

# North Weekly News

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Term 3 Week 8

Tuesday, 1 September

## Dates To Remember

Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	P&C Meeting 7.15pm Staffroom
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 4 Excursion to Pioneer Park
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Book Fair Starts Book Week Assembly and Book Parade Griffith Spelling Bee Final at GEPS
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	P&C Working Bee
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Behaviour Awards Assembly K-2 11.35 3-6 12.30
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Last day of Term 3

## GNPS Concert "A Night at the Movies"

Congratulations to all the students for their fantastic performances at the Regional Theatre for our 2015 Concert "A Night at the Movies." It was a great success and I would like to thank all the teachers for their hard work and effort in producing items of such a high standard. I would especially like to thank Mrs Jodie Pandolfo. It was a fantastic team effort by all students and staff!



## Special Concert Thank You

Thank you to **Jessica Forbes from Stars Performing Arts Academy** for all her work with some of the classes for the concert. She donated her time and expertise to our school to help our students and teachers. We really appreciate all your support to ensure our concert was such a success!



## SASS Recognition Week

This week is SASS Recognition Week! I would like to take the opportunity to acknowledge all the hard work and efforts of all our SASS staff at GNPS. Our SASS staff include, Janet Signor (School Administration Manager), Cheryl Adcock, Tammy Gale, Sarah Signor (School Administration Officers), Helen Cambrell, Rachael Fattore, Allison Forbes, Melissa Zambon, Jodie Smith, Anita Kumaran, Rachael Keenan, Jane Francis, Vanessa Blumer, Frank Cirillo (School Learning Support Officers), Michelle Russell (Aboriginal Education Worker) and Keith Chapman (General Assistant). All do a brilliant job and often their hard work goes by unnoticed however, without all their efforts we would not be as efficient and effective as we are. On behalf of the teaching staff of GNPS I would like to thank the SASS staff for all they do to support public education at GNPS!



Education

## The *Partners in Learning* parent feedback survey

Our school will also be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary; however, your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

You can access the survey in your own time, between 17 August and 16 October 2015. Follow the link below on your computer or tablet:

1. [Login in:](#)  
<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com>
2. Your School's Parent Username = **parent17959**
3. Your School's Parent Password = **Gri4027**

## K-6 Assembly Awards - Week 8

**KD:** Jayde, Sienna, Reuben  
**KC:** Julian, Muhammad, Mert  
**K-1P:** Denis, Vinnie, Julia  
**1M:** Tyrone, Harry, Molly  
**1-2T:** Charlotte, Frank, Pauline  
**2BA:** Josephine, Zadon, Shakiya  
**2/3Y:** Denzel, Ella, Kaeli  
**3J:** Tabitha, Nicholas  
**3-4A:** Joel, Billy  
**4M:** Bailey, Michael  
**5W:** Luca, Sam  
**5P:** Tess, Leo  
**6M:** Osam, Seth  
**6D:** Japleen, Connor  
**Italian:** Samuel, Daniel, Piper, Elisabeth

## "A Night at the Movies" DVD and Photos

DVDs and photos from our concert "A Night at the Movies" can be ordered this week from the school office.

The DVD is \$30 and the photos are \$5 for A5 and \$10 for A4 size. Photos are on display in the front office area. Friday will be the last day for orders, as we need to finalise these so they can be organised over the holidays ready for Term 4.



## P&C Father's Day Stall

This year the P&C will be running a Fathers' Day Stall. Students can choose from a number of



wonderful gifts for their dad! The gifts will be available this week for students to purchase unless sold out before. Cost - \$5 a gift.



## Kindergarten Orientation 2016

### Information Evening for Parents

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

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

The meeting will commence at **6:30pm** in **KC's classroom (Room 13)**. At this meeting you will be given information regarding Orientation Session times.

**We look forward to meeting you!**

### Orientation dates are:

**Week 3: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

**Week 4: Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

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

These sessions will be a  $\frac{1}{2}$  **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-3.00pm.



## GNPS Lapathon

Thank you to the many people who have returned their Lapathon money. \$4564.00 has been raised. A fantastic amount! This is the last week for students to bring their money in, if they are to be eligible for prizes. At next Monday's morning assembly 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.

## Canteen News Week 8

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>02.9.15</b>	Kelli Bordignon
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>03.9.15</b>	Josie Tapner
<b>Friday</b>	<b>04.9.15</b>	Josie Tapner
<b>Monday</b>	<b>07.9.15</b>	Neva Barber
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>08.9.15</b>	Anjanette Rowley

### Hot Chip Day

On Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September the canteen will be having a HOT CHIP Day at recess only. They will be \$3.50. Please pre-order in the morning only. (For catering purposes).

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



### 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:** Fri 4<sup>th</sup> September

Wed 9<sup>th</sup> September

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

### P&C News

The P&C has been working hard to bring together the installation of a nature play zone in the Infants playground. Information about this will be distributed shortly. A family working bee will be held on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September to start the landscaping components of the play zone. Please put this date in your diary: all help will be welcome. Any questions, please contact Jo— 0432184977.

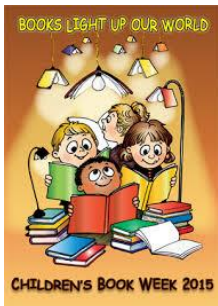
Next P&C meeting is on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 7.15pm. ALL WELCOME.

Thank you, Jo

## Library News

### Book Week at GNPS

Book Week will be celebrated during Week 9 (September 8-11) at GNPS this year. We will celebrate with a **Book Fair** by Carnival Books, a **Book Week Parade** on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> 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.



### PLEASE NOTE BOOK FAIR SHORTENED

The dates for our Book Fair have changed to Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September.

The library will be closed on Monday as Mrs Fordham will be attending a course.

### Help needed

Our school is holding a Carnival Book Fair from Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September and we need your help in the morning with sales and student queries. Carnival Book Fairs provide quality books for us to display in the school, all at discounted prices. Every book you purchase helps us build resources for the children in our school. Thank you for your support.

### Book Week Parade

The Book Week **parade** will be held in the school hall at 11.35am Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September and the special Book Week **assembly** for Kindergarten to Year 6 will follow on from the parade in the hall. Parents and grandparents are invited to attend. The Book Fair will open for parents and grandparents straight after the assembly has finished.

## Band News

Congratulations to our school band who did their first performance before the concert last week in the foyer of the Regional Theatre! They were wonderful.

They also performed at our 3-6 Assembly today and were amazing.

Thank you to Mr Pendlebury for all his hard work with our band.



## Concert "A Night at The Movies"

