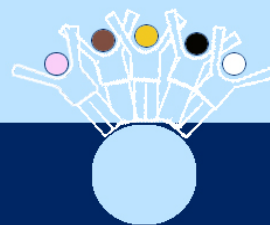


# Griffith Public School

A quality education for all



## NEWSLETTER TERM 2 WEEK 9

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### Term 2 2012

#### Calendar

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

#### Week 9

Tuesday, June 19 <sup>th</sup>	UNSW Spelling Test
Wednesday, June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Stage 3 Performance at MCC 12pm

#### NAIDOC Week 10

Monday, June 25 <sup>th</sup>	NAIDOC Week Assembly
Tuesday, June 26 <sup>th</sup>	Indigenous Games
Wednesday, June 27 <sup>th</sup>	NAIDOC Week Cultural Activity Day
Thursday, June 28 <sup>th</sup>	Elders Morning Tea
Friday, June 29 <sup>th</sup>	K-6 Assembly

### Athletics Champions

Well done to our age champions:

Junior Girl – Jessica Power, Junior Boy – Montell Murray-Craven, 11yrs Girl – Bianca Sutton, 11yrs Boy – Moses Lolohea, Senior Girl – Tyra Simpson and Senior Boy – Ngarima Low.



Congratulations to Ryley Carroll who broke the 11 year Boys Discus record, Ryley broke the junior boys record in 2011! Well done Ryley, two years in a row!

Congratulations to Danae Woods who also broke a record at this year's carnival. Danae also broke a Discus record.

All the best for the Zone Athletics Carnival on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August!



### 'Enviro Champs'

Last Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June, four Year 5 students attended the first of four 'Enviro Champs' Leadership Program days run by Murrumbidgee



Irrigation. Kyle Mahon, Solo Toru, Tysen-Rose Enness and Genesis Sameulu enjoyed the day at Murrumbidgee Irrigation Head office participating in team building activities based around an environmental themes with other local and non local Primary schools.

Thoughts from the 'Enviro Champs':

Genesis: It was all about communicating with new friends and saving the environment.

Solo: We received 'enviro' badges when we first got there. They were cool.

Tysen: I liked the games and learnt new ways to communicating with others.

Kyle: We learnt how to throw a spear and a dog thrower and learnt a new game called Electricity.

Keep watching the newsletter for updates on our project. It is going to be fantastic!

### **Riverina Cross Country**

Congratulations to Rose Bretherton and Tina Carberry who competed at the Riverina Cross Country last Tuesday. Rose came 7<sup>th</sup> in her division and has qualified as first reserve for the state carnival! A fantastic result Rose well done! Tina had been unwell but still attended the carnival and completed her race. Congratulations girls, thank you for proudly representing Griffith PS. Thank you to Rose's Mum, Larissa for taking the girls.

### **District Touch Football Trials**

Congratulations once again to Tina Carberry for her sporting achievements! Tina was selected at recent touch football trials in Griffith to represent the Riverina team in July in Parkes. Well done Tina, we are all envious of your talent!

### **Empowering Local Schools National Partnership**

Our school is one of the 229 successful across NSW that are participating in the Empowering Local Schools National Partnership. (ELSNP)

This is a Commonwealth Government initiative to empower participating schools to make decisions at a local level, supporting them to better respond to the needs of students and the school community and provide services designed to assist their students to achieve their best educational outcomes.

The school will receive additional funding of \$45 674 to assist in this first stage of making decisions that best suit the local needs of the school.

In participating in the initiative there is the opportunity for the school leadership team and other staff members to engage in a range of professional learning that will support them in moving into a different way of planning and reporting outcomes.

In addition, the school will be part of a Learning and Business Management Reform that will improve the delivery of services to schools and the broader community.

It is an exciting time for schools and your school has indicated that they want to be a leader in NSW. We are looking forward to engaging with this initiative to provide better outcomes for our students.

### **Costuming HELP needed!**

Our KROP group needs some assistance to sew some outfits for the children in the KROP item called 'Money'!

We will be having a sewing bee next Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2012, from 9.30am in the Coolah Café, near the Library. We would truly appreciate any assistance you or any family member (i.e. grandparent, aunty, uncle) can offer during that day, at any time that suits you.

