

North Weekly News

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Term 3 Week 3

Tuesday, 30 July 2013

Dates To Remember

Wed 31st July	Dance Group and Choir performing at Central 10.45am Local debating final against Beelbanger at Central 1pm UNSW English Comp
Thurs 1st Aug	KROP
Fri 2nd Aug	KROP
Mon 5th Aug	School Photos
Tues 6th Aug	School Photos No Assemblies
Wed 7th Aug	Possum Magic Rugby League V's Young PS
Thurs 8th Aug	P&C meeting 7.15pm Casual Clothes day- Footy Colours Theme
Fri 9th Aug	Griffith Zone Athletics Carnival
Mon 12th Aug	School Council Meeting 5.30 Premiers Debating Final
Tues 13th Aug	UNSW Maths Comp K/1V Assembly 11.35 3Y Assembly 12.30 Fundraiser BBQ for Rugby Union Team
Wed 14th Aug	Snake Trails Performance



The Lapathon as usual was a fantastic success with the children giving 100% at all times. It was a very proud day with all staff and students showcasing our wonderful school.



Welcome Back

Welcome back to Mrs Debreceeny, who has returned from maternity leave. Mrs Debreceeny will be working on Mondays and Tuesdays and will be the Learning and Support and RFF teacher.

Education Week

Open Day a great success!

It was lovely to see so many parents and family members join us today to celebrate Education Week at our Open Day. Our Education Week Assembly was fantastic with our school leaders doing a great job in hosting it and the dance group and Year 2 entertaining us! Many students received Awards in several different areas with two special Education Week Awards going to Philadelphia Bei and Donna Snaidero.

Education Week Awards

Student Award Nominee: Philadelphia

Philadelphia is an extremely friendly, reliable and dedicated student. She is a quiet achiever, who applies herself whole-heartedly to every task she takes on and is always willing to assist others. Philadelphia demonstrates the qualities of respect, responsibility and care. She is always willing to do any task asked of her in a positive and efficient manner.

Philadelphia displays excellent citizenship qualities and is a wonderful role model to all students.

Philadelphia is an active participant in all school activities and always gives 100%. She is a delight to have at our school. Congratulations Philadelphia!



Education &
Communities

Public Schools NSW

School Community Award Nominee: Donna Snaidero

Donna Snaidero has been a dedicated member of the parent body at Griffith North Public School since 2003. During these years she has continually supported our school in a variety of ways.

Donna has been an active member of the GNPS P&C. She held the Secretary position for many years. She was always very well organised for all P&C and school functions.

Donna's work at school, whether it has been in the classroom, at P&C fundraisers, in the canteen, at Carols by Candle light or working at a working bee, has been truly appreciated.

GNPS would like to publically thank Donna for all her support and dedication over the past eleven years and wish Donna and her family all the best for the future.



KROP

I would like to wish our KROP Choir all the best for their four performances this week at the Griffith Regional Theatre. They have worked hard during their lunch times and their item sounds and looks fantastic! I would like to thank Mr Pendlebury and Miss Mason for all their work and effort they have contributed to make our KROP item, such a success. THANK YOU!

Education Week Display at Griffith Central

Thank you to Miss Mason for organising the GNPS Display at Griffith Central on Sunday. She has done an amazing job. Make sure you have a look when at Central during the week.



Kindergarten singing at Griffith Central

Have a wonderful week

Susan Bourne

Principal

Swimming Program

Thank you to the students/parents who have returned their Expressions of Interest for the Swimming Program in Term 4.

There are still places available for Year 2 and their notes need to be returned ASAP.

The 3-6 lessons have been filled and the notes we receive from now on will go on a waiting list.

K –6 Education Week Awards

KD: Kylah, Meli
Values Award: Tasnia
KC: Debarun, Hayley
Values Award: Thomas
K/1V: Robbie, Ezra
Values Award: Kieran
1M: Jayde, Michael
Values Award: Dante
1/2M: Zainab, Krish
Values Award: Jasmine
2B: Isabell, Kelab
Values Award: Daniel
3J: Tess, Demi
Values Award: Daniel
3Y: Amber, Mena
Values Award: Lachlan
4A: Maddison, Zareef
Values Award: Matthew
4M: Dannielle, Dylan
Values Award: Brianna
5M: Tahli, William
Values Award: Chrestos
5A: Sarah, Keedan
Values Award: Sarah
5/6P: Noah Tyrrell, Shanuille
Values Award: Michael
6M: Jennifer, Brendan
Values Award: Demi
6DM: Juanita, Duanne
Values Award: Siselo



GET READY TO READ!

