

North Weekly News

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Term 4 Week 2

Monday, 19 October 2015

Dates To Remember

Tues 13th Oct	Kindergarten Information Evening 6.30pm
Wed 14th Oct	Year 5 Parent Meeting for Year 6 Farewell 3.15pm
Fri 16th Oct	Venue Sport begins Choir Performing at Griffith Festival of Gardens Opening
Tues 20th Oct	K-2 Assembly 11.35- 2/3Y Hosting 3-6 Assembly 12.35-5P Hosting Kindergarten Orientation
Fri 23rd Oct	Musica Viva Performance K-6 2pm
Tues 27th Oct	K-2 Assembly 11.35- 1/2T Hosting 3-6 Assembly 12.35-3/4A Hosting Kindergarten Orientation
Thurs 29th Oct	Count Us in 12.30 Band Information Evening for 2016 5.15pm in hall

PBL Celebration

Today we celebrated PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) at GNPS. Thank you to our guest speaker Luke Woodward who gave an inspirational speech to the students about what "Reach for the Stars" means to him. Thank you to Year 1 and Year 6 who both performed beautifully at our assembly.



Thank you to Miss Risso for making our "Star Biscuits". Every child in the school received a biscuit after eating their lunch, as part of our celebration.

I would also like to acknowledge the hard work of the PBL committee which has been led by Mrs Braithwaite to make our celebration such a success!



Reach for the Stars Badges and Awards

At our PBL Celebration assembly we presented our first "Reach for the Stars" Gold Star Badges and awards. These were presented to one student from each class. These awards are for students who consistently display our values of care, respect and responsibility. From now on there will only be one presented at each K-2 and 3-6 weekly assembly. The students who received these badges today are named in the award section of the newsletter.





Staff News

Mrs Fordham will be on Long Service Leave until Friday 27th November. We welcome back Mrs Lesley Crimmings to our library during this time.

Mrs Crawford will be returning to Griffith North Public School on Thursday. I would like to thank Miss Smith for teaching KC while Mrs Crawford has been on leave.

Kindergarten Orientation 2016

Information Evening for Parents

Tuesday 13th October 2015

If you have a child commencing Kindergarten in 2016 you are invited to an information meeting tonight on **Tuesday 13th October, 2015**.

The meeting will commence at **6:30pm** in **KD's classroom**. At this meeting you will be given information regarding Orientation Session times.

We look forward to meeting you!

Orientation dates are:

Week 3: Tuesday 20th October 2015

Week 4: Tuesday 27th October 2015

Week 5: Tuesday 3rd November 2015

These sessions will be a **half day** of the school day not a full day. The morning session will run from 9.30 to 12pm and the afternoon will run from 12.30pm to 3.00pm.



K-6 Reach for the Stars Gold Star Awards

KD: *Ruby always showing care and respect to her peers.*

KC: *Sienna playing fairly, following instructions and taking pride in her work.*

K-1P: *Pita considering others and consistently using his manners.*

1M: *Lane consistently displaying care and respect to all those around him.*

1-2T: *Jayde being polite and well-mannered in all aspects of her schooling.*

2BA: *Liam consistently shows he cares and respects both his peers and his school.*

2/3Y: *Max going out of his way to help others and always displaying the school values.*

3J: *Maddison always considering others and being well mannered.*

3-4A: *Michael being a responsible student who works well and looks after his mates.*

4M: *Abbey setting an example of excellence in sincerity, behaviour and integrity.*

5W: *Renee for always treating others with respect and being a dedicated and responsible learner.*

5P: *Susannah caring for others, respecting our school environment and acting responsibly at all times.*

6M: *Kevin consistently demonstrating excellent attitude and application towards all aspects of school life.*

6D: *Brianna for following our school rules and by being a great role model for others.*

P&C News

2015 CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The P&C would like to announce the running a MAJOR RAFFLE this term -to be drawn at the Carols Evening. Stay tuned for a very exciting FIRST PRIZE!

P&C would like to invite the school community to contribute to the Christmas Raffle. Please consider whether you or your business are able to **donate**: gift certificates, hamper items, toys, services, goods of any kind. Deliver to the office ASAP.

Thank you!!

