



The Grange Public School Informer

Excellence, Innovation, Opportunity, Success

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Term 3 Week 4 – 6th August 2012

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

OPPORTUNITY:

Raymond Sam, one of our school captains represented The Grange as our Public Education Ambassador. Please read about his Leadership Day in this Informer.

Children's Book Week : Week 6

The theme of Book Week this year is "Champions Read". We will be holding a book character parade on Wednesday, August 22. A separate note will inform you about the details.

INNOVATION: TEN K-2

All teachers K-2 are currently being inserviced on the TEN program – Targeting Early Numeracy. TEN compliments the regular numeracy lesson.

The TEN model includes

- Short, frequent focussed numeracy sessions (10minutes) before the regular maths lesson.
- Strategically targeted activities focussing on addition and subtraction.
- Monitoring of student progress

K-2 children will stay in their own class with their own teacher in Maths time to facilitate the implementation of TEN.

Helping your child at home with Numeracy:

- ❖ Please follow the link on The Grange website in the Parent Information tab to *Maths help K-2*

IMPORTANT INFORMATION- Please Read

- **Measles Alert (page 4)**
- **K-2 Excursion – Change of date – note attached**

Calendar

WEEK 4

Tuesday 7th August

Yr 3&4 to Learning with League

Wednesday 8th August

Final numbers, Canberra Excursion

Thursday 9th August

Royal National Park Excursion

Oz Tag Gala Day

Friday 10th August

Whole School Assembly 9.15am.

WEEK 5

Tuesday 14th August

Tennis Coaching Clinic Yrs 3-6

ICAS Maths Competition

Friday 17th & 24th August

Zone Athletics

WEEK 6

Monday 20th August

6.30 School Council

7.15 P&C Meeting

High Quality Education for Future Success

Education Week Success

Thank you to all parents who were able to visit the school last Tuesday on our open morning. We understand that many parents are at work and are unable to do so. Our choral group sang "The Lion Sleeps Tonight" and our choir sang, "I Can See Clearly Now" under the expert tutoring of Mrs Whittles. The amazing Grange Baton Twirlers entertained us and thrilled the audience with their expertise.

Uniforms

Thank you to all parents who send your children in full school uniform every day. The children look very neat and tidy.

Best wishes
Lynne Wilson
Principal

P&C

The P&C are collecting Good Guys Dollars to put towards the end of year raffle.

So..... if you're shopping at the Good Guys Campbelltown, ask for the \$\$ for the school and bring them to the office.

Thank you,
P&C

Principal's Awards



Bianca Gannan

Elizabeth Shanahan

Ríael Pese

Sarena Sakander



Health



FREE fun program for kids to become fitter, healthier and happier!

**Do you have children 7-13 years old?
Are you worried about their weight?**

The Go4Fun Program is an established healthy lifestyle program to improve health, fitness, self-esteem and confidence in children above their ideal weight.

Go4Fun runs for 10 weeks over school term for children and their parents. Sessions include games, activities, tips on healthy food, label reading, portion sizes plus much more!

South Western Sydney Local Health District has 15 places on the program in your local area, completely free of charge.

To find out more contact **1800 780 900** or visit www.mendcentral.org and click on 'Australia & NZ'.

SCHOOL VALUES PROGRAM

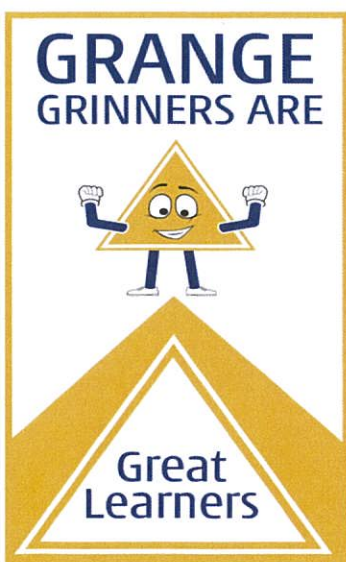
The school values focus for the next two weeks will be on: Sports and excursions

Students will be taught and encouraged to: represent our school with pride on school excursions and sports days.

