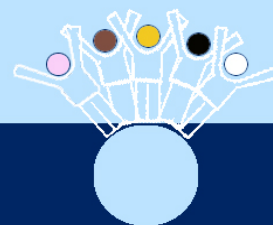


# Griffith Public School

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## NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 5

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### Term 1 2013

#### Calendar

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

#### Week 5

Friday, March 1 <sup>st</sup>	District (Zone) Swimming Carnival
	Clean Up Australia Day

#### Week 6

Friday, March 8 <sup>th</sup>	K-6 School Assembly, 1pm School Hall
	Riverina Swimming Carnival

#### Week 7

Friday, March 15 <sup>th</sup>	National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence
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#### Week 8

Friday, March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	K-6 School Assembly, 1pm School Hall
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#### Week 9

Monday March 25 <sup>th</sup>	Young Leaders Conference (School Captains)
Tuesday March 26 <sup>th</sup>	K-2 Easter Hat Parade
Thursday March 28 <sup>th</sup>	School Photos
Friday, March 29 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday-Public Holiday

#### Week 10

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

#### Week 11

Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

Last day Term 1

#### SRC Representatives for 2013

Congratulations to students who were elected to SRC this year. The 2013 SRC were presented with their badges at assembly on Friday. Thank you to all the proud family members who were able to come along to help present the students with their badges.



Thank you to Miss Dance who will be the teacher leading the SRC this year and to Mr Workman who has led them for the previous six years.

## 2013 Swimming Champions

A huge congratulations to this year's swimming champions;

Juniors-Lucy Bretherton and Jock Lander  
11 Years-Jessica Power and Leon Bamblett  
Seniors-Bianca Sutton and Joel Misiloi

A special congratulations goes to Jesse Ratu who received the GPS 'Do your Best' Swimming Carnival award for 2013. This is a new award at our school which is given to a student who tries their very best all day at the carnival.

'Do Your Best' awards will also be presented following the Cross Country and Athletics Carnivals later this year.



## Zone Swimming Team

The following students have successfully made it through to the Zone Swimming Carnival on Friday 1st March, 2013. At this carnival they will be competing against a range of schools from our local area. GPS would like to wish the Zone Team the very best of luck on Friday.

### 2013 GPS Zone Swimming Team

Jessica Power  
Danae Woods  
Lucy Bretherton  
Lili Henderson-Clark  
Deborah Warr  
Bianca Sutton  
Kyesha Simpson-Charles  
Reuben Leao-Seve Simpson  
Leon Bamblett  
Solo Toru  
Jock Lander  
Joel Misiloi  
Reni Marella-Kirirua

Our Zone swimming team have all been given the opportunity to attend a training session this week in preparation for the big carnival. We would like to thank Katrina Goldman for very generously volunteering her time to come along and assist students in their training.

## Relay for Life-Sponge Throwing

Thank you to all of the students who participated in the "Sponge Throwing" Relay for Life fundraiser on Friday at lunchtime. We raised approximately \$55, which will go to the Cancer Council as part of the GPS staff team's fundraising efforts. Mr Workman and Mrs Tyrrell also got a surprise on Friday when they had cream cakes splattered over their faces instead of sponges!



## Best Start-Kindergarten Parents and Carers

Today the parent reports for the Kindergarten Best Start assessment are being sent home. If you need assistance understanding the report Mrs Lander is



available this Thursday (28/2) between 9am and 11.30am to help explain it to you. Please contact the front office in person, or by phone-69623199 to make an appointment.

### P&C News

Thank you to the P&C and the uniform shop for donating the 3 \$15.00 lucky seat prizes at the stage meetings last week. The lucky winners were the O'Keefe, Puleheloto-Nosa, and Samuelu families.

A very big "Thank you" to Brenda and the Canteen committee for the very generous donation of \$500.00 to each stage for excursions throughout the year. This will help to make excursions cheaper and more affordable to all.

Our next meeting will be our AGM and this will be **on WEDNESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> MARCH at 7pm**. All parents and carers are very welcome.

Helen Lander (P&C President)

### School Canteen

Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Agnes
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Kerri
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Elena
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Elena
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Brenda

Thank you to last week's helpers, Agnes Lolohea and Anne Kelton and also Cathy.

Hot Dogs \$3.00

Chicken Burger \$3.50

Pluto Pups \$3.00

Brenda,  
Canteen Manager

### Clean Up Australia Day

On Friday, students K-6 will be cleaning up our school environment by picking up rubbish, students will also be discussing how we can help look after our environment and why it is important to do so.

### School Photos Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

A Flyer/envelope will be sent home with students explaining the products available.

Please ensure that each student returns his/her own envelope even if payment is made in the

eldest child's envelope. Envelopes are not to be placed inside other envelopes

### Students are to return envelopes to school before Photo Day.

We have an auto-mated system for payments by credit card. You can go online to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) for easy to understand payment instructions. You will receive a receipt number which **MUST** be written on the order envelope in the space provided. You can also make payments by cash, cheque or money order.

Sibling Photos are also available for students at the school, please collect a "family order envelope" from the office & return it to the office. Thank you.

### Just a reminder for Kindergarten Parents & Carers...

"**Play School LIVE in Concert**" is coming to Leeton! This will be the major Kindergarten Excursion for the year. We will be attending the concert and having lunch at the park.

**When: Tuesday 19th March**

**Where: Leeton Soldiers Club & Leeton Park**

**What to wear: Full Summer uniform**

**What to bring: Morning tea, packed lunch, drinks**

**Cost: \$16.50**

**Please return notes and money by**  
**the end of this week: Friday 1st**  
**March**

### Crossing the Road

Please remind your children that they **MUST** use the supervised school crossings when walking to school. It has been reported that students, sometimes with adults present, are crossing the road where there is no crossing. Please keep your children safe and teach them how to cross the road safely.

**Respect, Responsibility, Do Your Best!**

Well done Lili and Lilly-Anna from 3/4S for completing fantastic homework activities. The Aboriginal shelters the girls made were done so with thought and effort. Keep doing your best!



**Waratah Junior Rugby League**-Training begins next week on Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of March 4.30pm Exies Sports Club. Registrations will also be taken.

**Fun Tennis Parent Child Night**- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 5pm Beginners to experienced players welcome. Enquiries Cheryl Rawle 0429126586

**Griffith Netball Association 2013 Registration**-Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March Griffith Southside Leagues Club Net-Set-Go (ages 5-8) 11am-12pm-\$60 Age and Graded Division 1-3pm Juniors \$90 Seniors \$150. Registration and team forms available at [www.griffithnetball.asn.au](http://www.griffithnetball.asn.au) Athlete's Foot, Sportspower, GB Sports. For further information; email [griffithnetball@gmail.com](mailto:griffithnetball@gmail.com) Phone Catherine 0428239696

**Griffith East PS P&C** invites you to attend a "CARnival"-Car show and shine, with prizes to be won. Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 10am-2pm Exies Sports Oval. Show Bags, Jumping Castle, Refreshments etc.

**Stewart House****High Bounce Handball**

*Your money will support Stewart House*

*and all the fantastic work they do for many of our students.*

**Only \$3!**

Return the slip below to Miss Dance or your SRC Representative

**BEFORE Friday Week 7**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of bounce balls: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of money paid: \_\_\_\_\_

**Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 5**

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: \_\_\_\_\_

Congratulations to Week 3 and 4 winners, Jacynda Samuelu and Chad Waring Bryant.

**Yenda Football Club Juniors**- More players needed for Under 6's, 7's and 9's mixed. Please contact John Carbone, President 0414985111 for more information.