

NEWSLETTER TERM 4 WEEK 8

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Term 4 2011

Calendar

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

Week 8

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

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

Week 10

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

Year One Excursion

Last Wednesday, students in 1W, 1F and 1B went on an excursion to coincide with our study of Transport in HSIE, and Products and Services in Science and Technology. During the excursion, students visited the Griffith Library, the Griffith Train Station, and McDonald's.

At the library, we went inside the mobile library. We also listened to some stories and found out what's happening at the library over the school holidays. At the train station, we looked at the different parts of the station and talked about the freight and passenger trains that come to Griffith.

At McDonald's, the children went for a tour of where the food is stored and where the food is cooked. They also enjoyed having a "Happy Meal" for their lunch.

The Year One teachers would like to congratulate the Year One children for their wonderful behaviour on the excursion. We would also like to thank Nicole Myers, Liz Hancock and Maxine Kirby for their assistance on the day. Thank you to Mr Workman, Miss Fuller and Miss Brain for organising and taking the students on the excursion.



GPS Choir Visits Pioneers Lodge

Congratulations to our wonderful choir who sang beautifully for the residents at Pioneers Lodge yesterday. Residents enjoyed the variety of songs, particularly the ANZAC Day songs, and they sang along with the Christmas songs. Thank you to the staff at Pioneers Lodge for making the visit possible and to Mrs Kitchingman and Mrs Lander for teaching and organising the choir.

Presentation Day

The 2011 Presentation Day will take place on Thursday 8th of December, 10.30am at the Regional Theatre. **Tickets are available for \$5.00 from the School Office only.**

Proud and Deadly Awards

Congratulations to all students who received a certificate at the Awards last Thursday night. It was fantastic to see so many students from Griffith PS at the awards proudly receiving their awards. As soon as the school receives the certificates they will be presented to the students.

Year 6 Graduation

Year 6 students have received invitations to their graduation celebration to be held on Monday December 12th starting at 5.30pm. Students are invited to bring 2 guests. The formal part of the evening is followed by dinner. **The cost is \$20 which covers one student and two guests.**

If you wish to bring extra family members the cost is an extra \$5 per person.

All money MUST BE received by the office by THIS FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER.

Students and guests who have not paid by this date will be unable to obtain a meal on the night but will still be able to attend the formal ceremony and following disco. Any queries, please contact the school.

Patricia Campbell.

P&C News

Our next meeting will be our last for 2011 and it will be held 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! Please RSVP to Miss Hayman or Mrs Lander.

UNIFORM SHOP

Don't forget that our Uniform shop has GPS hats for sale for \$7.00. Girls summer uniforms and boys white polo shirts are also available.

OPENING DATES AND TIMES FOR 2011.

Thursday 1st December 11.30-12.30

Thursday 8th December CLOSED (Due to Presentation Day)

Thursday 15th December 11.30-12.30

Thank you to all parents and caregivers who support the Uniform shop and the volunteers who help each week.

Helen Lander

Canteen News

Canteen Roster	
Wednesday 30 th	Anne Kelton
Thursday 1 st	Janet Buckton
Friday 2 nd	Elena
Monday 5 th	Elena
Tuesday 6 th	Kerri Sutton

Thank you to last week's helpers Kerri Sutton

Pluto Pups	\$3.00
Nuggets	\$3.00
Chicken Burgers	\$3.50
Watermelon Bowls	\$2.50

Christmas Trees at Griffith Central

Children have been very busy during computer time and class time creating and colouring gorgeous Christmas decorations for the Christmas Trees at Griffith Central. Our school has decorated three beautiful trees. Make sure you call in and have a look at our creations. Thank you to Miss Robinson and Mrs McWhirter for decorating the trees.



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!

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.

K- 2 Frolic

The K-2 Frolic will be held on Thursday 1st December in the hall.

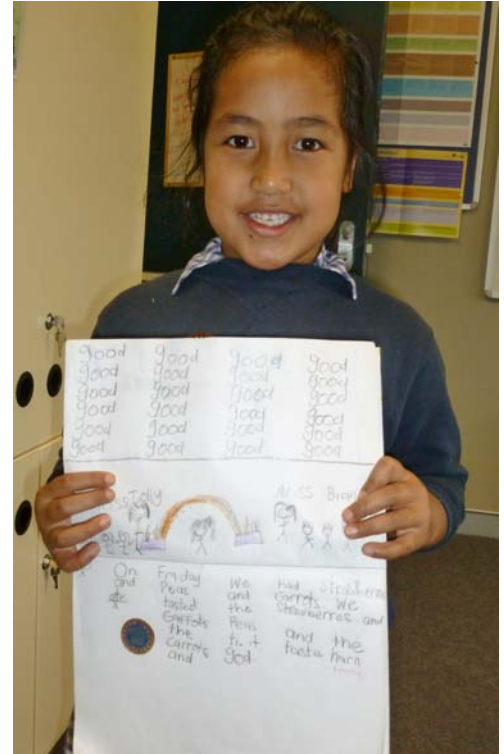
DRESS- Christmas Theme or good casual clothes.

TIME- 6.00pm-7.30pm.

Children will be able to buy drinks for \$1.00.

**Great Workers**

Amanda Langi from KJ showed Miss Hayman her fantastic reports about the vegetable garden Kindergarten have planted. Brilliant writing Amanda



Tina, Ane, Richard and Christian from 5B displaying the lovely art work they completed with Mrs McIver. Well done and thank you to 5B who have been working hard for Mrs McIver while Mrs Brown has been on leave.



No Hat, No Play

A 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 rates 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!

What is the Summer Reading Club?

THE AMAZING READ

A fun reading program for kids aged 6-13 years for the summer holidays.

Read as many books as you can and come in to the library regularly to receive ongoing prizes.

The more books you read the more prizes you can win, with a special Movie screening organised for all entrants.

Registration

Register at Griffith City Library from December 1 2011 and receive a sign up sheet and activity bag. Closing date is Friday January 13.

Movie Screening

THE SMURFS

IN WINTER 2011

You are all invited to an exclusive Summer reading Movie Screening!

The party kicks off on Wednesday January 26 at 10:30am with a FREE movie screening of "THE SMURFS"

Followed by pizza and refreshments

So from December 1 start reading and have some fun!

Griffith City Library ph: 8882 2616
Email: library@griffith.nsw.gov.au

Griffith

Carols by Candlelight

Sunday 11th December 2011

The BIG one is BACK!

Exies Oval #2
Pre-show 6:15pm
with Kiss my Brass, face painting & games by Fusion

Carols by Candlelight Event 7:30pm
Fireworks 9:30pm

Bring the whole family for a great night of fun and entertainment as we gather together to celebrate a very special time of year!

\$1 entry per person over 5yrs old with proceeds to Langunyah House Youth Refuge, Salvation Army & St Vinnies

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Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 8

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: _____