Dear Parents,

Congratulations to our students for their efforts at the Grafton Eisteddfod this week. We didn’t win the dance section but the adjudicator wished she had more prizes for everyone involved, which was great feedback. We were also delighted that our school won the verse speaking section. Thank you to all staff, parents and students involved with rehearsals, costumes and all your wonderful efforts!

Assembly
Tomorrow, Friday (29th May) our school will hold its assembly under the big COLA near Mr Attwater’s classroom. We will start at the usual time of 12:30pm. We are using this big space so we can share our eisteddfod performances. The dancers will share their performance of Uptown Funk. Then 4/5/6 will share their recital of the poems Three Quarters of a Cup of Golden Syrup (linking with 100th commemoration of ANZAC) and the Burping Competition. **We ask that all dancers wear their coloured top for the performance.** This way more of our parents may be able to see our students performing these acts.

Cascade Excursion
With just over a week to go to the Cascade Environmental Education Centre excursion, we remind families that the permission note and any remaining payments are due. It is time to start getting excited! It should be a wonderful experience!
Simultaneous Storytime
On Wednesday this week, Mrs Conyard read *The Brothers Quibble* by Aaron Blabey as part of National Simultaneous Storytime. This was highly entertaining. The book was read to our whole school with teachers and parents sharing the experience. As it was read, each page was projected on the interactive whiteboard for all to see. It was a great session and we thank Mrs Conyard for coordinating this school event!

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

Daily Examiner – Newspapers in Education
Wow - our senior journalists in 4/5/6 have done a great job! They have presented a wonderful page in Tuesday’s Daily Examiner. Thanks to Mr Attwater and his fabulous team of investigative reporters and photographers!

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. We have already received some great ideas but we’ll allow one more week before making a decision. Thanks to anyone who has responded with an idea.

Sickness
There has been some sickness amongst a few of our students recently. We wish to remind parents that if your child is not feeling well, please allow them to recover at home for their own comfort and so that any illness cannot be passed to others. Thanks for your support.

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.
100 Night Reading
Congratulations to Riley N and Ava, who have achieved their 100 nights of reading. They have each selected a reward book and will continue to enjoy their reading. Well done!

P&C Meeting
Our next P&C meeting will be held on Thursday 11\textsuperscript{th} June at 9:30am in the school staffroom. At this meeting we will elect a new P&C vice president.

Life Education
On Monday 22\textsuperscript{nd} 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.

With thanks,
Matt Hankinson

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 18\textsuperscript{th} June
Grafton Shopping World
10am – 5pm

FREE
Ear Health Checks for Children (0 – 18 years)
No Appointment Necessary
Each ear check will take approximately 5 minutes
TUCKSHOP ROSTER - for week 6, term 2
Wed: Kellie Perkins & Michelle Pulis
Fri: Jess Horstman & Kylee White

Tomorrow Friday, 29th May the tuckshop will be selling **CHOW MEIN** @ $2 per serve.

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 family of Jayda & Amber Hayes who are supplying the cake tomorrow. Next week on Friday 5th June the cake will be supplied by the family of Dylan Stevens. 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.**

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!

Good luck to Lachlan and Bailey for their 2km race at the Mid North Coast Zone Cross Country in Sawtell tomorrow (Friday 29th May). Enjoy!