Dear Parents,

We are all getting ready for a busy week ahead. Tomorrow is the deadline for the 4/5/6 newspaper page. Our page is due to appear in the Tuesday edition of the Daily Examiner. Well done to all our writers, photographers and editors for their work on this project. Next week our students will be busy with their performances in the schools’ day of the Grafton Eisteddfod and on Wednesday Mrs Conyard will be coordinating our school’s link with the Simultaneous Storytime. Next Friday (29th May) Lachlan and Bailey will compete in the MNCZ Cross Country (tomorrow’s event was postponed due to the amount of rain). What a busy time!

Eisteddfod
Next Tuesday (26th May) our school will have two entries in Schools’ Day of the Grafton Eisteddfod. Mrs Simpson and Mrs Leach have been helping our dance team (K-4) practice their moves for their performance of Uptown Funk. Mrs Conyard has been working with our students in 4/5/6 for their recital of the poems Three Quarters of a Cup of Golden Syrup (linking with 100th commemoration of ANZAC) and the Burping Competition in the verse speaking section. Thank you to all students and staff for their work with these practices and thank you to all parents for their assistance. Please realise that all permission notes must be returned as soon as possible.

Cascade Excursion
We wish to remind families with students attending the Cascade Environmental Education Centre excursion that final payments for this excursion are due by the end of May. In addition, a detailed note with a permission and information sheet was sent home last week. The permission/information page should be returned to school by the end of the week. If there are specific dietary needs, it is important to return your form as soon as possible.
Simultaneous Storytime
On Wednesday next week, Mrs Conyard has coordinated our school to join the nation-wide simultaneous storytime. We will be reading The Brothers Quibble by Aaron Blabey.

Spalding Quibble ruled the roost.
He shared it with no other.
But then his parents introduced a brand new baby brother...Uh oh.

Parents are invited to join us in our hall at 10:45am to hear a brief introduction and listen to the simultaneous reading at 11am. On this day, recess will held back until the reading is complete.

Daily Examiner – Newspapers in Education
Our senior journalists in 4/5/6 have been busy researching, writing, photographing, editing and collaborating to design our school page in the weekly school page of the Examiner. Students have completed their work and will meet their press deadline tomorrow and our page will appear in the Daily Examiner on Tuesday 26th May. Well done to our senior team!

Kitchen Name?
As part of our Healthy Body strategic direction, we are establishing a student cooking program and are purchasing equipment to establish this program. We are asking our students and families to suggest some names for this program. The program we saw at other schools was called Kids in the Kitchen, but I am open to suggestions. If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

P&C Meeting
Our regular P&C meeting was held last week. Thank you to parents who were able to come along. We currently have a Vice President vacancy. We will elect a new person to fill this position at our next meeting, which will be held on Thursday 11th June at 9:30am in the school staffroom.

Life Education
On Monday 22nd June our students will be participating in the Life Education program. The Life Education van will be parked here for the day so that all class groups can visit and discuss issues relating to healthy living.
Book Warehouse
We have been notified that the Book Warehouse is closing down and currently have some specials on books (30% off). We are aware that about five people still have book vouchers from presentation day at the end of last year. If you still have one of these vouchers, please make sure you get to use it before the Book Warehouse shuts. Happy reading!

Assembly
Well done to all our award winners from Friday’s assembly. Well done to Tamsyn and Emily who read their persuasive texts as the Writers of the Fortnight from 4/5/6. Congratulations to our merit card winners Brenden, Jacob, Davey, Riley C, Tamsyn, Hannah, Charlotte, Max, Claire S, Mia, Zara, Donnie and Shay-lee. Savannah also received a special reading award for completing 20 Premier’s Reading Challenge books. Some wonderful K/1 singing and public speaking entertained us as well during our assembly. Great effort everyone! Our next assembly will be held next Friday (29th May).

Athletics
Our athletics carnival will be held on Thursday 18th June. Classes will have opportunities to practice for the events leading up to this day.

With thanks,
Matt Hankinson
TUCKSHOP ROSTER - for week 6, term 2
Wed: Kellie Perkins & Kylee White
Fri: Narelle Kramer & Britney Morris

School Fees
School fees are now due for payment. The cost is $50 for the whole year or can be paid by the term $12.50 each term. These fees are to be paid at the office.

Cake Raffle
We thank the Cable family who are supplying the cake tomorrow. Next week on Friday 29th May the cake will be supplied by the family of Jayda & Amber Hayes. We thank the parents for their support with this P&C fundraiser. Please note, any family who does not wish to be included on this roster please phone the office.

Worried about your child’s hearing?

Have they had lots of colds and ear infections?

Do they seem like they are ignoring you?

Then come along to

Otitis Media Awareness Day

Thursday 18th June
Grafton Shopping World
10am – 5pm

FREE
Ear Health Checks for Children (0 – 18years)
No Appointment Necessary
Each ear check will take approximately 5 minutes