

# North Weekly News

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Term 4 Week 4

Tuesday, 27 October 2015

## Dates To Remember

Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Music Count Us in 12.30 Band Information Evening for 2016 5.15pm in hall
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	K-2 Assembly 11.35- 2/3Y Italian Hosting 3-6 Assembly 12.35-2/3Y Italian Hosting Kindergarten Orientation
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Local Debating Competition
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	P&C Meeting 7.15pm
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	School Council meeting 5.30pm
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	K-2 Assembly 11.35- KC Hosting 3-6 Assembly 12.35- 5W Hosting Beecroft School Band performing at 2pm

## PBL "Reach for the Stars" Badges and Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have received our Reach for the Stars Gold Star Award and badge:



**K-2 Abbey (KD):** showing responsibility for her own belongings as well as class equipment.



**3-6 Connor (6D):** for showing genuine care and respect towards others and having a positive outlook.

## UNSW Mathematics Competition

GNPS is very proud of the excellent results achieved by students participating in the UNSW Mathematics Competition.

In the Mathematics competition, two distinctions, seven credits and two merits were achieved. Congratulations to the following students:

## Distinction



Callum and Yuri

## Credit



Ella, Oscar, Alex, Aiden, Zareef, Muntasir and Victoria

## Merit



Samuel and Conner



Education



## World Teachers' Day

This Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October is World Teachers' Day! I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our wonderful teachers for their outstanding dedication and professionalism that they display at Griffith North Public School! I appreciate all the extra activities and effort that they do, both in and outside of the classroom. The school is very lucky to have such wonderful teachers!

THANK YOU!

## Kindergarten Orientation

Orientation dates are:

**Week 5: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2015**

We have one Kindergarten Orientation session left next week. The sessions have been going very well and the new kinders are settling in well. The last session will be a half day of the school day not a full day. The morning session will run from 9.30am to 12pm and the afternoon will run from 12.30pm-3.00pm.



## Assembly Awards Term 4 Week 4

**KD:** Reuben, Jayli, Abbey  
**KC:** Ruby, Ella, Koby  
**K-1P:** Lauren, Tyeshia, Skye  
**1M:** Molly, Sania, Jonah  
**1-2T:** Daniel, Holly, Tyler  
**2BA:** Tara, Caleb, Kieran  
**2/3Y:** Mitchell, Rose, Dante  
**3J:** Kousar, Himanashu  
**3-4A:** Sophia, Rhyllie  
**4M:** Kelab, Lara  
**5W:** Demi, Jacob  
**5P:** Arshdeep, Talia  
**6M:** Sophie, Caleb  
**6D:** Connor, Damien  
**Italian:** Zainab, Mitavale, Cayleb, Zareef

## Nature Playground

After school there is no teacher supervision on the nature playground. If parents allow their children to play on the nature playground, it comes under the parental duty of care, not the schools. Children who are waiting for their parents will not be able to play on the nature playground, as they will not have parental permission. We appreciate your support with this matter.



## Year 4 Borambola Excursion

The Year 4 excursion will be Wednesday to Friday of Week 9, Term 4 (2<sup>nd</sup> December to 4<sup>th</sup> December).

The cost of the excursion is \$270. A deposit of \$50 has already been paid.



The remaining \$220 must be paid before Friday November 27<sup>th</sup> (end of Week 8).

### Term 4 Music News

#### Music Count Us In

This Thursday at 12:30pm GNPS students will join over 600 000 students from around Australia in singing 'Gold'. 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 this Thursday 29th October in the school hall. Open to any students in Years 2-5 in 2015.

### Musica Viva Performance of Amanaska

Last Friday, a live band called Amanaska came and played for us in our hall. They brought some great instruments with them like the bansuri (an Indian flute) and the darabuka and djembe (different types of drums from the Middle East and Africa). Amanaska played some terrific music and some students even got the opportunity to join the musicians on stage!



### Canteen News Week 4

Wednesday	28.10.15	Helper Needed
Thursday	29.10.15	Amanda Bordignon
Friday	30.10.15	Josie Tapner
Monday	02.11.15	Neva Barber
Tuesday	03.11.15	Anjanette Rowley

Due to an increase in prices Icy Poles are now \$1.10, Fandangles are now \$1.60 and Crunchers are \$1.20 each.

Another change is that we will only be selling gluten free sausage rolls to families with dietary needs.

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

Thanking you

Adele and Paulina Canteen Supervisors

### P&C News

## 2015 CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The P&C would like to announce the running of 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!!

### Swimming Term 4

Swimming lessons are going very well. The students are enjoying them and making good progress.

**Yrs. 4, 5 and 6** – 1.20pm - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

**Yrs. 2 and 3** – 2.00pm - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

## Year 6 Farewell – Meeting for Year 5 Parents

Thank you for your response and support for the planning of the Year 6 Farewell dinner. Our second meeting to finalise plans for the Year 6 Farewell will take place on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October tomorrow at 3.20pm in Mrs Woodward's classroom.

We would greatly appreciate your attendance at this meeting as we finalise arrangements for catering and setting up and prepare invitations. Could those people organising quotes please bring them along to this meeting so final orders can be placed.

Thanking you for your support,  
Year 5 teachers

## 2016 Classes

We are currently working on class structures for 2016. If you will be moving away from Griffith at the end of the year and your child will not be attending GNPS in 2016, could you please advise the school office as soon as possible. Also if you know of any families moving into the GNPS zone and will be attending GNPS next year, please let us know as grade numbers have a significant impact on the formation of classes.

**GRIFFITH**  
**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November**  
**2015**

**Willow Park, Griffith**



5.00 pm	Event & Lantern Sales Open
	On-Stage Entertainment
	Classic/Historic Car Display
7.45pm	Lantern Lighting Ceremony
8.00 pm	Light the Night Walk Starts
8.30pm	Event Concludes

For further details about Griffith Light the Night visit:

<http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/griffith>



## Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 in 2017

Parents or carers of Year 5 students who wish their child to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2017 need to apply now.

Important information:

- Parents must apply online at [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement)
- Applications for entry in 2017 can be made online between 13 October 2015 and 16 November 2015. Applications will not be accepted after 16 November 2015.
- All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 10 March 2016.
- Aurora College is a selective virtual secondary school. With Aurora, students attend their local high/central school and connect with specialist classes and teachers in English, Mathematics and Science. It means that they do not have to leave home, or school, to access extension opportunities. Parents may consider their children sitting the selective test to keep their options open in 2017.

If you would like more information please contact Miss Bourne at school.

## Lost Property

There is currently a large amount of clothing and other items in lost property. If your child has lost something please come and have a look.

