

North Weekly News

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Term 2 Week 2

Wednesday, 7 May 2014

Dates To Remember

Wed 7 th May	Touch Gala Day
Fri 9 th May	SRC Crazy Hair Day
Tues 13 th May	NAPLAN-Language Conventions and Writing K-2 Assembly 11.35 K/1V 3-6 Assembly 12.30 Athletics Ribbons
Wed 14 th May	NAPLAN-Reading
Thurs 15 th May	NAPLAN- Numeracy
Fri 16 th May	Tony Lockett Shield
Tues 20 th May	K-2 Assembly 11.35 KD 3-6 Assembly 12.30 SRC Badges
Wed 21 st May	Rugby Union Gala Day
Fri 23 rd May	Zone Cross Country
Tues 27 th May	Performance "Puppet and Masks of Italy" K-2 Assembly 11.35 1M 3-6 Assembly 12.30 5A
Thurs 29 th May	Mortimer Shield

Sport

Last week we held our Cross Country and Athletics Carnival. Both were wonderful days and all students showed excellent sportsmanship at both carnivals. I would like to congratulate the students on their behaviour, they were outstanding!

Congratulations to Kooba who were the winning house of the Cross Country and the Athletics Carnival. Well done!

I would like to thank Ms Maloni, Mrs Young and Mr Angel for all their organisation of the Cross Country and Mr Angel and Mrs Johnson for all their organisation of the Primary Athletics Carnival and Mrs Vearing and Mrs De Paoli for their organisation of the K-2 Athletics Carnival.



Staff News

Congratulations to Mrs and Mr Vearing who are expecting their first baby in late October. Mrs Vearing will finish teaching K/1V at the end of Term 3. This is wonderful news for them both.

I would also like to welcome Ms Melissa Crawford to GNPS. Ms Crawford is completing a prac with Mrs Vearing and K/1V.

Winter School Uniform

The school's community has strongly endorsed the policy that all students attending Griffith North Public School should wear the school's uniform.

A clothing pool operates at the school and parents are asked to support it by donating items of uniform for sale and/or purchasing uniforms from the clothing pool.

All uniforms can be purchased at Lowes in Banna Avenue.

Boy's winter

- Grey Shirt or Red Skivvy
- Grey Trousers
- GNPS sloppy-joe
- Black shoes

Girl's winter

- Grey Tunic
- Grey pants
- White Shirt
- GNPS sloppy-joe
- Black shoes
- White socks or Grey tights
- GNPS jacket



Public Speaking Year 3-6

This term students will be asked to prepare and present a public speaking speech to their class. We expect all students to present a speech to their class as this is an important part of their learning in English.

This year students can choose the topics from the Multicultural Public Speaking competition or from other topics negotiated with their classroom teacher. The topics have been sent home with students already. Only students who use the Multicultural Public Speaking topics will be eligible to enter the Premier's Multicultural Public Speaking competition.

The length of the speech should be 2-3 minutes for students in years 3 & 4 and 3-4 minutes for students in years 5 & 6.

Teachers may ask students to complete some, or all of this task, for homework. In the classroom, teachers will provide learning experiences for students to enable them to do this. At home, we strongly encourage students to write their own speech, with parents providing encouragement and support.

SRC- Crazy Hair Day and Casual Day

We have been invited to participate in two crazy hair days by two different organisations. Kids Go Krazy for the Farmers and Cystic Fibrosis ACT and NSW.

At GNPS we have decided to combine the events and have one "Super Dooper" Crazy Hair Day to raise funds for both of these great causes. Students can also come dressed in casual clothes.

So for the cost of a gold coin, please come to school on Friday 9th May 2014 with your hair coloured, teased, gelled, tied up, spiked or twisted and in your casual clothes. Come and join in the fun for these two great causes.

P&C Mother's Day Stall

There are still gifts available from the Mother's Day Stall. Students can choose from 4 great gifts.

Cost - \$5/ gift. The stall will be

open all week or until gifts are sold out.



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Assembly Awards - Term 2 Week 2

KD: Raja, Penny, Brooke.

KC: Alisha, Sienna, Brandon

K-1V: Jenna, Alexa, Tyler

1M: Harrison Carltm, Charlotte, Logan Wodland

1/2M: Eliza, Dylan, Tobie Thorton

2BD: Lincoln, Emily Food, Nic

2/3Y: Rhylie, Dante

3J: Cooper, Malina

4A: Daniel, Dakota

4M: Kai, Fefiloi

5M: Ella, Shane

5W: Robert, Brianna

5-6P: Flynn, Chelsea

6M: BJ, Jorja

6DM: Elijah, Molly

P&C News

We will be holding the uniform survey again. It is very important that you have your say about whether you would like the sports uniform shorts to change from white to black or if you would like to keep the white shorts. We need all families to have their say so we can make an informed decision. We will only be making a decision if we have 65% of families send in their surveys.

