

GUM FLAT PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 2 Week 8 - 16 June, 2025



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Term 1	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
Week 1	April 28	29	30	May 1	2
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Principal's Message

Welcome to Week 8

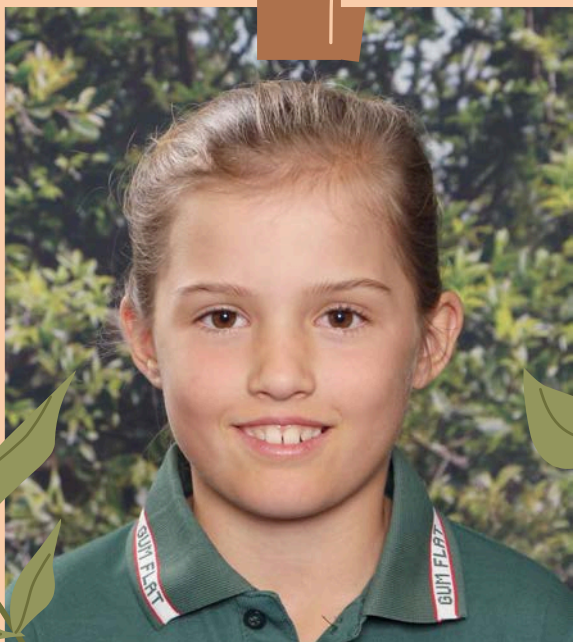
Winter has certainly arrived, and it has been great seeing all our students arriving with their jumpers and jackets on. As we head into the tail end of the term, teachers are busy finishing off assessments and writing Semester 1 reports – these reports will be distributed at the end of the term.

As most of you are probably aware, we have had Mr Tristen White working with Mr Butler teaching the K-2 class as part of his final placement. It has been great seeing Mr White interacting with the students during recess and lunch as well as doing a fantastic job in the classroom. He finishes up in Week 9 and I wish him all the best in the future as he pursues his teaching career.

Hope you all have a great week from Mrs. Coddington.



Happy Birthday



to Ada who turns 9 on Friday.
Have a great day Ada.



to Patrick who turns 9 on Friday.
Have a great day Patrick.

School News

NORTH WEST CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to Imogen, Ada, Patrick, Josh and Ruby who competed in the North West Cross Country in Coolah yesterday.

A special congratulations to Imogen and Ada who have now qualified for the State Cross Country in Sydney.



SMALL SCHOOLS TOUCH FOOTBALL

Gum Flat Public students have been practicing their touch football skills for the upcoming visit to Gravesend Public School on Monday 16 June 2025. Our touch football team will be playing the Gravesend PS team in the second round of the knockout competition. The whole school will be travelling by bus to enjoy a day with the Gravesend students and staff.



Students need to be at Gum Flat Public by 9am and will return at approximately 3pm.

Parents are welcome to attend - please bring your own chair. Gravesend PS will kindly provide morning tea and lunch for all who attend.

INVERELL EISTEDDFOD

Gum Flat Public School will be at performing at the Inverell Eisteddfod on Wednesday 25 June at 10am. Parents are welcome to attend and support our students.

SMALL SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

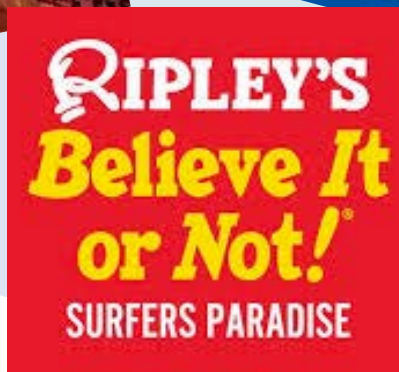
All students will participate in the Small Schools Athletics Carnival on Thursday 26 June commencing 9.30am at the Inverell Athletics Precinct. Parents are welcome to come along and cheer on their children.

PLEASE NOTE: Students wishing to compete in the 1500m event need to be at the precinct by 9am.

School News

BRISBANE - GOLD COAST EXCURSION

The count down is on for the Years 4/5/6 excursion to Brisbane and the Gold Coast. Students will enjoy a great program of events from 10-15 August 2025. Permission notes will be forthcoming; however, payments can already be made in the payment portal.



INVERELL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION SHOWCASE

Tuesday 24th June 6pm - 8pm

- Meet teachers, staff & students
- Tour the school
- Free information pack
- Free sausage sizzle




**YEAR 5 & 6
STUDENTS, PARENTS
& CARERS INVITED!**

Year 5 and 6 students and Parents You're Invited to Our Transition Showcase!

Is your child starting high school soon? Come along to our Transition Showcase Night and discover what makes our school a vibrant, supportive, and exciting place to learn!

 Date: 24th June 2025

 Time: 6pm - 8pm

 Location: Inverell High School

Explore our classrooms, meet our passionate teachers, hear from current students, and learn about the wide range of subjects, programs, and support we offer. Whether it's academics, wellbeing, or co-curricular life — we've got something for every learner.

No need to RSVP — just bring your questions and curiosity. We can't wait to welcome you!

Classroom News

Mysterious Caves

By Patrick



... a door opened behind them, stopping Adelaide and Jeffrey in their tracks. Adelaide had said they should explore this deep dark opening, while Jeffrey said they should continue home. She had eventually won the argument and they trekked on through the dark. The door had shut behind them with only the faint light of the glow worms above to guide them. It was cold in the dim tunnel, Adelaide often felt Jeffrey and herself shiver or jolt as an icy wind came from somewhere. All of a sudden, she slipped on a piece of ice that sent Jeffrey and her sliding down the slope and fell in a sinkhole.

They saw an underground lake with a waterfall with rocks covered with moss growing on them and in it was a yellow light that was the first crayon. And then they jumped into the lake and they grabbed the crayon!

Then they entered a big hole in the ground and saw a green light, they jumped down in the hole and got the green crayon. The rock below them dropped until they got to an entrance and they stepped into the trap - a rock dropped behind them. They went on until they got to a two way path. They were thinking which way to take then Jeffrey fell backwards on to a rock and then the two paths disappeared and one path opened and they agreed to go down it.

They came across a lake of lava which had big rocks about 3 metres apart. They had to jump from one to the other then found a hole going straight up but they needed something to help them climb up the hole. Both Adelaide and Jeffrey started drawing green grappling hooks then Jeffrey managed to throw one up to the top of the hole. Both of them climbed up and when they got to the top they were surrounded by humongous boulders. Adelaide used the yellow crayon to draw some steps to get to the top of the boulders and rope to climb down the other side.

They found their bikes and rode home.

HPGE Program

Our students have continued to provide some great lessons as part of the High Potential Gifted Educated (HPGE) program.

Cade and Wilson ran a lesson with the Lego STEM kits and Harley and Blake taught our students how to play Chess.

It's fantastic to see how capable they have been in organising and teaching their chosen subject. Well done boys.





Sapphire Social Committee

PRESENTS

WIMBLEDON WHITES

**ALL
AGES**

KIDS WELCOME

FREE

INVERELL TENNIS CLUB

**SUNDAY
13 JULY 2025
12PM**

BBQ | BEERS | TENNIS | MEAT RAFFLES

YOU DON'T NEED TO KNOW HOW TO PLAY!
WE PUT **EMPHASIS** ON THE **SOCIAL**

Some rackets will be available if you don't own one, but if you do, please bring along!