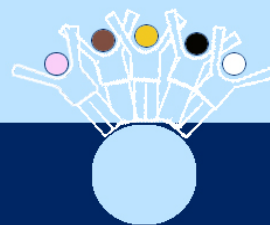


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NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 8

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Term 3 2012

Calendar

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

Week 8-Book Fair Week & Life Education

Monday September 3 rd	Book Fair
Tuesday September 4 th	Life Education
Wednesday September 5 th	1.45pm Year 6 Transition to Griffith HS
Friday September 7 th	K-6 Assembly

Week 9 – Intensive Swimming

Mon Sept 10 th – Thur 13 th	Life Education
Wednesday September 12 th	1.45pm Year 6 Transition to Griffith HS

Week 10 – Intensive Swimming

Wednesday September 19 th	1.45pm Year 6 Transition to Griffith HS
Friday September 21 st	K-6 Assembly Last day of Term 3

Dads and Doughnuts

Thank you to the dads, pops and uncles who attended our 'Dads and Doughnuts' Morning Tea. As usual students were very excited to see someone special at school and to share their art work with them.

Thank you to Mrs Kitchingman for once again organising the morning tea and to the students and staff for the excellent art work on display in the hall.



District Athletics



Nargis Sadiqi, Tina Carberry, Janera Williams, Danae Woods, Miracle Fanene and Parissa Abdollahi



Six students from GPS travelled with Mrs McWhirter and Miss Morante to Albury Last Friday to compete in the Riverina Athletics Carnival. All students represented Griffith extremely well with a number of personal bests and finals qualifications. Congratulations to Tina Carberry and Danae Woods, who have qualified for the State Carnival in October.

Book Fair

The Book Fair started yesterday, the 3rd September in the school library. Please come along and buy a book and support our Library!

Trent Barrett Shield Competition

Last Thursday, both the girls and boys Trent Barrett teams went to Wagga for the finals knockout. The boys played three games. They won one and lost 2 and came 4th in their pool for the day. The girls made it through to the grand final after winning all their games but unfortunately lost and were the day's runners up. The boys' player of the day was Michael Asomua and player of the day for the girls was Jessica Power. This year in the competition there was a total of 198 schools that participated and Griffith Public was among only a few to have both teams make it through to this round. We would like to thank the children for their fantastic sportsmanship and to the parents who came along. Thank you to Mrs Angela Catanzariti, Mrs Chloe Catanzariti, Ray Schaefer and Maxine Kirby for making it possible for our students to be involved.

'Enviro Champs'

Last Tuesday, 27th September, we travelled to Narrandera by bus to visit the John Lake Centre. The first thing we did was have morning tea then we went and looked at the fish. We watched a presentation about the centre.

We looked at the big ponds and at the third pond we saw about 120 fish eat frozen carp. When we walked back we watched presentations about other groups' projects. We had to present as well. After that we did some water testing and looked at the mud bugs and other small creatures in the water. We didn't get to finish our water testing because we had to have lunch.

After lunch we played some games and then we collected our bags, boarded the bus and set off for home.

We had a great day.

Genesis, Kyle, Tyssen and Solo (absent from the photo is Tyssen).



Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Matrix

This year the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) committee has consulted with parents, staff and students to develop expected behaviours in a variety of areas around the school which link to our 3 school values of **Respect, Responsibility and Do Your Best**. Attached is the list of expected behaviours which will be taught to students over the next year. Please contact a PBL committee member if you have any questions. Committee Members are-Mrs Lemon, Miss Browne, Mrs Campbell, Mrs Kitchingman, Miss Hayman, Mrs Angela Catanzariti, Mrs Chloe Catanzariti, Miss Robinson, Mrs McWhirter and Mrs Vearing.

P&C News

Thank you to everyone who supported our Movie night Fundraiser. Thank you to Vanessa for organising the night.

We hope all our Dads had a lovely Fathers Day on Sunday. Thank you for supporting our Fathers Day stall. It keeps getting bigger every year! Thank you to Rachel and Siosi for running the stall and for frantically running around town and getting more and more presents!!

Thank you to our parents who give regularly give up their time to help, and raise money to support all the children at GPS. We really appreciate your efforts!

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

Everyone is very welcome to attend!

Helen Lander



Canteen News

Wednesday 5 th	Kerri
Thursday 6 th	Agnes Lolohea
Friday 7 th	Elena
Monday 10 th	Elena
Tuesday 11 th	Kerri

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

Nuggets	\$3
Pies	\$3
Chicken Burger	\$3.50
Pluto Pups	\$3

Butterfly Badges

During Week 6, the SRC sold butterfly badges to raise money for the Deafness Foundation. This also coincided with Hearing Awareness Week. We sold 100 badges, and raised \$200 to support this worthy charity. The SRC would like to thank all students and staff who supported the Deafness Foundation by purchasing a badge. We would also like to thank Mrs Chadwick and Mrs Ripper from our Hearing Centre at GPS, whose assistance during Week 6 was fantastic. One lucky child who purchased a badge will have their name drawn out this Friday at the K-6 assembly, and will win a \$5 canteen voucher.

