

# Long Flat School and Community



## Flat Chat

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**Week 7 Term 4 Friday, 25 November 2022**

Dear Long Flat school community,

### Year 6 Fun Day

Our Year 6 students have spent the day out having fun and building connections with Year 6 students from Comboyne, Huntingdon and Rollands Plains Upper Public Schools. We have had a blast flipping at Springloaded, eating lunch at McDonalds and splashing around at Stoney Aqua Park. What a brilliant way to spend a day at the end of Year 6!

### Mini Fete

Year 6 have been working on hosting a mini fete in Week 10. We are excited to have rides, games, activities and FOOD!! Miss Sherlock assures me that there will be a popcorn and fairy floss machine! Costing and further details are coming out next week. Keep your eyes peeled!

### Persuasive projects

While Year 6 are frantically organising the fete, Years 4 and 5 have been working with Mrs Bayly to develop their skills in persuasion – They are studying a destination and learning how to convince others that their destination is worth going to for a holiday. I'm excited to see the travel expo that they are working on and, hopefully, I am convinced that I need more overseas trips!

### Swimming

Next week is our full week of intensive swimming. We have seen amazing growth in ability and water confidence over the past few weeks. Thank you, Mrs Bayly, for organising all of this for our students! See Mrs Bayly's top tips to survive next week!

Kind regards,

Mr Small

### Coming Events

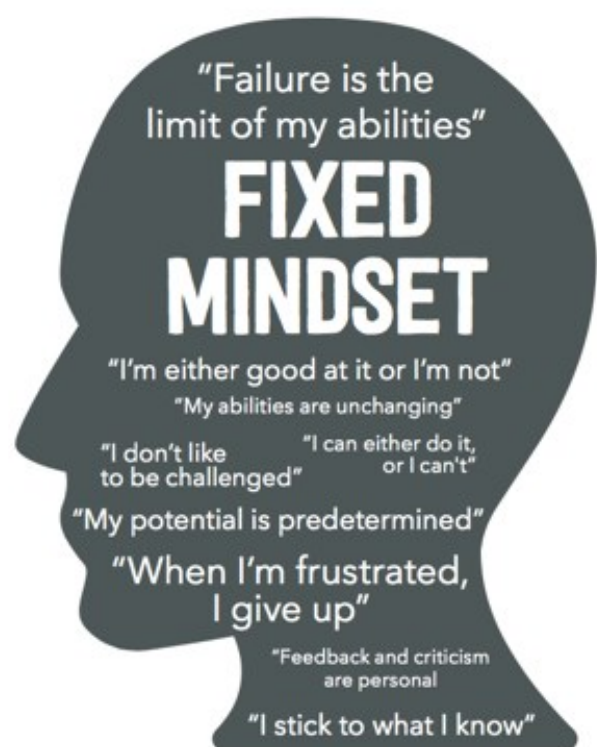
<b>28/11 to 2/12</b>	Swimming	<b>13 December</b>	Library van pickup/ Year 6 Farewell and Disco
<b>29 November</b>	Year 6 to 7 transition <u>all</u> day	<b>14 December</b>	Musical matinee performance
<b>8 December</b>	Year 5 leadership speeches	<b>15 December</b>	Special assembly
<b>9 December</b>	Farewell Rodney & Kerry Sausage Sizzle	<b>16 December</b>	Musical evening performance/ Xmas tree night
<b>12 December</b>	Musical dress rehearsal	<b>19 &amp; 20 Decem- ber</b>	Staff development day –minimal supervision

## Ideas for Creating a Growth Mindset Environment at Home Part 3:

### Redirecting Fixed Mindset Thinking

Redirect your child's fixed mindset statements. If you hear your child say "I am no good at maths" or "I just can't understand Shakespeare", point out the fixed mindset thinking and direct them to a growth mindset place. Remind them that they may not understand yet, but will by asking questions, finding new strategies, setting small goals and working hard. Two examples of how to redirect such statements are included below.

