

GRAHAMVALE NEWSLETTER



Week Two – 13th October 2026

Hi families,

Welcome back to Term 4 families.

Our term started off last week with interschool athletics for our Year 3-6 students. Congratulations to all students for displaying their personal best whilst competing against students from other local schools. Our Year 3-6 students and staff are also eagerly looking forward to their upcoming camps this term. A reminder that camp costs must be paid in full two weeks prior for your child to attend camp. This has previously been posted to Compass.

Fete donations

We are looking forward to a wonderful community event Thursday evening. There are still some classes that would love to receive some more donations to make their stall a greater success. Here's a list of what is needed:

F Collins - Allen's 'Snake Alive' packs

F Lloga – Bottles of wine

2 Williams/Marcetic - Lollies for decorating the iced biscuits

3 Holland – Temporary Tattoos

Fete tickets

If you haven't already pre-purchased your fete tickets, please do so before Thursday. By pre-purchasing, you will be able to have a go at the activities quicker, than waiting in line to purchase at the fete.

For those who have purchased, please head directly to the ticket tent to collect your envelope of tickets. This will be a streamlined process with a handful of staff assisting with this task.

Cake Auction

If you are providing a cake for the cake auction, please take drop this off at the ticket tent on arrival and these will be placed inside the community hall or in the portable cool room, depending on the type of cake.

Concert USB info

For those families that ordered a concert USB, these will be given to the eldest child in the family in the next two weeks once there has been copies made. Thanks again to Sean Harrap for filming the concert.

Term 4 Assembly dates

- Friday 23rd October
- Friday 6th November
- Friday 20th November
- Thursday 3rd December – 2027 Leaders Assembly
- Friday 11th December – Final Assembly





Grahamvale PS Fete Map



ENTRY VIA 3560 KATAMATITE-SHEPPARTON MAIN ROAD, CONGUPNA.
FOLLOW ARROWS TO CARPARK.



GPS 2026 FETE

@CONGUPNA RECREATION RESERVE
THURSDAY 15TH OCTOBER 5-8PM

Stall names & numbers on Fete Map

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| 1. Balloon Darts | 15. Mark the Treasure |
| 2. Temporary Tattoos | 16. Berry Street |
| 3. Lucky Ducks | 17. Ambulance Victoria |
| 4. Coloured Hairspray | 18. Fire Rescue Victoria |
| 5. Slime Tubs | 19. Blind Wine |
| 6. Lob a Choc | 20. Soft Drink Coin Toss |
| 7. Auskick | 21. Yabby Races |
| 8. Vic Police | 22. Toilet Roll Toss |
| 9. Search & Rescue | 23. Henna Painting |
| 10. Iced Biscuits | 24. Face Painting |
| 11. Frog in a Pond | 25. Ticket Sales, Show Bags & Guess the Lollies |
| 12. Lucky Dip | 26. Snow Cones |
| 13. Stretch the Snake | 27. Popcorn & Fairy Floss |
| 14. Badge Maker | |

Plus there will also be...



Camel rides



Art Gallery



Miniature train



Jumping castle



Food Trucks



Cake auction will take place approx. 7:40pm in front of the ticket sales tent



2026 GPS Fete Stalls Prices

Stall	Staff member/Business	Cost/tickets
Art Gallery	Miss Walker & Mrs Reade	\$5 or 5 tickets per piece
Yabby Races	Mr Harrold	1 ticket per race
Face Painting	Western Charm Pony Rides	\$10 paid directly to vendor
Toilet Roll Toss	Mrs Cursio	1 ticket – 3 turns
Stretch the Snake	F Collins	1 ticket
Mark the Treasure	F Pritchard	1 ticket
Blind Wine	F Lloga	\$10 per bottle
Snow Cones	1 Rullo	2 tickets
Coloured Hair Spray	1 Ternes	2 tickets
Frog in a Pond	2 Baker/Jeffery	1 ticket
Iced Biscuits	2 Williams/Marcetic	1 ticket
Temporary Tattoos	3 Holland	1 ticket
Soft Drink Coin Toss	3 Williamson	1 ticket – 3 turns
Balloon Darts	4 Coghlan	1 ticket – 3 turns
Slime Tubs	4 Moran	1 ticket
Lucky Ducks	4 Nicholls	1 ticket
Lucky Dip	5/6 Bell	1 ticket
Badge Maker	5/6 Keele	2 tickets
'Lob a Choc' trailer	5/6 Minutoli	1 ticket – 3 turns
Show Bags	Admin team	\$10 (only 60 available)
Guess the Number of Lollies	Admin team	1 ticket
Henna Painting	Shepp English Language Centre	2 tickets
Miniature Train Rides	Lions Club	2 tickets
Camel Rides	Peter Hodge Camels	\$10 paid directly to vendor
Jumping Castle	It's Party Time	2 tickets
AFL Auskick tent	AFL	Free
Fire truck	Fire Brigade	Free
Police car	Vic Police	Free
Ambulance vehicle	Ambulance Vic	Free
Search & Rescue Truck	Shepparton Search & Rescue	Free
Popcorn & Fairy Floss	Parents Club	2 tickets
Cake Auction	Grahamvale Sports Club	Bidding to take place for each cake at end of fete
Food/Drink trucks	• People Helping People • Mr Edwin • Boost Juice • Tiamo Twin Flame Pizza (inc. gluten free) • Coffee Shots	Various costs paid directly to vendors



