



Newsletter

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Week 4 – 16 May 2022

Dear parents and caregivers,

Strong communication is fundamental for building school-family partnerships and to foster a sense of community for the child between home and school. Good communication supports the foundation for all other forms of family involvement in education.

There is also plenty of evidence that shows positive communication between parents and teachers can help improve a child's academic performance. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you would like to discuss any concerns, or to speak with your child's classroom teacher. We are always happy to help! We look forward to strengthening our partnerships with our wonderful families at Coutts Crossing Public School.

Michelle Dalgliesh

School Photos

School photos are this Thursday 19 May.

School photo envelopes have now been distributed to all families and can be returned at any time, before or on the day. Please ensure all children are in attendance in correct uniform on this day. If families need support with uniforms, please contact the school office for assistance.

This Week	Next Week	Coming Up
<ul style="list-style-type: none">NAPLAN Yr3 and 5 16th –18th MaySchool Photos Thursday 19th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">National Simultaneous Storytime Wednesday 25th MaySchool Assembly Wednesday 25th May, 2.30pmGRIP Leadership Year 6 Friday 27th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">P&C Meeting Tuesday 31st May, 9.15am

Attendance

Regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential. If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed over a year of school!

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school. There is no safe number of days for missing school, each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes. Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Students should not be arriving late to school or being collected early from school unless they have a pre-arranged appointment e.g. Dr's appointment.

P&C

The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 31 May at 9.15am in the school hall. New members welcome. Please sign in at the school office using QR code on arrival.

Grafton Show

Our students have been enjoying art lessons with Mrs McLennan and have been producing some amazing art works. Mrs McLennan worked with students from across the school to design and make a combined school display to enter into this year's Grafton Show Exhibit. Our amazing school entry was awarded second place! Congratulations to all our very clever artists in class 1/2, class 2/3, class 3/4, class 5/6!



Clarence District Cross Country

Congratulations to Marley, Milla and Mason who participated in the Clarence District Cross County event held at Grafton Public School last week. They represented the school with pride and competed well against a very competitive field of runners. Well done kids!

NAPLAN

This week, students in year 3 and year 5 will complete NAPLAN testing at school. The CCPS timetable for NAPLAN testing this week is below:

Monday 16 May	Tuesday 17 May	Wednesday 18 May
Year 5 Language conventions (Online)	Year 5 Numeracy (Online)	NAPLAN catch up testing if needed
Year 3 Numeracy (Online)	NAPLAN catch up testing if needed	

2/3 Classroom News

In keeping with the 'Pirate Day' theme, 2/3 worked on pirate activities throughout last week. They used their knowledge of maps and position to design their own treasure maps, making sure they had all the features that a map needs.

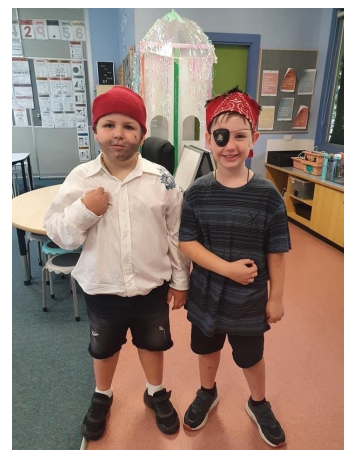


Pirate Day

Last Friday, students and staff participated in Dress like A Pirate Day to raise money for The Kids Cancer Project. The children had plenty of fun and the SRC raised \$96.50.

Thank you for all families who supported our students to raise money for this very worthy cause.





**DRESS UP LIKE A PIRATE,
BRING YOUR TREASURE
AND RAISE MONEY FOR KIDS'
BRAIN CANCER RESEARCH.**

