

North Weekly News

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Term 4 Week 6

Tuesday, 12 November

Dates To Remember

Fri 15 th	SRC Casual Clothes Day and Cake Stall
Tues 19 th Nov	Presentation Day Tickets go on sale K-2 Assembly KD 11.35 3-6 Assembly 5M and 4M
Thurs 21 st Nov	Year 7 Orientation GHS and WHS GHS Parent Information Night 6pm
Mon 25 th Nov	Start of Life Education Van
Tues 26 th Nov	2014 Captain Speeches No K-2 Assembly
Thurs 28 th Nov	P&C Meeting 7.15pm WHS Parent Information Night 6.30pm
Fri 29 th Nov	Life Education Van finishes
Wed 4 th Dec	Year 4 Borambola Excursion
Thurs 5 th Dec	Year 4 Borambola Excursion P&C Meeting 7.15pm
Fri 6 th Dec	Year 4 Borambola Excursion

Presentation Day

Wednesday 11th December

Years 3-6: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
K-2: 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Tickets on sale Tuesday 19th November

Tickets for GNPS Presentation Day will be on sale from the GNPS front office from **Tuesday 19th November until Tuesday 26th November.** A limit of **TWO tickets for each ceremony per family** are able to be purchased. This is to ensure that all families have the opportunity to attend Presentation Day on December 11th.

On Wednesday 27th November extra tickets will be able to be purchased if they are still available. This is the only fair way we are able to do things. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

Tickets are priced at \$6:00 for both K-2 and Yr 3-6 ceremonies.

Special Request

On Presentation Day it is vital that ALL students are dressed in full summer uniforms (including black shoes). Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform on the day as many students will be on stage at some time during the presentation of awards and items.

Captains and Prefects Elections for 2014

Election Speeches 26th November

Congratulations to the Year 5 students who have accepted nomination for captain and prefect positions for 2014.

Girls



Anika Sophie Jade Alyce Carla



Taylah Tahli Alice Paige Jorja



Isabel Molly Lilly Laura

Boys



Muntaqim Jayden Elijah Damen Bryn

On Tuesday 26th November all candidates will present a speech at a special assembly. Parents are invited to attend the assembly to listen to the speeches of the candidates. Their speech will outline why they believe they would make the best captain or prefect for our school. The speeches will be presented over two sessions. The first session will begin at 10:40 am and conclude by 11:15am. The second session will begin at 11:35am and conclude by 12:15pm. Both assemblies will take place in the school hall.

Please note: there will be no K – 2 assembly that day however, all parents are invited to listen to the Year 5 students deliver their speeches.

Later that day an election will take place and students from Year 2 to Year 5 will have the chance to cast their vote. If any students are away on that day they will be able to vote later in the week.

The captains and prefects for 2014 will be announced at the Year 3-6 Presentation Day Assembly on Wednesday 11th December. Good luck to all candidates!

Spelling Bee State Final

The Spelling Bee State Final took place on Wednesday 6 November. 44 students from around the state competed to become the Senior Champion at the Eugene Goossens Hall at the ABC Centre in Ultimo.

Anika from 5A represented GNPS and the Riverina at the Spelling Bee Final. I would like to congratulate Anika who came 6th out of 44. This is an outstanding achievement and we are all very proud of her for achieving such a great result.



Have a wonderful week
Susan Bourne
 Principal

Assembly Awards - Term 4

KC: Lily, Holley, Jaskaran
KD: Tyler, Meli, Tasnia
K-1V: Kieran, Savannah, Robbie
1M: Elisabeth, Cameron, Isaiah
1-2M: Johnny, Jone, Kaeli
2B: Paddy, Teagan, Monique
3Y: Susannah, Tyler
3J: Samuel, Daniel
4A: Sophie, Brendan, Damien
4M: Japleen, Robert
5W: Hayley, Keedan
5M: Mikayla, Aafrin
5-6P: Bahri, Philadelphia
6M: Anna, Brock
6DM: Juanita, Toutai
Italian: Andria, Laura, Lachlan, Cayden

2014 Classes

We are currently working on class structures for 2014. If you will be moving away from Griffith at the end of the year and your child will not be attending GNPS in 2014 could you please advise the school office as soon as possible as grade numbers have a significant impact on the formation of classes.

PBL – Positive Behaviour for Learning

GNPS has chosen the values Care, Respect and Responsibility.

Each week our school will be looking at one expectation taken from our PBL matrix.

This week's expectation is.....



Respond to a Teacher's Whistle"



We would appreciate if these expectations could be discussed at home.

