

# North Weekly News

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Term 4 Week 3

Tuesday, 22 October 2013

## Dates To Remember

<b>Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct</b>	2014 Kinder Orientation 3-6 Assembly 6M and Italian K-2 Assembly 1/2M
<b>Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct</b>	Musica Viva
<b>Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Hearing Tests
<b>Tues 29<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	2014 Kinder Orientation 3-6 Assembly 6DM and 3Y K-2 Assembly 1M 9.30 Eat it to Beat It Lunch Box Ideas for Parents
<b>Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> Oct</b>	Music Count Us In MS Readathon Sponsorship Due
<b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	2014 Kinder Orientation K-6 PBL Assembly 11.35
<b>Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	P&C Meeting
<b>Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Nov</b>	Year 7 Orientation GHS and WHS GHS Parent Information Night 6pm

## Choir at Griffith Festival of Gardens

Last Sunday our choir performed at Careri's Garden for the Festival of Gardens. The choir represented GNPS beautifully and were a credit to our school! Thank you to Mr Pendlebury for organising this for our students!



## Credit Card Facilities

We are having our Annual Financial roll over early this year and then we will be changing to a new system. In order for us to be ready for this system our Credit Card facilities will not be available for use until November 19<sup>th</sup>. We thank you for your understanding and support with this matter.

## NSW P.S.S.A State Athletics Carnival

Last week Maddison, Rebecca, Emma, Andria, Noel and Talina travelled to Sydney to compete in the NSW PSSA State Athletics carnival. Their results were as follows:

- Noel - 30<sup>th</sup> in Shot put
- Maddison Casey-33<sup>rd</sup> in High jump
- Rebecca, Maddison, Andria, and Emma 4 x 100m Junior Girls relay, came 19<sup>th</sup>
- Talina - Competed in Shot put

Congratulations girl,s we are very proud of you!



## Kindergarten Orientation 2014

Orientation dates are:

**Week 4: Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2013**

**Week 5: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2013**

These sessions will be a half day of the school day not a full day. The morning session will run from 9.30am to 12pm and the afternoon will run from 12.30pm-3.00pm.

## Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 in 2015

Parents or carers of Year 5 students who wish their child to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2015 need to apply now, as applications are required by mid November 2013.

Parents with internet access are requested to apply online. Online applications will be available from 15 October to 18 November 2013. Application information is available on the Department's internet at:

[www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement)

for parents without internet access please contact me for a paper application form. Paper applications must be submitted to me by 18<sup>th</sup> November 2013.

All students seeking Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2015 will be required to take the Selective High School Placement Test on the morning of Thursday 13 March 2014.

If you would like more information please contact me at school.

Have a wonderful week

**Susan Bourne**

Principal

## Year 6 Farewell

The Year 6 Farewell dinner for Year 6 students and their parents will be held in our school hall on Monday 16th December at 6:00 pm. (Week 11 Term 4). To ensure the success of the night we traditionally ask Year 5 parents to help with the organisation and preparation of the evening. Hopefully, you will be able to relax and enjoy the night next year, when your child is in Year 6.

Thank you to the Year 5 parents that came along last week for the first planning meeting. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 3:15pm, in Mrs Woodward's classroom, to finalise the planning. The attendance of all Year 5 parents at this meeting would be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you in anticipation of your support,

Year 5 teachers



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## Canteen Roster – Term 4

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>30.10.13</b>	Tara Payne
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>31.10.13</b>	Tracey Ciampa
<b>Friday</b>	<b>01.11.13</b>	Leah De Marco Josie Tapner
<b>Monday</b>	<b>28.10.13</b>	Neva Barber
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>29.10.13</b>	Tamara Minato

Just a reminder children must hand in their lunch orders in the morning so we have time to prepare them. Too many lunch orders are being handed in too late, and children cannot have what they prefer, and this makes the children a little bit upset. Also a reminder when children are going home sick and they have ordered their lunch from the canteen, they need to let the canteen know before 12.00 pm, or they can collect their lunch and have at home. If we are not notified there will be NO refund.

Thanking you

Paulina & Adele

Canteen Supervisor

## Assembly Awards - Term 4

**KC:** Jaydah, Nevaeh, Gabriella

**KD:** Caleb, Muhammad, Logan

**K-1V:** Eliza, Robbie, Thomas

**1M:** Adam, Ava, Dante

**1-2M:** Issa, Tabitha, Navjot

**2B:** Isabell, Paddy, Nikita

**3Y:** Liam, Talia

**3J:** Enzo, Charlie

**4A:** Georgia, Jaysah

**4M:** Caleb, Dakota

**5W:** Matt, Sarah

**5M:** Flynn, Jenai

**5-6P:** Jesse, Isaiah

**6M:** Thomas, Anna

**6DM:** Maddison, Emma

**Italian:** Brodon, Aafarin, Bryant, Callum

## Blue Light Disco – Years 2-6

Get your tickets now.....

### Halloween theme

Pre Event Tickets only....

\$9.00 Available at the PCYC Griffith

Adults must purchase tickets for students. All Blue Light events are drug and alcohol free and are supervised by officers of the NSW Police Force.

