

North Weekly News

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Term 3 Week 2

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Dates To Remember

Wed 23 rd July	Cake Stall
Thurs 24 th July	Debating Against GEPS
Tues 29 th July	Choir Performing at Central 10.30 Education Week Open Classrooms 11.35 Education Week Assembly 12.15 K-6 Lapathon 2pm
Wed 30 th July	Kinder Performing at Central 10am Year 4 Performing at Central 11.30am
Thurs 31 st July	KROP Year 6 Transition to High School P&C Meeting
Fri 1 st August	KROP
Mon 4 th August	Riverina Athletics School Photos
Tues 5 th Aug	School Photos No Assembly due to photos
Wed 6 th Aug	Life Ed Starts
Fri 8 th Aug	P&C Lamington Day

Staff News

I would like to welcome Mrs Virginia Curry to GNPS who is replacing Mrs Triggs while she is on Long Service Leave. Mrs Curry will be in the Learning and Support and ESL Teacher role until Friday 1st August.

NAIDOC Week Celebrations

Last week we held our NAIDOC Week Celebrations. I would like to congratulate the GNPS students who participated in all our activities so enthusiastically. I would like to thank



Matt Moon who organised our Indigenous games on Friday and the helpers who came along to help make the day and the week so successful.



School Photos

School photos will be held on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th August. The school photo envelopes have been sent home today. Please fill these out and return before Monday 4th August.

If you would like family photos taken please collect a family envelope from the office.

Students participating in the Riverina Athletics Carnival will be having their photos on Tuesday 5th August.

Attendance at School

Students need to attend school every day!

Justified reasons for absences may include the student:

- having an unavoidable medical or dental appointment (preferably, these should be made after school or during holidays)
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- being required to attend an exceptional or urgent family circumstance (such as attending a funeral)
- being sick, or having an infectious disease.

If your child is absent from school you need to write a note explaining the reason why your child was absent.



Education &
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Education Week 2014

This year Education Week is being held in week 3 of Term 3. This year we are celebrating the 60th year of Education Week for Public Schools. The theme for Education Week is "Lighting the way to a better world" which was the theme 60 years ago.

GNPS will be celebrating Education Week through a variety of activities throughout the week. We will have the choir singing at Griffith Central on Tuesday at 10.30am and on Wednesday Kindergarten will be singing at 10.00am and Year 4 will be performing at 11.30am. We also have our dance group performing in KROP on Thursday and Friday. Good luck to all students participating in these events.

Our main celebrations will be held on Tuesday 29th July when we will have our Open Day, assembly and Lapathon. Times as follows:

Open Day

Classroom visits – 11:35am - 12:15pm

Assembly - 12:15pm – 1:05pm

Picnic lunch (parents and students) 1:05pm
(Parents are invited to order from the canteen if they would like)

Lapathon: 2:00pm – 3:00pm.

We hope you are able to come and join us to celebrate Education Week in 2014.

GNPS Lapathon – "Lighting a way to a better world"

On Tuesday 29th July 2014 we will be holding our annual School Lapathon fundraising event. Sponsor sheets have been sent home.

Please help our students by giving your support to their efforts. All proceeds will be used to provide resources to support the school's literacy programs and the new Australian Curriculum.

Assembly Awards - Term 3 Week 2

KD: Saritia, Brooke, Emelia
KC: Brooklyn, Kaiden, Lonoah
K-1V: Alexa, Blake, Zac
1M: Victoria, Loujane, Debarun
1/2M: Christopher, Rose, Eliza
2BD: Brooke, Taylah, Justin
2/3Y: Dante, Will
3J: Aoibhinn, Kelab
4A: Lachlan, Dakota
4M: Kiara, Mena
5M: Eutalia, Connor
5W: Sam, Abbey
5-6P: Zareef, Carla
6M: Kiara
6DM: Isabel, Elliza
Italian: Carla, Georgia, Ethan, Cooper

Debating

Yesterday our Year 5 and Year 6 debating teams debated each other in the Premier's Debating Competition. They debated the topic "That parents should ban their children from all social networking sites." Year 5 were the affirmative and Year 6 were the negative. Both teams had very good arguments. Congratulations to Year 6 who won the debate.



