

# North Weekly News

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Term 2 Week 3

Tuesday, 14 May 2013

## Dates To Remember

Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> May	NAPLAN -Reading
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> May	NAPLAN- Numeracy
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Netball Trials
	Rugby Union Trials
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> May	11.35am Infants Assembly No Item
	12.35 3-6 Assembly 4A
	Debating Workshop
	AFL Gala Day
	Values Day
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Mortimer Shield
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Walk Safely to School Day
	Aboriginal Parents Morning Tea
	Touch Knockout in Wagga
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Alpha performance "Sleeping Beauty"
	<b>No Assemblies</b> (due to performance)

## Year 3 and Year 5 (NAPLAN)

This week the Year 3 and 5 students will be sitting the NAPLAN test. They completed the Language Convention and Writing today, and will complete the Reading on Wednesday and Numeracy on Thursday. It is very important that your child is here to sit these tests and that they arrive on time, as we will be starting first thing in the morning. If for some reason your child will be absent, please contact the school to let us know. On Friday there is an opportunity for students to complete their NAPLAN if they have been absent during the week.

I would like to wish the Year 3 and 5 students all the best for their NAPLAN!

## Aboriginal Education Worker

This week is Kate Willis' last week here at Griffith North Public School, as she has accepted a full time position with another employer. We would like to thank Kate for all her hard work and effort when working with our Aboriginal students and we wish her all the best with her future career.

THANK YOU Kate!

## Kindergarten Enrolments for 2013

### Come and enrol now!

Enrolments for students who are eligible to attend school in 2014 are now being taken. Eligible students are those who live in zone and turn 5 before July 31<sup>st</sup> 2014. If you have a child or you know of anyone who has a child who is able to attend school in 2014 please ask them to come and enrol. Applications for enrolments are now being taken at the school office.

Please present your child's Immunisation record, Birth Certificate and evidence of residential address at time of application.

## Touch Gala Day

Congratulations to both our boys and girls touch teams who were undefeated at last week's Touch Gala Day. They have both made it through to Wagga on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. Thank you to Miss Mason for coaching the teams and organising this for the students.

## Brumbies visit GNPS



Have a wonderful week  
Susan Bourne  
Principal

## Stewart House Day Casual Day – Crazy "Hair Day"



On **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May** our SRC held a fundraising day to support our major charity, Stewart house. Thank you to the students who came to school with **'crazy hair'** and **blue clothes**.

**\$284.95 was raised.**

### P & C News.....

The GNPS P & C will be holding a Lamington Drive this year. We are asking for parent helpers on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July. Please find enclosed a parent helpers sheet, which needs to be filled out and returned to school by Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May. Contact Tamara Minato for further details.

### Values Afternoon

Values are those behavioural traits, attitudes and concepts that create the type of person you are. Our school is embarking upon a project to choose three values which will define our achievements as a school.

Over the past few weeks we have been looking at 6 Values:-

- Responsibility
- Cooperation
- Care
- Respect
- Application
- Participation

We are going to choose 3. A survey will be sent out for parents to vote on the values that are important to our school. On

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2013 our



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pupils will be voting on 3 values they prefer. The chosen values will underpin our attitudes in the future and create a healthy framework around which students can develop their daily interaction with both peers and adults. This is a whole school community initiative.

### K-6 Assembly Awards - Term 2 – Week 3

<b>KC:</b>	Nevaeh, Matthew, Thomas
<b>KD:</b>	Kylah Hust, George
<b>K-1V:</b>	Abraam, Brodie, Thomas
<b>1M:</b>	Isaiah, Adam, Ezra
<b>1-2M:</b>	Blake, Celina, Muhammad, Scholarship, Montanna
<b>2B:</b>	Joel, Michael
<b>3Y:</b>	Talia, Liam
<b>3J:</b>	Madysen, Tristan
<b>4A:</b>	Eutalia, Zareef
<b>4M:</b>	Dannielle, Corben
<b>5M:</b>	Ethan, Mercy
<b>5A:</b>	Tayla, Vanessa
<b>5/6P:</b>	Tom, Shammah
<b>6M:</b>	Lucy, Brock
<b>6DM:</b>	Toutai, Maddison
<b>Italian:</b>	Selina, Lilly, Georgia, Tess

### Canteen Roster –Term 2

**Wednesday 15.05.13:** Helper Needed

**Thursday 16.05.13:** Tracy Ciampa

**Friday 17.05.13:** Leah De Marco

**Monday 20.05.13:** Kelli Bordignon

**Tuesday 21.05.13:** Neva Barber

### Welcome back!

Helpers are still needed for Term 2. If you are able to help out please contact us at the canteen.

