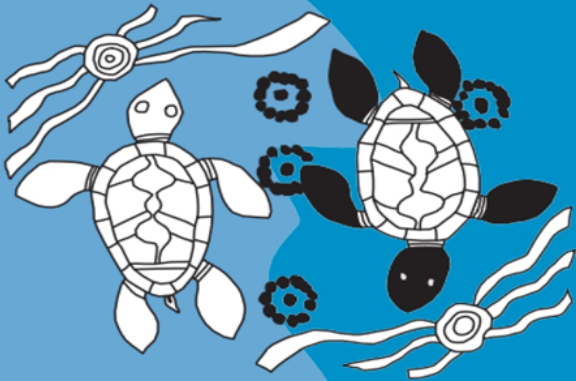


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Newsletter

Week 10, Term 2, 2022



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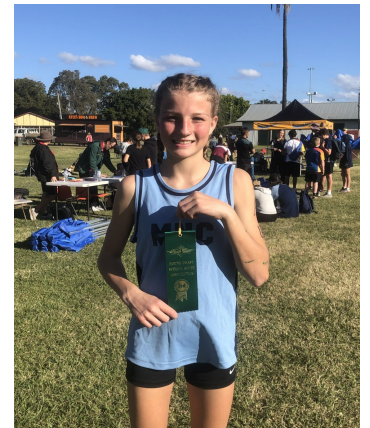
YES PROGRAM

Several of our Year 10 cohort are participating in the TAFE NSW 'Yes' program. Some of our Animal Studies YES Program students got up close with some very cute and cuddly animals at The Peach Farm at Mororo on 3 June, 2022.



NORTH COAST CROSS COUNTRY ZONE TRIALS

On 15 June, several Grafton High School students represented the Mid North Coast at the North Coast Cross Country Zone Trials. Our runners represented both their zone and school to the best of their ability. A few notable achievers were Odin (4th), Jeremy (2nd), Thomas (3rd) and Breanna (3rd) in their respective age group races. These students now have an opportunity to run again in Sydney for the NSW Combined High Schools (CHS) titles at the beginning of next term. We would like to thank the students who assisted with the running of the event- they also did a fantastic job representing their school.



CROSS COUNTRY

Due to the poor weather, we were unable to hold our Cross Country event this year, so the Zone Cross Country Titles were used to award Grafton High School's age champions.

Congratulations to the following students:

- 12 years: Makayla Kleinschmidt and Oden Mansfield
- 13 years: Bridget Watters and Mason Cone
- 14 years: Clementine Eaton and Toby Smidt
- 15 years: Breanna Robertson and Reece Mclaughlan
- 16 years: Anicka Peters and Jack Leeson
- 17 years and Opens: Darcy Deefholts and Mikey Luxton.



We wish our school representatives all the very best in the NSW CHS Cross Country Titles. They are Jeremy Davies, Oden Mansfield, Breanna Robertson, Thomas Beohm, Anika Peters and Mikey Luxton.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2022

Grafton High School held a huge athletics carnival on June 3, 2022. We had over 500 more student entries in events across the day than in 2021. Thank you to staff and students for creating such a fun and engaging environment on the day.

Congratulations goes to those who placed in events and represented our school at the Mid North Coast Athletics Carnival on 28 June.

Our age champions are:

- 12 years: Elka Donaghey and Jeremy Davies
- 13 years: La'kya White and Logan Smith
- 14 years: Shanae Crispin and Jaxon Sullivan
- 15 years: Bianca Almond and Blake Norrie
- 16 years: Martina Williams and Marcus Makejev
- 17 years: Whitney Moon and Michael Luxton





CLOSING THE GAP

On 2 June, a group of Grafton High School students spent a fantastic day on Yaegl Country at the Maclean Closing The Gap Festival. They got to chat to some NRL stars, won a heap of prizes, and learned about the importance of working together to stay healthy and connected. All students were awesome ambassadors for our school.



P&C NEWS

Thank you to our school P&C for the financial assistance given to support the SRC in purchasing new lockers for students to utilise. They have also provided financial assistance to the Science Faculty to support the purchasing of senior textbooks. A lot of the funds raised by the P&C come from canteen sales. The ladies in the canteen are very busy and welcome volunteers to help. If you can lend a hand in the canteen please contact the school and ask to speak to the canteen manager. If you can't lend a hand in the canteen but would like to contribute to the P&C, parents are encouraged to attend P&C meetings held on the 4th Thursday of the month.



BOCCIA CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Tuesday 21 June, Mr Cooper and Mr Rob took a team from WISE and SLIP classes to the Northern Division of the North Coast Schools Boccia Championships. Our boys competed against nine schools and in a nail biting finish, came away as the champions. Now GHS has the opportunity to attend the finals in Sydney in Term 3. We are hoping to take a larger team so we will be practising hard at school in order to choose a few more participants!



