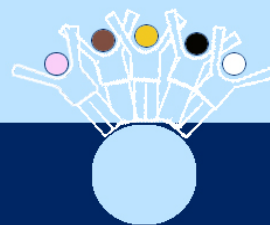


# Griffith Public School

A quality education for all



## NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 6

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### Term 3 2012

#### Calendar

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

#### Week 6-World Environment Week

Wednesday August 22<sup>nd</sup> 1.45pm Year 6 Transition to Griffith HS

Friday August 24th NO K-6 Assembly  
'Nude Food' Day

#### Week 7-Literacy and Numeracy Week

Wednesday August 29<sup>th</sup> 1.45pm Year 6 Transition to Griffith HS

Friday August 31<sup>st</sup> K-6 Assembly  
Dads and Doughnuts

#### Week 8

Tuesday September 4<sup>th</sup> Life Education

Wednesday September 5<sup>th</sup> 1.45pm Year 6 Transition to Griffith HS

Friday September 7<sup>th</sup> K-6 Assembly

#### Week 9 – Intensive Swimming

Mon Sept 10<sup>th</sup> – Thur 13<sup>th</sup> Life Education

Wednesday September 12<sup>th</sup> 1.45pm Year 6 Transition to Griffith HS

#### Week 10 – Intensive Swimming

Wednesday September 19<sup>th</sup> 1.45pm Year 6 Transition to Griffith HS

Friday September 21<sup>st</sup> K-6 Assembly  
Last day of Term 3

### Mrs Val Alexander

Last week, Val Alexander, former School Administration Manager at GPS, passed away.

Val was an extremely respected member of the GPS staff who served the school for over 30 years.

Val was passionate about the staff and students at GPS. Her dedication and care for the well being of all in the school community was admirable.

The school community extends our deepest sympathy to Val's family.

Val's funeral will take place at 1pm this Friday at the Anglican Church.

### Debating

Congratulations to the GPS Debating team, who remain undefeated, winning the debate against East Griffith last Thursday, by 100 points!



Rose Bretherton, Vienna Tanuvasa, Mikayla Coram, Bianca Sutton, Puaga Ioelu and Meleseini Kaati

have all been working hard to present the best debate they can.

Thank you to Mrs Woods for organising and supporting the debating team.

### Zone Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to the 60 Griffith Public School students who attended the Zone Athletics Carnival on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August. All of our students had a fantastic day and should be proud of their efforts. Tina Carberry was named runner-up Senior Girls age champion. Congratulations Tina!

Six of our students did extremely well at this carnival and have been selected to represent Griffith at the Riverina Athletics Carnival in Albury on Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> August. These students have been selected in the following events:

Tina Carberry – 800m, 200m, 100m, Long Jump

Danae Woods – Discus and Shot put

Nargis Sadiqi – 100m

Parisa Abdollahi – 100m

Janera Williams – Shot put

Miracle Fanene – Shot put

GPS would like to wish these athletes all the best at the Riverina Carnival.

Congratulations to all students who attended the carnival last Friday. Behaviour and good sportsmanship were outstanding. More results and news will be in next week's newsletter.

### Trent Barrett Shield

Last Wednesday 24 year 3 and 4 students participated in the Trent Barrett Knockout for Rugby League and Oz Tag.



Both teams played three games and both teams won all of them. Both teams will now be competing in Wagga on the 30<sup>th</sup> of August.



Congratulations to Val Asomua and Wycliff Tuiaki were awarded players of the day.

Thank you Mrs Angela Catanzariti, Mrs Chloe Catanzariti and Ray Schaefer for their organisation and coaching. Thank you also to the parents who came along on the day to cheer the teams on.

### PSSA State Knockout Netball

On Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> of August the GPS netball team went to Narrandera to play against Thurgoona in Round 5 of the NSW PSSA state knockout. This game was the final for the Western Riverina draw.



The girls were very excited and had spent all term training. The team stepped onto the court nervous, but also excited with our attacking squad consisting of Tina, Rose, Leni, Jada and Jacinta and our defensive squad Nargis, Tyra, Parisa and Narlani ready for the challenge. Tina began in centre and Rose assisted each centre pass with ease. Both

Jacinta and Jada were shooting well and getting most of their goals in and fought for their rebounds, however some were just out of reach. This then made it time for our defensive end consisting of Nargis, Tyra, Nalarni and Parisa to step up to the challenge and try and deflect as many passes as they could and try to push the ball back down to our end.