This Thursday our two debating teams will compete in their final round one debates for the Premiers Debating competition against Griffith East Public School. Year 5 will have two debates, one against GEPS Year 5 team and the other against GEPS Year 6 team. Our Year 6 team will have one debate against GEPS Year 6 team. I would like to wish both teams all the best for their debates. I would like to thank Mrs Delves for her all efforts with both teams.

Jeans for Genes 2014

This Jeans for Genes Day, on Friday 1st August classrooms at GNPS will be awash with denim in a united stance against childhood disease.

Our school's support will go a long way to helping the scientists at Children's Medical Research Institute unravel cures to a range of childhood medical conditions. There's no better feeling than knowing you're helping future generations of kids have brighter futures – all while having fun!

Find out more about CMRI online at cmri.org.au

Every dollar you raise or donate will help build the cornerstones for tomorrow's cures and treatments – for the benefit of children everywhere.

Students please wear denim on Friday 1st August and bring your gold coin donation. Every student who participates will receive a zip pull valued at \$3.



Lost Property

Parents are reminded to check all their children's items of clothing and school equipment to make sure they are labelled. The lost property tub is full with items that have no names on them. To prevent property being lost, all items brought to school should be named (full name), for ease of return.

Canteen Roster – Term 3

Wednesday	23.07.14	Help Needed
Thursday	24.07.14	Ann Scroop
Friday	25.07.14	Josie Tapner
Monday	28.07.14	Neva Barber
Tuesday	29.07.14	Liza Guglielmino

Canteen News

Dear Parents and Grandparents

Thank you to all who have returned their rosters. There are still vacancies available. Just some dates to put in your Calender. We are having a pasta and meatball day on Tuesday 29th July. (Education Week)

Parents and Children are welcome to order. Orders must be ordered in the morning due to catering and also the full menu will still be available. Please keep in mind that on Wednesday 20th August and Wednesday 21st September we will be having a "Hot Chip Day". A reminder will be sent out closer to the day.

A reminder that Hot Milo is available in the mornings for \$1.50.

Thanking you Adele and Paulina –
Canteen Supervisors

P&C News

GNPS P&C Lamington Drive



The Griffith North Public School P&C are running a Lamington Drive fundraising event to raise money for our school. Order forms for our Lamington Drive have been sent home, we hope you will be able to collect as many orders for us as you can. Obviously the more Lamingtons we sell, the more funds we will have to spend, so it would be great if every family could support us.

Please return order forms together with the relevant money to Griffith North Public School Office or by person by Friday 25th July 2014.

Lamington Orders will be available for collection at the Griffith North Public School Hall, orders will need to be picked up after 12.00 pm. Cheques should be made payable to Griffith North P & C.

We are looking forward to receiving even more Lamington Orders than last years! Thank you for supporting our fundraising event.

GNPS P&C Fundraising Committee

Year 2 Cake Stall

This Wednesday Year 2 are holding a cake stall to raise money. Cakes will be 50cents each. Please send money along to help support this fundraising event for our school.

Sport New

Riverina Athletics Carnival

The Riverina Athletics Carnival has been postponed to **Monday 4th August**, which is week 4 term 3.

Soccer Gala Day

On Thursday 16th July the GNPS boys and girls soccer teams went to Collina Oval to participate in the Soccer Gala Day. The boys played Lake Wyangan and we lost 3-1. The girls played Hanwood and they lost 3-1, they then played the small schools and lost again 3-1. The boys versed Yenda in the second match and won 4-3. We all showed great sportsmanship and we all had a fantastic day. We would like to thank Miss Wythes and Mr Murphy for coaching the teams.

By Olivah & Darcy

Tennis

This year we are participating in the Premiers Sporting Challenge. Once again we will be having tennis lessons for every student in the school with Cheryl Rawle. For the next 4 weeks K, Year 1, 2 and 3 students will participate in lessons at school. Starting in week 6, Year 4, 5 and 6 students will have their lessons at the tennis court.

This week we were lucky enough to have Ian Goolagong here to help coach the students. Ian is Evonne Goolagong's brother and one of the coaches from the Evonne Goolagong National Development Camps.



NAIDOC Week Activities

