



Term 1 Week 7

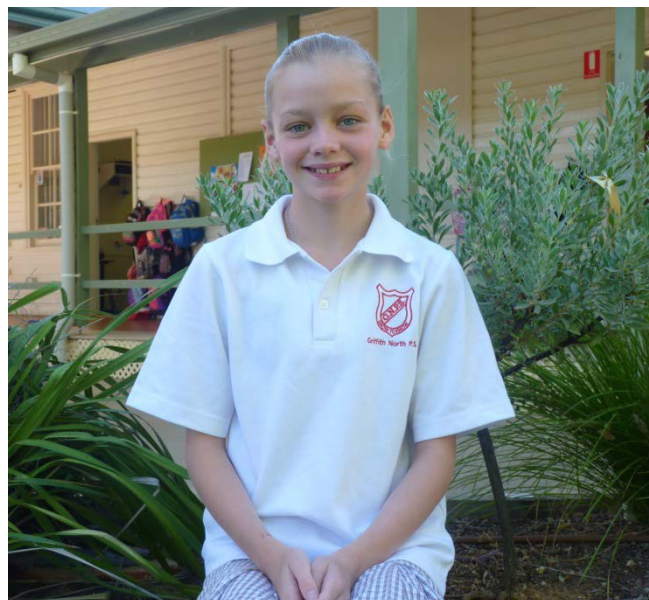
Wednesday, 18 March

Dates To Remember

Tues 17 th Mar	Harmony Day K-6 Assembly 11.35am
Wed 18 th Mar	Yrs. 3-6 Performance "A Case of Emergency"
Thurs 19 th Mar	Cross Country
Mon 23 rd Mar	Young Leaders Conference
Tues 24 th Mar	K-2 Bronze Awards Assembly Years 5 and 6 Bronze Awards Assembly
Thurs 26 th Mar	P&C Meeting 7.15pm
Mon 30 th Mar- Wed 1 st April	Years 5 and 6 Canberra Excursion
Tues 31 st Mar	Years 3 and 4 Bronze Awards Assembly No K-2 Assembly
Wed 1 st April	K-2 Easter Hat Parade
Thurs 2 nd April	Last Day of Term 1
Fri 3 rd April	Good Friday

Riverina Carnival

Yesterday was the Riverina Swimming Carnival, which was held at Albury. Congratulations to Victoria who came 1st in the 11 Years girls breaststroke and broke a Riverina record. She will now go on to represent GNPS, Griffith Zone and the Riverina at the State Swimming Carnival, held in Sydney in April. This is an outstanding achievement. Well done Victoria!



Road Safety

We are very fortunate at GNPS to have three school pedestrian crossings, two of which have crossing supervisors during the mornings and afternoons.

Please ensure that when you are crossing with your child that you use the crossing so that everyone is safe and that children are learning safe habits. Please also encourage your child to use the crossing when crossing the road without you.



P&C Executive 2015

Parents and school in partnership

The Griffith North P&C held their AGM on Thursday 5th March. I would like to publicly thank the members of the 2014 committee for their work in the past 12 months and welcome the new committee to their roles. I am looking forward to working with the new committee.

The P & C executive positions for 2015 are:

President: Jo Thorpe

Vice-President: Mandy O'Connor & Steve Mitchell

Treasurer: Tahnee Jamieson

Secretary: Kim Jones

School Canteen Treasurer: Leanne Roser

Harmony Day

This year we will be celebrating Harmony Day on Tuesday 17th March. Harmony Day is all about celebrating Australia's diversity. It is about inclusivity, respect and a sense of belonging. All children from Kindergarten to Year 6 are to wear orange on this day. We will also be holding a K-6 Harmony Day assembly at 11.35am. At this assembly the SRC will be presented with their badges, choir will perform, KD and 6D will present items.

2015 Voluntary School Contribution

Thank you to the families who have already paid their Voluntary School Contributions. It is greatly appreciated. A reminder for those who have not paid your voluntary school contribution that it is;

- \$30.00 for 1 student attending GNPS (\$0.75 cents per week if you have one child :)
- \$55.00 for 2 students from the same family attending GNPS (\$1.38 – 69 cents per day per child)
- \$75.00 for 3 or more students from the same family attending GNPS(\$1.87 – 63 cents per day per child)

Please note that all contributions – no matter how large or small – are greatly appreciated.

Library News We Need Your Help!

Our beautiful new library books need covering. Can you help? We welcome parents and grandparents. Please come and see our Teacher Librarian Mrs Sue Fordham in the school library.



THANK YOU

2015 Canberra Excursion

Thank you to everyone who returned their deposit for the Canberra Excursion.

The final cost for this excursion will be \$300.

The balance of payment can be made in instalments or as a lump sum. Complete payment will be expected by

Monday 23rd March 2015.



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Assembly Awards - Term 1 Week 7

KC: Jullian, Ella, Zeinab
KD: Alvina, Noah
K-1P: Bray, Madeline, Elisiva, Lauren
1M: Brooke, Brooklyn, Harry
1/2T: Penny, Christopher, Mema
2BA: Callym, Ben, Bianca
2/3Y: Rose, Liliana, Kaeli
3J: Kayla, Taylah
3/4A: Ella, Chelsea
4M: Aoibhinn, Muntasir
5W: Kai, Matilda
5P: Daniel, Tess,
6M: Oscar, Caleb
6D: Charli, Connor,
Italian: Dylan, Renee, Muntasir, Maddison

SRC Purple and Yellow Day- For Relay for Life

Thank you to everyone who came to school last Thursday dressed in purple and yellow to support Relay for Life.

