

North Weekly News

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Term 1 Week 3

Tuesday, 11 February

Dates To Remember

Wed 12 th Feb	AFL Clinics NRL Canberra Raiders Visits 10.30am
Thurs 13 th Feb	GNPS Swimming Carnival
Tues 18 th Feb	K-2 Assembly- 1/2M Hosting 3-6 Assembly- Swimming Carnival Ribbons
Tues 25 th Feb	K-2 Assembly- 1/2M Item 3-6 Assembly- 5/6P
Thurs 27 th Feb	Griffith Zone Swimming Carnival
Fri 28 th Feb	Clean Up Australia Day
Mon 10 th Mar	Riverina Swimming Carnival

Captains and Prefect Induction

Captains and Prefects for 2014 pledge to do their best.

Today we held our Induction Assembly for our 2014 School leaders. I would like to congratulate all our School Leaders who were inducted into their positions. It was wonderful to see them all say their pledge and wear their badges with pride. I am sure they will all carry out their duties to the best of their ability and uphold the good name of GNPS.



Swimming Carnival

This Friday is our annual swimming carnival which is being held at the Griffith Aquatic Centre. All students from Years 3-6 are expected to attend, along with the Year 2 students, who are turning 8, who have indicated they are able to swim in races. Buses will be leaving at 9.25am. I would like to wish all competitors the best of luck for the day and thank Mrs Woodward for all her organisation for this event for our students!

Arriving at School On Time

Arriving at school on time is very important for all students as:

- ensures that students don't miss out on the important learning activities scheduled early in the day when the students are most alert
- helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- gives students time to greet their friends before class and therefore,
- reduces the opportunity for classroom disruption.

Lateness is recorded as partial absence and must be explained by parents or carers in the same way as other forms of absence.

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time to start the day!



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Staff News

Classes and Staffing for 2014

Classes and Teachers for 2014 are:

- KD – Mrs Kim De Paoli
- KC – Mrs Joanne Crawford
- K-1V – Mrs Sandy Vearing
- 1M - Mrs Lesley Marshall
- 1-2M – Miss Natalie Mayberry
- 2BD – Mrs Colleen Braithwaite; Assistant Principal AP, Mrs Kylie Debreceeny
- 2-3Y – Mrs Anne-Maree Young; Assistant Principal AP
- 3J – Mrs Miriam Johnson
- 4A - Mr Brett Angel
- 4M – Ms Dianne Maloni
- 5M– Mrs Michelle Woodward
- 5A – Mrs Arlene Webb
- 5/6P – Mr Lachlan Pendlebury
- 6M – Mr Denis Murphy; Assistant Principal AP
- 6DM – Mrs Helen Morel, Mrs Robyn Delves
- Community Language – Miss Jodie Mason
- Early Learning Support Class – Miss Deanne Matheson
- Reading Recovery – Mrs Lisa Allen
- Librarian – Mrs Sue Fordham
- Learning and Support & ESL – Mrs Suzi Triggs
- Learning and Support and RFF - Ms Louise McGrail
- Learning and Support and RFF – Mrs Rani Aitken
- Mrs Kylie Burley AP Learning and Support
- Mrs Julie-Ann Angel AP Learning and Support (Relieving)
- School Admin Manager – Mrs Janet Signor
- School Admin Officers – Mrs Cheryl Adcock, Mrs Tammy Gale, Mrs Sarah Signor
- School Learning Support Officers – Mrs Helen Cambrell, Ms Anita Kumaran, Mrs Jane Francis, Mrs Alison Forbes, Mrs Jodie Smith, Mrs Dawn Browne, Mr Paul Simpson and Ms Vanessa Blumer
- Groundsman – Mr Nick Schneider
- Canteen Managers – Mrs Adele Rosa and Mrs Paulina Zalunardo

- School Counsellor Ms Pirkko Makarainen
- Cleaners – Mrs Brigitte Schneider, Kiri Qarase and Fiona Fyfe

School Uniform Draw

Each classroom teacher will be holding a weekly uniform draw to promote wearing the correct uniform. A child's name will be drawn out and if they are in correct uniform they will receive an ice block. If they aren't in correct uniform the teacher will redraw until they draw a child who is in correct uniform.

A reminder that **rabens** are **not allowed** to be worn to school. Black closed in shoes are to be worn.

The only jewellery to be worn are plain sleepers/studs only (other jewellery accepted for religious or medical reasons only)

No nail polish is to be worn.



School Council

Parent Representative Required

School Council nominations are now being called for two parent representative position on the Griffith North Public School, School Council. Information about the School Council and nomination forms are available from the front office. Nominations must be returned to Janet at the GNPS front office by 4:00 pm on Friday 28th Feb. If you have any questions in regards to the school council, please contact the school on 6962 1043.