Your child's classroom for 2027 – What you need to know

Planning for the future is essential, and we are already preparing for the 2027 academic year. We are currently working on creating class structures that will foster a positive and engaging learning environment for your children. The class structures for 2027 will be confirmed in the coming weeks and shared with our community.

Parent Requests in writing to Mr. Simo

At this stage we have not selected the year levels or subject areas our teachers will teach in 2027. Leadership must consider a range of factors, including teacher experience, expertise, and their preferences, before finalising grade allocations.

As a school, our aim in every classroom is to have:

- A balance of academic levels (students at, above, and below the expected level)
- A balanced social & behavioural mix (students who will work well together with minimal disruption to teaching and learning time).

Our current classroom teachers, specialist teachers, leadership team and support staff are the best placed professionals to provide information on academic ability, behavioural and social considerations and other relevant insights gathered throughout the year.

In our ongoing commitment to serving the best interests of all our students, we provide a platform for parents to voice their concerns, suggestions, or any specific information about their child in writing to Mr. Simo that may help with class placements for 2027. **This is NOT a platform for parents to be able to pick teachers for their child**, but the more information we have, will help us to create safe and inclusive classes. As you can understand, placing 350 students into classes is a massive task that all our staff have input into and takes many hours to complete. Any requests will be considered, but not guaranteed. These need to be in writing, addressed to Mr Simo at grahamvale.ps@education.vic.gov.au by **Friday 23rd October**. Requests received after this date will not be considered. Each year brings successes and challenges for all students. If you have submitted a request in previous years and wish for this to be considered again, please email your request again, as previous considerations are not always recalled.

Once grades are finalised, there will be no negotiation or changes, unless there has been an administrative error in the process. Changing classes after allocation is extremely difficult, as moving one student often impacts multiple other students. While we understand every request is important to parents, accommodating one may unintentionally disadvantage another student. We appreciate your trust in our professionalism in making these complex decisions for the benefit of all students.

Digital Technology – Acceptable Use Agreement

Please click on the link below which will take you to our updated Acceptable Use Agreement. Current families do not need to do anything as parents have completed a similar form upon their child's enrolment. This version will be used going forward.

[Acceptable Use Agreement](#)



Values Awards

Congratulations to these students who received a Values Awards.



Dates to Remember

October	Thursday 15	Fete! 5pm-8pm @ Congupna Recreation Reserve
	Mon 19 Tue 20 Wed 21	Year 5 Camp – Sovereign Hill Ballarat
	Tuesday 20	Year 1 Bendigo Discovery Centre
	Wed 28 Thu 29 Fri 30	Year 3 Camp – Camp Kookaburra
November	Monday 2	Pupil Free Day
	Tuesday 3	Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup
	Wednesday 4	House Lunch
	Thursday 5	Year 1 & 2 Late Stay/Sleepover
	Mon 9 Tue 10 Wed 11	Year 6 Camp
	Wed 11 Thu 12 Fri 13	Year 4 Camp - Phillip Island
	Monday 16	Year 6 Graduation Photo
	Friday 27	Colour Run
December	Thursday 3	2027 Student Leaders Assembly
	Tuesday 8	Statewide Transition Day
	Friday 11	Final Assembly
		Year 5 Aspirations Day at GSSC
	Tuesday 15	Year 6 Graduation – GV Hotel
	Friday 18	Last day Term 4 - 1:20pm dismissal

