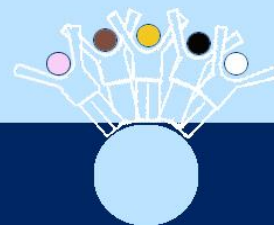


# Griffith Public School

A quality education for all



## NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 9

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### Term 1 2014

#### Calendar

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

#### Week 9

Tuesday, March 25 <sup>th</sup>	Cricket Knockout
Friday, March 28 <sup>th</sup>	2.15pm K-6 Assembly Year 6 and Choir School Photos

#### Week 10

Thursday April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	3-6 Cross Country
Friday, April 4 <sup>th</sup>	10am K-2 Fun Run

#### Week 11

Tuesday, April 8 <sup>th</sup>	K-2 Easter Hat Parade
Thursday, April 10 <sup>th</sup>	Easter church service-\$2 bus cost
Friday, April 11 <sup>th</sup>	Last day Term 1

**Term 2-Students return to school on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April.**

**Harmony Day and National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence**



Students looked fantastic on Friday when they came to school dressed to celebrate 'Harmony Day'.



## The Butterfly Effect

Last Wednesday 22 girls attended "The Butterfly Effect" workshop with over 300 other girls from schools in our district.

Girls made special positive diaries and talked about how looking like a 'supermodel' is not important but how loving yourself for being 'somebody', rather than 'a body', is. They also found out how many images of girls in the media are photo shopped and are actually unrealistic body images. Girls joined in a relaxation workshop and positive affirmations sessions with new and old friends. Thank you to Griffith Connections who subsidised this excursion by over 50%



## Trent Barrett Shield

On Wednesday, 19th March, Griffith hosted the Trent Barrett Shield Competition at Jubilee Oval. Griffith Public School sent two enthusiastic and determined Stage 2 teams to participate in the girls' League Tag. Two boys' teams attended to play Rugby League.

The girls played exceptionally well displaying sportsmanship and fair play. Alana Little and Moerai Rangriura were our outstanding players, along with Brenda Goolagong who was great in defence and Cody Mott who displayed courageous leadership. We came away with a couple of wins, loses and a draw. The girls had a wonderful day.

The boys also played well and for many it was their first exposure to Rugby League. Although the teams were beaten in most of their games, by the end of the day the boys had a good understanding of the rules and thoroughly enjoyed their day. Best on ground went to Joshua Low and Chris Tupola.

A big thank you to Ray Schaefer for volunteering to coach the boys' teams and help on the day. Without Ray's assistance we would find it very difficult to compete in such a competition. Thank you also to Maxine Kirby, Nicole Myers and the mothers who helped with the setting up of the sun shelter. Thank you to Mrs Catanzariti and Mrs Parisotto for managing the teams and attending on the day.



## K-6 Easter Church Services

Children in Years Kindergarten to Year 6 will visit churches on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 11:30am for special Easter services.

Travel will be by bus. Children are asked to bring in \$2 to their classroom teacher, as soon as possible, to cover the cost of the bus.

## Years 3-6 Cross Country

Notes have been sent home regarding the Years 3-6 Cross Country being held on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please ensure you return the note and money ASAP.

APPROXIMATE race times;

- 10.45am 8/9 girls begin
- 11am 8/9 boys begin
- 11.15am 10yrs girls begin
- 11.30am 10yrs boys begin
- Midday 11yrs Girls begin
- 12.15pm 11yrs Boys begin
- 12.30pm 12/13 Girls begin
- 12.45pm 12/13 Boys begin

There will a sausage sizzle running. A sausage sandwich is \$2.00 and a drink is \$1.00. Students will need to bring money to purchase their sausages or else bring a packed lunch as there is no canteen available. Students also need to bring water bottles.

## K-2 Assembly Awards

<b>KB</b> Sehajpreet Singh Shamella Legara Marley Tafili	<b>KLI</b> Jason Lalagavesi Mila Nalewakana Harnil Pancholi
<b>KM</b> Savalina Ilavalu Longitoto Valeliano Riddick Christian	<b>KR</b> Rudolph Ilavalu Tyrease Patterson Madisyn Martin
<b>1S</b> Lemafoe Setefano Jordan Tomkins Kye Banfield	<b>1B</b> Elaina Nayden Harley Kotro Fifita Tuiaki
<b>1D</b> Maikeli Mohulamu Bellah swainston Tushana-Talin Manutai	<b>2T</b> Dev Patel Saia Hala Tiare-June Orake
<b>2L</b> Mele Tuitufu Elka Miller Ailaulau Tietie	<b>2C</b> JessiahBamblett Jaylan Tia Wesley Tupuola

## K-2 Fun Run

The K-2 Fun Run will be held on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 10am in the Griffith Community Gardens.

Children will need to wear their sports uniform and joggers on this day.

You are most welcome to come down and watch your child participate in the Fun Run. We hope to see you there.

## ANZAC Day

All students are invited to march and attend the Griffith ANZAC Day Service on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> 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 Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April. 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. Please return notes and money before the end of term.

## P&C News

One P&C fundraiser for this term will be an Easter Egg Raffle. Yum! Yum!

The P&C are asking all parents and carers to donate a chocolate Easter egg or rabbit to the raffle. These can be left in the school office. Extra raffle tickets are available from the office.

**All money raised and raffle tickets must be back to school by WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL.**

The P&C *adidas school Fun Run* will be held again this year as part of the schools Cross Country Carnival. The Fun Run is the P&C's major fundraising event for this term.

**The Fun run will be held on the following dates- years K-2 on Friday 4th April and years 3-6 on Thursday 3rd April.**

The *adidas School Fun-Run* is a healthy, fun and active fundraiser that ensures we send the right message to our children about getting active, having fun and maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

Students who raise just \$10 or more will receive a reward for effort. Please look after your sponsorship form as we do not have spares.

**All money raised must be back to school by FRIDAY 12TH APRIL.**

Thank you,  
Helen Lander (P&C President)

## School Canteen

Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Agnes Lolohea
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Kerri
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Elena
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Elena
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Brenda

Thank you to last week's helpers Agnes Lolohea and Cathy.

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

Brenda,  
Canteen Manager



## K-2 Easter Hat Parade



The Easter Hat Parade for all Kindergarten to Year 2 children will be held on Tuesday 8th April at 12.15pm in the school hall.

Parents and friends are invited to attend this exciting afternoon.

Come along and listen to the children perform their songs and poems and look at the wonderful Easter Hats the children have made in their classrooms.

Thankyou,  
K-2 Teachers



## Kindergarten Pirate Day

Next Thursday 27th March Kindergarten are having a pirate day.

We will be going to City Park and eating popcorn.

Children may come to school dressed as a pirate.

Thank you,  
The Kindergarten teachers.



## Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 9

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: \_\_\_\_\_