



# The Grange Public School Informer

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## **Term 3 Week 6 – 20<sup>th</sup> August 2012**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

### **Welcome to Book Week!**

On Wednesday, we will be holding a Character Parade as part of our Book Week celebrations. All children K-6 are expected to wear a costume depicting a favourite book character. Children can wear their costume to school and change into their uniform after the parade if the costume cannot be worn all day.

Every day this week, classes will visit a different teacher to listen to a story after lunch. Some stories read will be the shortlisted books from the Book Council of Australia.

The parade begins at 9.15am. All parents are welcome.

We have a very busy couple of weeks coming up!

### **INNOVATION: Public Speaking**

Class speak-offs are happening over the next few weeks. Winners will be chosen from the stage speak-offs to represent our school at Zone in week 4 next term. We thank Ms Brown for her organisation of our Public Speaking this term. Thank you also to all the parents who have spent time assisting and listening to your children practising their speeches for presentation.

### **OPPORTUNITY: Learning with League**

As some parents are aware, children from 3/4Diamond and 4/5Jade were the very first classes to attend the new Learning with League Centre which was made possible through our partnership with Channel 9. A video of some of the activities they engaged in will be shown at the Book Character Parade on Wednesday.

### **Please Note :**

**6.30 – 7.15pm Tonight School Council**

**7.15 – 8pm P&C Meeting. All welcome**

### ***WEEK 6***

#### **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August**

School Council and P&C Meeting

#### **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August**

Tennis Clinic Yr3-6

#### **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

Book Character Parade 9.15am

#### **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August**

Zone Athletics Carnival

### ***WEEK 7***

#### **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August**

Tennis Clinics Yr3-6

#### **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August**

Cake Day

#### **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August**

Father's Day Stall

#### **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August**

Gala Day CANTEEN CLOSED

### ***WEEK 8***

#### **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

Aboriginal Performance

#### **Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

Stage 3 excursion to Canberra



## INNOVATION: Homework Grids

Thank you to all parents who have been reading the information about the Homework Grids. We will be trialling this approach to homework this term and next and will be seeking your feedback. Once again, thank you for your continued support and involvement.

Lynne Wilson  
Principal

### IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Please be mindful of parking legally when dropping off and picking up your children from school.

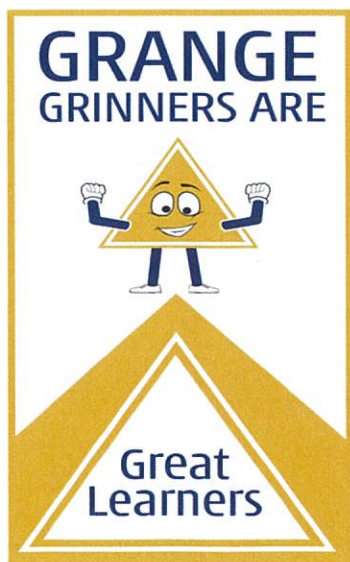
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**The Reading Hour**

**Saturday  
25<sup>th</sup> August  
2012**

The Reading Hour is a national call of action! Like Earth Hour, the National Year of Reading will ask everyone across Australia to read for one hour on August 25. Everyone benefits from reading at least one hour a week.



## Principal's Awards

Tina Horton

Kylie Michael

Zoe Prilis

Katia Lydon



Level 2



Ali Haider

### New Homework Grid

Last Monday the new style of homework went home and on the Tuesday morning we held an information session for parents/carers. Thank you to those who attended the session. If you were unable to attend and are unsure about your child's new homework please contact the class teacher who will be only too happy to help. The children have responded in an enthusiastic way to the new homework and we are asking parents/carers to continue to support their children in completing their homework.



## SCHOOL VALUES PROGRAM

The school values focus for the next two weeks will be on: How do we behave when we are on the floor?

Students will be taught and encouraged to: show the 5L's of listening

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

Students will be given clear directions about expected behaviour : Be attentive and ready to start. Keep hands and feet to yourself. Let others learn as much as they can.

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

# TENNIS CLINIC

5/6S

I really enjoyed the Tennis Clinic on Tuesday. I learnt how to hit a ball and play some tricks. I enjoyed playing with my class mates. I am looking forward to playing again next week.

Mohammed.



5/6R

The tennis clinic was fun and challenging for me because I do not have good eye, hand coordination. I enjoyed playing with Jamie and Mrs Brown. It was even more challenging when Mrs Brown played with us. Blake

## Stage 2 excursion to The Royal National Park.



4/5 Jade

I liked going on the bush walk. The rangers taught us lots of different things about how the Aboriginals used to live in the area. We tasted some berries and leaves. I ate a large berry which was sweet, a bit like one of my favourite lollies.

Tylah

I enjoyed looking for mini beasts when we were near the weir. I found lots of slaters and ants. I would have liked to have found a snake. The bus driver was a nice man who talked to us about what we did in the park.

Luke

## Calmsley Hill City Farm Excursion K- 2

REMINDER - Deposit of \$10 for this excursion is due Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August. Please forward permission slip and deposit in an envelope marked with your child's name, Farm excursion and amount paid to the school office.



## P&C News

Reminder: **P&C meeting** is on tonight **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 7.15pm** in the staffroom all welcome.

We are still collecting "school dollars" from The Good Guys at Campbelltown. So next time you are shopping there don't forget to ask for the "school dollars".

All **Coles** vouchers and **Woolworths** stickers need to be in by **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August**.

Our **Father's Day Stall** will be held on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August**. Prices will range from **50c to \$6.00**.

Also we will be holding a **Father's Day Raffle**. Tickets are **50c** each. Prize will be a Wests Tigers dressing gown and bum bag.

## **SWIM SCHOOL 2012 Reminder**

*Swim School for 2012 will be held in week 10 term 3 2012 (17<sup>th</sup> September - 21<sup>st</sup> September) at Campbelltown Swimming Pool (Bradbury).*

*This program will run for 1 week at the cost of \$ 45.00. The students will undergo an intensive swimming program for approximately 1 hour each day over 2 sessions. The Swim School is open to children from Year 2 to Year 6.*

*There are still plenty of spaces left. If you wish for your child to participate in this program \$45.00 per child will need to be paid at the office no later than Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September.*

*Please send a \$5 deposit per child by this Friday, August 24, 2012 to secure a place.*

Thank You  
Mrs Cordina

*I would like my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in Swim School*

*o I enclose \$5 deposit to secure my place*

*Or*

*o I have enclosed \$45.00 full payment*

*to cover the cost of bus travel (\$33.00 ) and entry into the pools (\$12.00)*

**Please return note and deposit to office by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August.**

**Balance of payment due by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2012.**

*I give permission for him/her to travel by bus to Campbelltown Pool by bus.*

*Signed \_\_\_\_\_ ( parent/caregiver) Medicare No. \_\_\_\_\_*