

# North Weekly News

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Term 1 Week 4

Tuesday, 16 February

## Dates To Remember

Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	GNPS Swimming Carnival
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	K-2 Assembly –KD Hosting 11.35 3-6 Assembly - Swimming Carnival Ribbons 12.35
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Zone Swimming Carnival
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Young Leaders' Conference
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> March	K-2 Assembly – K/1P Hosting 11.35 3-6 Assembly 6D Hosting 12.35
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	School Disco K-2 5.30pm-6.30pm 3-6 6.30pm-8.00pm
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Clean Up Australia Day
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Riverina Swimming Carnival
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> March	K-2 Assembly – KC Hosting 11.35 3-6 Assembly 4P Hosting 12.35

## Mrs Morel

Congratulations to Mrs Morel, who was presented with her 20 Years of Service Certificate from the Department of Education at today's 3-6 assembly. This is a wonderful achievement and I would like to thank Mrs Morel for her dedication and commitment to GNPS.



## 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 Tayah or displaying a caring attitude towards her peers.



## 3-6 Demi



for being a very thoughtful, mannerly, respectful and responsible student in all areas of school life.

## Swimming Carnival

Tomorrow is our annual swimming carnival which is being held at the Griffith Aquatic Centre. All students from Years 3-6 are expected to attend, along with the Year 2 students, who are turning 8, and have indicated they are able to confidently swim 50m. Buses will be leaving at 9.20am. I would like to wish all competitors the best of luck for the day and thank Mrs Woodward for all her organisation for this event for our students!

## Meet the Teacher Evening

Thank you to the parents and caregivers who came along to our "Meet the Teacher Evening" last Tuesday night. I hope this evening gave parents an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and to find out a little about the class organisation. I would also like to thank the teachers for giving up their family time to allow this to occur.

## School Counsellors

This year we have two new School Counsellors, who will be servicing our school. Mrs Robyn Heath will be here on Tuesdays and Mrs Julia Hopp will be here on Wednesdays. I would like to welcome Mrs Heath and Mrs Hopp to GNPS.



## Arriving at School on Time

Arriving at school on time is very important for all students as it:

- ensures that students don't miss out on the important learning activities scheduled early in the day when the students are most alert
- helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- gives students time to greet their friends before class and therefore,
- reduces the opportunity for classroom disruption.

Lateness is recorded as partial absence and must be explained by parents or carers in the same way as other forms of absence.

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time to start the day!



## Assembly Awards - Term 1 Week 4

**KC:** Dakota, Ruby, Ryan  
**KD:** Harry, Dusty, Ava  
**KL:** Addison, Samiullah, Alijah  
**K-1P:** Mason, Madeline, Jennie  
**1A:** Sean, Sienna, Aurora  
**1/2M:** Daniel, Penny, Martha  
**2UV:** Jonah, Tyler, Brooklyn  
**2/3M:** Lane, Zoe, Jo  
**3CY:** Thomas, Holley  
**3/4A:** Bianca, Caleb  
**4P:** Alex, Isabella  
**4/5S:** Lara, Kaeli  
**5W:** Moinque, Ryan  
**6M:** Susannah, Naumankhan  
**6D:** Lachlan, Lacey  
**Italian:** Daniel, Ezra, Lachlan, Adelaide

## 2016 Bendigo and Ballarat Excursion

The cost of the excursion will be \$385. **We require a deposit of \$100 to confirm your child's participation in the excursion.** Please pay your deposit by Monday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

The balance of payment can be made in instalments or as a lump sum. Complete payment will be expected by Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

**Any parent, who foresees difficulty with finance, including payment of the deposit, is invited to ring Miss Bourne as soon as possible. No late deposits will be accepted, so if you foresee any difficulties with paying the deposit, please contact Miss Bourne immediately.**





## School Uniform

It is wonderful to see the majority of students return to school in their correct uniform. This year we will be continuing with the uniform draw. A reminder that rabens are not allowed to be worn to school. Black closed in shoes are to be worn.

The only jewellery to be worn is plain sleepers/studs (other jewellery accepted for religious or medical reasons only)

No nail polish is to be worn.



## Hats

During Terms 1 and 4 at Griffith North Public School students are required to wear school hats in the playground. Hats are available from the canteen for \$16 each. The girls wear a red hat and the boys wear a grey hat.



## Canteen News Week 4

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>17.2.16</b>	<b>Helper Needed</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>18.2.16</b>	<b>Helper Needed</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>19.2.16</b>	Josie Tapner
<b>Monday</b>	<b>22.2.16</b>	<b>Helper Needed</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>23.2.16</b>	<b>Helper Needed</b>

The 2016 Canteen rosters were sent home. If anyone is interested in helping in the canteen or making a cake, slice etc, it would be greatly appreciated. Please fill out the roster and return ASAP.

A reminder that there have been price increases with the new menu, so please check your menu for the correct prices.

A reminder that all lunch orders need to be handed in by 9.15am, so that students can be guaranteed that they will get what they have ordered.

Thanking you  
Adele and Paulina  
Canteen Supervisors

## Griffith High School Prospective Parent and Student Evening



*Excellence Opportunity Care*

Year 7 2017

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2016

6:30pm – 7:30pm

School Hall

All welcome

This evening will include a school tour, a brief presentation and Q&A session

Enquiries: Ph 69621711

## Library Bags

It is a good idea for all students to use a library bag to help protect our books and keep track of them. Library bags are available from the school canteen @ \$16.00. Other commercial or home-made library bags are also acceptable. Plastic grocery bags are not acceptable. All Kindergarten, Year 1 & 2 students need a library bag to borrow from the school library.



## Developing the Borrowing Habit

For children to develop the habit of borrowing library books they need to borrow and return books on a regular basis. This can be achieved by reminding children the night before their library day to get their library books and library bag ready for school. Notes go home when books are overdue and parents can help by checking bags on a regular basis.

## BANDS FUNDRAISING TRIVIA NIGHT

Why?: To raise funds for our school band program.

When?: Saturday 2nd April at 6:30pm in our school hall.

Who?: Any adults - parents, friends, staff.

**Strictly no students! Have to be 18 years or older to attend.**

How much?: \$20 per ticket. Tables will seat 8.

Where do I pay?: At the school office.

What to bring?: BYO drinks and food.

What's in it for me?: A great time and fun prizes.

Can I help?: Sure - see Mr Pendlebury if you would like to help in any way - Setting up on the day etc.

## Sport News

### Swimming Carnival

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Permission notes should now have been returned to school.

We are still looking for time keepers for the carnival, so if you can spare an hour or two we would appreciate your assistance.

GNPS are also required to provide timekeepers at the Griffith Zone Swimming Carnival on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February. If you are able to assist for part or all of the day please advise Mrs Woodward ASAP.



## Carnival Preparation Classes

The Griffith Regional Aquatic Leisure Centre will be holding "Carnival Preparation Classes" for any child wanting to come and practice diving, turns and their race events under the guidance of the squad coach. These classes will be held on Thursday 18 and Monday 22 February 6:30-7:30pm. Cost is \$12.50 per class, no need to book just turn up.

This is not a stroke correction class, the kids are free to practice while the coach watches and gives advice.

For further information please contact Vanessa at the centre on 69628228.