Please bring your sewing machine if you have one, there will be some extras for those of you who are willing but don't have a machine. We will provide the rest, but if you have any black cotton bring that, just in case!

Please let our KROP co-ordinators, Leanne McWhirter or Helen Lander know if you can help.

Thank you.





### Stage Three Borambola Excursion

Year 5 and 6 students have been invited to take part in an excursion to Borambola Sport and Recreation camp in Term 4 this year. This excursion is a fantastic opportunity for Stage 3 students to participate in a wide range of activities such as kayaking, rope climbing and archery.

To secure a place on the camp, students need to pay a \$50 deposit before the end of this term. Please ask your classroom teacher if you need an additional note. Be quick – only 3 weeks to go!

### P&C News

**All sold and unsold raffle tickets must be returned to school by this THURSDAY 21ST JUNE as we are drawing the raffle on Friday.**

This fundraiser is currently running at a loss, so we would appreciate any help with selling of raffle tickets. More tickets are available at the office. Great prizes to win! Tickets are 50c each. The child who sells the most tickets will receive a canteen voucher.

Please see the attached flyer about our **SUPER SPAGHETTI DAY** at the canteen on Thursday.

Thank you,  
Helen Lander, P&C President

### Canteen News

Canteen Roster	
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Cathy
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Helen
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Elena
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Elena
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Kerri

Thank you to last week's helpers Kerri Sutton and Rachel Dreyer.

Don't forget our homemade spaghetti day, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June. Spaghetti \$3 or a meal deal. 1 can of soft drink and spaghetti for \$5.

We would prefer if the children did not order other hot food on this day as we will be extremely busy preparing spaghetti. Pre-orders by Wednesday would be helpful.

Thank you.

### The Butterfly Effect

Last week, Stage 3 girls were lucky enough to attend a workshop with students from many schools. Guest speakers spoke about positive self and body image. They encouraged the girls to be strong and follow their dreams.

The girls are pictured with one of the guest speakers and completing an activity.

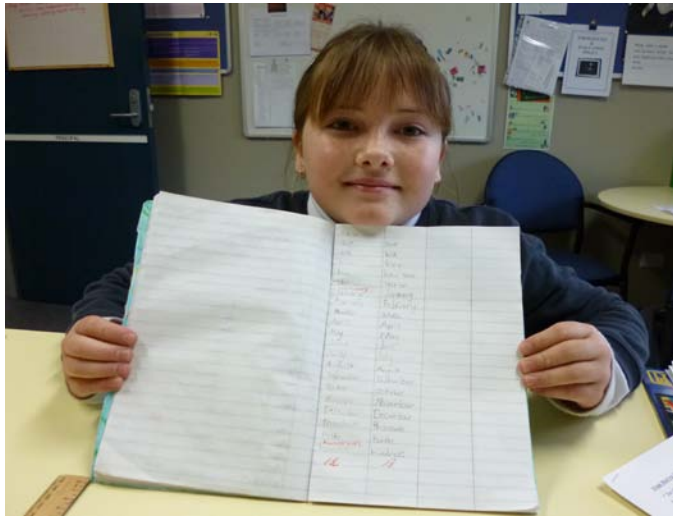
Thank you to Griffith Youth Connections for subsidising the cost and for organising the workshop.



### Excellent Spelling Work in 3R

Every week students have a spelling list that they practise in class and at home. They learn spelling rules and use their words to write sentences, learning about grammar and punctuation. Tahlia in 3R has worked hard to improve her spelling and

handwriting, her work is looking fantastic! Well done Tahlia.



### Sprinkles Information Sessions

Upcoming information sessions:

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June** at 11am – **AMEP English classes** presented by Alanna Townsend, Griffith TAFE

Please contact Dianne or Sarbjit at Sprinkles if you are interested in attending.



Country First Credit Union's School Banking Program helps teach children about the importance of good savings habits, budgeting and setting long and/or short term financial goals.

If you would like more information regarding opening an account, please call: 69647333.

Before you consider taking any of our products or services please read our Disclosure Statements relating to our products.

Proud Sponsors of School Banking and the Uniform Subsidy Program. School banking is collected each Tuesday. Please remember to send your child's bank case in if you wish to continue banking.

New accounts may be opened by collecting a form from the school office.

