

North Weekly News

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Term 1 Week 10

Tuesday, 1 April 2014

Dates To Remember

Thurs 3 rd April	P&C meeting 7.15
Fri 4 th April	GNPS Cross Country
Mon 7 th - 10 th	5/6 Ballarat and Bendigo Excursion
Mon 7 th April	School Council Meeting 5.30
Tues 8 th April	K-2 Bronze Awards 11.35 Year 3&4 Bronze Awards 12.35 Pies Handed out from Pie Drive from hall
Fri 11 th April	Rugby Union Gala Day K-2 Easter Hat Parade 12.00 Last Day of Term 1
Fri 25 th April	ANZAC Day March in Griffith 10.30am
Term 2	
Mon 28 th April	School Development Day for Staff
Tues 29 th April	Term 2 Resumes for Students School ANZAC Day Assembly 4M
Fri 2 nd May	GNPS K-6 Athletics Carnival

Bronze Certificates

Congratulations to the students in Years 5 and 6 who received their Bronze Certificates at today's assembly. It was wonderful to see so many students working hard and displaying the values of GNPS. Well done!

Kinder to year 4 will be receiving their Bronze Certificates at next week's assembly.



Young Leaders Conference

Yesterday the Captains and Prefects attended the Halogen Young Leaders Conference in Sydney at the Entertainment Centre.

It was a wonderful day, where our school leaders had an opportunity to listen to inspiring speakers talk about leadership and what it takes to be a good leader. The speakers on the day were:

- Mike Martin
- Bob Carr
- Coen Ashton
- Andy Griffiths
- Ita Buttrose

I would like to thank our school leaders for their outstanding behaviour on this excursion. They were truly a delight to take to Sydney!



ANZAC Day

GNPS students are marching in the ANZAC ceremony on Friday 25th April. Students need to assemble at the Memorial Hall/Art Gallery in Banna Avenue at around **10.00am** to be ready to march at **10.30am**. All School Captains, Prefects and SRC members are encouraged to be a part of the march. It is a very special day in our history and GNPS always has a great representation at the march. All students marching are expected to wear full winter uniform.

ANZAC Assembly

The school ANZAC Assembly will be held on Tuesday 29th April at 11:35 am. This is the first day of term 2. All students will need to be dressed in full school uniform. The assembly is for all students (K-6) parents are welcome to attend.

Annual School Report

The 2013 Annual School Report is available for viewing on our school website; www.griffith-n-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

The 2013 Annual School Report outlines our achievements during 2013. If you do not have access to a computer at home to read the Annual School Report please come and see me so I can organise a copy for you.

Cross Country

This Friday is our annual Cross Country Carnival. We will be catching buses out to Lake Wyangan at 11.15am and returning to school at 3.05pm. The first race will begin at 12.00pm. Any parents who are able to help out please see Ms Maloni and Mrs Young. I would like to wish all our students all the best for this carnival and thank Ms Maloni and Mrs Young for all their organisation of this event.

Have a wonderful week

Susan Bourne

Principal

Green Mean Machine News

Today the Green Mean Machine held a "Farmers Market" to sell some of our produce from our vegetable garden. We made \$136.05. This will go towards plants for the vegetable garden. Thank you to everyone who contributed items and who bought items.



Assembly Awards - Term 1 Week 10

KD: Elsiva, Julia, Karangi
KC: Denis, Kaiden, Brooklyn
K-1V: Angelina, William, Callym
1M: Victoria, Gabriella, Jaydah
1/2M: Christopher, Xavier, Tobie
2BD: Justin, Brooke, Iesha
2/3Y: Alex, Hannah
3J: Jemma, Johnny
4A: Lachlan McKlvie, Inapa
4M: Susannah, Leo

Italian Awards: Teagan, Kadie

2014 Excursion to Ballarat and Bendigo

Final payment for the excursion is due now.

Monday 7th April – Thursday 10th April

Final Reminders

- Students are to be at school by 5:45 a.m. (at the latest).
- Could all medications be clearly labelled and placed in plastic bags to be handed to Mrs Woodward before we depart.
- Students are to provide their own morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea on the first day. Please ensure all food and drink is in the bag carried on the bus including two drink bottles of water.
- School jumper is to be worn on day 1 of the excursion with casual clothes.
- A variety of casual clothing is essential. Although it is April and the days should be warm, Ballarat can be cold, and we will be going out each night.
- Students are not to bring ipods, game boys, phones or other electrical items. Please do not send your child with an expensive camera.

\$60 maximum spending money. Children must be responsible for this themselves.