Citrus Sculptures

It was fantastic to have so many students and parents volunteer to help put up the GNPS "Grow to Know" Citrus Sculpture along Banna Ave on Sunday morning. It looks fabulous! It was lovely to see the students offering to help out with other sculptures who needed help as well! A special thank you to Brad and Donna Hardwick from Mid-West Conveying, who helped to put up the sunflower! I would also like to thank all the students, parents and staff for coming along. I would especially like to thank Mrs Aitken and Ms McGrail for all their organisation of this event.



Term 4 Sun Smart

It is expected that all students will wear their school hat before school, at recess and at lunch time otherwise they will have to play in the shade. Years 1-6 will not be allowed to go to APEX at recess and lunch time without a hat.

Students are encouraged to wear sunscreen to school and they can put their own sunscreen on at school if they have some in their bags.

Canteen News Week 2

Wednesday	14.10.15	Helper Needed
Thursday	15.10.15	Kelli Bordignon
Friday	16.10.15	Josie Tapner
Monday	19.10.15	Neva Barber
Tuesday	20.10.15	Anjanette Rowley

Due to an increase in prices Icy Poles are now \$1.10, Fandangles are now \$1.60 and Crunchers are \$1.10 each.

Another change is that we will only be selling gluten free sausage rolls.

Hats and library bags are \$16 each which are available from the canteen.

Thanking you

Adele and Paulina Canteen Supervisors

Term 4 Music News

Choir

Choir will be performing this Friday night at the opening of the Festival of the Gardens at 6.15pm. The choir will need to wear full summer school uniform and to meet Ms Maloni at 6pm near the aeroplane at the Visitor's Centre Carpark. We would like to wish them all the best.

Amanaska Concert

A professional 'World Music' group called 'Amanaska' will be performing for GNPS students on Friday 23rd October at 2pm in the school hall. Interested parents are welcome to attend the concert. A note will be sent home shortly.

Music Count Us In

GNPS students will be singing the song 'Gold' at the same time as over 600,000 students all around Australia on Thursday 29th October at 12:30pm. Come along and have a listen - we'll be under the Primary COLA.

2016 School Bands Information Session

If any students are interested in joining the school band, an information session (for parents and students) will be held at 5:15pm on Thursday 29th October in the school hall. Open to any students in Years 2-5 in 2015.

Year 6 Farewell –Meeting for Year 5 Parents

The Year 6 Farewell dinner for Year 6 students and their parents will be held in our school hall on Monday 14th December at 6:00 pm. (Week 11 Term 4). To ensure the success of the night we traditionally ask Year 5 parents to help with the organisation and preparation of the evening. Hopefully, you will be able to relax and enjoy the night next year, when your child is in Year 6.

A meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th October at 3:15pm, in Mrs Woodward's classroom, to establish an organising committee and begin planning for the farewell. Your attendance at this meeting would be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you in anticipation of your support,
Year 5 teachers.

Band and Choir Performing at Rosewood Park

On Sunday 18th October GNPS Band and Choir will be performing at Rosewood Park (Hanwood) for the Griffith Festival of Gardens. Rosewood Park (Also known as Careri's garden) is at 2355A Stokes Road, Hanwood. The route will be well sign-posted during the festival.

Please note:

- Band will perform at 12:30 (arrive midday)
- Choir will perform at 1:30pm (arrive 1pm for sausage sizzle)
- A free sausage sizzle will be provided for the students (and their families) at 1pm.
- Wear full school uniform (summer, including hat)
- Band must bring instruments, music and music stand if you have one.

Thank you to Ms Maloni and Mr Pendlebury for organising this for our students.

Sport News Venue Sport

Venue sport starts this week. If your child is attending a venue sport please ensure they have paid their money before Friday.

Swimming Term 4

Our first week of swimming went very well. I would like to thank the students for their wonderful behaviour and listening and I am sure this will continue for the remainder of the lessons.

Yrs. 4, 5 and 6– 1.20pm - Friday 16th October

Yrs. 2 and 3 – 2.00pm - Friday 16th October

Please ensure children have a towel, swimmers, goggles and a strong zip up bag. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Mrs Johnson

Sports Uniform



Our sports uniform is white shorts and the red GNPS sport top. This is what should be worn on Fridays and at any sporting event. Black shorts are **NOT** part of our uniform.

Riverina PSSA clothing, such as shorts, tops and jackets are not to be worn, as they are not part of the GNPS uniform.

If the students are leaving the school grounds to represent the school, they need to be in the correct uniform, this includes going to venue sport.