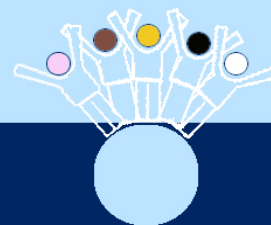


# Griffith Public School

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## NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 3

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### Term 1 2012

#### Calendar

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

#### Week 3

Tuesday, February 7 <sup>th</sup>	3.30pm Years 3 / 4 Parent / Teacher Meet & Greet-Year 3 Rooms
Wednesday, February 8 <sup>th</sup>	P&C Meeting 7pm
Friday, February 10 <sup>th</sup>	12.10pm Year 5/6 Assembly, School Hall 1pm K,1,2 Assembly, School Hall 2.40pm Year 3/ 4 Assembly, Library

#### Week 4

Wednesday, February 15 <sup>th</sup>	Years 3-6 School Swimming Carnival 3.30pm K/1/2 Parent / Teacher Meet & Greet – Infants block
Thursday, February 16 <sup>th</sup>	6pm Years 5 / 6 Parent / Teacher Meet & Greet-Library
Friday, February 17 <sup>th</sup>	K-6 School Assembly, 1pm School Hall

#### Week 5

Friday, February 24 <sup>th</sup>	District Swimming Carnival 12.10pm Year 5/6 Assembly, School Hall 1pm K,1,2 Assembly, School Hall 2.40pm Year 3/ 4 Assembly, Library
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#### Week 6

Friday, March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Clean Up Australia Day at GPS K-6 School Assembly, 1pm School Hall
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#### Week 7

Friday, March 9 <sup>th</sup>	Riverina Swimming Carnival 12.10pm Year 5/6 Assembly, School Hall 1pm K,1,2 Assembly, School Hall 2.40pm Year 3/ 4 Assembly, Library
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#### Week 8

Friday, March 16 <sup>th</sup>	K-6 School Assembly, 1pm School Hall
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#### Week 9

Friday, March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	12.10pm Year 5/6 Assembly, School Hall 1pm K,1,2 Assembly, School Hall 2.40pm Year 3/ 4 Assembly, Library
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#### Week 10

Thursday, March 29 <sup>th</sup>	School Photos
Friday, March 30 <sup>th</sup>	Years 3-6 School Cross Country

#### Week 11

Tuesday, April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	K-2 Easter Hat Parade
Thursday, April 5 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term 1

## Sports House Captains

Congratulations to our 2012 Sports House Captains.

Bradman- Tina Carberry and Ryley Carroll

Fraser- Abbiey-Jean Ennes and Miracle Fanene

Goolagong- Tyra Simpson and Moses Lolohea

Norman- Praise Tiera and Christian Sulupo

I am sure they will lead their sports houses with pride and enthusiasm at the swimming carnival next Wednesday.



## P&C News

Our first P&C meeting is on this **WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY at 7PM** in the staffroom. Come along and meet other parents, discuss ideas and hear what is happening at GPS in 2012.

The uniform price list for terms 1 2012 is attached to this newsletter.

Don't forget that our uniform shop is now open every Thursday from **1.30pm-2.30pm.**

**Thank You, from staff and students, to the P&C for buying class sets of individual whiteboards- a fantastic resource!**



## Swimming Carnival

A note will be sent home this week with information about the swimming carnival next Wednesday. Please return the permission note and money as soon as possible. Please let Miss Morante or Miss Hayman know if you are available to assist at the carnival.

## School Crossing Safety

Students are asked to use school crossings when crossing the road. They must use the crossings that are manned and have flags. The roads around the schools are very busy and it is important students are safe and visible to drivers.

## Contact Details

Information cards have been sent home with students and parents. Please complete and return to school as soon as possible. These cards have information that is needed by the school in order to contact parents. Thank you.

## School Canteen

Please have orders to the canteen no later than 9.30am.

### Canteen Roster

Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Anne Kelton
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Siosi
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Elena
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Elena
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Kerri

Thank you to last week's helper Siosi and thank you to Anne for the donation of watermelon and rockmelon. Please do not send foreign money to school with your children, such as New Zealand coins as we will not accept them and your child will not be able to purchase anything from the canteen. Also, please do not ask for credit. Lunch orders to be in by 9.30am sharp as it is difficult to be still handling money when we are in the middle of food processing. It's very unhygienic! Thank you.

Watermelon bowls	\$2.50
Pluto Pups	\$3.00
Chicken Burgers	\$3.50

Brenda  
Canteen Manager

## Holiday Reading Diaries

Students are asked to return their holiday reading diaries to Mrs Kruger-Davis as soon as possible. Every child who returns their diary will receive a certificate and a McDonalds voucher.

## Australia Day

Students and staff at Griffith PS celebrated Australia Day last Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February. Students and teachers dressed up and Mrs McIver and Mrs McWhirter made sure our K-6 Assembly was very 'Australian'. After 'Welcome to Country' and the Australian National Anthem, Year 1 sang a song about Australia and the whole school sang 'Give Me a Home among the Gum Trees'. \$180.00 was raised from gold coin donations. This money will be used to assist with the costs of KROP later in the year.



## News from 5/6 C

5/6C had a very exciting visitor to the classroom last week. "Olivia", the Olive Python owned by Tysen Enness, popped in to say hello. The students enthusiastically touched, and some even held Olivia, under the close supervision of Mr Ennes. Thank you for the experience Mr Enness!!



## Wanted

We would appreciate donations of children's books for use in the home reading program. Please contact Barbara Kruger-Davis if you can help.

## Education Tax Refund

Buying new school-related equipment? Don't forget to keep your receipts; you might be eligible for an Education Tax Refund. More information at [www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au](http://www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au)



## UNIFORM SHOP OPEN THURSDAY 1.30-2.30pm

### West Griffith Soccer Club

Registration Days for juniors and seniors.

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> February at Sam's Warehouse (next to Harvey Norman) from 9am to 2pm. Contact Anthony Vecchio 0428 64828 or Tracey Febo 0458 449651 for further information.

### Summer School Uniform

We value the uniform at Griffith PS and hope that you will make sure your children are dressed in the correct school uniform.

The following items are what students are expected to wear.

#### Girls Uniform

- Navy socks and plain black shoes (preferably NOT Rabin's as they are a soft shoe)
- Tunic dress and / or
- Navy skirt and white polo shirt

#### Girls Sports Uniform

- White socks
- Sports shoe only
- Navy shorts or skirt and a white polo shirt

#### Accessories

- Hair- black / navy hair ties and ribbons
- Jewellery-Plain studs / sleepers only. No other jewellery please.
- No nail polish

#### Boys Uniform

- Navy socks and plain black shoes (preferably NOT Rabin's as they are a soft shoe)
- Navy shorts and white polo shirt

#### Boys Sports Uniforms

- White socks
- Sports shoe only
- Navy shorts and white polo shirt

Please note on non sport days students are expected to wear black shoes. They may pack their sports shoes in their bags to put on if they are doing fitness activities.

The following photos show Peni and Tatyana dressed in the appropriate school uniform and Ryley and Rose in the sports uniform.



### Sprinkles

'Sprinkles' multicultural playgroup operates Wednesday and Thursday **9:30 am to 12:30 pm** during school term.

'Sprinkles' staff welcomes families with children up to school age, especially those families who are from Cultural and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) backgrounds.

Parents/carers stay with their children to enjoy age appropriate educational activities that focus on preparing children for pre-school/school.