The team did a tremendous job, sticking to their players and putting in 100% effort until full time. The full time score was definitely not a reflection of the girl's effort. They were defeated 23-10. Congratulations girls on being the runners up of the Western Riverina draw, you all did a fantastic job and thank you Mrs Vearing for your hard work and commitment as team manager and coach.

### Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at the last assembly:

<b>KB</b> Liliana Ah Kee Leon Aloni Lavenia Teao	<b>KV</b> Joe Tora Emily Power Seini Halaapiapi
<b>KL</b> Lena Adnum Patu Tora Daniel Jolly	<b>KM</b> Denzel Naea Ami Shiloh Barton Isabel Vozzo
<b>1B</b> Jamahl Corkery Hezron Kaisa Tatyana Ioelu	<b>1F</b> Yanga Manela Dhruv Mahra Laura Dreyer
<b>2L</b> Ma. Agnes Anonuevo Charmi Gami Jerville Rala	<b>2D</b> Potai Ataela Harsimar Saini Alex Smyth
<b>2B</b> Cody Mott Peter Viran Amandeep Singh	<b>3R</b> Reuben Leao-Seve Simpson Lani Simpson Tanielu Isaia Gladys Asomua Peter Williams Mariner
<b>3S</b> William Mott Susan Rangiura Kaitlin Burns-Mullins	<b>4B</b> David Halaapiapi Molly Kaisa Priscilla Tiera
<b>4T</b> Justin Taokia Gemma Taylor Karan Kamboj	

### Intensive Swimming

Learning to swim is fun and is a vital part of Australian life. It is essential that students are aware of the importance of water safety and are equipped with the necessary skills for safety and survival. The intensive swimming program will be running again this year. Lessons will run from Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> September to Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> of September. The cost of the program is \$40. To ensure your child has a place please return permission not and money by August 31<sup>st</sup>. Payment can be made in instalments.

### Years 5 and 6 Excursion

All students who are going on the Borambola excursion in Term Four were given behaviour contracts to take home and sign and return to school. Thank you for the prompt return of so many.

Students were also given a letter outlining behaviour expectations over the coming weeks in order to keep their place on the excursion. Students going on excursion **MUST** be on Bronze or above level by September 7<sup>th</sup>. This is the Friday of week 8 this term. They must maintain this level to be eligible for the excursion.

A reminder also that money owing towards the excursion is due and can be paid at the office at any time. Final payments must be made by the last day of Term Three. Thank you.

### P&C News

Our next fundraiser is a Movie night featuring the movie "The Bourne Legacy". This is on Wednesday 29th August at the Griffith City Cinema and tickets are \$16.00 each and can be purchased from the GPS office.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 5th September at 7pm.

Everyone is very welcome to attend!

Helen Lander

### Book Fair

The Book Fair starts on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September in the school library. Start saving your pocket money today and support our library!



## Canteen News

Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Cathy
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Agnes
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Elena
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Elena
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Kerri

Thank you to last week's helpers, Kerri and Siosi

Chicken Nuggets	\$3
Pluto Pups	\$3
Hot Dogs	\$3
Hot cheese/Ham rolls	\$3.50

## World Environment Week

This week is World Environment week and GPS are supporting it by:

\* Holding a rubbish audit within some classes to see how much rubbish we actually throw out in one day.

\* Rubbish sort-some classes will be sorting their rubbish into recyclable, re-useable, compost and landfill.

\* Everyone is encouraged to try our **NUDE** food day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August. Try to bring lunch and snacks in less throw away packaging. Try using re sealable bags which can be re-used a few times, use paper bags to pack your sandwich in instead of cling wrap, try using washable hard plastic containers, fruit in its skin. Try NOT to bring pre-packaged food like chips, biscuits, LCM bars etc.

**Are you up for the challenge????**

## Time for a Spring Clean!

**Wanted** – Donations of Children's games, toys and clothes for the Griffith Public School Trash and Treasure Stall

Please take donations to the Griffith Public School office during office hours 8.45am – 3.30pm any week day.

**Wanted** – Donations of second hand school clothing. Please leave at the school office.

## Lost

One of the casual teachers has lost a black and white suit jacket last Wednesday on the school grounds. It has a Millers tag in it. If found, please return to the school office.

## PCYC After School Activities

Are you looking for a fun and exciting activity after school? Griffith PCYC is offering the following activities:

- Gymnastics
- Karate
- Introduction to Archery
- Boxing for fitness
- After school care (\$20 per day-CCB accepted)

For further information call us at the PCYC on 6964 2004

## Transition to High School

Last week some Year 6 students attended Griffith HS as part of the transition program.