If Your Child Says	Then You Might Say
"I am no good at maths."	"You may not understand this yet, so let's practise a bit more."
"I don't need to study; I always do well on maths assessments."	"Studying can help prime the brain for further growth. Maybe you should let your teacher know that these assessments don't require much practice for you and that you are willing to take on more challenge."



## Year 6 to 7 Transition Reports

Zara—My group did Ag

- We were shown how many teeth a cow has
- We were shown tractors and hay bales
- They showed us garden beds, crops grown by students
- We caught chickens
- We saw a turkey
- We saw sheep
- They collected eggs and washed cows

Aaliyah—Agriculture

- We were told some info about the cows and got to pat Jezz
- Mr Starr told us some things about the sheep and they were really skiddish
- We got to see all the tractors and ride on mower
- There was turkey call Bill and he was very calm
- We got to hold the chickens and their speckly colouring was very pretty.

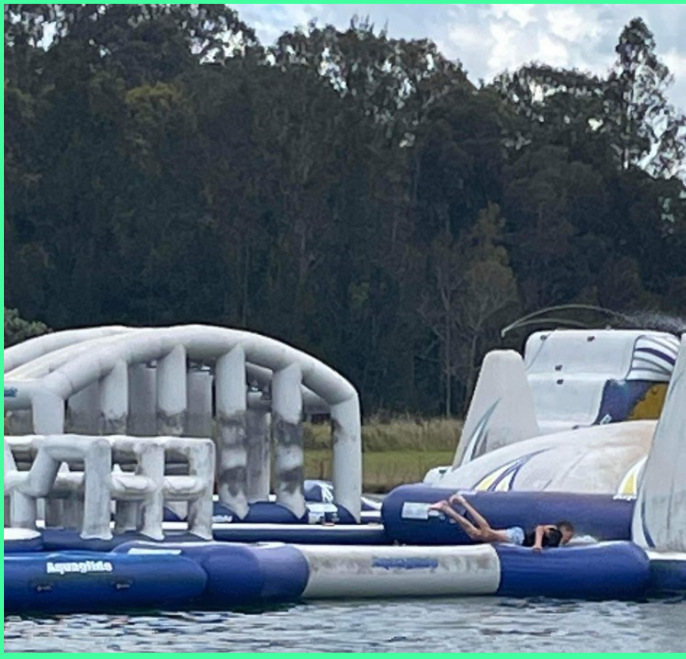
## Year 6 Fun Day

Matt—Drama

- We played a game called "Space Jump"
- We had a great day
- We got to be extra silly







Stoney Aqua Park

**Year 6, 2022**

**Zara, Aaliyah, Dianna, Bella, Wyatt, Matt, Zac, Ethan  
& Miss Sherlock**







## ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE BUSHFIRE SEASON

Dear parent/carer,

I am writing to advise you of bushfire emergency arrangements for our school this bushfire season.

Our school is in a bushfire prone area and is listed as Category 2 on the NSW Department of Education's bushfire risk register.

To ensure the health, safety and welfare of students and staff, the Department has determined that on days when NSW Rural Fire Service declares a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating for Long Flat, our school will temporarily cease operations for the following day.

In addition, schools may be made non-operational due to changing higher risk conditions and advice from emergency services and the State Emergency Operations Centre.

We recommend that you download the [Parent App](#) and select to monitor advice from our school which will push notifications to you advising that the school is non-operational.

The Fire Danger Rating does not mean there will be a bushfire, but rather weather conditions that could pose a high risk for a bushfire event. The measure is proactive to ensure staff, students and the community remain safe.

To ensure that we continue to support student learning on these days, access to the learning from home packs are available at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/learning-from-home/learning-at-home/2022-digital-learning-packs/primary>

Our school will inform our school community after 4 pm if there is a change to the operational status of the school for the following day. To assist the school in contacting all families please ensure that you have provided us with up-to-date contact details.

