

North Weekly News

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Term 4 Week 10

Tuesday, 10 December

Dates To Remember

Wed 11 th Dec	Presentation Day
Thurs 12 th Dec	Carols By Candlelight at GNPS 6.30-8.30 Indigenous Awards Night
Fri 13 th Dec	Student Reports Going Home Year 4 Cricket Vs St Pats
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 (Tomorrow)

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

There are still tickets available for the K-2 Presentation Day Assembly. These are available from the school office at a cost of \$6.

The 3-6 Presentation is sold out. There **MAYBE** extra seats available for the 3-6 Presentation Day, from the theatre on the morning of Wednesday 11th December. This will depend on whether all students are attending the Presentation Day or not. The extra tickets can be purchased directly from the theatre once the students are all seated.

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.

Student Reports

This Friday Student Reports will be going home. I thoroughly enjoyed reading all the wonderful achievements that our students are making both in their academic and social development!

I would like to congratulate the students of Griffith North Public School for all their efforts during 2013!

When reading your child's report, it is very important to remember that if your child receives a "SOUND", they are on track for where they should be at this point in time for their grade.

Teachers have written a comprehensive report of your child's achievements and areas for improvement. If you would like to discuss your child's report, please contact the office or your child's classroom teacher to make an appointment.

Platinum Award Assembly

Many students received awards

Congratulations to the students who received their Platinum Award today at our assemblies. This is a significant achievement for these students and shows that they have displayed excellent behaviour during the past four terms.

Well done boys and girls; we are very proud of you.



**Term 4 finishes for students on Wednesday
18th December 2013**

School resumes for

**Year 1-6 students on Wednesday 29th
January 2014 and Kindergarten students
on Thursday 30th January 2014**

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.....

"Listen Carefully to Instructions"

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

Thanking you

Mrs Braithwaite

Year 6 Pool Party

**Tuesday 17th December 2013 at the
Darlington Point Pool**

Leave GNPS at 10:00am and arrive at the pool at 10:40am. Leave Darlington Point pool at 2:00 pm and will return back at GNPS at 3:00pm. Cost will be \$8.50 (covers bus and pool entry).

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.



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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. The raffle prizes are:

- 1st- Christmas tree with \$100 worth of scratchies donated by The Mitchell family
- 2nd-Christmas decorations donated by Old Belahlee and the Jones family
- 3rd- Christmas decorations donated by Old Belahlee and the Jones family

Prices for the evening:

- Raffle Tickets \$1
- Lucky Dips \$1
- Glow Sticks Bracelets 3 for a \$1.00
- Glow Sticks Necklace \$1.00
- Sausage Sizzle \$2
- Drinks \$2



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.



Canteen Roster – Term 4

Wednesday	11.12.13	Helper Needed
Thursday	12.12.13	Helper Needed
Friday	13.12.13	Josie Tapner
Monday	16.12.13	Neva Barber
Tuesday	17.12.13	Tara Payne

Thank you to everyone who has offered suggestions in our suggestion box. We will be taking a look at your suggestions and you may see your ideas on the menu in 2014! The box is still here if you have not yet had a chance to put your suggestion in.

Thank you to our helpers for giving their time to support the canteen and students.

Thanking you
Paulina & Adele
Canteen Supervisor

Choir at Central

Yesterday the choir performed at Griffith Central. They represented GNPS beautifully and sang Christmas Carols for the audience. Thank you to Mr Pendlebury for all his hard work with the choir and to Miss Mason for organising this activity for the choir.



SRC Disco

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the SRC Disco last night. All the students had a wonderful time. We would like to thank Paul Woolnough for being the DJ and the teachers who gave up their time to supervisor the night. The SRC raised \$1040, which will be going towards resources for the school.

Thank you
The SRC

Swimming Program

This is the last week of our swimming program. I'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the students involved in the program this term for displaying exemplary behaviour. Have a great holiday and if you're near water, remember to be with a responsible adult at all times, practise your swimming and water safety skills and importantly keep safe and enjoy water activities.

Mrs Johnson

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

Year 4 Borambola Excursions



I enjoyed the archery because I loved it when I let go, the arrow made a vibration.

By Rebekah 4A



My favourite memory was the disco they had there. The theme was 'Wacky and Back-To-Front'. We wore our clothes backwards! The disco was really cool! ☺

By Georgia 4A

My favourite memory is the kayaking and I was watching people overturn.

Marco 4A

My best activity at Borambola was the rock climbing. I went on the hardest climb and I made it to the top, it was very exciting.

By 4A ☺

I thought that seeing all the rafts capsize in the billabong and people getting dunked in the murky water was really funny.

By 4A ☺



I suffered a massive wedgie during rock climbing.

Callum 4A



I liked the food at Borambola. Their food was delicious, their burgers are the BEST.

By Jaysah 4A

In the afternoon we did kayaking, it was fun. Then we did archery we learnt how to fire a bow. The last day of Borambola we did rock climbing for our morning activity and I made it to the top. We also did traditional indigenous games. Then we learnt new games. The funniest highlight was that a lot of people fell out of the kayak.



By 4M

Our first activity was orienteering, we had to get into a group of 4 or 5 and follow the map to find little cards. My favourite activities were swimming, rock climbing and kayaking. Our last activity was T.I.G (Traditional indigenous games).

By 4M

Day 2 - In the morning my group did rock climbing, it was fun. I got about $\frac{1}{4}$ away from the top. I think the best thing was archery, canoeing, orienteering and doing free play.

By Oscar 4M

When we arrived at Borambola we all met in the Recreational Hall and we found out what cabins and groups we were in. My favourite activity was rock climbing. Most people made it to the top it was so scary when you looked down.

By Aidan 4M