The students had two "Master Chef" style challenges - to make their partner the ultimate sandwich, roll or wrap with the available ingredients; and to make a team effort 'sanga' that teachers judged on presentation, taste and teamwork. All teams did so well that they couldn't chose ANY team as the outright winner.

Congratulations to all students who attended. Behaviour and participation were outstanding.



## 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.

We have just over 14000 vouchers to date! Well done!!

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!!!

## Woolworths Earn and Learn is OVER!

Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion has now ended. All stickers have been counted and bundled and sent off to Woolworths so they can check and confirm our points.



We collected **48,754** points. Thank you to everyone who has been collecting stickers and putting them in the collection boxes at either Woolworths stores or at our school.

We will purchase some wonderful resources for our school very soon, which will have a total value of an estimated \$2000

## Friday Junior Tennis Competition

Come along for a parent/child fun night

Friday 24 August 5.00PM

Free Sausage Sizzle

For further enquiries contact Cheryl 0429 126 586

## ARL Holiday Clinic

### Rugby League Holiday Clinic "Kids To Kangaroos"

Boys Rugby League and Girls League-tag Clinic

#### Venues:

Tumbarumba Showground – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>  
September

Hay Sportsground No.1 Oval – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>  
September

EW Moore Oval, Griffith Leagues Oval –  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October  
Paramore Park – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October  
Age 5-12yrs  
Boys & Girls

For more Information

Contact Dean Whymark

**ARL Development Officer**

Ph 0411159456

To Register go online to –

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

## "DADS AND DONUTS" MORNING TEA.

Dear Dads, Grandfathers and Carers,

You are invited to a special "Father's Day " morning tea to be held in the School Hall at 11:00am on Friday 31st August, 2012.

You will be able to share this special event with your child by collecting them from the classroom and taking them to the hall with you.

Morning tea will then be enjoyed by everyone.

Looking forward to seeing you on Friday 31st August at 11:00am.



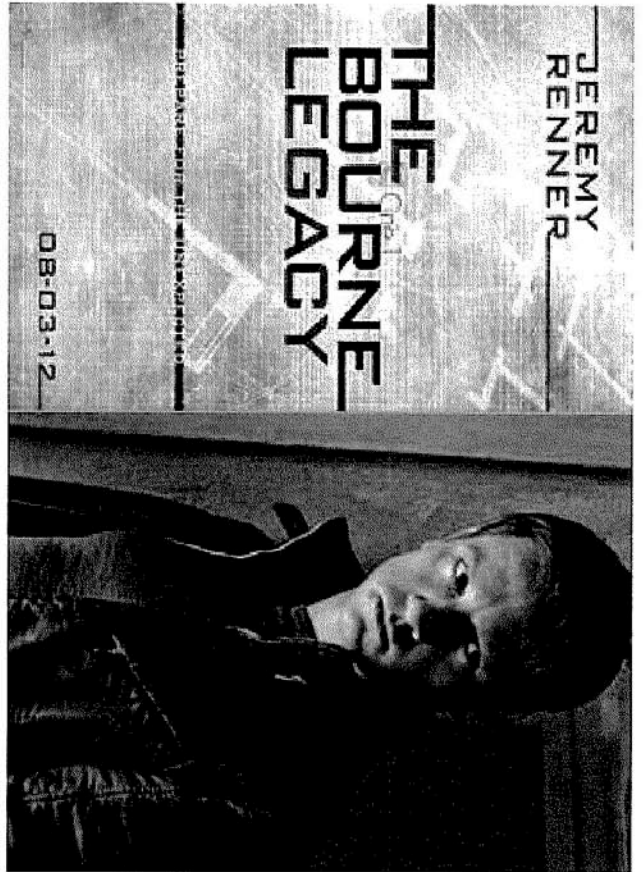
## Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 6

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 \_\_\_\_\_





## Movie Night!

**Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>**

at Griffith City Cinemas

Movie Starts at 7:00 pm

Wine and cheese provided from 6:30 pm

All tickets \$16.00

All proceeds in support of Griffith Public School P&C

Tickets available at school front office

Tharbogang Public School

# CAR BOOT SALE

**Saturday 15 September**  
**10am - 3pm**  
 Tharbogang School Oval, Braithwaite Rd  
 Gold coin entry

**BBQ - LIVE MUSIC**  
**KIDS ACTIVITIES - MARKET STALLS**  
 ALL PROCEEDS GOING TOWARDS  
 UPGRADING THARBOGANG SCHOOL OVAL

**Car boot spaces are filling up quickly \$20 per car boot**  
 To secure your place contact Melissa on 0411 489 125 or Lucinda on 0427 634 523