Further information on up-to-date communication of school operations, can also be found through:

- Our Skoolloop app and school website
- NSW Department of Education's School Safety website: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/school-safety>
- NSW School Updates app: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/nsw-school-updates-app>, and
- Social media.

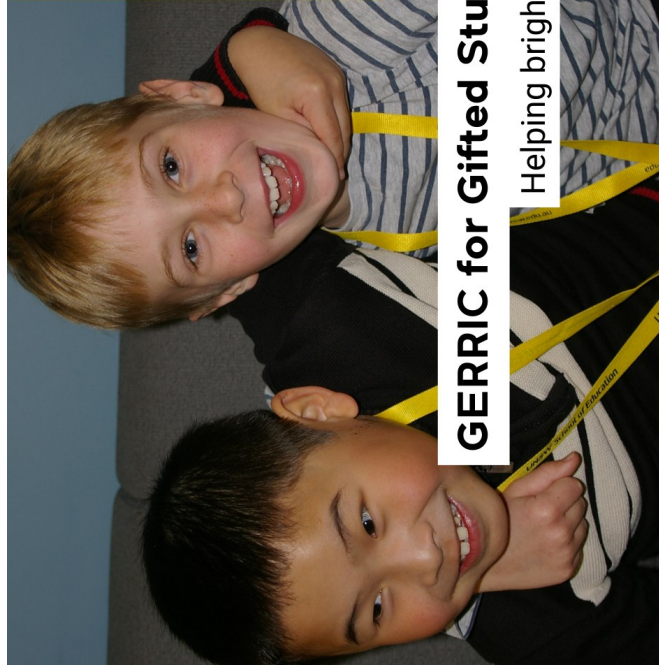
We recommend that all of our families follow the advice of the NSW Rural Fire Service and ensure that your family knows what to do if there is a fire.

It can take as little as five minutes to make your plan. Discuss it with your family so you know what you will do in the event of a fire. <https://www.myfireplan.com.au>

Please contact the school on (02) 6587 4255 if you would like any further information about this matter.

Yours sincerely,

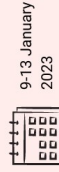
Sam Small



## GERRIC for Gifted Students Program

Helping bright young minds thrive

January 2023  
Online & on-campus



Online



UNSW Campus,  
Kensington



9:00am - 3:00pm

We are excited to announce that our GERRIC Student Programs will return in January 2023! Our Scientia programs will be run both online and on-campus to provide students with the choice of what works best for them. This is a school holiday program that expands the minds of bright, inquisitive individuals looking for an intellectual challenge that is more demanding and more fun than they may sometimes experience at school.

All courses are 3-day workshops. Registration will be available from 10 November 2022.

### Junior Scientia: Years 3 - 6

The Junior Scientia program is designed for gifted and talented primary school students in Years 3-6. To participate in the program, students will select one three-day workshop from a range of options.

All workshops are developed and presented by experienced teachers who are qualified or experienced in gifted education. They possess the expertise and skills to encourage the interests and pique the curiosity of gifted children.

### Scientia Challenge: Years 7 - 10

The Scientia Challenge program features a range of exciting workshops taught over three days designed for gifted and talented high school students in Years 7-10.

Developed and led by practising experts, the workshops follow a university-style investigative structure with intellectually-stimulating content. With the level of study aimed two years higher than the students' grade level, these dynamic workshops offer gifted students a rigorous and challenging program.



Follow the QR code for more information about our program

Scholarships Available!

Contact us: [gerric@unsw.edu.au](mailto:gerric@unsw.edu.au)



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RUGBY LEAGUE

## REGISTRATIONS

OPEN THE 1ST OF  
JANUARY

GIRLS  
13's, 15's  
& 17's

TACKLE

USE YOUR  
ACTIVE KIDS  
VOUCHERS TO  
SAVE \$100

SHORTS &  
SOCKS  
INCLUDED  
IN REGO

LEAGUE  
TAG 12's, 14's  
& 16's

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registering please  
contact us on  
facebook or email

under 6's to 16's

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just a game  
in a different league

