

Term 1 Calendar Thursday 11th **PSSA** April Swimming **PSSA** Friday 12th Swimming April Last Day of Term 1 ANZAC DAY Thursday 25th Community **April** Service Gladstone Term 2 Calendar Staff Monday 29th Development April Day Student's Tuesday 30th First Day of April Term 2 Tuesday 7th LNC

May

Crosscountry

It is hard to believe that we are almost at the end of term 1. It has been an exciting term with lots to celebrate.

We are all excited to cheer on the swimming team this week as they travel to Sydney to compete on Thursday and Friday. We will be watching the PSSA live streamed event on Thursday afternoon and from 10 am on Friday. Although we don't have a precise time of our students events, we are working from the schedule as published.

We are excited to have our wider community come in and join us for the live stream of the events if you are able.

During term 2 Mrs Pugh will be taking a period of leave. In her absence we will be welcoming Mrs Wendy Taylor. Mrs Taylor has a wealth of teaching experience and has worked extensively in the Macleay Valley. We are excited to welcome Mrs Taylor to our school.

Anzac Day is always a significant date on our calendars, this year it falls in the holidays, for those who are available we are encouraging you to join us at the Gladstone community service. The service will begin with a march at 10.45am followed by a service at the memorial in the park from 11 am. For those joining in the march please come dressed in school uniform and meet on the corner of Memorial Drive and Kinchela Street. We will choose students to lay a wreath on behalf of our school community and will have representatives from our school participate in the community service. Please contact us for further information or visit the Kempsey RSL 2024 ANZAC DAY.

Our staff will be joining with schools from across the Macleay Valley for a Curriculum focused Staff Development Day on Monday 29th April, our school site will be closed on this day. Students return to school on Tuesday 30th April 2024.

Our P&C are meeting on Wednesday 10th April, everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

We wish everyone a safe and relaxing school holiday, ensuring everyone takes time to rest and recover ready for the adventures of term 2!

Regards, Rebecca Smith, Teaching Principal

Explaining every absence

If your child is:

- Sick
- Has a medical appointment
- Has to travel for family business
- Involved in Sorry **Business**





Let us know

So we can plan continued support for your child's learning and wellbeing







Every Day Matters



NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:







Build skills through fun



A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks

and years over their

























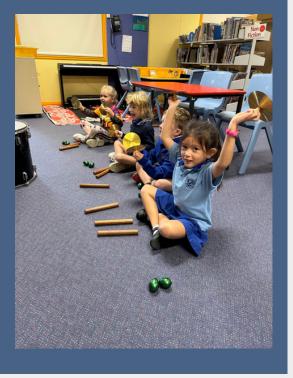


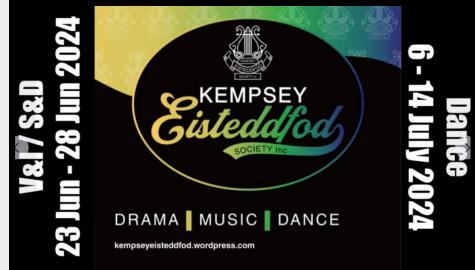












The Kempsey Eisteddfod will be held from Sunday 23rd June to Friday 28th June and Saturday 6th July to Sunday 14th July 2024. This year our students will be entering to showcase our musical learning! We will be competing as a small school choir and instrumental band. Mrs Capp will be working with us on these pieces during our weekly music lessons. The Eisteddfod is open to individuals as well as school performances, for anyone who is interested in entering in either Speech and Drama, Music or Dance sections.. For more information please contact us in the office and we will email you the full syllabus with a full scope of events.

Gladstone Anzac Day Service



2024 ANZAC Day
Macleay Valley ANZAC Day services from Bellbrook, Crescent Head,
Gladstone and more. Find the information here,
(ii) Exempter Macleay 751, Chib (Apr. 4

10:45 am march down Kinchela Street, service commences 11:00 am at Memorial Park.

Students are welcome and encouraged to participate in the march please meet at the corner of Memorial Drive and Kinchela Street by 10:40am. For more information please follow the <u>link</u> to the Kempsey RSL - 2024 Anzac Day



YOU ARE INVITED TO THE LIVE STREAM

of the 2024 NSWPSSA Swimming Championships

we will be watching the final races of Thursday's meet in the Library from 2pm. These are individual races. You are welcome to join us for popcorn and hot chocolate!

On Friday morning we will Live Stream the heat of our Relay Team, whilst we are unsure of an exact time we ask that you are here by 10am if you would like to join us. This will be in the classroom. The finals of that race will be after lunch......fingers crossed we get to ask you back to watch this race as well!

No matter the results, we all are extremely proud of team Gladstone and the effort and sportsmanship shown from them all to get the results they have achieved so far. Well done Tully, Elton, Tilly and Ingrid!