

North Weekly News

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Term 4 Week 8

Tuesday, 26 November

Dates To Remember

Thurs 28 th Nov	WHS Parent Information Night 6.30pm
Fri 29 th Nov	Life Education Van finishes
Tues 3 rd Dec	Behaviour Awards Assembly
Wed 4 th Dec	Year 4 Borambola Excursion
Thurs 5 th Dec	Year 4 Borambola Excursion
Fri 6 th Dec	Year 4 Borambola Excursion
Mon 9 th Dec	SRC Disco K-2 6pm-7pm 3-6 7pm-8.45pm
Wed 11 th Dec	Presentation Day
Thurs 12 th Dec	Carols By Candlelight at GNPS Indigenous Awards Night
Fri 13 th Dec	Student Reports Going Home
Mon 16 th Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Tues 17 th Dec	Year 6 Pool Party Class Parties
Wed 18 th Dec	WOT Concert Last Day of Term 4 for Students

Presentation Day

Wednesday 11th December

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

Extra Tickets on Sale Tomorrow!

Tomorrow Wednesday 27th November extra tickets will be able to be purchased. There are only a few remaining for the 3-6 Presentation Assembly. 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.

School Leaders

Election Speeches 26th November

Congratulations to the Year 5 students who presented their speeches at our special 2013 Captain's Speeches Assemblies today. There were 14 girl candidates and 5 boy candidates. All candidates are to be congratulated for the way they spoke and presented themselves as potential school leaders. The quality of the speeches was outstanding and there is no doubt that the eight leaders selected from this group will be worthy representatives of our school.

Elections were held immediately after the speeches, with students from Years 2 to 5 eligible to vote.

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!



Parking

When parking around the school, please do not park in residents driveways. I have received a few complaints from residents about parents parking and leaving their cars unattended, so residents have not been able to use their own driveways.

Have a wonderful week

Susan Bourne

Principal

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.....



"Be on time"



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

Thanking you
Mrs Braithwaite

Debating News

Last Tuesday our two debating teams competed in a friendly debate against GEPS. The Year 5 debating team had a prepared debate on the topic "Movies are better than Books" and we debated the negative. Congratulations to the GNPS Year 5 team who won this debate.

The Year 6 team participated in an impromptu debated on the topic "School grounds should be open for families to enjoy on the weekend" and we debated the affirmative side. GEPS won this debate.

I would like to congratulate both teams for all their efforts this year with their debating and thank Mrs Delves for all her hard work with the debaters this year.



3-6 Assembly Awards - Term 4

3Y: Jyi, Amber
3J: Tess, Naumankhan
4A: Lara, Matthew
4M: Jenna, Connor
5W: Connor, Chloe
5M: Olivah, Alyce
5-6P: Aisea, Jesse
6M: Blake, Adam
6DM: Tristan, Darcy
Italian: Eutalia, Cayleb, Sarah, Anna

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.

SRC Disco

The SRC will be having a disco on Monday 9th December. There will be a \$2 entry fee per child. K-2 will be from 6pm-7pm and 3-6 will be from 7pm to 8.45pm.

There will be glow sticks, food and drinks sold during the disco.

- Glow Sticks Bracelets - 3 for a \$1.00
- Glow Sticks Necklace - \$1.00
- Chips-honey soy/sea salt - \$1.00
- Pythons - \$1.00
- Poppers - \$1.30
- Water - \$1.00

We hope that lots of students can come along and enjoy our end of year disco.

Thank you
The SRC

Year 6 Farewell

Thank you to the Year 6 families who have replied to the Year 6 farewell dinner. Tickets are available for purchase from the school office. R.S.V.P's should be returned by **Friday 29th November**. Please make any cheques payable to Griffith North Public School.

