

# Gateway to Our Community Skills game for schools



*Graham instructing Shaun, Hayden and Bo from Ocean Shores Primary School on the finer points of attacking play.*

Mullumbimby Giants Coach, Graham (Wombat) Eadie, took time during the season to introduce students from Ocean Shores Primary School to a new game by the name of "SuperStar Touch." This was achieved via a number of clinics run after school in the school playground.

The new SuperStar Touch game utilizes all the skills required to play a game of rugby league, except tackling. This new non-contact sport keeps students active with running, passing, kicking, tagging and catching skills while encouraging them to work together as team members. The nature of the game also encourages creativity in movement, positioning and game play... all essential skills which enable players to become successful rugby league players.

When asked about his commitment to rugby league at the grassroots level, Graham commented that he is keen to see the game of rugby league reach new heights in its popularity with young players. "It is a great game and it has the potential to provide a very rewarding career to talented young players," he said. Having played rugby league for Australia and for NSW in the famous "State of Origin" Series, Graham knows very well the value of playing team sports at an elite level.

After enjoying a very successful career, Graham is keen to give young players every opportunity to develop their skills and build the future of rugby league in regional areas of NSW. He is also keen to see the new game, SuperStar Touch be embraced in regional areas. "The students from Ocean Shores Primary School were fantastic," he said. "They were keen to learn new skills and showed that they valued the opportunity to become an important link in a team game. The experience of running rugby league clinics with these students was most enjoyable."



*Graham putting the students through a fitness drill at the Ocean Shores Primary School Sports Clinic.*



*Graham with some of his keen students from the Ocean Shores Primary School Sports Clinic.*

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