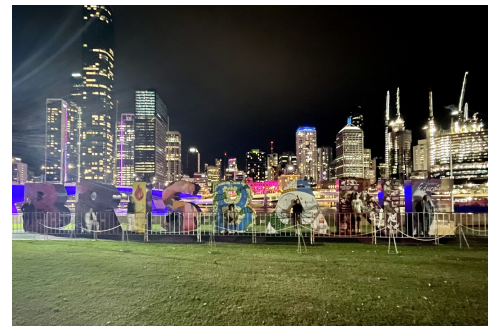
YEAR 11 GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION TO COFFS HARBOUR

On Friday 10 June, Year 11 Geography students went to Coffs Harbour to expand their knowledge and understanding about water systems and the different testing methods that exist to determine if a water source is healthy. It was an extremely insightful and fun excursion, learning about how different additions to the coast can change the health of the water. Overall, the excursion was extremely enjoyable and the student's purchases from the plaza made the day even better!



YEAR 12 GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION TO THE GOLD COAST

Year 12 Geography scored some great weather for their fieldwork in Week 6. Students started at The Farm at Byron Bay where farm manager Andy took them on a tour highlighting their business model and sustainability aspects. This gave students a great understanding of a local business for their topic 'People and Economic Activity'. Next they moved north to Tweed Heads where they measured the dunes at Duranbah Beach and the impacts of the break walls built there in the 1950's for topic 'Ecosystems at Risk'. Lastly, students spent the night in Brisbane for the topic 'Urban Places' where they compared architecture and human activity across suburbs like Kangaroo Point, South Bank and the ChinaTown precinct of Sunnybank. Students were well behaved and asked great questions throughout. Well done, Year 12!



GRAFTON SHOW 2022

This year all SLIP and WISE students attended the Grafton Show. Whilst it was a bit wet and muddy, all the students had an awesome day. Students were busy the week before completing items of arts and crafts, garden produce and cooking to enter into the show's competitions. We had many successes including:

- Aaron Beilby- 1st place scones
- Lane Newbery- 2nd place scones
- Jaxson Haynes- 3rd place scones, 2nd place watercolour
- Zayne Collins- 3rd place scones, 1st place watercolour
- Takiree Manhire- 1st place photography, 3rd place non bake slice
- Tamarra Lee- 3rd place scones
- Ashlyn Chapple- 3rd place scones
- Joey McCarthy- 3rd place scones
- Brayden Shiels- 3rd place scones
- Jesse Aston- 1st place non bake slice
- Ruben Chaffer- 1st place non bake slice
- Gideon Lichfield- 3rd place non bake slice
- Lindsay Gordon- 4th place non bake slice, highly commended needle work for his diary cover
- Zion Litchfield- 4th place non bake slice
- Saxon Blankers- 5th place non bake slice, 1st place needle work for his diary cover
- Sammy Gleeson- 5th place non bake slice, 2nd place needle work for her diary cover
- Chelsea Willard- 6th place non bake slice, highly commended needle work for her diary cover
- Zarian Richards- 3rd place non bake slice, 1st place painting
- Tiah Dowling- 3rd place non bake slice
- Beau Brinkworth- Highly commended for his painting
- Tegan Miller- 3rd place non bake slice, 2nd place for her pinch pot
- Shariah Ridgeway- 3rd place non bake slice
- Annisha Turnbull- 2nd place drawing
- Isabelle Phillips- 1st place arts and crafts
- Lance Gordon- 2nd place drawing



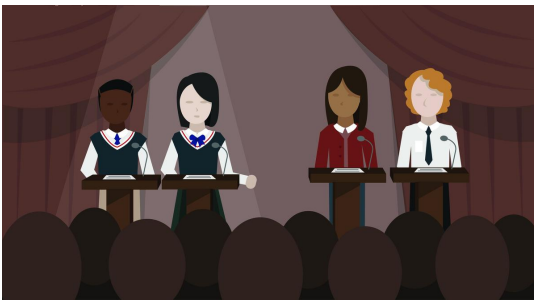
Another highlight was Wise 1 submitting an outstanding collection of handcrafted pasta necklaces, including entries from Kiara Brugnatti, Brodie Bemrose, Nicholas Thompson, Lachlan Johnson, Ferris Conn and Josh Wall.

WISE 2 was also awarded Most Outstanding Collection of Garden Produce. Congratulations everyone!



PREMIER'S DEBATING CHALLENGE

Students from Years 7-10 have been participating in the Premier's Debating Challenge. Grafton High School has entered two teams in 2022. One team is made up of students from Years 7 and 8 (Stage 4), while the other team consists of Year 9 and 10 students (Stage 5). The debates have come thick and fast with each team completing two debates in recent weeks. The Stage 5 team started with a tough debate on climate change policy against Maclean High School, which unfortunately they lost narrowly. Their second debate was focused on the value of student leadership positions within schools, and their opponent was Toormina High School. The Grafton team lost this debate despite their comprehensive list of arguments. The Stage 4 team started brightly scoring a victory against Toormina in their first debate for the competition, with a topic based around educating retirees in technology use. A follow-up debate against Toormina's second team, in which they debated punishing sports clubs for poor fan behaviour, resulted in a loss for our team.



The students involved have been great representatives for Grafton High School and should be extremely proud of their behaviour and efforts. Each team has a third debate early in Term 3.

