GET ACTIVE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

I give permission for my child(ren) ______________________ to attend the active after school program on Tuesday □ and/or Thursday □. I understand that children attending AASC must follow our school rules at all times.

Signature: ___________________ Date: ___________________

Absence Note

Every Day Counts

My child ___________________ was away on _____________________

Reason: ______________________________________________________

Parent Signature__________________  Date______________________

REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

- Due to the senior leader lunch on Friday 15th February, tuckshop will be orders only for second break for Week 3 only. (next week)

- Return the form for Active After School Program if your child is attending

- Return ELF permission forms

- AASC commences this week. Basketball is now on Wednesday and soccer is on Thursday afternoon.

Events Calendar

Term 1
February

- Tuesday 12th — Book Club due back
- Wednesday 13th — ELF AASC—Basketball
- Thursday 14th — Swimming AASC—Soccer
- Friday 15th — Brisbane Lions visit and School Leader Parade

- Monday 25th — 6/7 overnight camp
- P&C Meeting 7PM—multi-purpose room

March

- Thursday 28th — Last Day of Term

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

We have some exciting events coming up for the school and community in the coming weeks.

Next Friday, Jonathan Brown and Daniel Merrett of the Brisbane Lions AFL team, and other members of AFL Queensland will be visiting to work with our Year 7 students on developing their leadership skills and they will also be presenting the shirts and badges during our leadership parade.

All of our parents are invited to join us for parade on Friday at 12:15. After parade, our special visitors will be around for photos and autographs.

Please feel free to invite your family and community members along to this great event!

All year 7 Parents are invited to attend the parade at 12:15 and are invited to join us for lunch at 1:15.

STAFFING NEWS

During the past two weeks, we have been fortunate to have Mrs Suzanne Kenyon teaching 4/5 on Wednesday and Thursday and 2/3 on Fridays.

Mrs Kenyon will continue teaching here on Fridays in the 2/3 class, however, Miss Johnstone will now be teaching 4/5 each Wednesday and Thursday as of next week.

INTRODUCTION OF HISTORY

This year we will be teaching History as a discrete subject area. History is a disciplined process of inquiry into the past that develops students' curiosity and imagination. Awareness of history is an essential characteristic of any society, and historical knowledge is fundamental to understanding ourselves and others. It promotes the understanding of societies, events, movements and developments that have shaped humanity from earliest times. It helps students appreciate how the world and its people have changed, as well as the significant continuities that exist to the present day.

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Parent Signature__________________  Date______________________

Grantham State School

Attention drivers

Parents who drive their children to and from school please take note of the following:

Please do not park on yellow lines
Please do not park in residents’ driveways
Thank you
Homework

Homework commences this week. Homework will usually be a combination of Reading, Spelling and Math.

The best thing you can do to support your child’s improvement at school is to read with them every day.

BOOKLIST, TEXT BOOKS & PARENTAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2013

It’s not too late to sign up!!

We are offering the Student Resource Scheme again this year. This service means that parents don’t have to buy any stationery or textbooks. We have one flat fee that covers all of these. It is important that we know which families are taking advantage of this arrangement so that we can purchase the correct number of books.

Thank you to those parents who have already paid the text book contribution fee. It is greatly appreciated.

Homework

To week’s attribute is:

POSITIVE

Students can demonstrate this attribute by:
• being optimistic about their day
• use positive talk about themselves
• be confident and have a go
• choose to have a positive attitude
• listen to and follow instructions first time

Gotcha Winners

2/3—Chentelle
4/5—Sara
6/7—Jessica

Homework

NEED TO TALK TO YOUR CHILD’S TEACHER?

If you would like to discuss your child’s progress or an issue that has arisen, please contact the school office to arrange an interview time.

Please refrain from talking to teachers or entering classes during lesson time without first contacting the office.

There is little difference in people, but that little difference makes a big difference. That little difference is attitude. The big difference is whether it is positive or negative. R. Read

SWIMMING

Swimming is on again on Thursday. Parents are welcome to pay for swimming weekly or in one lump sum. We need full payment by the final swimming day, 7th March 2013.

Each week students need:

Swimmers Cap Sun smart shirt Goggles Towel Thongs

LATE ARRIVAL / EARLY DEPARTURE / VISITORS

Just a reminder that all students who arrive late or leave early must be signed in or out at the office.

ALL visitors to the school, including P&C members and tuckshop helpers, MUST sign in as visitors. This is for safety purposes in case of fire or other emergency.

4 –7 Students will be swimming from 11:30—12:30pm.

Prep –3 students will swim from 12:30—1:30pm.

If you are able to assist with swimming, we would love for you to meet us at the pool.

UNIFORMS

Dear Parents,

As of next week, uniforms will only be purchased on Fridays while the tuckshop is operating, unless prior arrangements are made during the week with Mrs Tanya Hooper.

If an emergency arises, please discuss with office staff.

The safety of our students is our first priority and the main reason for decisions about footwear. We currently have some students who are wearing inappropriate shoes to school. Shoes should be covered and lace up shoes or Velcro shoes are preferred. Shoes that are slip on and fall off when children run do not meet our safety standards and should not be worn to school.

What chance has your child got of achieving academic success?

1 or 2 days a week doesn’t seem much, but……

P&C NEWS

Parent involvement is essential for a school to be successful.

If you would like to contribute to the improvement of our school then come along to our annual general meeting on Monday 25th February in the multi-purpose room.

We will also be looking for volunteers to assist with tuckshop. If you are interested, please contact the school office.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

TIFFANY (Prep)

For being a bright & attentive & well-behaved student in the P/1 room.

NATALIE (Year 1)

For continuing to uphold school values & demonstrating how to be a whole body listener.

ALYSSA (Year 2)

For her consistently high standard of behaviour & hard working attitude.

ELLEN (Year 3)

For being a responsible & enthusiastic class member.

CHELSEA (Year 4)

For being an enthusiastic class member & always having a go & staying on task at all times.

CHLOE (Year 5)

For being an enthusiastic class member & always having a go & staying on task at all times.

BAILEY (Year 6)

For always being organized & following instructions first time.

BRANDAN (Year 7)

For trying his best & producing high quality work in a suitable time frame.

Values

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