

North Weekly News

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Term 4 Week 6

Tuesday, 10 November

Dates To Remember

Tues 17th Nov	K-2 Assembly 11.35- 2BA Hosting 3-6 Assembly 12.35- 4M Hosting
Mon 23rd Nov	Enviro Mentors
Tues 24th Nov	K-2 Assembly 11.35- KD Hosting 3-6 Assembly 12.35- 3J Hosting Enviro Mentors
Thurs 26th Nov	Year 6 Full Day Orientation at GHS and WHS
Tues 1st Dec	K-2 Assembly 11.35- K/1P Hosting 3-6 Assembly 12.35-2016 Captains and Prefect Speeches
Wed 2nd-Fri 4th	Year 4 at Borambola
Wed 2nd Dec	Year 6 Farewell Meeting for Year 5 Parents

Presentation Day

Wednesday 9th December

Years 3-6: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
K-2: 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Tickets on sale Tuesday 17th November

Tickets for GNPS Presentation Day will be on sale from the GNPS front office from **Tuesday 17th November until Tuesday 24th November**. A limit of **TWO tickets for each ceremony per family** is able to be purchased. This is to ensure that all families have the opportunity to attend Presentation Day on December 9th.

On Wednesday 25th November extra tickets will be able to be purchased if they are still available. This is the only fair way we are able to do this. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

Tickets are priced at \$6:00 for both K-2 and Yrs. 3-6 ceremonies.

Special Request

On Presentation Day it is vital that ALL students are dressed in full summer uniforms (including black shoes). Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform on the day as many students will be on stage at some time during the presentation of awards and items.

Spelling Bee Finalist

On Wednesday 11th November (tomorrow) Aoibhinn Robinson of 4M will compete at the State Spelling Bee final in Sydney. She will be representing GNPS and the Griffith Zone.

An audio stream will be available all day on:

http://www.abc.net.au/radio/player/?station=itinerant_one&src=internetradio

We would like to wish Aoibhinn all the best and we look forward to hearing about her achievements.
GOOD LUCK Aoibhinn!



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 Gisela Ciampa for showing respect and care for her peers and her school.



3-6 Noah Gaske

for being a caring and considerate student.



Griffith Debating Competition

On Wednesday the 4th of November, the Year 6 Debating team consisting of Georgia, Connor, Callum and Sam went to Beelbangera to compete in the Griffith local debating tournament. Our first topic was that 'Sports stars earn too much money'; this debate was against Beelbangera Year 5s. We were affirmative and we won that debate. After that we went on to debate against Yenda on the topic of 'Junk mail should be banned'. We were negative for this topic and also won. Because we won both debates we will go on to debate against Yenda, yet again. The topic is 'School grounds should be open for public use'. We are affirmative. The debate is on Friday the 27th. We learnt lots and really enjoyed it.

By Connor, Callum and Sam.



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.

Assembly Awards Term 4 Week 6

KD: Audrey, Frances, Jennie
KC: Bruce, Cliona, Daniel
K-1P: Ryan, Ruby, Maddie
1M: Scarlett, Lane, Blake
1-2T: Stephanie, Jezaiah, Mema
2BA: Matilda, Zadon, Callym
2/3Y: Harrison, Lucy, Justin
3J: Abraam, Todd
3-4A: Ethan, Isaiah
4M: William, Navjot
5W: Sophie, Tyler
5P: Kayla, Ana
6M: Samuel, Ryan
6D: Aiden, Shane
Italian: Adam, Billy, Matilda, Brianna

Kindergarten Meet and Play

We will be continuing our 2016 Kindergarten Meet and Play.

This will give students the opportunity to meet each other and have a play at school. It is also a chance for new parents to meet.

Some of our present parents will be conducting these sessions and it is hoped that it will make the transition to 'big school' easier.

Time: 2:30 pm - 3:15 pm

Place: Infants Sandpit

Dates: Friday 13th November

Wednesday 18th November

Friday 27th November

Wednesday 2nd December

Friday 11th December

Wednesday 9th September

If you know any new Kinder parents who would be interested, please let them know. For more information, contact Liz Johnstone 0437641288

Year 6 Transition

Griffith High School and Wade High School will both have their full **Orientation Day on Thursday 26th November.**

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
- 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.

Year 6 Farewell – Meeting for Year 5 Parents

Our final meeting will take place on Wednesday 2nd December at 3.15pm in Mrs Woodward's classroom.

We would greatly appreciate your attendance at this meeting as we finalise arrangements for catering and setting up for the evening.

Thanking you for your support,

Year 5 teachers

Canteen News Week 6

Wednesday	11.11.15	Help Needed
Thursday	12.11.15	Help Needed
Friday	13.11.15	Josie Tapner
Monday	16.11.15	Neva Barber
Tuesday	17.11.15	Anjanette Rowley

Please remind your child to hand their lunch order in before 9.15am please. Lots of students are coming too late with their orders.

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

We will be holding a hot chip day on Wednesday 25th November.

Thanking you

Adele and Paulina Canteen Supervisors

Band News



GNPS and Griffith Junior Concert Band students participating in a workshop with Beecroft Public School band from Sydney on Monday 9th November. BPS band also performed at school on Tuesday afternoon. Wow - what a great band!

Year 4 Borambola Excursion

The Year 4 excursion will be **Wednesday to Friday of Week 9, Term 4 (2nd December to 4th 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 27th (end of Week 8).

GNPS Christmas Raffle 2015

Major Prize 1 *Ipad Mini 2 32GB*



LEADING EDGE Computers
Switched On Service

Raising support
for the
GNPS
community

Major Prize 2

4WD Adventure Camping PACK
Valued over \$700

4WD Recovery Kit
(Ratchet Strap, Snatch
Strap, Shackles, Gloves)
12V Mini Compressor
6/12V Battery Tester
15AMP Battery Charger
6 Pack Cooler



**\$2 per
ticket**

Third Prize

Give-Yourself-A-Break HAMPER



Fourth Prize

Christmas Indulgence HAMPER



**More
tickets
available at
the office**

Plus more great prizes!

**Raffle will be drawn at GNPS CAROLS
Thursday 10th December**

Thank you for supporting the 2015 GNPS Christmas Raffle.

**WRITE YOUR NAME and PHONE NUMBER on each ticket that you wish to purchase.
RETURN the tickets and money (in envelope) to teachers by Tue 8th Dec.**

The P&C would like to thank GNPS for the generous support shown throughout 2015 and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year!

Thank you to those who have donated to the 2015 Raffle: **Leading Edge Computers
Eclipse, Hip Digs, Casella, DeBortoli, Old Belahlee and McWilliams.**