P&C News

Our next P&C meeting will be this Thursday night 3rd April in the staffroom. Everyone is invited to attend. Pies from the Pie drive will be available to be picked up from the school hall, next Tuesday 8th April from 3pm to 5.30pm.

Thanking you Tamara Minato (P&C President)

Pirate Day

KC, KD and K/1V dressed up as pirates to celebrate 'P' week. Pirates, patch, plank and parrot begin with p along with popcorn and pizza which we made and enjoyed together. We learnt about pirates, made treasure maps and did pirate craft. We loved dressing up and had lots of fun!

By KC



On Friday KD dressed up as pirates. We made popcorn. We discovered that when the corn got hot, it POPPED! We had the popcorn for recess. After recess, we made our own pizza by putting sauce, cheese, ham and pineapple on a muffin. Some of us didn't like ham or pineapple so we left it off. We dressed up as pirates because we have been looking at the sounds p, p, p in literacy.

By KD

A Plan for Making Pizza

Ingredients

- Cheese
- Pineapple
- Ham
- Pizza Base
- Sauce
- Basil

1. Put sauce on pizza base
2. Put ham on pizza base
3. Put pineapple on pizza base
4. Sprinkle basil and cheese on top
5. Put pizza in oven

By K-1V – Jay



Canteen Roster – Term 1

Wednesday	2.4.14	Christine Minato
Thursday	3.4.14	Help needed
Friday	4.4.14	Josie Tapner
Monday	7.4.14	Neva Barber and Kristy Hicks
Tuesday	8.4.14	Help needed

Canteen News

We will be running another "Spider Day" tomorrow. Large \$1.50 and small \$1.00.

Enclosed is the term two roster. Please return by the end of the term one.

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who have been helping out in the canteen. We really appreciate all your support and your children love seeing you there!

Thanking you
Adele and Paulina
Canteen Supervisors

Remembering our Ex-servicemen & Women on ANZAC Day in a special way

The Griffith cemetery is the final resting place for 1001 known ex-servicemen and women. The Griffith RSL since 2010 with the help of the community remembers each of these ex-servicemen and women on ANZAC Day by placing a small white cross and a flower on each grave.

Following the ANZAC Day service in the park, the community and students in particular are invited to visit the Griffith Cemetery and place the provided flowers on the graves marked with little white crosses.

Prior to ANZAC Day, Tuesday 22nd April, High School students are asked to assist placing white crosses on the graves.

In 2013 not one of the marked graves went without a flower placed upon it.

The Griffith RSL looks forward to our community, particularly our school students, ensuring that those who have served their country are not forgotten. Donations of flowers will also be gratefully accepted. For more information please contact Ron Anson (6964 1715 or 0497 157 437).

Sport News

Tennis PSSA Knockout Competition

On Friday 28th March our school tennis team, consisting of Natalie, Georgie, Connor and Aiden, went to the Griffith Tennis Courts to play in the first two rounds of the PSSA Tennis Knockout.

Firstly we played Lake Wyangan Public School and we won 39 to 16. We played singles, then doubles and mixed doubles. Then we played Griffith East Public School. We lost 21 to 40. They were a really hard team.

Thank you to Mrs Triggs for a great day!

By Connor and Aiden



Cross Country

Thank you very much if you have informed us that you are able to assist at the GNPS Cross Country. Adult helpers will be positioned around the course as 'spotters', ensuring that children are safe. At present there are more adult helpers required, even if you can only come for an hour that's most helpful. If you have not indicated on the bottom of the GNPS Cross Country information note that you can assist, please advise us as soon as possible.

The details for the carnival are as follows;

Date: Friday 4th April 2014

Venue: Lake Wyangan Picnic Area

Time: Starting at approximately 12:00pm

Cost: \$2.00



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Griffith Zone Touch Trials

Tomorrow Dylan, Darcy, Ryan, Lara and Serenity will be trialling for the Griffith Zone Touch Teams. We would like to wish these students all the best for the day.



GNPS Athletics Carnival

The GNPS Athletics Carnival is being held on Friday 2 May (Week 1 Term 2). This carnival is for all students from Kindergarten to Year 6.

Thank you to the parents who have returned their note indicating they are able to help out on day. We will need more helpers so if you are available to help please return your note ASAP.

Come one, Come all!

K-2 Easter Hat Parade

When: Friday 11th April
12:00 noon

Where: GNPS school hall

Come along to the hall and join in the fun of the Easter Hat Parade.

Students will parade their amazing Easter hats, entertain you with lots of singing and there may even be a surprise visit from the Easter Bunny! Be in the chance to win a fantastic Easter hamper!

Tickets on sale now! \$1 a ticket or 3 for \$2