The expected way of behaving will be clearly outlined and modelled.

Students will be given clear directions about expected behaviour: wear appropriate uniform; stay with your group; be polite; follow school Code of Conduct; follow community rules and expectations; listen and participate.

Students displaying expected behaviour will earn themselves a "Grange Grinner Award".



Tennis Clinic

This term students in Years 3 to 6 at The Grange Public School will have the opportunity to participate in a free tennis clinic. The aim of this clinic is to encourage students to be physically active and to give them a chance to try a new sport.

The clinics will begin week 5 and will run every Tuesday for a total of three weeks. Students will receive a participation award at the end of the program and the opportunity to win prizes. We look forward to participating in this exciting program.



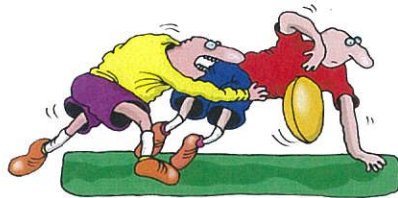
Mrs Whittles

Footy Competition

In week 5, Parliament will be hosting a football competition. The purpose of this competition is to encourage students to be physically active.

If your child is interested in participating they will need to register a team of 5 students with the football committee. The committee will be taking registrations outside the senior block 1st half of lunch in week 4.

Thank you,
Football Committee
and Mrs Whittles



Kindy Enrolments 2013

Enrolments for Kindy 2013 are now being accepted.

Forms are available from the front office.

Please return any completed enrolment forms as soon as possible.



School Ambassador's Report by Raymond Sam

On Thursday 2nd August I went to University of Western Sydney because I was Ambassador for The Grange Public School. There were about twenty students from the Ingleburn area and I was one of them. Luckily my two friends were there or else I would have been alone.

We arrived at the university around 9.30am The university is a HUGE school. The first thing that we did was the welcoming ceremony. It was kind of boring because all they did was talk and talk. Next we looked at and touched some snakes and lizards. There were two young snakes which were about 50cm long and another snake about 1.5m long. We all held the snakes. It was scary because it felt like the snake was going to bite me or crawl under my shirt. The next thing we did was to go into a court room to learn how to be a lawyer. If you want to be a lawyer you have to read lots of books even bigger than a dictionary.

I did lots more activities but these were my favourite ones. Over all it was a very fun day.



31/07/2012

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Measles Alert for Campbelltown Area

There is currently an outbreak of measles in the Campbelltown area. This letter is to remind you how important it is for your child and all of your family members over the age of 12 months to be up to date with their measles vaccinations.

If your child or anyone in your family is not vaccinated please arrange to see your GP for measles vaccination (MMR) as soon as possible.

Any well children without a record of immunisation with measles (MMR) vaccine may be required to stay at home if a confirmed case of measles at school is notified to the Public Health Unit.

If your child develops symptoms of measles they should not attend school

Measles is a serious viral infection that causes fever, cough, a rash and sore eyes. Occasionally measles has dangerous complications. Measles is highly infectious.

If your child develops any of the symptoms mentioned of measles please

- Contact your local doctor immediately and tell him/her that it may be measles so they can arrange for you to be seen without sitting in the public waiting room.
- Please take this letter with you when you visit the doctor.
- Do not send your child to school and please notify the Principal.

To get an immunisation certificate that shows that your child is immunised call the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register on 1800 653 809.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Public Health Unit on **9515 9420**.

Yours sincerely,



Dr Stephen Conaty
Director



ATTENTION: Please read K-2 Excursion

Change of Date

Because of a clash of dates with our Swimming Scheme for Year 2 students, the K-2 Excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm, has been changed to Tuesday, October 9. This is the first Tuesday back in Term 4.

Please complete the new permission slip, for October 9, and return to school.

K-2 Excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm

I give permission for my child _____ Class _____

child _____ Class _____

child _____ Class _____

to attend the excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm on **Tuesday, October 9**. I understand that transport to and from the venue will be by bus.

Signed Parent/ Caregiver _____ Date _____