meeting on Thursday 14th February, in the school hall at 9.30am.

Welcome to Kindy 2019!-



Term 1 Cool Card focus-

As part of our continued focus on student wellbeing at school, our Cool Card focus this term is 'Respect'. Students will be receiving positive feedback and awarded Cool Cards for demonstrating respectful behaviour.

Hats!-

We are continuing the system for the borrowing of spare (yellow) hats at school. Students who don't have a hat will only have 2 days per term when they can borrow a yellow hat for use in the playground. The hats are kept in the office and student names will be marked off with each use. Hats need to be returned at the end of each day, when they will be washed before the next use. If there are no yellow hats available, or a student has used their 'allowance', indoor play will be the only option. We are hoping this will be a reminder to not only bring a hat to school, but look for it in their bag and keep track of it throughout the day.

Maroon bucket hats are available for purchase at school for \$8.00.

Head lice prevention-

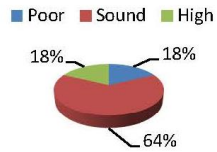
A prevention tip from a school parent...

Ingredients- hair conditioner, Listerine, tea tree or eucalyptus oil and water.

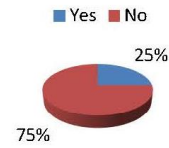
In the spray bottle squirt a generous amount of conditioner. Add a cap full of Listerine. 1 small cap full of tea tree/eucalyptus and fill spray bottle to the top with water and shake well. Apply every morning when preparing the hair. Easy as that.

2018 Awards system survey results

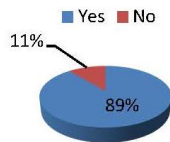
1. How would you rate your understanding of the current awards system?



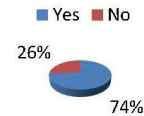
3. Do you know how many star awards are required to achieve bronze, silver and gold awards?



2. Do you know how students earn star awards?



4. Would you like the system amended to reflect the core values of the school- Safety, Personal Best, Show Respect and Take Responsibility?

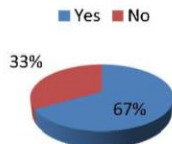


5. At present, the system is cumulative over a student's entire time at school. Would you like the system changed to an annual system so new students to the school have equal opportunities to succeed and receive awards?

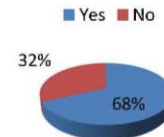


2018 Homework survey results

1. Would you like your child to participate in a weekly homework program?



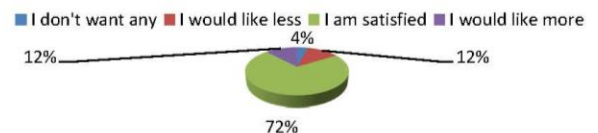
3. Would you like your child to have access to online homework programs?



2. What homework would you prefer?



4. Are you satisfied with the amount of homework students receive?



5. Do you support rewards and celebrations for students who regularly complete homework?



Grafton Netball would like to invite people to register for the 2019 season. Please come along to one of our sign on days, or contact one of our clubs. Sign on days will be February 23rd and March 2nd from 12pm – 2pm at the courts in Bacon St. All clubs accept Active Kids vouchers.

City Netball Club	Carlie Bullen	0439403038	c.jbullen84@gmail.com
Grafton Rhinos Netball Club	Sandra Hastings	0407493376	sjhastings7@yahoo.com.au
Northside Netball Club	Therese Revell Michelle Oxenbridge	0403010020 0467336194	therese.revell2@det.nsw.edu.au mboorman83@gmail.com
SSB/CVAS Netball Club	Rhiannon Searle	0419981511	rhee_1996@hotmail.com

2019 SIGN ON DAY

Grafton Netball Courts, Bacon Street
 Saturday Feb 23rd 12pm - 2pm
 Saturday March 2nd 12pm - 2pm
 Ages 5yrs to Ladies welcome
 All clubs will be in attendance both days



For more information please call
 Brooke Burton on 0437426070



*****SIGN ON*****
2019
 Sign on Day 1
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 23rd
 12-2pm
 Sign on Day 2
SATURDAY MARCH 2nd
 12-2pm
 All Clubs will be in attendance



Grafton Netball Courts
 Bacon Street Grafton
 For more information please contact
 Brooke Burton on 0437426070
 Find us on Facebook
 Or Email grafton.netball@bigpond.com

Registrations are now open for the "Net" program being run by Grafton Netball Association.

