

Griffith Public School

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NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 3

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Term 1 2013

Calendar

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

Week 3

Wednesday, February 13 th	Years 3-6 Swimming Carnival Meet the Teachers (see newsletter for times) P&C 7pm School Office
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Week 4

Friday, February 22 nd	K-6 School Assembly, 1pm School Hall
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Week 5

Friday, March 1 st	District (Zone) Swimming Carnival
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Week 6

Friday, March 8 th	K-6 School Assembly, 1pm School Hall Riverina Swimming Carnival
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Week 7

Friday, March 15 th	National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence
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Week 8

Friday, March 22 nd	K-6 School Assembly, 1pm School Hall
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Week 9

Monday March 25 th	Young Leaders Conference (School Captains)
Tuesday March 26 th	K-2 Easter Hat Parade
Thursday March 28 th	School Photos

Friday, March 29th

Good Friday-Public Holiday

Week 10

Monday April 1 st	Easter Monday-Public Holiday
Thursday April 4 th	K-2 Cross Country
Friday, April 5 th	Years 3-6 School Cross Country

Week 11

Friday, April 12 th	Last day Term 1
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2013 Sports Captains



Congratulations to the following students who were voted as Sports Captains by students last week;

Lara Abera-George and Tushar Dogra- **Bradman**
Tysen Enness and Bethany Hoare- **Fraser**
Solomona Toru and Leni Tuiaki- **Norman**
Reni Marela-Kirirua and Cailin Pennisi- **Goolagong**

They are all looking forward to the swimming carnival on Wednesday where they will be able to encourage and assist all students and teachers.

GPS Swimming Carnival 2013

On Wednesday, 13th February we will be holding our annual Years 3-6 Swimming Carnival at Griffith Aquatic Centre. All students are strongly encouraged to attend and participate in the carnival. We will be holding traditional races and novelty events.

Students may come dressed in their sports team colours but must bring a hat to wear walking to and from the pool.

Students need to bring a towel and a water bottle. Please make sure all items are labelled you're your child's name. Students will be allowed to purchase food from the pool shop.

This year we will be giving out special prizes for the best dressed student and best poster design for each house. There will also be a special trophy awarded to a student who tries their best all day.

Meet the Teachers

Please come along **this Wednesday** to meet the teachers, have a brief chat and find out some information about the class routine.

The meeting for Kinder (Early Stage One), Year One and Two (Stage One) will take place at 3.30pm in 2L's classroom (Infants building).

Year Three and Four (Stage Two) will meet in Mrs Lemon's classroom (the new classroom building) at 4.30pm.

Years Five and Six (Stage Three) will meet in the Library at 6pm.

Teachers are looking forward to meeting our student's parents and carers.

School Canteen

Wednesday 13 th	Swimming Carnival
Thursday 14 th	Agnes
Friday 15 th February	Elena
Monday 18 th February	Elena
Tuesday 19 th February	Brenda

Thank you to last week's helpers Siosi and Kerri. Please have lunch orders in before 9.30am. Thank you.

Brenda, Canteen Manager

P&C News

Our first P&C meeting is on this **WEDNESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY at 7PM** in the staffroom. Come along and meet other parents, discuss ideas and hear what is happening at GPS in 2013.

More hats and shirts have arrived at the Uniform shop. Thank you for your patience waiting for these to arrive. The Uniform shop is open every Thursday from 1.30pm-2.30pm. Thank you to the volunteers who help us in the Uniform Shop.

Each year at the swimming carnival, the P&C provide morning tea to all teachers and volunteers. We are asking parents and carers, if they could help by making a cake or slice. These could be left in the office on the morning of **Wednesday 13th February**. We would also love any volunteers to help us serve the morning tea.

Thank you,
Helen Lander (P&C President)

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 in case of emergencies.

Thank you.

Griffith Public School Website

Our school website is a valuable communication tool. All newsletters are uploaded on Wednesdays, so that if your paper copy goes missing you can access our school website for a copy.

Photos of our special events are also put onto the website.

