

North Weekly News



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Term 2 Week 6

Tuesday, 4 June 2013

Dates To Remember

Wed 5 th June	Year 4 Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorders Talk
Thurs 6 th June	P&C Meeting 7.15pm in staffroom
Fri 7 th June	Kinder Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorders Talk
Mon 10 th June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tues 11 th June	Riverina Cross Country
Wed 12 th June	Mortimer Shield
Thurs 13 th June	Debating Competition at GEPS
Fri 14 th June	Riverina Touch Selections in Albury Aboriginal Parent/Community Morning Tea
Tues 24 th June	Athletics Carnival K-6
Thurs 27 th June	Student Reports Going Home SRC K-6 Disco
Fri 28 th June	Last Day Lamington Orders Last day of Term 2

SRC Induction

Congratulations to the SRC who were presented with their badges at today's assembly. It was lovely having their parents there to participate in this special event by pinning their badges on them.

It was a unique assembly in the form of an SRC meeting. The GNPS SRC conducted the meeting in the same format that they follow in their actual meetings. It was a great experience for the assembly audience as it actually showed how decisions are made and how important it is for everyone to have a say in what happens at school.

We are looking forward to a very successful year with our great class representatives working hard to make GNPS an even more special place. Thank you to Mr Murphy who has been working hard with the SRC and who organised the assembly.

Values-

After counting all the student, teacher and parents' votes on our values, the three values have been decided. They are:

- Respect;
- Responsibility; and
- Care

These values will become our main focus when dealing with behaviour at Griffith North Public School.

P&C News

Our next P&C Meeting will be held this Thursday 6th June at 7.15 in the staffroom. Everyone is welcomed to attend.

Have a great week

Susan Bourne

Principal

Lost Property

Parents are reminded to check all their children's items of clothing and school equipment to make sure they are labelled. The lost property tub is full with items that have no names on them. To prevent property being lost, all items brought to school should be named (full name), for ease of return.



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Winner of our WORM FARM!

Congratulations to Mrs Helen Morel who was the lucky winner of Our ENVIRO champ raffle and to Selina who won the worm guessing competition. \$113.35 was raised from both these fundraising events. Thank you to everyone who supported this and to Bunnings for their kind donation of the worm farms.

Meeting the Needs of ASD

Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorders

Visit by Anna Tullemans-Author and consultant

This week the Griffith Autism Support Group have invited Anna Tullemans to run peer support programs in the Griffith area. The program will encourage understanding, tolerance and acceptance of children with ASD and their differences in the classroom and the playground. Each session will last for one hour and will include instructions, worksheets, viewing of a short video and a question and answer period set appropriately for each grade and group. Given the right direction and support, peers can be very helpful in creating an environment that nurtures and respects the student with ASD, improving his or her self-esteem, engagement and success.

Classes attending this time round are:

Year 4 – Wednesday 5th June, 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm

Kindergarten – Friday 7th June, 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm

If you do not wish your child to participate in this supportive peer program please contact the school on 6962 1043 prior to their session

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. **Earn and Learn ends on Sunday 9th June.**



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K-6 Assembly Awards - Term 2

KC: Debarun, Aryan, Alexa

KD: Meli, Gisela, Tyler

K-1V: Robbie, Jordan,
Maddison

1M: Alex, Mason, Dante

1-2M: Tabitha, Feltoa

2B: Billy, Asenaca, Noah

3Y: Tyler, Isabelle

3J: Kiara, Jacob

4A: Jaysah, Sa'ane

4M: Talina, Robert

5M: Chloe, Jorja

5A: Darcy, Olivah

5/6P: Isaiah, Jordan

6M: Bruno, Sofia

6DM: Matthew, Harrison

Italian: Kiarnah, Aaliyah,
Chrestos, Jonah

Canteen Roster –Term 2

Wednesday 05.05.13: Tara Payne

Thursday 06.05.13: Helper Required

Friday 07.05.13: Josie Tapner

Monday 10.06.13: Queens Birthday Public Holiday

Tuesday 11.06.13: Judy Peruzzi

The school canteen operates with voluntary help each day. If you are able to volunteer sometime in the canteen, whether it is on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis please **contact the school canteen**. Your child/children would love to see you there.

Thanking you

Paulina & Adele

Canteen Supervisors

KROP News

Congratulations to both the choir and the dance group who auditioned last week. Both groups performed beautifully and the KROP committee commented on the high quality and polished performances of both items. Well done! We are now just waiting to hear which group has been selected! Good luck to both!

GNPS P&C Lamington Drive



The Griffith North Public School P&C are running a Lamington Drive fundraising event to raise money for our school. Order forms for our Lamington Drive have been sent home, we hope you will be able to collect as many orders for us as you can. Obviously the more Lamingtons we sell, the more funds we will have to spend, so it would be great if every family could support us.

Please return order forms together with the relevant money to Griffith North Public School Office or by person by Friday 28th June 2013.

Lamington Orders will be available for collection at the Griffith North Public School Hall, you will be advised of date and time. Cheques should be made payable to Griffith North P & C. We are looking forward to receiving even more Lamington Orders than last years! Thank you for supporting our fundraising event.