SLIP 1 BUNNINGS VISIT

Students from SLIP 1 went to Bunnings as part of our community access program. We assembled wooden trucks and battery powered planes. We would like to thank Vicki from Bunnings for hosting us.



LET'S HANG IT! ART COMPETITION

Congratulations to Sunni Gorrington and Nadia Smith who have been selected as finalists in this year's University of New England School Acquisitive Art Prize. Sunni and Nadia are among 60 finalists, from 591 entries across 46 schools, and their works demonstrated the application of a very high standard of technical skill as well as creative expression. Winners are announced on the 29 July. Good luck, artists!



SPORTS ROUND UP

- Congratulations to Martina and Maia for selection in the NSW All Schools Hockey team and Eliza for shadow selection. The girls will be travelling to Hobart for Nationals in August.
- We wish Mikey and Marti all the best in their representation of the North Coast at CHS Touch.
- We congratulate Jacob on gaining a bronze medal at the NSW CHS Squash Championships.



SRC NEWS

The SRC held a mufti and noodle day on Friday 24 June to support a Grafton High School student who is undergoing medical treatment in Brisbane. Students were encouraged to wear green mufti and the SRC served up over 150 cups of hot 2 minute noodles, with the ladies in the canteen helping out by donating funds from sales on the day. The students and staff helped to raise in excess of \$1200. Thank you to all those who contributed.



EDUCATION HARDSHIP FUNDS

The Education Hardship Fund is providing each student at Grafton High School with \$500 to be spent on school related activities and expenses. These include the likes of:

- Excursions, camps and incursions
- School-organised formals
- Competition fees
- Elective subject fees
- Canteen purchases
- School uniforms
- Calculators
- Student fees associated with TAFE such as white card courses
- Sport participation including weekly sport or carnivals
- Costs incurred by involvement in school theatre or music performances
- Ongoing weekly co-curricular programs



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STUDENT MID COURSE REPORTS

Students in Years 7-11 received their Mid Course Reports on Wednesday. Students who were absent can collect their report from the school's front office. Parent Teacher Interviews will take place on Tuesday 26 July in the MPC from 3.30pm to 6.30pm. Bookings can be made through the Sentral Parent Portal. If you need assistance doing this, please contact the school.



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WEDNESDAY	9.00AM SKATEBUBZ	3.45PM INTERM	4.45PM BEGINNER	
THURSDAY	9AM-2PM PRIVATES	4.45PM BEGINNER	5.45PM INTERM	
FRIDAY	3.45PM BEGINNER	4.45PM INTERM	6.00PM SKATECHIX	7.00-9.00PM OPEN SESSION
SATURDAY	9.00AM BEGINNER	10.00AM INTERM	11AM-3PM PRIVATES	5.00PM SKATECHIX

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WHAT	Grafton Netball School Holiday Clinic Net/Set (5-7yrs) and GO (8-10yrs)		
DATE	Tuesday 12 th July 2022	TIME	10am – 12pm
WHERE	Grafton Netball Association, Westward Park, Bacon St, Grafton		
DETAILS	Book your spot at https://www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/b9d56f		
	\$25 per participant includes small giveaway. Please bring a hat, sunscreen, and water bottle.		
	For Girls & Boys already playing netball, and for those who want to give it a try!		
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WEEK 2

WEARABLE ART WORKSHOP
Monday 11th July, 10am to 12noon
Glenreagh Community Hall, Glenreagh
Bookings essential – Text 0414 284 150

DROP IN & WOOL LETTER MAKING
Monday 11th July, 3:30pm to 5pm
Courtts Crossing Skate Park, Courtts Crossing
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

LASER SKIRMISH
Tuesday 12th July, 2pm to 4pm
Pirate Park, South Grafton
Just turn up

POETRY CLUB
Tuesday 12th July, 4pm – 5pm
Headspace Grafton
Bookings essential – 6642 1520

DROP IN & WOOL LETTER MAKING
Wednesday 13th July, 10am to 11:30am
Yamba Skate Park, Yamba
Booking essential – 6640 3800

SURF LESSONS
Thursday 14th July, 9am to 12noon
Main Beach, Minnie Water
Bookings essential – 0447 693 863

GRAFFITI ART WORKSHOP
Thursday 14th July, 2pm to 4pm
Lawrence Memorial Park, Lawrence
Bookings essential – Text 0423 134 173

DROP IN & WOOL LETTER MAKING
Thursday 14th July, 10am to 11:30am
Iluka Skate Park, Iluka
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

ART WITH JIMMY WAGS & TULLI STEVENS
Friday 15th July, 2pm to 4pm
Wooli Community Hall, Wooli
Bookings essential – 0412 924 120

For more information and updates, check out our Facebook pages 'Clarence Valley Youth' or 'Clarence Valley Youth Hubs'. The current COVID-19 situation has limited our capacity for numbers, so these activities will have restrictions. Please call 0428 420 908 if more details are required. Outdoor activities will be postponed in the case of wet weather. Programs proudly sponsored by:



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