Please visit our website by either searching (Googling) 'Griffith Public School' or go to the following web address: <http://www.griffith-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

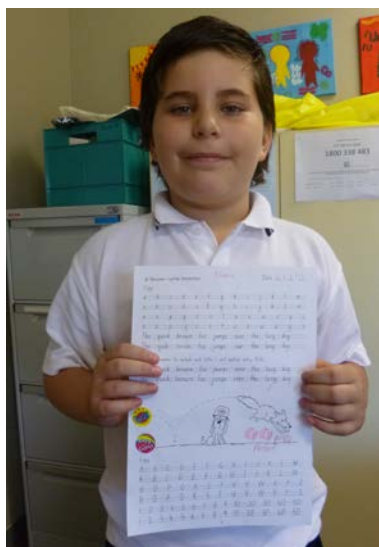
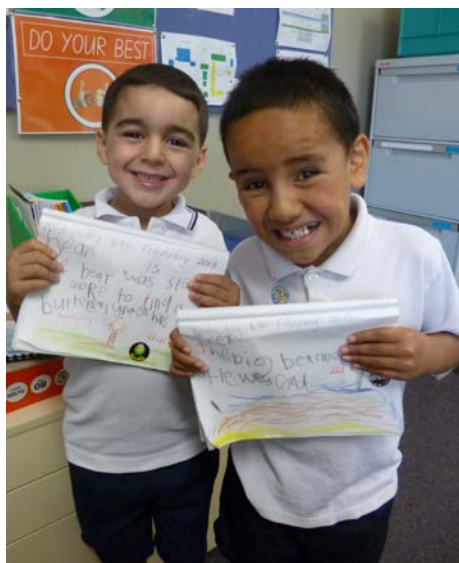
Australia Dress up Day

Thank you to everyone who donated money and dressed up last Friday.

\$200 was raised and is being donated to the Cancer Council via The Relay for Life event.

Respect, Responsibility, Do Your Best!

Cameron and Tuwunga from 1R, Ethan and Laura from 2D and Blake from 5/6W have all been doing their best! Well done.



Fitness Fanatics!

5/6W has already started to work hard on their fitness, completing a running assessment known as the 'beep test'. This will allow students to monitor their progress and allow them to aim for an improvement. They may be hard to beat at the Cross Country on the 5th of April! Do your best 5/6 W!



2013 homework planner

Kids and families run more smoothly when there's a plan. The 2012 homework and study calendar includes key dates and school holidays. You can print it out month by month, or by the whole year.

Find out more

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/2013-homework-planner>





YENDA Bluehealers JRLFC

FUN FOOTY STARTS HERE

Yenda Bluehealers JRLFC invites junior boys and girls of all abilities to their Club for a fun and safe way to develop and learn new skills; promote sportsmanship and enjoyment through Rugby League and League Tag.

Yenda offers experienced coaching staff, strong family values and commitment towards giving your child the best possible environment to learn Rugby League and League Tag.

Confidence

Friendship

Fun!

Registration Days

Monday 4th February 2013
Jubilee Park Griffith 4.00pm - 5.00pm

Saturday 9th & 23rd February 2013
Griffith Central 10.00am - 2.00pm

New players must bring ID

Don't panic if you can't make it on the day, players can still sign on at training

Training commences
Thursday 7th March at Jubilee Oval, Griffith - 4.30pm

For further information contact:
David Busnello 0427 160 466 or
Jodie Payne 0429 140 484

VENDA DIGGERS CLUB

ROCKTOWN BROS

fire

water dynamics

Griffith Laundry Service

LIQUITECH

CAMDEN LANE

Great Southern

PRESTO

SERAFIN LANDPOWER

Moore Contracting Solutions

Griffith Basketball 2013 Spring Competitions

Senior & Junior Nominations

Thursday 7th & 14th February
5pm - 6.30pm

Seniors \$ 130.00

Juniors

11 years & under \$ 90.00

13 years & under \$ 115.00

15 years & under \$ 115.00

(Door fee is included in registration fee of \$ 48.00)

17s mixed comp \$ 80.00

Junior competition individual
Nominations only

Competition commences
Juniors 28th February
Seniors 10th March

School Banking

A reminder that student banking is collected every Tuesday. Please remember to send your child's bank case in if you wish to continue banking.

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.

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

Country First Credit Union is a proud supporter of our P&C, regularly making generous donations.

Smart foods to boost learning

Mother Nature is full of foods that help us think and feel better. What do you give your child to help them think more clearly, and enhance concentration and memory?

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/smart-foods-to-boost-learning>

- If you want your child to think more clearly, give them a breakfast high in protein such as eggs and milk.
- Mother Nature is full of foods that help children and adults think and feel better.
- Exercise is good for thinking because it supplies oxygen to the brain.
- Avoid white squishy things like chips, white bread and cakes.

Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 3

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: _____