

Granville Public School

Our School Priorities are Literacy, Numeracy, Student Welfare and Social Responsibility



Granville Grapevine

A Newsletter for the Community of Granville Public School

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From the Principal's desk.....

Dear Parents,

Our 'Meet the Teachers' evening last Wednesday, was very well attended. Thank you for making the time to come along and meet with class teachers. This is a valuable process that strengthens communication between the school and home. Thank you also to our hard working P and C who organised the delicious sausage sizzle.

Last Thursday's Maroon Mufti Day was a huge success. We collected \$601.90 for Queensland schools affected by the floods. Thank you everyone for your generosity and support. Thank you also to our school leaders for organising this event.

Over the past week we have had representatives from our local high schools visit our Stage 3 students to talk about the various options for students' secondary education. On Monday there is a special morning tea information session and morning tea for all parents to learn about a number initiatives that were

announced at the end of last year for our local high schools, and what opportunities these have created for our students. The meeting will be held in the school hall and will commence at 9.30am.

Our P and C met last Wednesday morning. It was pleasing to see such an enthusiastic group of Mums and Dads who are so willing to support our school.

Granville Public School runs community languages programs; one for students who are from Arabic speaking family backgrounds and the other for students who are from Chinese speaking family backgrounds. Research clearly shows that students are more likely to become proficient in a second language if they are proficient in their first language. For this reason the Department of Education funds community language programs which involve two hours of instruction per week. The classes are run as part of the school timetable and

are delivered by qualified teachers. At Granville Public School, Mr Kassem teaches Arabic and Ms Gu teaches Chinese. Students who are from Arabic or Chinese family backgrounds are automatically placed into a community language class. Should you choose for your child not to participate in community language classes, you need to send written advice of this to the school.

Linda Barry

Principal

2011

Voluntary Contribution

\$20 for 1 child

**\$30 for 2 or more
children**

All voluntary contributions
will be directed to **YOUR**
child's classroom.

By paying a small voluntary
contribution you are **directly**
aiding your child's
education

School Swimming Scheme

Places still
available

The School Swimming Scheme is an intensive learn to swim program, which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The Scheme is conducted over ten days. Each daily lesson is 45 minutes. Instruction will take place at **Granville Pool**.



Students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and survival skills, and are unable to swim 25m confidently unaided in deep water, are eligible to participate in the School Swimming Scheme. The Scheme focuses on weak swimmers in Year 2 and 3 but provides for weak swimmers in Years 4 to 6 as well as students with special needs such as new arrivals in Australia and students with disabilities.

**ONLY
\$35.00**

Monday 28 March to Friday 8 April 2011

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY

RETURN YOUR PERMISSION NOTE AND MONEY NOW

2011 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)

ICAS provides an opportunity for all Years 3-12 students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external testing situation. It provides teachers, parents and students with comprehensive reporting of results in the areas of Computer Skills, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing.

Computer Skills – Tuesday 24 May 2011 - Entry Fee \$7.00

Science – Wednesday 8 June 2011 - Entry Fee \$7.00

Spelling – Tuesday 21 June 2011 - Entry Fee \$10.00

Writing – Tuesday 21 June 2011 - Entry Fee \$15.00

English – Tuesday 2 August 2011 - Entry Fee \$7.00

Mathematics – Tuesday 16 August 2011 - Entry Fee 7.00

If you wish your child to participate in any or all of these competition please complete the permission note and return it with the correct money to the school before
Wednesday 6 April 2011.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Parents are reminded that school starts at 8:55 am. Students arriving after the first bell are required to obtain a late note from the office. Their arrival time is then noted on the roll as a partial absences.

As the traffic around the school is very busy and parking is difficult to find, please allow extra time in the morning to get to school on time.

BIRTHDAY CAKES

Parents wishing to bring a cake for their child to celebrate their birthday are asked to first check with the classroom teacher (as some children may have allergies). It is requested that cakes be individual cupcakes rather than a large one, as a knife in the class poses a safety risk.

Thank you .