If we decide to change to black it would take a few years to transition to black as many families may have just purchased white shorts or some Years 6 students may not need to purchase new shorts.

The survey is enclosed in this newsletter. If you didn't get a survey please collect one from the office.

Mrs Leanne Roser has decided to step down from doing the canteen books. If anyone is interested in taking these over please contact me.

Thanking you

Tamara Minato

(P&C President)

Parent Helpers

If any parents have some spare time and would like to cover some new school dictionaries, please contact the office. We would really appreciate any help so we can get the dictionaries into our classrooms soon! Thank you

Canteen Roster – Term 2**Canteen News**

Wednesday	7.5.14	Help Needed
Thursday	8.5.14	Help Needed
Friday	9.5.14	Josie Tapner
Monday	12.5.14	Neva Barber
Tuesday	13.5.14	Sheena

Dear Parents and Grandparents

Thank you for your support last term with helping out at the canteen. We along with the children really appreciate it.

Please hand in your canteen rosters for term 2 if you haven't already done so.

If anyone is interested in making cakes and slices to sell at recess as a treat for the children please let us know. The children love to get a treat every now and then.

There has been a price increase due to suppliers. Hotdogs will now be \$3 each Pizza \$3.00 each Water \$2.00 each and Honey Soy Chips will be \$1.50 each.

Term 2 and 3 we will be selling Hot Milos in the morning for \$1.50 each.

Thanking you

Adele and Paulina Canteen Supervisors

Library News**National Family Reading Month**

Our school is entering a READ MORE IN MAY challenge, where we encourage children to read every day with their families during the month of May.

To participate, your child will record the number of minutes spent reading on each day in May. Then in the first week of June, enter the total reading minutes online for a chance to win great prizes for your family, your child's classroom and our school!

Visit www.scholastic.com.au/readmoreinmay for competition details, plus find handy resources including tips for family reading and fun Geronimo Stilton activities. We will be having a book fair in the last week of May with a visit from Geronimo Stilton.

**Sport News
Riverina Rugby
League**

Congratulations to Ioane who was selected in the Riverina Rugby league Team last Friday. Ioane will now travel to Kingscliff on the North Coast for the State carnival on June 17-19th. This is an outstanding achievement! Well done Ioane!

**Western Riverina Netball**

Congratulations to Jade who was selected in the Western Riverina Netball Team. She will now go on to trial for the Riverina Team on Monday 26th May. Good luck Jade!

K-6 Athletics Carnival

Last Friday we held our K-6 school athletics carnival at West End oval. The day was a great success, with special thanks to all the parent helpers who worked in both the canteen and on the field events. These sporting events could not run without these helpers, so we would like to thank them.





The students took part in elimination trials at school for Friday afternoon sport. Students were given the opportunity to try discus, long jump, shot put and high jump. The final of these field events took place at the carnival on Tuesday. All students were able to compete in three different running events at the carnival; 100m, 200m and 800m.

Congratulations to the following students who were the age champions for the carnival;

Junior Girls – Victoria

Junior Boys – Leo

11 Year Girls – Brianna

11 Year Boys – Ryan

Senior Girls – Tala

Senior Boys – Elijah and Aisea



Cross Country

On Wednesday, 30th April, all of the students from the primary classes and some Year 2 students participated in the school's annual 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. It was fantastic that all the students enjoyed participating in the carnival and displayed great sportsmanship. The winning house was **Kooba**.



The following students were placed in the top eight for their age group. These students have qualified for the Griffith Zone Cross Country carnival. This local carnival will be held on **Friday 23rd May, at the Lake Wyangan Picnic Area.**

8/9 Girls - Kiara, Montana, Abbey, Ella Dobija, Ava, Chelsea, Teagan, Monique.

8/9 Boys - Jayden, Todd, Billy, Noah, Ethan, Jyi, Alex, Paddy

10 Girls - 1st Victoria, Brianna, Victoria, Matilda, Amber, Madysen, Tess, Renee.

10 Boys - Shane, Damian, Leo, Samuel, Jack, Charlie, Luca, Tristan

11 Girls - Lara, Aaliyah, Brianna, Tamia, Jorja, Taylah, Maddison, Ola.

11 Boys - Aidan, Connor, Ryan, Seth, Oscar, Damien, Samuel, Richard.

12/13 Girls Alice, Jenai, Serenity, Sophie, Lilly, Isabel, Natalie, Laura,

12/13 Boys Elijah, Darcy, Jesse, Olivah, Damen, Flynn, Liam, Jordan