**REGISTRATIONS FOR MS READATHON
NOW OPEN**

Families can register now online at

www.msreadathon.org.au

The MS Readathon runs from August 1 to August 31.

Canteen Roster – Term 3

Wednesday	07.08.13	Helper Needed
Thursday	08.07.13	Helper Needed
Friday	09.08.13	Josie Tapner
Monday	05.0.13	Kellie Bordignon
Tuesday	06.08.13	Kylie Foord

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 we would love to see you! Canteen rosters for Term 3 have been sent out, please fill in and send it back to school ASAP.

Thanking you
 Paulina & Adele
 Canteen Supervisors

Chess Report

It is quite an amazing experience to see and hear 64 plus primary students playing 7 rounds of chess in concentrated silence. Our students played with one team in the Championship grade and two teams in the Rookies Grade. Our A team came eighth, our B team came third and our C team rotated with reserve players. On the individual level, Pricilla came equal second in the B4 level and Mark came 3rd in the B2 level. All players thoroughly enjoyed the competition and are looking forward to the next tournament to be held on Wednesday 7th August, 2013.



P&C Lamington Drive – Thank you...



Thank you to all the fantastic parents who came along and helped make our 750 dozen lamingtons on Friday and Saturday. It was a huge couple of days. Thank you so much to everyone that helped out over the days. We couldn't have done it without each and every one of you! Thank you to all families for their efforts in purchasing and selling the lamingtons to family, friends and work colleagues. Stay tuned as we will let you know how much this fundraising event made for all the children at GNPS.

Thank you for supporting our fundraising event.

GNPS P&C Fundraising Committee

GNPS Book Week Parade

Book Week is fast approaching and will be celebrated in week 6, (19th-23th August). I hope you are as excited as I am.

We have some great activities planned:

- Read Across the Universe Photographic competition
- K-6 Book Character Parade
- Book Fair with Collins Booksellers

Parents, grandparents, friends and relatives are all invited to share the afternoon with us as we celebrate our shared love of books and reading on Tuesday 20th August @ 12.45pm for the parade and book fair.

Who are you going to dress up as? Stuck for ideas? Try this website

<http://makecreatedo.com/2012/08/14/book-week-costume-ideas/> or

<http://mypigeonpair.com/2011/08/20/make-me-a-costume-make-at-home-costume-ideas-for-book-week/>

Griffith North Rugby Union Fundraising

This year, our Rugby Union boys have been very successful. Ten of the boys have been selected in the Riverina team to go to Sydney for the state carnival in August. We have also been very successful in the Rugby Union State Knock Out competition, called the "Bryan Palmer Shield". Our boys are currently undefeated and have progressed to the top eight in the state. On Wednesday, we are playing a school from Newcastle. We are meeting half way at Dubbo for that match. As a result, the school would like to raise some money to help our boys with the cost of travel and accommodation for these various events. We are going to have a special casual day on **Thursday 8th August**. On this day, all the students at Griffith North are invited to dress up in their favourite football colours. We are asking participating students to donate a gold coin (\$1 or \$2) to help our rugby union boys. We are also going to have a fundraising barbeque on **Tuesday 13th August**, straight after the primary assembly. Griffith North students are encouraged to bring in \$2 to buy a sausage in bread for lunch. There are also raffle tickets being sold by the boys. A beautifully painted didgeridoo and an Aboriginal painting are the two wonderful prizes. So there are three ways to help our boys; by either dressing up in footy colours, buying some sausages or buying some raffle tickets. Your help is greatly appreciated. Good luck to our talented rugby boys. Go North!!!

Photographic competition

Get caught reading across the universe –

Reading across the universe is the theme for Book Week this year. Get creative and photo shop, cut and paste a photo of yourself reading somewhere in the universe. You may be sitting on Jupiter or Mars, or under your bed reading a book. Enlarge to A4 size and bring it into our library. Book prizes will be awarded during Book Week, Tuesday 20th August.