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NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 11

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Term 1 2013

Calendar

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

Week 11

Friday, April 12 th	K-6 Assembly, 1pm School Hall
	Last day Term 1
	Crazy Hair Day
HOLIDAYS Thursday 25 th April- 10.15am ANZAC DAY March and service.	

Term 2

Week 1

Wednesday, May 1 st	K-6 return to school
	School ANZAC Day Service

Week 2

Friday, May 10 th	Mum's and Muffins
	K-6 Assembly

Week 3

Tuesday, May 14 th	Years 3 & 5 NAPLAN
Wednesday, May 15 th	Years 3 & 5 NAPLAN
Thursday, May 16 th	Years 3 & 5 NAPLAN

Term Two Dates

Please be aware that students do not return to school until **WEDNESDAY the 1st of MAY**. Staff return on the Monday and Tuesday. An additional staff development day has been allocated to all schools to allow for staff training in the National Curriculum.

The last day of Term Two is Friday 28th June.

K-2 BUPA Assembly



Residents from BUPA enjoyed a special assembly and delicious afternoon tea (provided by the teachers) last week. Thank you to K-2 Students and staff for organising this special event, particularly Mrs Bye, and to the staff at BUPA for bringing our visitors to the school.

We look forward to more visits next term as well as our students visiting BUPA.

Cross Country News

All students at GPS participated in Cross Country events last week. K-2 ran in the Community Gardens on Thursday and 3-6 travelled to Lake Wyangan on Friday for their races. Both events went smoothly with all students displaying outstanding sportsmanship.

Thank you very much to the staff who organised and ran the carnivals and thank you to the volunteers who assisted. It was also wonderful to have parents and family members come along and support their children.

Congratulations to the students in Years 3-6 who have qualified for the Zone Cross Country on the 31st May. More information will be sent home with those students early next term. Our champions and winning house will be presented with their trophies at our K-6 Assembly on Friday.

Pictured below are the students who won ribbons at the Cross Country.



House Captain

Congratulations to Sione Kupu who is taking on the role of House Captain for Fraser after the previous captain left the school. Sione was enthusiastic about leading Fraser at the cross country carnival last Friday. A great start to his new role. Well done Sione.

ANZAC Ceremony-School and Holidays-Thursday 25th April

All students are invited to march and attend the Griffith ANZAC Day Service on Thursday the 25th of April. Staff and our school captains will meet students at **10.15am in the area outside the Griffith Art Gallery** (pink building in Banna Avenue). Students must be dressed in their summer school uniform, including black shoes and navy socks. They should also bring their school hats.

It is important to attend this event as we are honouring soldiers who have represented and fought for Australia to be the safe and free country that it is today. Students who participate also enhance their opportunity to earn a Gold Award.

Following the march and ceremony in town students are once again invited to visit the Griffith Cemetery and place flowers provided on ex servicemen and women's graves (995 in total). These graves are marked with little white crosses. The organiser of this activity, Mrs Marg Tucker has also requested donations of flowers if possible.

Our school ANZAC ceremony will be held on Wednesday May 1st, this is the first day back for students next term. All parents are welcome to attend the ceremony held at the flagpole where we will meet at 10:30a.m.

Year Five and Six students are then able to attend a special luncheon with our invited guests who include returned servicemen and women, National Service men and family and friends. The cost is \$5.00 per student. Money and permission note need to be returned to the school this week.

Choir News

The Griffith Public School choir will be performing at our Anzac Day ceremony on Wednesday 1st May at 10.30pm. All children are to wear **FULL SUMMER UNIFORM including black shoes and navy socks**. All parents and carers are very welcome to attend the ceremony.

Thank you,
Helen Lander and Jan Kitchingman

K-6 Assembly-Silver Awards

Some parents have received a letter in the mail notifying them of the Silver Award Assembly. We apologise for the incorrect date that was printed in the letter. The assembly is taking place this Friday, the 12th of April.

Crazy Hair Day

The SRC will be holding a **Crazy Hair Day** this Friday (the last day of Term 1) to help raise money for KROP costumes.

Bring a **Gold Coin** donation and wear your hair in the **craziest** possible way! One person from each class with **Crazy Hair** will be chosen to go in a special draw to win a SECRET prize! The winner will be drawn out at the K – 6 assembly.

GET CREATIVE!!!

Touch Football Trials

Well done to the students who had to juggle Touch Football trials and the Cross Country last Friday! All students tried their best and proudly represented GPS. A special congratulations to Hollie Penrith and Solomona Toru who have been selected to play in the Griffith Zone team.



Rugby Union Gala Day

Last Wednesday, 3rd of April four teams travelled to Jubilee Oval to participate in a Rugby Union Gala Day. There were two 5/6 teams and two 3/4 teams. The 5/6 Team A made it to the finals but were unsuccessful. The 3/4 Team A won all four games AND the final. They are now heading to Wagga Wagga next term. They all had a great day and would like to thank their wonderful team leaders and coaches; Mrs Angela Catanzariti, Mr Chauhan, Ray Schaefer and Shawn Patterson.

RESULTS

5/6 Team A	5/6 Team B	3/4 Team A	3/4 Team B
Won 3/lost 1	Won 3/lost 1	Won 4	Lost 4
Finals: lost		Finals: Won	
		Off to Wagga	

P&C News

We had a wonderful P&C meeting last week with lots of new parents attending. It was very exiting!! Due to increased parent and carer participation in our P&C, we are now able to keep our canteen and uniform shop open. Great news!

