

KINDERGARTEN 2017 ENROLMENT
KINDER KRITTERS PROGRAM



Dear Parents,

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2017. To be eligible for Kindergarten at Grafton Public School in 2017, your child must reside in our area and turn FIVE years old by the 31st July.

When enrolling students in Kindergarten for the first time, an enrolment form is required for each student and an original document providing "proof of birth" must be sighted by staff (such as a birth certificate, registration card or a passport). Immunisation certificates are also required for all students after they have received their five year old boosters. Enrolment forms can be picked up from the office during school hours.

If you are planning on enrolling your child/children in Kindergarten at Grafton Public School, it is important that you contact the school to obtain the enrolment application. Our Orientation Program commences late Term 3 and it would be great if all children were involved.

The Kindergarten Orientation Program at Grafton Public School has several components:

- ☺ An **Information Session** will be held **on Wednesday 3rd of August from 5:30pm - 6:30pm** at the Mary Street Campus for parents of those children intending to start Kindergarten at Grafton Public School. This is an opportunity to come and discover all that Grafton Public School has to offer your child. You can meet the principal and the teachers. See what the Kindergarten students are learning – you'll be amazed! Kinder is not what it used to be.
- ☺ The **KINDY KRITTERS Play Sessions** will operate during Term 3 on Thursday 25th of August and Thursday 8th of September. The play sessions involve structured play and kinder readiness activities. Teachers of the school will run the sessions. Children will come to school on each of these days either from 9-11am **OR** 12-2pm.
- ☺ **Kindergarten Orientation Days** will be in Term 4. Please select a day suitable for your child to attend. Your choice of days and dates are Tuesday the 8th of November **OR** Wednesday the 9th of November **OR** Thursday the 10th November. These days will commence at 9:30am and conclude at 2:30pm. What a fantastic opportunity for your child to have a whole day experience of coming to big school. They only attend ONE of these days.

A successful orientation program not only benefits your child but also aims to assist parents and teachers. Children that attend play sessions are able to gain confidence, are less anxious about big school, get to know their school environment and the routines, develop a positive attitude towards school and can meet and interact with other children.

By attending the information sessions and play sessions parents feel welcomed. The sessions create an awareness of the important role you have in your child's learning, allowing you to meet other parents and to be less anxious about the transition.

For teachers, the Kindy Play sessions enable us to build a rapport with the children, to identify any children with specific or special needs and to make contact with the families and increase parental involvement.

If you have any friends or neighbours with children who will be starting school next year, please let them know they need to enrol pre-schoolers now.

If you are interested in attending the Information Session and/or your child participating in the Kindy Kritters Play Sessions and Orientation Day, please complete the form over the page and return it to school ASAP marked Attention: Mrs Stephenson. Enquiries directed to Mrs Stephenson are welcome (phone 66422286).

Amie Stephenson
Relieving Assistant Principal

Michelle McDonagh
Deputy Principal



Grafton Public School

Kindy Kritters Orientation Program

Come and visit Grafton Public School, **your local** primary school!
See our highly trained and dedicated teachers in action.

Preschoolers will be involved in a set of planned "hands on" school readiness activities to assist them in making a smooth transition to Kindergarten. Research indicates that children who settle quickly into school are more likely to be socially competent and achieve better results.

CHILD'S NAME: _____ Male / Female DATE OF BIRTH: _____

PARENT NAME/S: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ SIBLINGS AT GPS _____

PRE-SCHOOL: _____

Please tick:

I / We are interested in attending the Information
Session at GPS on Wednesday 3rd August 5:30pm.

I / We won't be able to attend the information Session.

My child will be attending the Kinder Kritters Play sessions at GPS from 9-11am OR 12-2pm

Sessions my child will be attending: (Please tick **one time** for each day)

Kinder Play Session 1 – 25th August

Kinder Play Session 2 – 8th September

Session 1 Thursday 25th of August 9-11am

Session 2 Thursday 8th of September 9-11am

OR Session 1 Thursday 25th of August 12-2pm

OR Session 2 Thursday 8th of September 12-2pm

My child will be attending the Kinder Orientation full
day at GPS from 9:30-2:30pm. The choice of the
session is: (please tick **one** session only)

Tuesday 8th of November OR

Wednesday 9th of November OR

Thursday 10th of November

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO: GRAFTON INFANTS PUBLIC SCHOOL – Attention: Mrs Stephenson
Mary Street, Grafton NSW 2460
Ph: 66422286 or Fax 66433590