Mr Workman
SRC co-ordinator

Breakfast Club

We are very fortunate to have a breakfast club at GPS; it is made possible by the support of the Red Cross who donate cereal and milk. Last week Nadine and John visited the Coolah Cafe and are pictured here with Year 5 student, Zac and Isabel who volunteers her time a few mornings a week.



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 contracts.

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 7th. 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.

ARL Holiday Clinic

Rugby League Holiday Clinic "Kids To Kangaroos"

Boys Rugby League and Girls League-tag Clinic

Venues:

Tumbarumba Showground – Tuesday 25th
September

Hay Sportsground No.1 Oval – Thursday 27th
September

EW Moore Oval, Griffith Leagues Oval –
Wednesday 3rd October

Paramore Park – Thursday 4th 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

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.

DAY CAMP 2012

Day Camp for 2012 will be running again this year from September 25th to 27th. Teachings, songs, Gunya building, games, camp fires and friendship building will be the main aims.

Our theme this year is "Release Your Awesome."

The camp is for students Years 3-6 and will again be held at the Griffith Scout Hall on Abattoir Road each day from 9am to 4pm. A dinner with family will be held on the last night of camp.

Total cost is \$45 per child and \$40 for any additional child from the same family.

Day Camp has been running in the Griffith area for over 25 years and is supported by all the local churches.

Registration forms will be available from J & P Motorcycles and the Griffith Uniting Church Office. Would you please consider placing an article into your school's newsletter for the next few weeks, as you deem appropriate.

Pam Cabrera

Camp Coordinators: Pam Cabrera: 6964 9293

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David Polhill: 0428 592 730

davidpolhill@activ8.net.au

Griffith District Cricket Association 2012/13 Junior Cricket Registration

Kindergarten to Year 5

Available for both boys and girls

Age Groups Kinder/Year 1 Milo Cricket

Year 2 and 3 Junior Bradmen

Year 4 and 5 Senior Bradmen

Players will be placed into school based teams where possible.

There will also be information for Year 6 players wishing to play D grade

Registrations at Exies Sports Club

Sunday 9th Sept 10am to 12 noon

Monday 10th Sept 4.30pm to 6.30pm

Monday 17th Sept 4.30pm to 6.30pm

Regos also available from Sports power Griffith Coaching clinic and team announcements Sunday 14th October 9.30am to 12 noon at the Exies Oval Games commence Saturday 20th October 2012

Cost \$60 per player

Contact Roy Binks 6962 5082 or 6962 1288

(\$100 for 2 and \$120 for 3 same family regos)



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.



Griffith Little Athletics

Family, Fun and Fitness

Held at West End Oval Griffith

Ages from 3 years to 17 years

Born before 30.9.2009 and after 1.10.1995

Free Trial Days

Thursdays 13th and 20th September 2012
5.00 pm

Competition Starts

Thursday 11th October
5.30 pm

Little Athletics is suitable for all abilities and levels

Pre-register on line at www.lansw.com.au

For more information
Call **Veronica Cudmore**
on **0408 768 059**




Life Education Visit

Life Education NSW will be visiting our school on **Tuesday 4th September** and **Monday 10th September until Thursday 13th September.**

Please return the note below and \$2 if you wish your child to participate (the cost has been heavily subsidised by the Griffith Lions Club and Life Education Australia in order for ALL children to be able to attend). Children who have not paid will not be able to participate in the program.

I give permission for

In class..... to attend the Life Education program and enclose \$.....

Signed..... Parent/Guardian

Date.....



	RESPECT	RESPONSIBILITY	DO YOUR BEST
All Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be kind to others Follow teacher directions and instructions Hands off / feet off Use your best manners Look after property and equipment Use appropriate language 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay in bounds Put rubbish in the bin Keep walkways, stairs and verandahs clear at all times All play stops on the first bell Follow rules 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Play safely Maintain control
Primary Cola (Area A) Infants Cola	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Share the space Be aware of others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk on all concrete areas Sit down to eat Safe games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Play by the rules Play for fun Be a good sport
Area B / Oval / Wanderer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Share the space Be aware of others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food/drink free area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Play by the rules Play for fun Be a good sport
Playground Equipment (Fixed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take turns Move in one direction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use equipment safely Food/drink free area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be a good sport
Lines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen to the speaker Hands free Food/drink free area Clap appropriately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk to and from lines promptly Be on time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Join the end of the line Walk in straight, orderly lines
Assembly (Hall)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clap appropriately Acknowledge achievements Listen to speakers and staff Be courteous to parents and visitors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay seated Move quietly and sensibly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sing National Anthem with pride Repeat creed Accept awards with pride and honour Be proud
Canteen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use your best manners Be patient 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wait patiently for your turn Join appropriate line Return to eating area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Order on time
Toilets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect people's privacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wash your hands Keep floor dry Use toilet appropriately Report damage to teachers Clean up after yourself Food/drink free area 	
Bus Lines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> K-2 children first 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay seated until bus arrives 	
Car Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stop, Wait, Look Be patient 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wait to be collected from gate Walk cautiously to car with an adult 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wear seat belt Travel safely
Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use manners Be patient Use inside voice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have a purpose Follow directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen carefully Speak in full sentences
Classroom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask first Use inside voice Hats off 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be neat and tidy Be prepared Follow directions Follow rules 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Persevere Be on time

