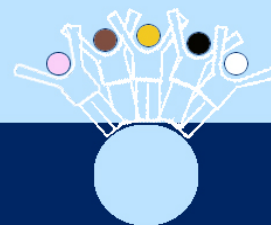


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NEWSLETTER TERM 2 WEEK 5

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Calendar

Term 2 2014

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

Week 5 Reconciliation Week

Thursday, May 29 th	Mortimer Shield
Friday, May 30 th	K-6 Assembly-Sorry Day acknowledgement

Week 6

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

Week 7

Monday, June 9 th	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday June 10 th	Riverina Cross Country
Friday, June 13 th	K-6 Assembly

Week 8

Parent Teacher Interviews	
Thursday, June 19 th	K-2 Assembly
Friday, June 20 th	Stage 2 & 3 Assemblies

Week 9 NAIDOC Week

Parent Teacher Interviews	
Monday, June 23 rd	NAIDOC Week Flag Raising Riverina Athletics Carnival
Tuesday, June 24 th	Traditional Indigenous Games
Wednesday, June 25 th	NAIDOC Week Cultural Activities

Thursday, June 26th
Friday, June 27th

Elder's Morning Tea
Last day Term 2

National Sorry Day

The 26th May marks 'National Sorry Day'. Sorry Day is when we remember and commemorate the mistreatment of Australia's Aboriginal people. Our choir performed at the Lands Council Sorry Day event and the school captains presented a book, made by all classes K-6, to the Lands Council.



Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival

Last Tuesday students from years 3-6 participated in the annual GPS Athletics Carnival. It was great to see an increase in attendance for the event; this was evident in the record amount of heats in the track events.

All of the students showed great sportsmanship and loyalty to their sporting house as there was lots of colour and cheering!

Congratulations to our students who have qualified for the Zone Athletics Carnival, which will be held on Tuesday the 3rd of June. We are also excited to

announce a new record for the senior girl's discus. Danae Woods smashed the previous record with her throw of 24.76m! Well done Danae.

Thank you very much to Mr Date for organising the carnival and to the staff and parents who assisted.

Age Champions and the winning sports house will be announced at the K-6 Assembly this Friday.



K-2 Infants Athletics Fun Day

Last Friday, K-2 held their Athletics Fun Day. It was great to see everyone participating and doing their best on the day including parents and teachers. Thank you to everyone who turned up to support their child. And to the many parents who helped with the running of the day.

Thank you to Miss Brain and the teachers for organising the event.





Book Fair

We would like to thank everybody for their support of our Book Fair last week. During the week, we sold \$1,400 worth of books, posters and stationery to the children. This means that our library was able to choose \$500 worth of books to keep for our library. This is what we bought!



Rugby Union Gala Day

Last Wednesday, twelve Stage 3 boys represented the school at a rugby union carnival held at Jubilee Oval. The boys played extremely well and secured a position in the final round, to be held in Wagga later in the term.

They played East Griffith in their first game and won convincingly, 7 tries to 2 tries. In the second round they came up against a well drilled North Griffith side. This game was very even, with an overall score of 5 tries all.

Player of the day was awarded to Aaron Nauer, for his 'never give up' attitude and unstoppable force.

The team would like to thank Ray Schaefer for his hard work coaching them throughout this semester. We look forward to our road trip later in the term. Thank you also to Mrs Catanzariti for managing the team.



Zone Cross Country

Congratulations to Noah Carberry-Beale, Kyhisha Morris and Austin Colgan who all finished in the top 4, Noah was the 12/13 year old boy champion, and have qualified for the Riverina Cross Country Carnival in Deniliquin. It is a fantastic result for GPS and it was great to see our students cheering and supporting all runners on the day.

Thank you to the GPS Cross Country team who represented our school with pride and well done for doing your best. It was nice to see parents at Lake Wyangan as well supporting our students. Good luck to Noah, Kyhisha and Austin at the next cross county carnival on the 10th of June.

Riverina Rugby League 11years

Congratulations and best wishes to Michael Asomua and Wycliff Tuiaki who are playing in the Riverina team at the Rugby League trials next week. Enjoy the experience and do your best!

