Each year, schools in our region are asked to nominate students from Years 5 and 6 to participate in the EGATS (Electronic Gifted And Talented) program. This year, Liam Law-Smith, Angus Smith and Claire Hyland will participate in the program. Angus and Liam will focus on Mathematics and Claire will work on the English units of work. I would like to congratulate all three students on their nomination and thank them for being prepared to put in the extra effort required. The EGATS program will run throughout Term 3.

Semester one reports are currently being written by teachers and these will be sent home on Thursday 28th June. Students will also bring home their work sample folders.

Our Term 2 Assembly will be held on Friday 23rd June (last day of term) commencing at 2.15pm. I would like to welcome all families and community members to come along and share in our successes for this Term. Various Eisteddfod performances will feature throughout the assembly.

I would like to welcome our 3rd year teaching students from UNE. Miss Lucy Scheider is working with students in Upper Division and Prudence Butt is working with our Lower Division students. Miss Scheider will be with us until the end of next week. She will then return towards the end of next term to complete her practicum. Miss Butt will stay with us until week 3 of next term.

As we near the end of this term, could all families who have students learning the guitar, keyboard or piano, please finalise payments by the end of next week. All payments can be made at the office. Many thanks for your help with this.

I would like to thank the P&C for their continued support for our lunch program over the last few weeks. There have been so many people who have donated their time (and money) to provide lunches for our students on Fridays. I would also like to acknowledge the many parents who helped us plant our winter seedlings recently in our vegetable gardens. We look forward to this week’s savoury potatoes!

Have a great week!
Brad Hunt
Start collecting stickers at the checkout of your local Woolworths supermarket until July 22nd to place on your child’s sticker card. There’ll be one sticker provided for every $10 spent.

**Crunch and Sip Program**

Our school participates in the Crunch and Sip Program.

Students are welcome to bring a container of fruit to eat during the morning session.

**Congratulations Judy Grieve**

This week Judy Grieves was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM).

Mrs Grieves has been a very strong and proud supporter of our school from when her five children attended Kelly’s Plains through to currently being on our Sesquicentenary Committee (150th Anniversary).

On behalf of the students and staff I would like to congratulate Judy on her prestigious award.

*Brad Hunt*

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See Jane Weier for school banking information

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