Thanking you
 Mrs Braithwaite

P&C Meeting

Last week the P&C Meeting had to be postponed. It will now be held on Thursday 21st November at 7.15 in the staffroom.

Life Education Van

The Life Education Van will be visiting Griffith North Public School in Week 8, which is from Monday 25th November to Friday 29th November.

The families that paid and returned their note earlier in Term 3 will be attending. If you have not yet paid and returned your permission note you can do so before Friday 22nd November so your child can attend. The cost is \$9 per child. If you need another note please contact the office.

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 19th. We thank you for your understanding and support with this matter.

Lost Property

If your child has lost an item of clothing, please come and have a look in lost property, as there are currently quite a few items in there without names.

Parent Contact Information

It is very important that when you change your home, work or mobile phone numbers that you let the school know as soon as possible, as we need to be able to contact all parents and caregivers in case of emergencies and when students are unwell. It is very difficult when we have the wrong numbers. It is also important to update your new address as well.

Concert DVDs

We currently have some extra copies of the Concert DVD for sale for any families that missed out on ordering the DVD. They will be sold to the families who bring in their \$30 first.

Canteen Roster – Term 4

Wednesday	13.11.13	Josie Tapner
Thursday	14.11.13	Amanda Bordignon
Friday	15.11.13	Josie Tapner
Monday	18.11.13	Neva Barber
Tuesday	19.11.13	Helper Needed

Thank you to the parents and caregivers who have donated their time to come and help at the canteen. We really appreciate all your support. Please note that there will be no lasagnes available from the school canteen in Term 4.

Thanking you
Paulina & Adele
Canteen Supervisor

Sandpit

Thank you to the P&C who purchased the new edging for our sandpit. It looks great and the children are enjoying playing in it with the new river sand as well.



Year 7 Orientation

Griffith High School and Wade High School Orientation Day for Year 7 2014 will both be held on Thursday 21st November, which is in Week 7.

- GHS will be having their Parent/Teacher Information Evening on that day too, starting at 6pm.
- WHS will be having their Parent/Teacher Information Evening Thursday 28th November at 6.30pm. There will be a tour of the school at 6pm.

Year 6 Farewell
Monday 16th December, 2013
6:00 pm
Griffith North Public School
Hall

Year 6 Students: \$10:00

Adults: \$15:00

R.S.V.Ps should be returned by
Friday 29th November 2013

Due to limited space we unfortunately need to
limit 2 tickets to adults per family.

- ***NB Cheques should be made payable to Griffith North Public School.***
- ***Tickets will be issued on payment.***

SRC Fundraiser for Playground Equipment

On Monday 11th till Friday 15th the SRC will be holding a lolly guessing competition at recess and at lunch time at the canteen. Each guess is 50 cents or \$1.00 for 3 guesses. We will announce the winner on Monday 18th. Also on Friday 15th November it will be a casual clothes day for a gold coin donation and a cake sale at the COLA area. Cakes will be 50 cents each. The money raised will go to the new playground equipment for the K-2 and 3-6 playgrounds.



Selective high school placement

Applications for 2015 placements for Year 7 in a selective high school close 18 November. Parents with internet access are asked to apply online.

For information and application forms:

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement



Education &
Communities

Public Schools NSW

Enrolment / Information Day

WHEN: Thursday 14th November

WHERE: Griffith Lands Council

TIME: 10.30 – 1.30



The day is aimed at assisting parents, caregiver's information on enrolments into Kindergarten and Year 7. All schools within the Griffith area will be catered for. We will have volunteers helping with filling out enrolment forms, Centerlink forms, bus passes and any other information that needs assistance with to help with the easy transition of our kids into school for 2014.

Service providers on the Day will be present from Pace, Centrelink, AMS, Centacare, Relationships Australia, Wiradjuri Pre-School, Griffith Public School, Griffith North Public School, Griffith East Public School, Lake Wyangan, Griffith High and Wade High.

Free Lunch will be provided and anyone requiring transport call Maxine Kirby at Griffith Public School.

Please come along as there will be great information sessions, free give aways and great advice on the transition of your child into their new school environment.



Understanding climate change

Is your child learning about climate change at school? CSIRO's scientists are learning how the earth's climate system works through observation, measurement and modelling.

Find out more:

<http://www.csiro.au/Outcomes/Climate/Understanding.aspx>

Reading challenge

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge Preview app is a great way for students to find new books and track their progress in the challenge. It's free to download.

To download the app:

<http://apps.microsoft.com/windows/en-au/app/nsw-premiers-reading-challenge/7a451df8-214b-4cd7-92a8-f8a4ea6dbe78>