GNPS P&C Fundraising Committee

Helpers still required....

Thank you to parents who have offered to help with our Lamington Drive. We still need a few more parent helpers, so if you are able to help out please send in your helpers form or contact Tamara Minato.

Sport News State Soccer Carnival

Last week, from the 27th-30th of May, the Riverina girls soccer team competed at the State Carnival in Wyong. I was captain of the team. We won against Sydney North West 4-0, drew with Mackillop 2-2 and lost to Polding 4-0, Sydney North 7-0, Hunter 4-0 and Sydney West 3-0. Overall we placed 11th out of 13 teams, which was an outstanding effort from all the girls.



By Andria



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Rugby Union Final

North Rugby boys win McTaggart Cup!

The Griffith North boys' rugby union team have won the McTaggart Cup! Our boys travelled to Wagga Wagga on Wednesday 29th May to play in the finals of the cup. The boys qualified for the finals by winning the Griffith Rugby Gala Day earlier in the year. In Wagga, our team played Young Public School in the first match and won convincingly with 3 tries to 0. In the second match, North played a very strong 'South Wagga 1' team. The game finished tied at 2 tries each and extra time had to be played. The North boys went on to score 2 tries in the four minutes of extra time to snatch the win and set up an appearance in the grand final. The grand final was against 'South Wagga 2'. South Wagga are a very dominate school in many sports and rugby was no exception. The grand final was an absolute nail biter, with both teams playing excellent rugby. The grand final was tied 2 tries each at full time, so the North boys had to play another four minutes of extra time. By this stage of the day our team was exhausted but they found the strength to score 2 tries in extra time to win the grand final! The Griffith North Rugby Union team are now the proud holders of the McTaggart Cup. The whole team played extremely well and displayed excellent sportsmanship throughout the day.

Toutai was awarded 'player of the day' and received a new football as a prize. We would like to thank Aled Francis for coaching and also to the parents who drove our team across to Wagga. A wonderful day for Griffith North students.



Zone Cross Country

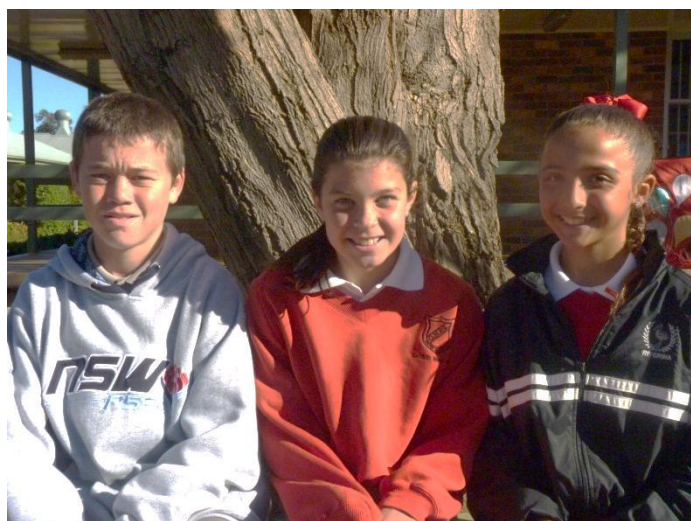


On Friday, 31st May, 57 GNPS student competed in the Zone Cross Country Carnival, at the Lake Wyangan Picnic Area. The juniors (8/9 Years and 10 Years) ran a 2km course while the seniors (11 Years and 12/13 Years) ran a 3km course. We were very

fortunate that the weather was delightful and the track was relatively dry.

GNPS came 2nd overall in the carnival which was a great achievement. It was wonderful that each competitor set a goal to **do their best!** They were striving to improve their result from last year and all achieved their personal best! Congratulations to Andria and Maddison who came **FIRST** in their event. Also congratulations to Tristan who finished **SECOND** in his event. These 3 students have qualified for the Riverina Cross Country to be held at Deniliquin, on Tuesday, 11th June. Good luck Andria, Maddison and Tristan.

Well done to all runners, GNPS should be extremely proud of them and their wonderful attitude and the great sportsmanship they displayed.



Athletics Carnival Elimination Day

On Friday 7th June all primary students will take part in the athletics elimination day for discus and high jump. Please note that this Friday is the **ONLY** day for high jump. If students are away then they miss out. High jump is not run at our athletics carnival, so final place will be decided on Friday. All students must wear full sport uniform with appropriate footwear. Elimination sessions are been held in readiness for the athletics carnival on **Tuesday 25th June**. It is the top eight for all other events that will go through to the Athletics carnival. All students will automatically qualify for the running events. (100m, 200m and 800m)

Book Covering



Volunteers are needed to cover our new library books. If you have some spare time to cover books either in the library or at home please see Mrs Fordham.

Sleeping Beauty



On Tuesday 28th May visiting performance "Sleeping Beauty" came to perform at GNPS.

KD students really liked watching the performance Sleeping Beauty because....

Rose– when the witches were singing their songs they sounded great.

Caleb – their costumes looked beautiful.

Lucy– when the prince kissed sleeping beauty she woke up.