### Woolworths Earn and Learn!

Total points collected for Griffith Public School to date: **10,310**

Our target this year is 20,000 points! We only have 2 weeks to go!!! So shop hard at Woolworths and bring in lots of stickers, please.

Special thanks to the following children for collecting heaps of stickers: Samson Vaireka, Samuel Banfield, Langi Family, Tietie Family, Rala Family, Irvin Family, Jack Kelton, Charlotte McDonald, Chad Waring-Bryant, Jock Lander.

Thank you so much and keep collecting. This promotion ends 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2012. We would love to reach our target of 20,000 points!

### Coles – Sports for Schools Program

Our school is once again participating in the Coles-Sports for Schools Program in 2012. By shopping at Coles and collecting the vouchers you can help our school work towards receiving sporting goods and equipment for students to use.

Please collect your vouchers from family and friends and place them in the Coles – Sports for Schools box in the front office.

You can check our voucher goals and progress on the Coles Sports for Schools Website: [www.sportsforschools.com.au](http://www.sportsforschools.com.au)

Start Collecting TODAY!!!

**The winner of the canteen vouchers last assembly was Shakshi Patel.**

### Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 9

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: \_\_\_\_\_





**Griffith Public School Fundraising Promotion**

**Support your local school and help raise money by having fun!**

When any student at Griffith Public or a member of their family bowl at Star Bowling, \$1 of their bowling cost for each person bowling will go back to the school.

**PLUS**

When you book a Birthday Party with Star Bowling they will donate \$10 from that party back to the school.

(Just mention Griffith Public when paying)

[www.starbowling.com.au](http://www.starbowling.com.au)

Star Bowling  
Griffith Hometown Centre  
Cnr Kidman Way and Watkins Ave.  
Ph: 6964 3102



**drug action week®**  
**17-23 June 2012**  
Looking after YOUR mind!  
Changing the Drinking Culture of Young Australians



You are invited to attend an interactive public information session on **Thursday 21 June 2012 at 5.15pm (for 5.30pm) at Griffith City Library**. Guest speakers include representatives from: NSW Health, NSW Police, Roads & Maritime Services, Good Sports and the Griffith Liquor Accord. Local statistics will be presented and a variety of resources available. There will be time allocated for Questions & Answers.

Refreshments will be provided

For more information, please contact Councillor Pat Cox on 0407 485 091 or [pcox@griffith.com.au](mailto:pcox@griffith.com.au)



## Rugby League Holiday Clinic

"Kids To Kangaroos"

Boys Rugby League and Girls League-tag Clinic

### Venues:

Lake Cargelligo Sportsground – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

Loftus Oval Junee – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July

Ron Crowe Oval West Wyalong – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July

Nicholson Park Cootamundra – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July

Age 5-12yrs

Boys & Girls

For more Information

Contact Dean Whymark

Ph 0411159456

To Register go online to –

[www.arldevelopment.com.au/riverina](http://www.arldevelopment.com.au/riverina)



**Olympic Games Craft Days**

*School Holiday Storytime*  
Friday July 6 & Friday July 13 at 11am



Join us for some Olympic fun during the school holidays and get in the spirit of the 2012 London Olympic Games!

Lots of fun craft activities for kids of all ages to be had!

For more information, contact the Library on 69 622515

[www.griffith.nsw.gov.au/Library](http://www.griffith.nsw.gov.au/Library)



## **KROP PERFORMANCE**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Griffith Public School has secured **30 tickets** for the 11am KROP performance on Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2012. Allocation of tickets will be given out on a 'first in, first served' basis. The students will be accompanied by two staff members from GPS.

The cost of the tickets is \$10 each.

If you would like your child to attend the performance, please return the attached permission note and \$10 as soon as possible. (First 30 notes and money returned will secure tickets).

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ in class \_\_\_\_\_

to attend the KROP performance on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August at 11am.

I have enclosed \$10. I understand the note and money will be returned if the 30 tickets have been sold.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **Super Spaghetti Day**

at the GPS canteen.

### **Thursday 21st June**

A bowl of homemade spaghetti and  
a soft drink will cost

**\$5.00.**



No salad bowls  
and limited hot  
food available.

All orders must be in by 9.30am or pre order by Wednesday.

### **Super Spaghetti Lunch Order.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Number \_\_\_\_\_ bowls of spaghetti & soft drink at \$5.00 each.

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_