Congratulations to Talina who had the closest guess of 1398 out of 1394 lollies in the lolly jar and won the jar of lollies. In total the school raised \$426.35 to donate towards Relay for Life, which is a wonderful achievement.

Thanking you
SRC



Science, Mathematics, English, Writing and Spelling Competitions for 2015

Students in Years 3-6 are invited to participate in the University of NSW Competitions. The competitions are: Digital Technologies (Yrs. 3 - 6), Science (Yrs. 3-6), Maths (Yrs. 3-6), English (Yrs. 3-6), Spelling (Yrs. 3-6) and Writing (Yrs. 3-6). The entry fee for each competition is \$8.00 per student except for spelling which is \$11.00 and Writing \$17.00. Entries to all competitions must be to the school by Thursday 26th March 2015. Payment can be made using cash or cheque. Cheques should be crossed and made payable to Griffith North Public School.

"A Case of Emergency" performance for Years 3-6

An exciting and interactive Forensic Science Workshop will be at our school on **Wednesday 18th March 2015**, to present a crime scene for the students to solve. They will hear the case background and will be able to examine the evidence found at the crime scene. The students will learn the real science that is carried out in the Forensic Laboratories and help to solve the crime just like a real Forensic Scientist. Students will conduct their own investigation with their class to crack the case! The students will get to do fingerprinting, explore trace evidence with a digital microscope, examine a crime scene and much more!

Permission notes and \$5 need to be returned to school by Monday 16th March.

A Taste of Harmony at Griffith Central

'A Taste of Harmony' is being held this year on Saturday 21st March 2015 at Griffith Central from 10.30am to 1 pm. There will be a fashion parade, dancing, face painting and food from different countries available on the day. Everyone is welcome to join in Griffith's Harmony Day celebrations.

Canteen News Week 7

Wednesday	11.3.15	Leah DeMarco
Thursday	12.3.15	Liza Guglielmino
Friday	13.3.15	Josie Tapner
Monday	16.3.15	Neva Barber
Tuesday	17.3.15	Anjanette Rowley

Thank you to the parents and grandparents who have been helping out. If you are free and can help please contact the canteen. Please check that you have a new price list, which was sent home early this term. If you do not have one, please come and collect one from the canteen.

Please note there are a few prices that need to be changed on the menu:

- Hot dogs \$3.00
- Sausage rolls \$3.20
- Chicken Salad bowls \$6.00
- Foccacia \$1.80
- Half Foccacia 90cents

Thanking you

Adele and Paulina Canteen Supervisor



Sport News

AFL Western Riverina Trials

Congratulations to Ryan, Samuel and Jacob who were selected to attend the AFL Western Riverina PSSA trials on Thursday 19th March in Leeton. We wish all 3 boys the best of luck!



Cross Country Carnival

Our Cross Country is being held on Thursday 19th March (next week). Permission notes were sent home last week. Please ensure they are returned along with \$2.50 by Wednesday 18th March. Adult helpers will be needed to help run the carnival. Please indicate on the bottom of the GNPS Cross Country information note that you can assist.

The details for the carnival are as follows;

Date: Thursday 19th March 2015

Venue: Lake Wyangan Picnic Area

Time: Starting at approximately 12:00pm

Cost: \$2.50

Come one, Come all!

K-2 Easter Hat Parade

When: Wednesday 1st
April 12:00 noon

Where: GNPS school hall

Come along to the hall and join in the fun of the Easter Hat Parade. Students will parade their amazing Easter hats, entertain you with lots of singing and there may even be a surprise visit from the Easter Bunny!

Last Thursday night we held our AGM meeting. I would like to thank the 2014 committee for all their hard work throughout 2014. I would like to welcome the new committee Mandy O'Connor and Steve Mitchell (Vice Presidents), Tahnee Jamieson (Treasurer), Kim Jones (Secretary) and Leanne Roser (Canteen Treasurer). I am looking forward to my year as President for 2015.

Our first fundraiser for the year will be a Pie Drive. Order forms are attached to this newsletter and are due back by Monday 30th March, along with the correct money. The pies will be ready for pick up on Wednesday 29th April from 2:30pm-5:30pm from the school hall.

Our second fundraiser will be our "Family Fun Day" on Sunday 3rd May. Please see information below for helping out at this event for the school.

Thanking you
Jo Thorpe
P&C President



Sunday 3rd May
10am—2pm

A fun day out for the GNPS school community and a chance to invite new families – ALL WELCOME!

RIGHT NOW WE NEED YOUR HELP:

1. PESCA—please fill a zip-lock sandwich bag or glass jar (or a few) with treats or goodies; valued between \$3-5
2. RAFFLE— please consider what you and/or your business could offer as a raffle prize—BIG or SMALL!

- * GOODS / ITEMS
- * VOUCHERS
- * SERVICES

Please deliver the above items to the office.

3. STALLS- if you would like to run a stall at the Family Fun Day please contact the P&C
Contact Jo 0432 184 977 with all queries.