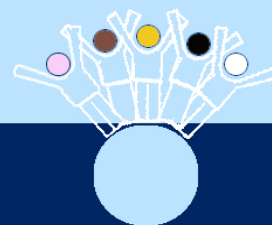


# Griffith Public School

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## NEWSLETTER TERM 2 WEEK 4

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### Calendar

#### Term 2 2014

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

#### Week 4

Monday, May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday, May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival
	Scholastic Book Fair
Wednesday, May 21 <sup>st</sup>	Rugby Union Gala Day
	CWA Flag Parade
	Scholastic Book Fair
Thursday, May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	K-2 Assembly
Friday, May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	K-2 Fun Athletics Day 9.45-11.20am
	Zone Cross Country
	Stage 2 & 3 Assemblies

#### Week 5 Reconciliation Week

Tuesday, May 27 <sup>th</sup>	Zone Athletics Carnival
Thursday, May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Mortimer Shield
Friday, May 30 <sup>th</sup>	K-6 Assembly

#### Week 6

Tuesday, June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Zone Athletics
Wednesday, June 4 <sup>th</sup>	P&C 7pm
Thursday, June 5 <sup>th</sup>	K-2 Assembly
Friday, June 6 <sup>th</sup>	Stage 2 & 3 Assemblies

#### Week 7

Monday, June 9 <sup>th</sup>	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday June 10 <sup>th</sup>	Riverina Cross Country

Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup> K-6 Assembly

#### Week 8

Parent Teacher Interviews

Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> K-2 Assembly

Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> Stage 2 & 3 Assemblies

#### Week 9 NAIDOC Week

Monday, June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	NAIDOC Week Flag Raising
	Riverina Athletics Carnival
Tuesday, June 24 <sup>th</sup>	Traditional Indigenous Games
Wednesday, June 25 <sup>th</sup>	NAIDOC Week Cultural Activities
Thursday, June 26 <sup>th</sup>	Elder's Morning Tea
Friday, June 27 <sup>th</sup>	Last day Term 2

### Cross Country Champions



Congratulations to the Cross Country Age Champions for 2014.

**Juniors-** Moerai Rangirua and Austin Colgan

**11 Years-** Gladys Asomua and Reuben Leao-Seve Simpson

**Seniors-** Jessica Power and Noah Carberry Beale

Congratulations William Mott and John Taunasila who were the proud recipients of the 'Do Your Best trophies. William was awarded for his efforts and good sportsmanship at the Cross Country and John for his dedication and efforts as a member of the cricket team.

The winning sports house at the Cross Country was 'Goolagong'.

Congratulations to all the students who qualified for the Zone Carnival on Friday. Do your best!

### 1S and 1B Making Johnny Cakes

1S made 'Johnny Cakes' in class last week. They ate them with jam and butter on top. YUM! Johnny Cakes are bread which has been made by Aboriginals for thousands of years. Before they had flour to use, Aboriginal people would use native seeds to make the flour for the Johnny Cakes.



On Wednesday the 14th May, 1B went on a mini excursion to Rossie's supermarket. They bought all the ingredients to make Johnny Cakes. They then went back to school with their ingredients and cooked their own Johnny cakes in class.



## Zone Cross Country

A reminder for all students who are a part of the Zone Cross Country Team that notes have been sent home and need to be brought back to their classroom teacher ASAP with \$3 for the cost of the bus. The Carnival is being held at Lake Wyangan (picnic area) and students need to be at school by 8:30am on Friday the 23rd of May. Parents are more than welcome to attend to support GPS.

## GPS Athletics Carnival

Students in years 3-6 will be competing in the Athletics Carnival this Tuesday (20th of May). All students will walk to West End Oval in the morning and will walk back in the afternoon with their classroom teacher. A canteen will be running on the day and I would like to invite all family members along to support their child/children. If you would like to assist at the carnival please send in a message or ring the office.

## K-2 Athletics Fun Day

The K-2 Athletics Fun Day will be held this Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 9:45am on the school oval. Age and novelty races will be held until 11:20am. Everyone is most welcome to come along and join in the excitement.

## Year 5 & 6 Excursion

All students in Years 5 & 6 have received information about our major excursion November 4th-7th in Term 4. This is to Lake Burrendong Sport and Recreation camp, Lake Cowal Gold mine and the Wellington caves. The excursion is part of our study about gold which all students will be doing later this year. To secure a place, students must send in a \$50 deposit NO LATER than FRIDAY MAY 30TH. There are a limited number of places due to the bus size so students will be secured a place as deposits come in. If you have any questions about the excursion please contact Mrs Campbell at school.

## Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Our school is participating in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with a disability.

We will be collecting information already available in the school about the support that is being

provided to students with these needs. Better data will help the Government plan for students with a disability.

The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.

The DEC will provide data to the Australian Government from all NSW public schools in such a way that no individual or school will be able to be identified. In this way we will ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all students.

All information is protected by privacy laws which regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. Information about the Australian Government's Privacy Policy can be found her: <http://education.gov.au/condensed-privacy-policy>. Information about the NSW Government's privacy policies can be found here: <http://www.ipc.nsw.gov.au/>

If you do not want your child to be counted in the data collection you must inform Miss Hayman before the end of Term 2, 2014. A decision to exclude your child will not affect the support they currently receive.

Further information about the data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education website:

<http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

If you have any questions about your child being included in the data collection please contact the school.

If you need help with English to make an enquiry please contact the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. The operator will call the number you provide to get an interpreter on the line to assist you with your conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

## P&C News

The next P&C Meeting is being held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm.

Thank you,  
Helen Lander (P&C President)

## Reforms to P&C Federation

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of



individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school's P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation's Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation's Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department's website at

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/az/involvement.php>.

### School Canteen

Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Elena
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Kerri
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Elena
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Elena
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Brenda

Thank you to last week's helper Agnes.

Chicken Burgers	\$3.50
Chicken Nuggets	\$3.00
Hot Dogs	\$3.00

Please have your orders in by 9.30am sharp.  
Thank you,

Brenda,

Canteen Manager.

### Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 4

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: \_\_\_\_\_

### CWA State Conference

Tomorrow, children will be participating in a flag parade at the CWA State Conference at the Griffith Show Grounds. A group of boys will also be performing the Haka with great gusto!



### Excited students at the Athletics Carnival today!