Have a great week

Susan Bourne

Principal

Assembly Awards - Term 1 Week 3

KD: Tayah, Brooke, Jezaiah
KC: Brooklyn, Lane, Kaiden
K-1V: Jesse, Jenna, Alexa
1M: Charlotte, Max, Vincent
1-2M: Jessica, Ezra, Rose
2BD: Jade, Ethan, Isaiah
2/3Y: Maddison, Paddy
3J: Josevata Raulni, Lara
4A: Jack, Adelaide
4M: Talia, Sam
5W: Samuel, Aaliyah
5M: Sophie, Lachlan
5-6P: Sarah, Connor
6M: Muntaqim, Natalie
6DM: Harmeet, Priscilla
Italian Awards: Sarah, Georgia, Ethan, William

PBL News

This term we will begin to explicitly teach lessons around our values of Care, Respect and Responsibility and our expectations for their positive behaviour. Classes have been put into buddy groups and these lessons will be taught with their buddy classes once a week and with their own class at other times.

The buddy groups are:

- KD, KV and 4M
- KC and 4A
- 1M, 1V and 5/6P
- 3J and 6M
- 2BD and 5A
- 1/2M and 5M
- 2/3Y and 6DM

**Canteen Roster – Term 1****Canteen News**

Wednesday	12.2.14	Helper Needed
Thursday	13.2.14	Josie Tapner
Friday	14.2.14	Helper Needed
Monday	17.2.14	Neva Barber
Tuesday	18.2.14	Liza Guglielmino

Last week we sent home the new Term 1 Menu. You will have noticed that there has been a price increase due to our suppliers having a price rise. Just a reminder that all, lunch orders must be in by 11.00 am to avoid any disappointments.

Thank you to the parents and caregivers who have returned their canteen roster. If anyone is interested in helping in the canteen or making a cake, slice etc., it would be greatly appreciated.

Please hand in your Rosters ASAP.

Due to price increases Fruit Boxes will be \$1.50 and Water Bottles will be \$1.50.

Griffith High School Prospective Parent and Student Evening

Griffith High School will be holding their Prospective Parent and Student Evening on Wednesday 19th February from 6pm to 7.30pm in their school hall. The evening will include a school tour, a brief presentation and a Q&A session. All welcome to attend. For any enquires call 69621711.

P&C News

At last week's meeting we decided to survey the parent body regarding the GNPS Sport Uniform. The survey is enclosed in this newsletter. Please return to school by Friday 28th Feb, if you would like to have your say regarding the uniform.

Thanking you

Tamara Minato

P&C President



Parent Information Meetings

Teachers will send home individual class letters with their times on them for their class meetings. These meetings are a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher and to find out what will be happening in your child's classroom this year.

2014 Excursion to Ballarat and Bendigo

A note was sent home with students from Year 5 and 6 about our excursion to Ballarat and Bendigo. Our excursion has been planned for the end of term 1, from **April 7-10**. This is the final week of term 1. The excursion will support outcomes from various key learning areas, and focuses on the effects of the discovery of gold on Australian history and democracy. The excursion will be a valuable learning experience for all students who attend.

The cost of the excursion will be approximately \$350. An accurate cost will be provided as soon as the details of the excursion and student numbers are confirmed. **We require a deposit of \$100 to confirm your child's participation in the excursion.** Please pay your deposit by **Friday 14th February 2014**.

The balance of payment can be made in instalments or as a lump sum once the cost of the excursion has been finalised. Complete payment will be expected by Friday 28th March 2014.

Any parent, who foresees difficulty with finance, including payment of the deposit, is invited to ring Miss Bourne as soon as possible. No late deposits will be accepted, so if you foresee any difficulties with paying the deposit, please contact Miss Bourne immediately.

More detailed information regarding the excursion will be provided as soon as student numbers are finalised.

Library Bags

It is a good idea for all students to use a library bag to help protect our books and keep track of them. Library bags are available from the school canteen @ \$12.00. Other commercial or home-made library bags are also acceptable. Plastic grocery bags are not acceptable.

All Kindergarten, Year 1 & 2 students need a library bag to borrow from the school library.

Soccer Registration

Yoogali 2014 Soccer Club

Register now from U6 to open's Boys and Girls. Saturday 8th and 15th February 2014. At Griffith Leagues Club on the Alpen Terrace, from 10.00 pm to 2.30 pm. For more information please call Amelia Donadel 0411725535 or Paul Fisher 0401704717

New Season Junior Autumn Basketball Competition Starting 27th February, 2014

Junior and Senior Nomination Night

Thursday 13th February
Thursday 20th February

5pm-6.30pm
5pm- 6.30pm

Junior competition- individual Nominations only

Monday Night Aussie Hoops

- New member \$80.00
- Renewal \$50.00

Thursday Night Competition

- 11 years & under \$90.00
 - 13 years & under \$115.00
 - 15 years & under \$115.00
- (\$48 Door Fee included in registration fee)

If Child is playing in a second game an extra \$48 is added to the Registration Fee.

Tuesday 17's Mixed Competition \$50.00

Get your friends together in a team for a great game.
Come and enjoy the game in a relaxed atmosphere.

