ANZAC DAY

Thank you to all the parents who took their children to the ANZAC parade. The whole school marched. It was great to see all students attend. Well done to all students on their fantastic ANZAC Day projects.

ANZAC Day Projects

Happy Mother’s Day for Sunday 10th of May to all our Mother’s at Grosmont State School.

Looking forward to another great week!
Moderation

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NAPLAN Testing

Since Term 1, students in Year 3 & 5 have been preparing for the NAPLAN tests in which they sit next week.

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests for 2015 will be held on **Tuesday 12, Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 May.**

Every year, all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 are assessed on the same days using national tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy. Parents are asked to keep these dates free from commitments.

Student work this term

Please ensure your child is attending school whenever possible this term as every day counts. One day missed means that your child has missed some new work and it is not always possible for the teacher or aides to give special time to give your child the lessons they missed while away. On the other hand, please do not send sick children to school as they are unable to concentrate and spread germs to infect others.

Homework will continue to be handed out on a Monday and is to be returned the following Monday along with library bags, reading book packs and reading logs.

Teach your child to dial Triple Zero (000) and remember details

The Queensland Ambulance Service is encouraging parents and caregivers to teach their children how to become potential lifesavers by practising calling Triple Zero (000) with a disconnected or toy phone, or by playing an online training game at [http://kids.triplezero.gov.au/](http://kids.triplezero.gov.au/). When calling Triple Zero and requesting an ambulance, an emergency medical dispatcher will provide advice and dispatch medical help to your location.

For this reason, it’s also important for families to familiarise themselves with their holiday surroundings by memorising holiday addresses and beach access codes, so they can relay the correct information to Triple Zero staff. More information can be found at [http://www.ambulance.qld.gov.au/default.asp](http://www.ambulance.qld.gov.au/default.asp)

LINKS Cross Country

The Links Cross Country Carnival will be held at the Wandoan Golf Course on Thursday 14th May 2015. This year the Links carnival will be running in conjunction with the Wandoan State School carnival. The carnival will be starting at 12.00pm after the completion of NAPLAN testing for student in Years 3, 5, 7 & 9.

Parents are to provide or make arrangements for your child/ren to be transported to the carnival. Students will need **to be collected from Grosmont SS at 11.15am.**

The Tuckshop will be operating a canteen **AFTERNOON TEA ONLY** for students and parents to purchase food. (Items for sale will be: Cakes/Slices/ Snacks & Cordial/Powerade).

Please make sure your child/children bring their own morning tea/lunch to school. Students will need to wear school uniform, wear appropriate foot wear, and have a hat, water bottle and sunscreen.

Please return the Student permission form by Monday 11th May.

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Make every day count in 2015

Make 2015 the year when your child doesn’t miss a day of school. Research shows that students who have good patterns of attendance are more likely to achieve at school. If students aren’t at school or don’t stay the whole day, they are missing valuable lessons. Check out the new Every Day Counts videos live on DETE TV http://www.youtube.com/DETQueensland

Please remember your hat every day. Grosmont SS has the policy

No Hat, No Outside Play Policy.

Reporting Student Absences

It is mandatory that ALL student absences and reason for the absence is reported to the school either before, during or immediately following the absence. This can be via a note to the classroom teacher or a phone message to the school’s line

(07) 46274 978.
Rippa Attitude Term 1, 2015  
~ Jack Nicholls ~

Jack displayed an improved Attitude in all areas of school life during Term 1.

Congratulations Jack

## WHY READ 20 MINUTES AT HOME?

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<th>Student A Reads</th>
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<td>♦ 20 minutes per day</td>
<td>♦ 5 minutes per day</td>
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<td>♦ 5,880 minutes per school year</td>
<td>♦ 900 minutes per school year</td>
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♦ Scores in the 90th percentile on standardized tests.  
♦ Scores in the 50th percentile on standardized tests.  
♦ Scores in the 10th percentile on standardized tests.

If they start reading for 20 minutes per night in Kindergarten, by the end of 6th grade, Student A will have read for the equivalent of 60 school days, Student B will have read for 12 school days and Student C will have read for 3 school days.

Want to be a better reader? Simply READ
The school newsletter will be distributed on a fortnightly basis. The next newsletter will be available on **Thursday 21st May 2015**

Would you like the newsletter emailed to you?  
If you would like to receive our newsletter via email, please contact the school on (07) 46274 978 or email principal@grosmontss.eq.edu.au

**Dates - 2015**

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**P&C NEWS**

President: Belinda Pennell  
Secretary: Barbara Adams  
Treasurer: Karol Watson  
Uniform Convenor: Kasie Conroy

General Meeting — **Tuesday 12th May at 3.05pm**

**POSITION VACANT**

TEMPORARY PART TIME ADMINISTRATION OFFICER: 2 DAYS per week  
TEMPORARY PART TIME TEACHER AIDE: 1 DAY per week

The Principal is seeking expressions of interest in the above positions. If you are interested and would like further information please contact the Principal.

Phone: (07) 46 274 978  
Mobile: 0459796411

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School Newsletter  
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ICAS Competition 2015

A permission note has been sent home outlining the upcoming ICAS Competitions for 2015. Please return this form to school before Thursday 2nd April. If you would like your child to participate in any of the following:

Digital Technologies - Tuesday 19th May 2015
(AUD $8.80 GST inclusive)-year 3-10

Science- Wednesday 3rd June 2015
(AUD $8.80 GST inclusive)-year 2-12

Writing- Monday 15th June 2015
(AUD $18.70 GST inclusive)- year 3-12

Spelling- Tuesday 16th June 2015
(AUD $12.10 GST inclusive)- year 3-7

Grosmont State School is going to cover the below courses for the specific grades.

English - Tuesday 28th July 2015
(cost covered by the School $8.80)-year 2-12

Mathematics - Tuesday 11th August 2015
(cost covered by the School $8.80)-year 2-12

Thank you SUNWATER
Student work at Wandoan Show 2015

WELL DONE EVERYONE

Congratulations
Wandoan Coal Project
Community Investment Program

Round 2 of the 2015 Wandoan Coal Project community investment program opens 1 May 2015.

Applications for funding are currently being accepted from incorporated, not-for-profit community groups, clubs or associations based in the Wandoan and Taroom communities.

Not-for-profit groups from these communities, who contribute to any of our focus areas of:
- Capacity Building (including education/training, enterprise development, and economic diversification),
- Health,
- Environment
are invited to apply for funding up to the value of $2,500.

To apply please complete the online application form by visiting: https://glencore.smartygrants.com.au/2015Round2

Applications close at midnight on 7 June 2015