Year 5 & 6 Excursion

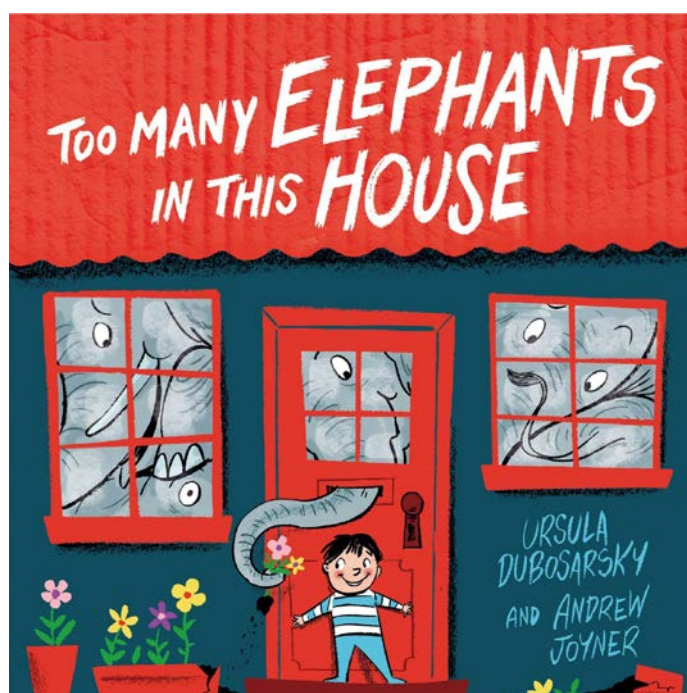
All students in Years 5 & 6 have received information about our major excursion November 4th-7th in Term 4. This is to Lake Burrendong Sport and Recreation camp, Lake Cowal Gold mine and the Wellington caves. The excursion is part of our study about gold which all students will be doing later this year. 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.

National Simultaneous Reading Event

Last Wednesday, students in K-6, participated in the Australian Library and Information Association's National Simultaneous Storytime. The aim of the Storytime is to encourage more children to read and enjoy books. Many of our students followed the story being read online.



Perhaps you could ask your child / children what the story was about and if they enjoyed it?

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.

School Canteen

Wednesday 28 th	Agnes Lolohea
Thursday 29 th	Anne Kelton
Friday 30 th	Elena
Monday 2 nd	Elena
Tuesday 3 rd	Brenda

Thank you to last week's helper Siosi Liu, Agnes Lolohea, Kerri and Rachel Dreyer. Please have orders in by 9.30am.

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

Thank you,
Brenda,
Canteen Manager.

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at last week's assembly:

KB Sioli Vea Paolo Asomua Aisake Mafi	KL Lusiana Isaia Jason Lalagavesi Taina Tuibenau
KM Riddick Christian Ameilia Jackson Logan Jolly	KR Shaylani Kelly-Carberry Voni Ratuvarebukui John Tinomana
1S Denzel Naea-Ami Callum McIntosh Jiya Patel	1B Ahmet Kurt Izak Barbaro Pauline Naea-Ami
1D Natalia Harris Troy Colpo Lathan Van Zanten	2T Myles Guidolin Amardeep Singh Emily Power
2L Brian Naua Lavenia Teao Jada Penrith	2C Leka Tuitufu Spencer Henderson-Clark Liliana Ah Kee
3/4P Emanuel Orake Alex Smyth Mayer Patel	3/4D Vickie Auvae Luke Tonga Jariah Gannon
3/4L Dhruvi Chaudhary Blake Stevenson Jake Rand	3/4S Amanda Langi Kapena Ataela Sheila Parsa

School Group Photos

The School Choir, SRC, House Captains and School Captains photos are on display in the school foyer. Please ask the office staff for an order form if you would like to purchase any of these photos. Group photos are \$18.

P&C News

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

The P&C would like to organise a 'Cultural' Evening as fundraiser for our school. We need parents who would be interested in organising and/ or being involved to come along to the meeting.

Thank you,
Helen Lander (P&C President)



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: _____