



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

Term 4, Issue 1

Thursday 18 October 2018

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER

- 23 Invictus Games excursion
- 23 Homework Club returns
- 23 Kindy Information night
- 25 Stage 1 excursion
- 25 Kids for Kindy begins
- 26 Stage 1 excursion

NOVEMBER

- 1 Kids for Kindy
- 2 Music - Count Us In
- 6 KenKen competition
- 7 Grandparents Day
- 8 Kids for Kindy
- 8 My Science Fair
- 8 Stage 3 Live Wax Museum
- 12 Remembrance Day Service
- 26 Teeth on Wheels begins

DECEMBER

- 19 Last day of Term 4

PLEASE NOTE:

THE FRONT OFFICE
IS OPEN
8:30 AM - 3:00PM

2018 SCHOOL TERMS

TERM 4
15/10/18 - 19/12/18

From the Principal's desk.....

Dear parents and students,

Welcome back to all our families, and a special welcome to the new families that have started at Granville Public School this term.

I am sure that everyone is well rested after the Spring Break and ready for the rigors that lay before us in term four (4)!



I had a very relaxing break in Indonesia where I went diving in the Flores Group of Islands. Flores is one of Indonesia's Lesser Sunda Islands. It lies east of Komodo Island and west of Lembata Island. The west coast port town of Labuan Bajo is a gateway to Komodo National Park, known for its carnivorous Komodo dragons and waters teeming with sea life, including manta rays and turtles.



One thing that caught my attention during my stay, was that the children after school played outside on their bikes and with their friends. There were many games of football (soccer) being played on the unsealed roads and not a computer game or SMART phone to be seen. I also managed to squeeze in a visit to one of the Government Schools; this is a Primary School in the morning from 7AM to 12 noon and a High School in the afternoon, 12.30PM to 5.30PM.

I am looking forward to all the activities that have been planned for students and parents this term and, I look forward to enjoying everyone's company at these.

Gregory Grinham

Principal



Student Opal Cards for 2019

School student applications for 2019 open from Monday, 15 October 2018.

Students progressing to year 3 and year 7 **do not** need to re-apply if they:

- are continuing at the same school
- are residing at the same address
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2018 to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2018, the system will automatically cancel a card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out during December 2018 and January 2019.

For further information visit <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts>

Teeth on Wheels

Exciting news! **Teeth on Wheels** will be returning to our school for the children's 6 monthly dental visit's.

To make filling out the consent form easier you can now complete your Child's consent form online by following the link below.

It only takes 5 minutes to complete and by reducing the amount of paper being used, we will be helping the team out by being more environmentally friendly.

<https://teethonwheels.com.au/consent-eform>

The date of the children's dental visit will be starting on

Monday 26 November 2018,

so please ensure if you didn't complete a form at the start of the year to have this completed ASAP!

If you have any questions regarding the consent form or your child's dental appointment please don't hesitate to contact the **Teeth on Wheels** team on (03) 9338 1191.

Our school is lucky enough to have Australia's ONLY accredited mobile dentist attend every 6 months

Seeing the dentist every 6 months is so important for children. A recent Royal Children's Hospital study highlighted the following:

- 1 in 10 Children have had at least one decayed tooth extracted before the age of 9 years
- 1 in 3 children between the ages of 5 and 6 years have symptoms of decay in their baby teeth
- 4 in 10 children aged 12 – 14 years have decay in their permanent teeth.

Studies have confirmed that poor dental health impacts on the growth & development of the child along with chewing, swallowing, speaking and can disrupt sleep and productivity. Over time, dental decay has been linked to heart and pulmonary disease, respiratory tract infections and chronic ongoing pain.

OUCH!



Great news – you maybe eligible for free dental

You may not be aware but the Government supports Oral Health via the Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) – providing 2 years of free dental up to the value of \$1,000 per child, aged between 2 and 17 years. To be eligible you must be receiving *Family Tax Benefit Part A*. Complete the Teeth on Wheels consent form and our team can advise of your eligibility or contact Medicare General Enquiries direct on 132 011.

We are making the dentist even easier!

Follow the link below to complete your child's online consent form today. By filling out your consent form online you are saving yourself time and helping the Teeth on Wheels team become more environmentally friendly.

teethonwheels.com.au/consent-eform

Remember that consent forms only need to be filled out once per calendar year unless your details have changed.

TeethOnWheels™
a positive dental experience

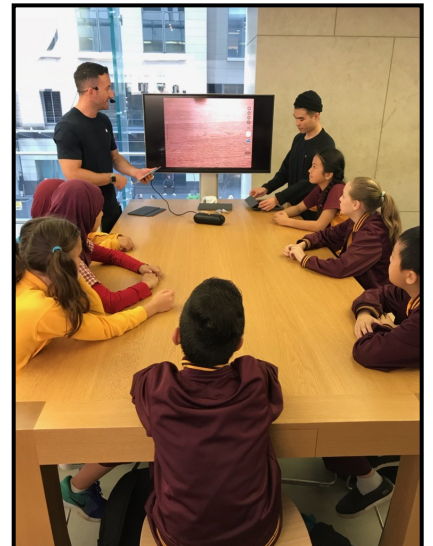
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Apple Store Excursion

Parents and the Granville Photography team visited the Sydney Apple Store to participate in a free excursion on Thursday 18 October.



HOMEWORK CLUB IS BACK

Every Tuesday and
Thursday in Term 4



Starting Tuesday 23 October, 2018
3:15pm to 4:00pm

Parents must attend with their student/s.
Students must bring their homework
with them.

Chalmers Road School
Invites your school community to our
SPRING FAIR
Saturday 17th November 9am to 4pm
23 Chalmers Road Strathfield

- Market Stalls • Jumping castle • BBQ lunch •
- Fun for the whole family • Sydney Thunder Bus •

Raising much needed funds for a wheelchair accessible bus and resources for students with special needs.

2019 Kindergarten

Enrolment Applications for
KINDERGARTEN 2019 are now available
from the front office.

Kindergarten Information Night

Tuesday 23 October 5-6pm
Refreshments provided

Kids for Kindy Orientation



Every Thursday beginning
25 October to 15 November
9:30am to 11:00am

REPORTS

**SEMESTER 1 REPORTS MUST
BE KEPT IN A SAFE PLACE**

IT IS RECOMMENDED PARENTS PURCHASE A
DOCUMENT FOLDER AND KEEP
SEMESTER 1 AND SEMESTER 2 REPORTS PLUS
NAPLAN RESULTS FROM YEAR 3 AND YEAR 5
TOGETHER.

IF STUDENTS CHANGE SCHOOLS OR WHEN THEY
GO TO HIGH SCHOOL, YOU WILL BE ASKED TO
SHOW REPORTS AND NAPLAN
RESULTS.

**FEES ARE NOW CHARGED
FOR REPLACEMENT
DOCUMENTS.**

