

North Weekly News

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Term 1 Week 11

Tuesday, 5 April 2016

Dates To Remember

Term 1

Mon 4th -Thurs 7th April Stage Three excursion to Ballarat and Bendigo
Fri 8th April Last day of Term 1

Term 2

Mon 25th April ANZAC Day
Tues 26th April School Development Day
Wed 27th April Students Return to School
School ANZAC Ceremony 11.35am
Fri 29th April AECG Meeting 2pm
Tues 3rd May K-2 Assembly 11.35
3-6 Assembly 12.35 Cross Country Ribbons

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 Ruby (K/1P) for always showing care towards others.



3-6 Montanna (4P) for caring for others, respecting peers and staff and being a responsible learner.



Riverina AFL

Congratulations Samuel who has been selected in the Riverina AFL team. This is a wonderful achievement! Well done Samuel!



Cross Country

Last Thursday was our School Cross Country. It was a fantastic day with all students showing outstanding behaviour, participation and sportsmanship on the day. Congratulations to Kooba the winning house and to the age champions:

- Molly – 8/9 year girls
- Kieran – 8/9 year boys
- Nicole – 10 year girls
- Todd – 10 year boys
- Abbey – 11 year girls
- Billy – 11 year boys
- Victoria – 12/13 year girls
- Samuel – 12/13 year boys

I would like to thank Mrs Young, Mrs Delves and Mrs Pandolfo for all their organisation of the Cross Country and for setting up the course the day before and to the parents who helped out on the day.



State Swimming Carnival

On Wednesday and Thursday the State Swimming Carnival is being held at the Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre. Our senior girls relay team, consisting of Victoria, Adelaide, Madysen and Samantha, will be competing there.

Victoria McLeod will also be competing in the senior girls 100m freestyle, 50m freestyle, 200m IM, 50m backstroke, 50m breaststroke, and 50m butterfly.

Samantha Taylor will also be competing in the 100m freestyle, 50m breaststroke, 50m backstroke and 200m IM.

Nicole Taylor will be competing in the junior girls 50m butterfly, 200m IM and 50m backstroke.

We would like to wish these girls all the best for the carnival and we look forward to hearing their results from the State Carnival.



ANZAC Day

GNPS students are marching in the Griffith ANZAC ceremony on Monday 25th April. Students need to assemble in front of the Gemini in Banna Avenue at around **10.00am** to be ready to march at **10.30am**. All School Captains, Prefects and SRC members are encouraged to be a part of the march. It is a very special day in our history and GNPS always has a great representation at the march. All students marching are expected to wear full winter uniform.

ANZAC Assembly

The school ANZAC Assembly will be held on Wednesday 27th April at 11:35 am. This is the first day of Term 2. All students will need to be dressed in full school uniform. The assembly is for all students (K-6). Parents are welcome to attend. The Captains and Prefects will be leading this assembly.

Parent Interviews

Thank you to the many parents who attended these interviews. It is a great way for you to get to know your child's teacher as well as finding out how they are going in their new class. I know there were many very happy parents who were informed of how well their children were progressing.

School Council

Congratulations to Amanda Bordinon who was nominated as the Parent Representative on the GNPS School Council. I appreciate Amanda taking on this position to support the school community.

Bronze Certificates

Congratulations to the students who received their Bronze Certificates at today's assembly. It was wonderful to see so many students working hard and displaying the values of GNPS. Well done!



SCHOOL SECURITY UNIT

1300 880 021

24 HOURS

MAKING SCHOOLS SAFER PLACES

End of Term 1

We have had an extremely busy and productive term and all classes have settled in well. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support towards the school and I would especially like to thank all the teachers and non-teaching staff for all their hard work and effort they have put into this term to make it such a success.

THANK-YOU!

Have a very safe and happy holiday and we look forward to seeing you in Term 2.

P&C News

Thank you to the parents who attended our P&C meeting last Thursday night. We are starting to get ready for our next fundraising event, which is our Family Fun Day, which will be held on Sunday 15th May.

For the Family Fun Day to be a success we need support from all our GNPS families. If you can please donate and send into the school any of the following:

- Old books for a book stall;
- filled zip-lock sandwich bag (or a few) with treats or goodies, valued between \$3-5 for the Pesca;
- blocks of chocolate for the lob-a-choc

Also, a reminder that Pie Drives orders were due back yesterday with the correct money.

Thanking you

Tracy Ciampa P&C President

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



Canteen News Week 11

Wednesday	06.4.16	Kellie Bordignon
Thursday	07.4.16	Amanda Bordignon
Friday	08.4.16	Kellie Bordignon Chris Minato

We would like to thank all the parents and caregivers who have helped out in the canteen throughout Term 1. Last week the Term 2 Canteen Rosters were handed out. If you are able to help out please fill out the rosters and return to school. We are looking forward to many new parents and caregivers helping out next term. We hope you all have a relaxing holiday!

Thanking you

Adele and Paulina

Canteen Supervisors

Band Trivia Night

Thank you to Jess Curry, Sarah Yates and Mr Pendlebury for organising a wonderful Trivia Night on Saturday night. It was a huge success raising \$2117.50 which will go towards paying for the instruments. Thank you to all the parents, caregivers, family friends and staff who came along to make the night such a success! Thank you to the local businesses for all their kind donations for the raffle prizes. A great night was had by all!

2016 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 (75 cents per week if you have one child)
- \$55.00 for 2 students from the same family attending GNPS (69 cents per week per child)
- \$75.00 for 3 or more students from the same family attending GNPS (63 cents per week per child)

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

Sport News

Touch Trials

Congratulations to Tess, Samuel and Jacob who were selected in the Griffith Zone Touch Teams. This is a wonderful achievement.



PSSA Cricket Knockout

On Wednesday, 30th March, our GNPS cricket team played the Hanwood Public School cricket team in the second round of the PSSA Knock Out competition. Hanwood PS ended up winning with a high score of 132 runs against our 87 runs.

All of the students who participated had a wonderful day, full of great sportsmanship and skill.

A special thank you, to Mr Gaske for scoring and Mr Nolan for umpiring on the day and to Mrs Pandolfo for organising this for our students.

Rugby League Trials

Congratulations to William who has been selected in the Griffith, Leeton and Narrandera under 11's Rugby League team.



Cross Country Photos



Remembering our Ex-servicemen & Women on ANZAC Day in a special way

On ANZAC Day this year, as happened the last five years, a small white cross and a poppy will be placed on every ex-serviceman and woman's grave in the Griffith Cemetery. 1007 graves in total.

After the ANZAC Day Service in the park, the community and students in particular are invited to visit the Griffith Cemetery and place the provided flowers on the graves marked with little white crosses. Donations of flowers will also be gratefully accepted.

This has been a beautiful thing to see over the past five years. Not one of the marked graves went without a flower placed there by the small but enthusiastic crowd.

I look forward to seeing you all at the cemetery on ANZAC Day.

Regards

Marg Tucker