

North Weekly News

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Term 4 Week 5

Tuesday, 11 November

Dates To Remember

Wed 12 th Nov	CSIRO Science Performance
Thurs 13 th Nov	Year 6 Market Day
Tues 18 th Nov	Presentation Day Tickets Go on Sale K-2 Assembly 11.35 2/3Y 3-6 Assembly 12.35 2/3Y Year 5 and 6 Boys "Goodfellas"
Thurs 20 th Nov	Wade HS Transition Only
Mon 24 th Nov	Enviro Mentors
Tues 25 th Nov	K-2 Assembly 11.35 K/1V 3-6 Assembly 12.35 6DM Enviro Mentors
Wed 26 th Nov	Enviro Mentors SRC School Disco K-2 -6.00pm-7.00pm 3-6 -7.00pm- 8.30pm
Thurs 27 th Nov	Year 6-7 Orientation Day

Presentation Day

Wednesday 10th December

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

Tickets on sale Tuesday 18th November

Tickets for GNPS Presentation Day will be on sale from the GNPS front office from **Tuesday 18th November until Tuesday 25th November**. A limit of **TWO tickets for each ceremony per family** are able to be purchased. This is to ensure that all families have the opportunity to attend Presentation Day on December 10th.

On Wednesday 26th November extra tickets will be able to be purchased if they are still available. This is the only fair way we are able to do this. 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.



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Captains and Prefects Elections for 2015

Election Speeches 2nd December

Congratulations to the Year 5 students who have accepted nomination for captain and prefect positions for 2015.

Girls



Jemimah



Lara



Charli



Jaali



Abbey



Maddison



Georgia



Ella



Sophie



Dannielle



Noa



Lara

Boys

Connor



Brendan



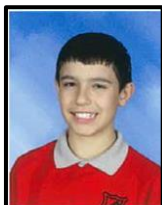
Ryan



Luke



Oscar



Matthew



Corben



Sam



Aidan



Connor



Callum

On Tuesday 2nd December all candidates will present a speech at a special assembly. Parents are invited to attend the assembly to listen to the speeches of the candidates. Their speech will outline why they believe they would make the best captain or prefect for our school. The speeches will be presented over two sessions. The first session will begin at 10:30 am and conclude by 11:15am. The second session will begin at 11:35am and conclude by 12:15pm. Both assemblies will take place in the school hall.

Please note: there will be no K – 2 or 3-6 assembly that day however, all parents are invited to listen to the Year 5 students deliver their speeches.



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Later that day an election will take place and students from Year 2 to Year 5 will have the chance to cast their vote. If any students are away on that day they will be able to vote later in the week.

The captains and prefects for 2015 will be announced at the Year 3-6 Presentation Day Assembly on Wednesday 10th December. Good luck to all candidates!

Health Care Plan for Students

If your child has any health conditions that the school needs to be made aware of, please contact your child's classroom teacher, so a health care plan can be updated or written for your child. It is very important that we have the most up to date information. It is vital that we have documentation from your child's doctor informing us of the health condition.

Also if your child suffers from Anaphylaxis and has an epi-pen, then you should have supplied the school with an up to date ACISA Plan signed by your doctor and an in date epi-pen.

Your swift co-operation with both these task would be greatly appreciated for your child's safety.

Spelling Bee Finalist

Congratulations to Muntasar of 2/3Y who competed at the State Spelling Bee final in Sydney last Wednesday. Muntasar came 6th out of 42 in the state, which is an outstanding achievement! Well Done Muntasar, we are very proud of this fantastic

accomplishment.

Staff News

Welcome back to Mrs Pandolfo (Miss Mason). On behalf of the school community I would like to congratulate Mrs and Mr Pandolfo on their marriage two weeks ago and wish them all the best for their future together.

Griffith Debating Competition

Congratulations to our Year 6 Debating Team, who debated against Beelbanger PS in the Griffith Debating Competition. The topic was "That the internet brings more harm than good". GNPS was the negative team. There were lots of very interesting arguments from both sides and it was a very close debate. Unfortunately our team was defeated. This brings our formal debating to an end for 2014. I would like to congratulate both the Year 5 and Year 6 teams for their dedication and commitment to debating this year and to especially thank Mrs Delves for all her hard work organising the debating at GNPS.



Student Welfare and Discipline

We are currently evaluating the Student Welfare and Discipline procedures and Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) at GNPS. In order to find out what parents think about the student welfare, discipline and PBL we would like you to go to our website

www.griffithn-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au and go to the newsletter and click on the below link to complete the parent survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/K6KQN3D>

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey, as we value your feedback.