Canteen Roster – Term 4

Wednesday	27.11.13	Helper Needed
Thursday	28.11.13	Tracy Ciampa
Friday	29.11.13	Josie Tapner
Monday	2.12.13	Neva Barber
Tuesday	3.12.13	Helper Needed

We have a suggestion box at the canteen for students, parents and teachers to put their suggestions of food they would like sold at the canteen. Please feel free to drop these suggestions off so we can look at these and consider your ideas.

Please note that there will be no lasagnes available from the school canteen in Term 4.

Thanking you
Paulina & Adele
Canteen Supervisor

Headlice

Recently, several parents have reported that their child has headlice. This is a reminder to all families to regularly check your children's hair for lice or their eggs. Once treated, students should return to school and treatment should be repeated until there are none remaining.

Scratching for answers**What should I wash or treat at home?**

As head lice only live for a short time off the head, the only extra cleaning needed is to wash the pillowcase on the hot cycle or place in clothes dryer for 10 minutes. Head lice combs can be cleaned in water hotter than 60 degrees.

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.*

Carols By Candlelight**Carols By Candlelight**

Thursday 12th December 2013

6:30pm – 8:30pm

School Assembly Area

A special visit will be made by Santa.....

This is a wonderful way for our families to celebrate the end of year at GNPS. Come along and join in the festivities, partake in the BBQ and listen to our students as they entertain you. There will be lucky dips, glow products and raffle tickets for sale on the evening.

Please note:

Children who attend must be supervised by an adult who is responsible for the behaviour of their children. For WH & S reasons children are not permitted to play on any playground equipment and are to stay in the area where the carols are being presented.



Nathan Bracken



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Sport News

Getting golf into Griffith North



The students at Griffith North have been learning the skills of golf during semester two. Golf is a wonderful sport and has been introduced as one of our Friday sport activities and it

is also being taught for some of our PE lessons.

The Department of Education and Jack Newton Junior Golf (JNKG) have formed a partnership to offer students a great opportunity to experience the sport of golf. JNKG has focused on and developed a training program using the MyGolf Schools Program to successfully introduce golf into schools.

Griffith North have joined the program and have purchased two Jack Newton golf kits and these are being used on Apex oval and Jubilee oval. The kits contain irons, putters, soft yellow golf balls, mats, rubber tees, target rings and ropes. Students have been taught how to grip a golf club, how to correctly address the ball and how to strike a golf ball. The students start with short shots called chipping. Once they can achieve short targets, they start to hit longer shots. Ropes and hoops are used to create fun games which involve points being earned for landing the ball in certain areas.

The students at Griffith North have enjoyed the golf lessons and we are going to continue teaching golf at school next year. If your child would like to take the next step and play golf out at the Griffith Golf Club, then please contact local golf professionals, Brett or Wayne at the pro shop. Their number is 6962 3742. They are

currently running lessons for juniors on the practice range. There are also special Sunday morning golf games (exclusively for juniors), which involves playing on the actual golf course! Golf is a game for life and we hope many students at Griffith North get into it.

Final week of venue sport

This Friday, 29th November, is the final day of venue sport. The primary students have been enjoying an action packed term of sport, whether it has been at a venue or at school. Students have had the opportunity to take part in a variety of sports over the term. These sports have included; gym fitness, indoor cricket, basketball, volleyball, badminton, ten pin bowling, golf, foam hockey, table tennis, cricket and karate. The Year 4 students are heading to Borambola next week, so Friday sport, for the last few weeks of term, will be class sport.



Panthers Christmas Party

14th December 2013
11:00 am to 2:00 pm
Griffith Leagues Club side oval
Gold coin donation
Jumping Castle, Face Painting

Sausage Sizzle and drinks provided
Canberra Raiders star David Milne will be there along with other senior first grade players
Rego's taken on the day, \$50.00 per child.
Inquiries Michelle Parr 0429635465 or Joe Sergi 0412005210

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.

The Proud and Deadly Indigenous Awards Night

The Proud and Deadly Indigenous Awards night is being held on Thursday 12th December at the Griffith Regional Theatre. Tickets can be purchased from the Regional Theatre for \$5.