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 5.00 pm – 7.00 pm, PCY Griffith Olympic Street

### Stuck for Christmas Present ideas?

Turn your child's artwork or family photo into calendars, cards and diaries.

The P&C and Crazy Camel Fundraising have joined forces to offer you this great opportunity.

**Calendars (Art or Photo) - \$12**

**Greeting cards - \$12**

**Diary - \$16**

Orders close Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November. All orders will be back in time for Overseas Christmas Postage

Please indicate clearly your child's class and order requirements on the order form. If you want a child's artwork included, this must be returned with your order form. You can post photographs directly on the Crazy Camel website – just follow the prompts on the order form.

Any questions don't hesitate to call Meg Taipaleti

04101280160 or 69642154

### MS Readathon thank you

Thank you to those families that have returned their sponsorship to the MS Readathon. Thousands of community minded fundraisers throughout ACT, NSW, Victoria and Queensland have taken part in the MS Readathon this year and are now collecting and returning their final sponsorships. But we still have a long way to go and need your help to reach our goal of \$500,000.



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Sponsorship is **due October 31<sup>st</sup>**. Rewards are available for all those who return their fundraising as a thank-you for their reading efforts **by this date**. This year, these include Disney packs, book vouchers, movie tickets and even a Samsung Galaxy tablet.

Details on how to return your sponsorship have been sent to students and parents recently via email. Information can also be found on the MS Readathon website

[www.msreadathon.org.au](http://www.msreadathon.org.au).



### Citrus Sculptures Call for Helpers

On Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October we will need volunteers to come and remove the oranges from our Citrus Sculpture. All helpers need to wear closed in shoes. We will meet at 7.30am near our sculpture.

### RECLAIM THE NIGHT MARCH

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2013

The "Reclaim the Night" march is a worldwide event by women's groups, calling for violence free, safer streets and safer nights for women, youth and children.

- **Meet at 6pm for 6:30pm start**
- **In Memorial Park Banna Avenue**
- **Represent your organisation with a banner**
- **Come with noise-makers**
- **Entertainment will be provided**
- **Sausage sizzle and drinks will be provided**

### Griffith High Year 7 Orientation

Griffith High School Orientation Day Year 7 2014 will be on Thursday 21st November, which is in Week 7. There will be a Parent/Teacher Evening on that day too, starting at 6pm.

### Cocoparra National Park Excursion Year 4's Trip to Cocoparra NP

The trip to Cocoparra was an exhilarating and fascinating experience. We got into groups and rotated through the activities. Cocoparra was packed of wildlife, trees, shrubs and logs. We drew, observed tracks and bushwalked from one place to another. We slid down riverbeds, clambered over



rocks and inspected scat [animal poo]. There were barbecues, picnic areas and long drop toilets. All in all, Cocoparra was a brilliant and interactive experience.

By Callum and Maddison 4A



On Wednesday, 3J and 3Y went to Cocoparra National Park. Renee was the first to see the goanna, it was really long! Cocoparra National Park was fantastic, I want to go there again, it was lovely. **Abbie**

We did fantastic activities and I was very dirty by the end of the day! **Samuel**

It was exciting, there were dangerous animals. We got dirty when we were doing the little booklet. **Jacob**

Yesterday, 3J and 3Y went to Cocoparra National Park to see all the animals. We saw a lace monitor lizard and a kangaroo. It was amazing to see them! **Adelaide**

On Wednesday, 3J and 3Y went to Cocoparra National Park. It was so exciting because it was my first time to go there. I spotted a goanna and lots of animal tracks. **Renee**

I saw footprints and a lizard. **Naumankhan**

At Cocoparra National Park, 3J and 3Y were lucky enough to see a lace monitor walking across the road. I saw its footprint near an old tree. **Victoria**

At Cocoparra National Park we got dirty and saw lots of scats. **Jack**

When 3J and 3Y went to Cocoparra National Park we saw a lace monitor. It was exciting! **Demi**

At Cocoparra National Park we went searching for animal tracks. I found a fox track. **Damian**  
Cocoparra National Park was fun because we went in groups with our friends and saw a lace monitor. **Tess**

I loved looking at the animal footprints and doing the activities and games. **Daniel**

At Cocoparra National Park I saw a kangaroo! I felt calm but also scared. **Jariah**

On the 16<sup>th</sup> October, we did some fun activities in our booklet like art and questions. We also saw a lace monitor. I felt excited! **Kadie**

It was very interesting when we saw all the native plants and animals! **Matilda**

While we were working we saw a lace monitor, later we saw another one when we were about to leave.

**Ethan**

It was fun, we saw 3 lace monitors and we had a booklet to do activities in. **Tristan**

At Cocoparra National Park there were different types of animal footprints there. **Kiara**

It was amazing to see a lace monitor chasing a hare and we were so close to the action. **Charlie**

All the footprints excited me and how all the animals crossed the dirt. **Luca**

My favourite part was getting dirty at Cocoparra National Park! **Enzo**



At Cocoparra National Park we saw a lizard and I was scared! **Fefiloi**

On Wednesday, 3J and 3Y went to Cocoparra National Park, we saw lots of footprints and we saw a snake and the bus driver ran over it, it was funny!

**Madysen**