Performance Force and Movement

Tomorrow is the Science Show "Force and Movement" put on by the CSIRO. Permission notes and \$5 per student need to be returned by 9.15am in the morning for those students still wishing to attend.



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Assembly Awards - Week 6 Term 4

KD: Tayah, Saritia, Scarlett
KC: Ryan, Tyrone, Lauren
K-1V: Omair, Kellee-Rose, Jesse
1M: Alexander, George, Gabriella
1-2M: Rose, Eliza, Tara
2BD: Scholar, Brooke, Elise
2/3Y: Dante, Hannah
3J: Ethan, Emma
4A: Shanchia, Damian
4M: Susannah, Sam
5A: Sam, Brianna
5M: Stephen, Teparu
5-6P: Matt, Chloe
6M: BJ, Olivah
6DM: Chrestos, Liam

Indigenous Awards

The 2014 Griffith Indigenous Awards Night has been cancelled for this year. The awards will still be presented at our Behaviour Awards assembly in Week 10 on Tuesday 9th December.

Year 6 Market Day

On Thursday 13th November Year 6 students will be holding a Market Day. This will be a 'crazy hat' and casual day. Students are asked to bring a gold coin donation. After lunch on this day, students from K-5 will be able to buy goodies from market stalls organised and run by Year 6 students. There will be a cake stall, face painting, popcorn, soft drink spiders, chocolate spiders, lolly bags and a fruit bar. All money raised by this event will go towards the purchase of a gift to the school from our Year 6 students.

Year 6 Transition

Griffith High School has finished their transition for 2014. Wade High School has one left. It will be on Thursday 20th November. Both schools will have their full **Orientation Day on Thursday 27th November.**

Piano Lessons

Piano lessons are available for beginners, adults and anyone in between. Classical and or fun songs. \$23 per half hour. For all enquiries please call 0428686226

Canteen Roster – Term 4

Wednesday	12.11.14	Kellie Bordignon
Thursday	13.11.14	Help Needed
Friday	14.11.14	Josie Tapner
Monday	17.11.14	Neva Barber
Tuesday	18.11.14	Help Needed

Canteen News

There will be a **HOT CHIP Day on Wednesday 19th November**. They will be sold at recess for \$1.50. We will again be taking pre-orders.

Also please remind your child to hand in their lunch order first thing in the morning, as some students are forgetting and not handing them in until lunch time. If they are late they cannot be guaranteed to get what they have ordered.

Thank you again to the parents and caregivers who give up their time to help out at the canteen! We really appreciate your support.

Thanking you

Adele and Paulina

Canteen Supervisors

Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 in 2016

Parents or carers of Year 5 students who wish their child to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2016 need to apply now, as applications are required by 17th November 2014.

Parents with internet access are requested to apply online. Online applications will be available from 14th October to 17th November 2014. Application information is available on the Department's internet at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

For parents without internet access please contact Miss Bourne for a paper application form. Paper applications must be submitted to me by 17th November 2014. All students seeking Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2016 will be required to take the Selective High School Placement Test on the morning of Thursday 12 March 2015.



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If you would like more information please contact

Public Schools NSW Miss Bourne at school.

Music News

Members of our school choir attended a workshop/concert with Jonathon Welch (from the TV show 'Choir of Hard Knocks') on Friday and Saturday. Some even got to perform a solo. Well done singers!

Our band orientation session was held on Tuesday 21st October. Members of Griffith City Band helped us choose instruments. Toni Howard from Griffith City Band is now sourcing instruments for our students, and we hope to start rehearsing in Term 1 2015.

Some students attended a mass bands rehearsal as part of the Outback Bands Spectacular in Leeton over the weekend, to see how a live concert band works. Callum (Year 5) even played in the group, along with 188 other musicians!

The Department of Education's Riverina Regional Touring Band will be playing at Southside Leagues Club this Wednesday from 6 - 7pm. I encourage all prospective musicians to get along and hear this great band.

Mr Pendlebury



Year 4 Borambola Excursion

A reminder that the remaining \$220 needs to be paid as soon as possible. Also a reminder that students must complete a 'Medical and Consent Form' on the Borambola website. This form needs to be completed by Wednesday 12th November. A note has gone home explaining this. A final information note will be sent home closer to the excursion in Week 9. If you have any questions or problems, please contact Mr Angel.