Suncorp "Net" is a fun, safe, social and active program for girls and boys aged 5 to 8yrs. It gives kids of all abilities a positive introduction to netball and teaches them the basic skills of the sport.

This program will be run on Saturdays at 12:30pm, commencing on 16th and 23rd March with "Come and Try" days.

The program has a fee of \$100, but the Active Kids voucher will cover this cost completely.

Please register via our website www.graftonna.nsw.netball.com.au, or contact Brooke Burton on 0437 426 070.

Grafton Netball Association is holding 2019 Representative Team Trials at the courts on Bacon St on the following dates. These trials are open to anyone wishing to try out. For more information please contact Cindy Grant on 0414 828 566.

Wednesday 6th February:

- Development Squad (11 years) – 4:30pm to 5:30pm
- 12 Years – 4:30pm to 6pm
- 13 Years – 5:30pm to 7pm

Thursday 7th February:

- 14 Years, 15 Years, 17 Years and Opens – 4:30pm to 6:30pm.

2019 Representative Trials

Are being held at Westward Park,
 Bacon street Grafton

All girls/ladies aged 11yrs to 17yrs and
 Opens interested in trialing for a position
 in a Grafton Representative Team
 are invited to come along to
 Westward Park on the dates and times
 stated below for consideration.

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2019 Season is fast approaching

Got a Little Soccer Star???

South Services Gunners are seeking
Girls and Boys 3-4yrs old to be future Soccer Stars

Cost - \$50
12-14 week season
Shirt Included

Multi-Skills Training and Games!!
Lead By
Professional Brazilian Futsal Coach
Renan Fenerich

** For Upcoming Events:

www.facebook.com/southservicesgunners

www.southservicesgunners.com.au

Or Contact Marijke on 0457763042**



2019 Season is fast approaching

It's that time of year to Register
to play Soccer with the Gunners.

Catering For 4yr Olds with Our Young Guns Program
up to 14yr Olds All Inclusive

Online Registrations Are Now Open!!!!

www.Playfootball.com.au

Get your kids active kids voucher.

www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-active-kids-voucher

southservicesgunners.com.au

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**INFORMATION & REGISTRATION
DAY 2019**

Tuesday 5th Feb 2019, 4pm to 6pm Grafton Public School
Hall, Bacon St, Grafton



Active Kids Vouchers

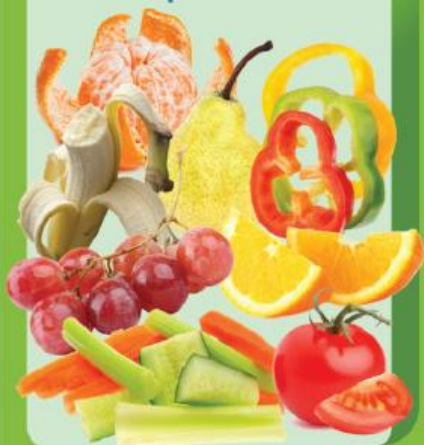
Did you know that the NSW Government is helping kids get active with the new Active Kids Program? Parents, guardians and carers can easily apply for a voucher valued at \$100 per calendar year for each student enrolled in school!

The voucher may be used with a registered activity provider for registration, participation and membership costs for sport, fitness and active recreation activities. For more information, visit <https://sport.nsw.gov.au/sectordevelopment/activekids>



THE MAGIC LUNCHBOX

Crunch&Sip® - Choose from



Recess - Choose from



Lunch - Choose from



Water



Choose tap water as a drink for thirst

Ice brick
remember to keep lunches cold!

- ★ Keep it simple - not too much choice
- ★ If you choose from healthy foods, don't worry if your child wants the same foods each day
- ★ Ensure foods can be opened and eaten easily
- ★ Avoid packing a 'sometimes' food every day
- ★ Keep serves small



Health
Central Coast
Local Health District