

North Weekly News

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Term 3 Week 5

Tuesday, 11 August 2015

Dates To Remember

Fri 14 th Aug	P&C Lamington Drive Touch Football Gala Day
Tues 18 th Aug	K-2 Assembly- 1/2T Hosting 3-6 Assembly- Premiers Spelling Bee Final
Fri 21 st Aug	Concert Rehearsal at Regional Theatre
Tues 25 th Aug	No Assemblies due to Concert
Thurs 27 th Aug	Concert Dress Rehearsal at Regional Theatre Concert Evening Performance 6.30 Regional Theatre
Fri 28 th Aug	Concert Evening Performance 6.30 Regional Theatre

Attendance

Griffith North Public School works in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.



On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday

- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

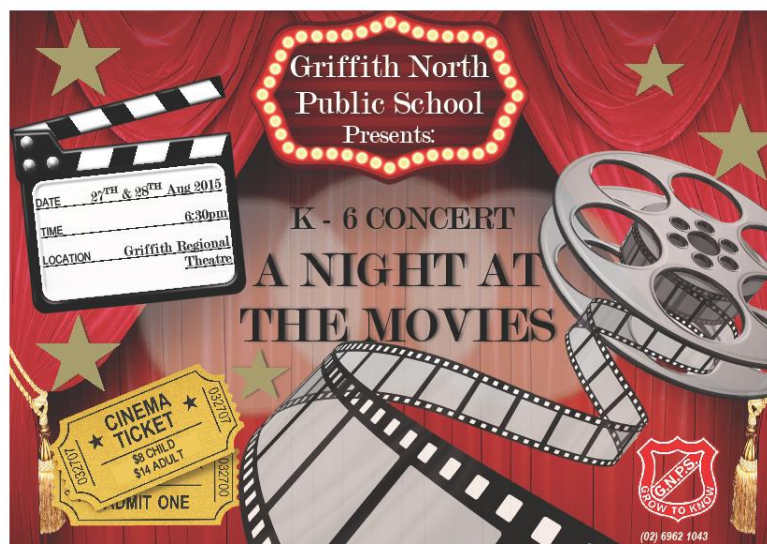
Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence to see if we can help and support your child.

GNPS Concert "A Night at the Movies"

This year's GNPS's bi-annual school concert is being held at the Regional Theatre. The concert will have all classes from K-6 and the Early Learning Support Class performing an item around the theme - "A Night at the Movies."

There are two shows, evening performances on Thursday 27th and Friday 28th August starting at 6.30pm. If you are unable to attend the evening performances you are welcome to come to the Full Dress Rehearsal on Thursday 27th August.

Tickets are \$14 for an adult and \$8 for a child and can only be purchased from the Regional Theatre. There is no limit on the amount of tickets you can purchase. Tickets are now on sale both online and at the box office. Tickets for the Dress Rehearsal can only be purchased at the box office.



Education

Chess

On the 4th of August, the GNPS chess team went to St Patricks for a chess tournament. Griffith North entered five teams into the competition. All the teams played very well against some difficult teams, such as Deniliquin Christian School and Coleambally Central School. The A team was successful all day eventually coming 3rd on a total of 15 points. Other results include Griffith North B team came in equal fifth with 13.5 points, Griffith North C team came in equal seventeenth with 10.5 points, Griffith North E team came in equal twenty fifth with 9.5 points and Griffith North D team came in equal thirtieth with 8.5 points. We would all like to thank Mrs Fordham for organising the teams and to Mrs Morel for taking us to St Pats.

By Sam and Aidan



K-6 Assembly Awards - Week 5

KD: Reuben, Dylan, Zoey
KC: Sienna, Koby, Jaimi-Lee
K-1P: Bray, Elisiva, Relisha
1M: Grace, Joshua, Brandon
1-2T: Kaiden, Jayde, Marley
2BA: Holley, Zac, Liam
2/3Y: Kylah, Mitchell, Dante
3J: Elise, Kaleb
3-4A: Malina, Alex
4M: Zach, Asenaca
5W: Victoria, Jyi
5P: Madysen, Ethan
6M: Kevin, Jemimah
6D: Marco, Charli
Italian: Ava, Will, Kayla, Aidan

GNPS Lapathon

Thank you to the many people who have returned their Lapathon money. \$3731.30 has been raised. A fantastic amount!! As soon as everyone has brought in their money, prizes will be allocated to those children who completed the number of laps required. Remember that the Lapathon Funds are going towards buying new Literacy Resources for all classes from Kindergarten to Year 6.