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2011 Canteen Price List

SANDWICHES

Baked Beans	\$2.50*
Banana (seasonal)	\$2.70*
Buttered	\$1.00*
Cheese	\$2.30*
Chicken	\$3.00*
Egg	\$2.50*
Ham	\$3.00*
Honey or Jam	\$2.00*
Salad	\$3.50*
Salmon	\$3.00*
Spaghetti	\$2.50*
Tomato	\$2.30*
Tuna	\$3.00*
Vegemite	\$2.00*



EXTRAS: tuna/salmon	\$1.50
Egg/Meat	\$1.00
Other	.50

ROLLS EXTRA	.50
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RECESS

Fruit	seasonal*
Party Pies	\$1.00*
Garlic Bread	.30*
Fruit Salad	\$2.00*
Finger Buns	\$2.40
Custard Tarts	\$3.00
Donuts	\$1.50
Muffins	\$3.50
Yoghurt	\$2.50*



DRINKS

Aroona	\$2.00*
Milk	\$1.70*
Bottled Water	\$2.00*
Just Juice	\$1.50*
Juice Cup	\$1.00*
Sports drink	\$3.00*



BEFORE SCHOOL

Buttered Toast	.50*
Toast with spread	.70*

SALADS (in own container)

Plain Salad	\$4.00*
Meat Salad	\$5.00*
Egg Salad	\$5.00*
Tuna/Salmon Salad	\$5.20*

HOT FOOD

Corn Cob	\$1.00*
Chicken Burger	\$3.50*
(Lettuce & Mayo)	
Cheese Burger	\$3.00*
Beefburger	\$3.50*
(Lettuce, Tomato & Beetroot)	
Fishburger	\$3.50*
(Cheese & Tartare)	
Sweet chilli chicken wrap	\$4.50*
(Lettuce, tomato & sauce)	
Lasagne	\$4.00*
Spaghetti Bolognaise	\$4.00*
Fried Rice	\$4.00*
Chicken Nuggets 5 @	\$3.00*
Fish Fingers 4 @	\$2.00*
Hot Dog	\$2.50*
Pies - Large	\$3.70*
- Small	\$2.70*
Sausage Rolls lge	\$3.30*
Sausage Roll	\$2.70*
Sauce	.30*
(Tomato, bbq or sweet & sour)	
Chicken & Corn Roll	\$2.00*
Hash Browns	\$1.00*
Pizza Slab (Cheese & Tom)	\$3.40*
Pizza Rounda	\$2.80*
Pizza Singles	\$2.70*
(Supreme or ham & pineapple)	
Noodles	\$2.50*

Extra forks or spoons .10 each

Halal Foods

* FOODS APPROVED BY THE NSW CANTEEN ASSOCIATION

CALENDAR



Mar	01	Zone Swimming Carnival
	23	Athletic Carnival
	28	Swimming Scheme begins
Apr	04	Swimming Scheme continues
	08	Last Day of Term 1
	28	Term 2 Begins
		Students return to school

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Hours
Monday, Wednesday
and Friday
2:30 - 3:00pm

**The Staff and Students
of
Granville Public School
raised
\$601.90
on Maroon Day
to aid the
Queensland Schools Flood
relief.
Congratulations**

Selective high schools placement test – 17 March

If your Year 6 child is sitting the selective high schools test, you should receive advice about the location of the test by 3 March.

Get some practise using the sample tests on this webpage:

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/k-6assessments/ss_sampletest.php

Voluntary Contributions

In 2010, Voluntary Contributions were spent on class room resources for your child's class.

We received \$2900 in voluntary contributions which were spent on the following resources:

- ☛ Drying racks (for Kindy, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 & Year 4)
- ☛ Educational Games packs (for all classes)
- ☛ Magnetic letters (for Year 1 and Year 2)
- ☛ Kitchen Utensils (for the unit classes)

2011 SCHOOL TERMS

TERM 1 31/01/11 - 08/04/11
TERM 2 28/04/11 - 01/07/11
TERM 3 19/07/11 - 23/09/11
TERM 4 10/10/11 - 16/12/11