Thanking you

Paulina & Adele

Canteen Supervisors





## Woolworths Vouchers

GNPS is registered for the **Woolworths Earn & Learn** program at Woolworths. Stickers can be collected and sent into school or placed in the Griffith North collection boxes at either Woolworths stores. Please support our school to collect as many stickers as possible. These are then used to get new resources for our school.

## Sport News Riverina Netball

Congratulations to Emma Woolnough, Noel and Lily-Belle who were selected in the Western Riverina Netball team. They will be trialing for the Riverina Netball team on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May. Good luck girls!



## Rugby Union Trials

On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> we have 14 students trialing for the Riverina Union Team. They are Zeke, Keedan, Toutai, Blake, Tristian, Anthony, Bryn, Ioane, Aisea, Brock, Brodon, Genesis, Tapu and Ryan. We would like to wish all the boys good luck for the day!



## Touch Gala Day



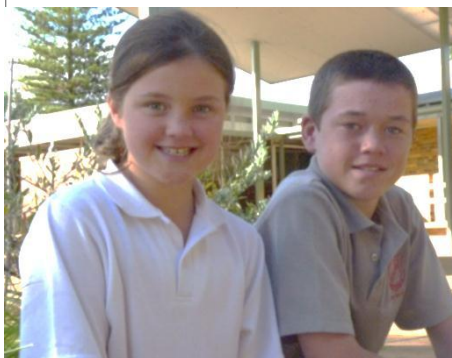
On Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> May the Griffith North boys and girls touch teams went to Collina Oval to participate in the Touch Gala Day. The girls played three games. The first game was against Hanwood and North won 8-0 the 2<sup>nd</sup> game was against Beelbanger and we won 8-2. Our last game was against Griffith East and we won 7-4



The boys played Hanwood and North won 8-1, the 2<sup>nd</sup> game was against Griffith East and we won 5-4. Everyone played extremely well and all showed great sportsmanship. A big thank you to Miss Mason for all the work she has put into us.  
By Lily-Belle

## Riverina Tennis

Natalie & Tristan travelled to Albury last week to represent Riverina in Tennis. They played teams from all around NSW. Both won over 50% of their games, improved their skills and had a great time.



## Celebrate National Family Reading Month

Our school is participating in National Family Reading Month in May. You are invited to celebrate with us by taking the challenge to read more as a family every day through the month of May. When you make reading a family affair and encourage everyone in your family to read for at least 10 minutes a day, you provide reading role models for your children. Just record the total number of minutes your family spends reading, either individually or together, on each day in May. Add up the minutes spent reading weekly and then the total for May. At the end of the month return the reading record to your class teacher. Scholastic will reward the top 10 families in Australia with \$150 vouchers to spend at Scholastic Book Clubs and Book Fairs. Our school will reward the top 6 families with \$10 book vouchers to spend at our Scholastic Book Fair at the end of the month.

## Active After School Communities

Active After School Communities began yesterday. There are still places available on both Monday and Wednesday if students would like to participate. This term the activities are being provided by Livefit and they will be doing League Tag and ball skills on both days.

Please contact the office if you are interested in your child being involved in these free activities!

## Griffith Fire Station Fire station open day

On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2013 between 10.00am & 2.00 pm, opposite the (Ex-servicemen's club) we will be holding an Open Day.

Kids could have their dreams come true and get to climb up on the big red truck. There will be activities, show bags and a chance for kids and their parents to meet their local fire fighting heroes on your local station's open day.

Find out more: [www.fire.nsw.gov.au](http://www.fire.nsw.gov.au)



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## Library News

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at our school from 29 May to 4 Jun, 2013.



The exciting theme for our 2013 Book Fair is All-Star Book Fair: Every Reader is a Star! We need volunteers to help put on a one-of-a-kind Book Fair. We hope you

will share your talents and join us as we bring this memorable reading celebration to our school.

- Decorating
- Setting up the Fair
- Helping shoppers at the Fair
- Cashiering
- Packing up the Fair

Please see Mrs Fordham if you are able to assist.

Times most assistance is required is from 8.30am to 9.15am and from 1.30pm to 2.10pm.

## Interschool Chess Challenge

GNPS has been invited to compete in the Chess Challenge to be held at Yenda Public School on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May. This tournament is run



as an individual 7-round competition. This means that all players play 7 games and no-one is

knocked out of the tournament. Trophies will be awarded to the top 5 players. Registration begins from 8.30am and trophies will be awarded at 2pm.



## Get caught reading across the universe- photo competition

Don't forget to get your creative ideas flowing and compile an A4 size photo of yourself reading somewhere in the universe. Bring your entry to be displayed in our library among the stars!

## Kindylane Preschool "Open Day Fun Fair"

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 10.00 am – 2.00 pm at Kindergarten Lane, Griffith.

Fun for the **WHOLE FAMILY** .....