The P&C executive for 2013 are -

- * Treasurer- Craig Waring-Bryant
- * Secretary- Vanessa Clarke
- * President- Helen Lander

All fun Run money must be back to school by this Wednesday 10th April.

Thank you,
Helen Lander

School Canteen

Wednesday 10 th	Agnes
Thursday 11 th	Kerri
Friday 12 th	Elena

Thank you to last week's helper, Siosi, Kerri and Helen.

Chicken Burgers	\$3.50
Pluto Pups	\$3.00
Nuggets	\$3.00

We also have Paddle Pop ice creams for \$1.50. Chocolate, Vanilla and Banana flavoured.
Brenda, Canteen Manager

NRMA Bus Safety Visit

Yesterday Kindergarten had a visit from the lovely ladies from NRMA. They spoke about how to be safe on and around the bus. The children were very lucky and went for a drive around the block on the bus with Viv.



Woolworths Earn and Learn

Woolworths Earn and Learn is back! From **Monday 8th April, 2013**, Griffith Public School staff, students and friends are invited to help our school earn valuable points that we can use to purchase resources for our school. You can collect Earn and Learn Points from the checkout operator and place them on a points sheet. Last year it was stickers. There will be one Earn and Learn Point for every \$10 spent



(excludes liquor, tobacco and gift cards). There will be boxes at both Woolworths stores and in our front office to put your points.

The promotion is supposed to end on the 9th June, 2013. So start shopping at Woolworths and help us collect points. Last year we collected 49370. Our target this year is 80000 points. make your friends and family shop there too and grab their points.



Photo: Michaela Tatt and Lakeesha Nayden with all of the resources we received from last year's earn and Learn promotion. We received over \$3000 worth of goodies!

Griffith Tennis Club Holiday Clinic

Monday 15th – Thursday 18th April

Time: 9am – 2pm

BYO: Drink bottle, snacks, hat (tennis rackets are provided)

Cost \$30 for 1 day; \$55 for 2 days; \$80 for 3 days; \$100 for 4 days

For further enquiries contact Cheryl Rawle 0429 126 586

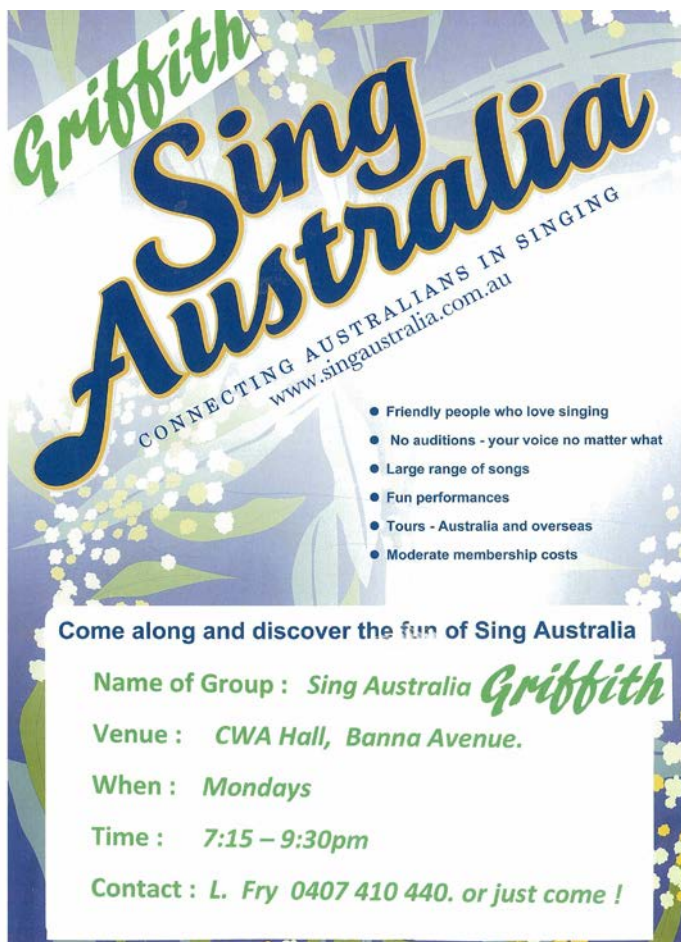
Email: cheryle.rawle@bigpond.com

Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 11

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: _____



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Venue : CWA Hall, Banna Avenue.

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Contact : L. Fry 0407 410 440. or just come !

Have a safe and happy holiday.
Students return to school on
Wednesday 1st May.



Mother's Day Stall



The P&C are holding a
Mother's Day Stall on
Friday 10th May

There will be a variety of
gifts to buy

All gifts are
\$5.00

Thank you for supporting
our P&C.

Go4Fun

Healthy • Active • Happy • Kids

Do you have children 7 to 13 years old? Are you worried about their weight?

Go4Fun runs for 10 weeks during school term. Sessions are run twice a week for two hours after school.

FREE fun program for kids to become fitter, healthier & happier

Registrations for the next school term are now open. Details of a local program are outlined below. To find out more or enquire about other locations, phone:

Free call **02 6964 5849**

SMS 0409 745 645 for a call back or visit
www.mendcentral.org/go4fun



Health
Murrumbidgee
Local Health District

Where?
Livefit Fitness Studio
124 Wakaden St, Griffith

When?
Starts Monday 29th April 2013
at 4pm