



## NEWSLETTER TERM 4 WEEK 7

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### Term 4 2011

#### Calendar

\*Please note dates from week to week as there are some changes

#### Week 7

Wednesday, November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Year One Excursion
Thursday, November 24 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm Proud & Deadly Awards Night Regional Theatre
Friday, November 25 <sup>th</sup>	1pm K-6 assembly, Platinum Awards

#### Week 8

Thursday, December 1st	6pm K-2 Frolic
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#### Week 9

Monday, December 5th	Stage 2 Excursion
Tuesday, December 6 <sup>th</sup>	Stage 2 Excursion
Wednesday, December 7 <sup>th</sup>	Stage 3 Excursion
Thursday, December 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am Presentation Day, Regional Theatre
Friday, December 9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 Graduation  Gold & Silver Awards Event

#### Week 10

Monday, December 12 <sup>th</sup>	Reports sent home.  Year 6 Graduation & Farewell
Wednesday, December 14 <sup>th</sup>	Platinum Awards Event
Thursday, December 15 <sup>th</sup>	11.30am Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea
Friday, December 16 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term 4  1pm K-6 Assembly

### Presentation Day

The 2011 Presentation Day will take place on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> of December, 10.30am at the

Regional Theatre. Tickets are available for \$5.00 from the School Office only.

Presentation Day is an important school event at which we recognise student's achievements and the importance of education and school life.

This year we are fortunate enough to have our local MP and the Honourable Minister for Education Mr Adrian Piccoli attending our Presentation Day. Mr Geoff Pellizzer our School Education Director will also be attending.

We look forward to many parents attending our Presentation Day to help us celebrate a wonderful year at Griffith Public School.

### Year 2 Pioneer Park Excursion

Last Thursday Year 2 visited Pioneer Park to explore the history of Griffith. When we arrived we caught the train around the Park and saw all the old buildings. The students enjoyed figuring out what each building was and how different it looked to those in 2011.

Year 2 then broke into groups where each group had to play 'I Spy' using clues to find certain locations around the park. Every group had a camera to ensure they had found all the clues. Lots of fun was had by all! Thank you to all parent helpers who assisted on the day and to the Year 2 teachers for organising the excursion.





### P&C News

Thank you to the parents who came to our last meeting.

At the meeting, we decided to spend money on buying small white boards for classroom use (one for each child at GPS) and tubs of wet

weather games/activities for each classroom. We are also looking into purchasing fans for the hall. The P&C had a discussion about the Fete and how we can make it bigger and better next year.

Our next meeting will be our last for 2011 and it will be on **THURSDAY 8TH DECEMBER** at the Victoria Hotel. Nibbles will be provided. All P&C members are invited to help us celebrate a great 2011!

Thank you,  
Helen Lander

### Canteen News

Canteen Roster	
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Cathy
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Helen Lander
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Elena
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Elena
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Kerri

Thank you to last week's helpers Kerri Sutton and Siosi Liu.

Hot Chicken / Cheese Rolls	\$3.50
Hot Ham / Cheese Rolls	\$3.50
Chicken Burgers	\$3.50
Watermelon Bowls	\$2.50

### No Hat, No Play

A gentle reminder that during Terms 4 2011 and Term 1 2012, the rule of wearing a hat at school is strongly enforced. This rule is in place to help protect your children from the dangers of the sun. We are lucky in Australia to have a wonderful climate and outdoor lifestyle. But also have some of the highest rate of skin cancer in the world. The major cause of skin cancer is UV radiation from the sun. But the good news is that you can reduce your risk of getting skin cancer by protecting yourself from the sun's UV rays.

Exposure to the sun in childhood and adolescence is an important factor in the development of skin cancer later in life. Sunburn in childhood is a particular risk factor. Exposure in adulthood also plays a part. Current scientific evidence suggests that the damage to cells is done in childhood but exposure to UV radiation in adult years triggers skin cancer.

So please help us encourage your child/ children to wear their hats!

## Mobile Phones at School

Students are advised that due to risk of loss or damage, mobile phones are better left at home.

A teacher may for the safety of students in general and the item in particular, confiscate the item from a student. All confiscated items are to be kept in a secure place and made available to students when they are going home.

Students who have a **phone for security** while travelling to and from school, will need to hand their phone into the office, where it will be secured and collect it at the end of the school day.

## Reading Program



Robert Taituave in Year 1 has been doing Reading lessons with Miss Sergi every day. Robert is working very hard and taking great pride in his reading. Last week he read 'Blackberries' to Miss Hayman. Keep up the great work Robert.

Miss Sergi graduates as a 'Reading Recovery' teacher today, after a year of training. The Reading Recovery Program is a research-based intervention with the prime goals of accelerating literacy learning and reducing reading and writing difficulties by targeting specific Year 1 students.

## Year 6 Baby Photos

Could all children in Year 6 please bring in a baby photo for the Year 6 Graduation. Photos will be scanned and returned to children within a week. If you wish to send in a digital copy of a baby photo please send it to [griffith-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:griffith-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au).

## WIN A CLASS PARTY!

Can you help your class to win a class party by returning all of your overdue library books?

The first class to return all of their overdue books will win a class party.

So, get searching in your room and find those books!



The Griffith Indigenous Awards Night is a celebration and recognition of the achievement and excellence of Aboriginal students from Pre School to Year 12 in Public Education in the Riverina



## The Awards Night will be held:

**When:** Thursday 24th November

**Where:** Griffith Regional Theatre

**Time:** 5.30pm

**Cost:** \$5 per person



## Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 7

Give your newsletter to your parent or carer to read. Ask them to sign this slip and put it in the box in the front office. If your slip is drawn out at Friday's assembly, you will win **one \$5 canteen voucher!** Two slips will be drawn out at each assembly.

Student / Family name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Carer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_