Life Education Van

The Life Education Van will be here at GNPS from Monday 17th August to Tuesday 25th August. The Life Education Van will provide students with information to help them become aware of issues that will help them become happy healthy adults. This is a wonderful program and should be seen by all students. Notes for the Life Education Van have been sent home. If you have not returned your note and money please do so ASAP. Classes will be attending on the following days:

Monday 17th: 1M & 2/3Y
 Tuesday 18th: 6D & 4M
 Wednesday 19th: K-1P & 5W
 Thursday 20th: 1-2T, 2BA and KC
 Monday 24th: 5P, 6M & 3J
 Tuesday 25th: 3/4A

2016 Kindergarten Meet and Play

We will be giving our 2016 Kindergarten 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: 2:30-3:15

Place: Infants Sandpit

Dates: Wed 12th August

Fri 21st August

Wed 26th August

Fri 4th September

Wed 9th September

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



K/1P Concert Attire – Gumboots needed!

Black gumboots are needed for our concert item. If your child has a spare pair of children's size gumboots that are black in colour and you are happy to lend for the concert it would be much appreciated. Please send them into school with your child's name and class written on the inside of the gumboots so they can be returned after the concert.

Many thanks,
Miss Petrulli.

Canteen News Week 5

Wednesday	12.8.15	Kelli Bordignon
Thursday	13.8.15	Helper needed
Friday	14.8.15	Josie Tapner
Monday	17.8.15	Neva Barber
Tuesday	18.8.15	Helper needed

Please remind your child to hand in their lunch order before the 9.15am bell. We are still having quite a few children not handing them in until lunch. They cannot be guaranteed they will get what they ordered. Thank you to the mums and grandparents who help out in the canteen. We really appreciate your support. If you would like to help out please come and see us.

Thanking you

Adele and Paulina

Canteen Supervisors

P&C Lamington Drive



**Thank you for supporting the 2015
Lamington Drive**

**Please collect your orders from
the Hall
FROM 5PM on Friday 14th
August**

More Helpers are NEEDED for making
Lamingtons during school hours on Friday 14th
August — please contact Tamara Minato—
0428 645 044

**Text Tamara if you require PICKUP
earlier than 5pm**



Sport News

Zone Athletics Carnival



Congratulations to our Griffith Zone Athletics Team who competed at the Zone Carnival on Friday. They all showed excellent sportsmanship and represented GNPS beautifully. Thank you to Mr Angel and Mrs Johnson for organising this for the school. The students who have made it to the Riverina carnival will be in next week's newsletter.

Touch Football Gala Day

This Friday we have our boys and girls touch football teams participating in the Griffith Zone Touch Football Gala Day. Thank you to Mrs Pandolfo for selecting and coaching the teams. I would like to wish both teams all the best for their games.

Girls Team



Boys Team



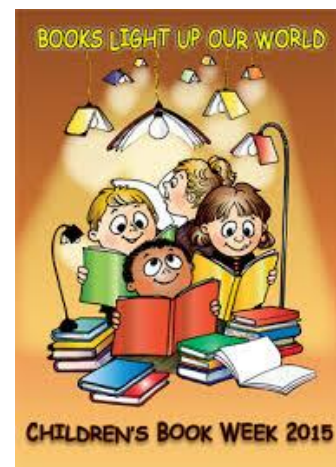
Swimming Program

Thank you to all the families who have returned the final Swimming Program note and money. This is just a reminder that the final payment of \$75 is due by **28th August**.

Book Week at GNPS

Book Week will be celebrated during Week 9 (September 7-11) at GNPS this year. We will celebrate with a **Book Fair** by Carnival Books, a **Book Week Parade** on Tuesday 8 September and a special **Book Week Assembly** item. The theme for the parade will be **Famous People from the Past**.

A search on the internet will assist you with costume ideas. Famous pilots, scientists, mathematicians, social workers, entertainers, sports people, bushrangers, explorers, kings, queens, knights, artists, writers and many more.



LITERACY PRO

The Literacy Pro reading program for Years 3 to 6 assesses the students' independent comprehension level. They then read books that interest them in their reading range and may take LitPro quizzes. Students may access Literacy Pro at home through the school portal and then the link in Oliver library.

OLIVER LIBRARY

Our school library has migrated to a new and exciting operating system called OLIVER. There is also a bright, colourful home page called ORBIT for younger students. OLIVER can be used at home through the school portal.

Woolworths Vouchers

GNPS is registered for the **Woolworths Earn & Learn** program at Woolworths. Stickers can be collected and sent into school or placed in the Griffith North collection boxes at both Woolworths stores. Please support our school to collect as many stickers as possible. These are then used to get new resources for our school.