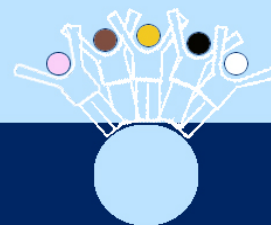


Griffith Public School

A quality education for all



NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 8

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Calendar Term 3 2014

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

Week 8

Wednesday, September 3 rd	7pm P&C Meeting
Thursday, September 4 th	Year 6 Transition to Griffith High School 1pm K-2 Assembly
Friday, September 5 th	Year 4 Pioneer Park Action Day

Week 9

Thursday, September 11 th	2-3.30pm Fruit and Veg Sense Session for Parents
Friday, September 12 th	K-6 Assembly

Week 10

Thursday, September 18 th	Year 6 Transition to Griffith High School
Friday, September 19 th	Last Day Term 3- Students return Tuesday October 7 th

Dads and Donuts

At GPS we like to celebrate all the positive and wonderful things dads/grandfathers/uncles contribute to the lives of children. We will be having a day where dads can come in and have a donut and a cup of tea or coffee. It will be held on Thursday at 2.30pm in the school hall. Please come along and share this wonderful opportunity where dads/grandfathers/uncles get to spend some quality time with their child/children.

Premier's Spelling Bee Regional Finals

We would like to wish Beyonce Marela, Ma Agnes Anonuevo, Jabez Tietie and Priscilla Tieme good

luck as they prepare to compete in the regional Premier's Spelling Bee at Griffith East Public School next Monday. They have done very well to have made it this far. All the best super spellers!

Debating

Last Wednesday, four Year 6 students, Lakira Lualua, Jessica Power, Rossana Tupa and Dezree Samuelu Kirby went with Mrs Brown to Griffith East Public School to compete in the local debating competition. The first debate was against Griffith East. Our team lost this debate, but our girls spoke very well and it was a very close decision. In the second debate, we competed against Yenda Public. The topic was "The Olympic Games are a waste of money". GPS took the affirmative side and won in another close debate.

Well done girls and thank you Mrs Brown for supporting the team and adjudicating throughout the day.

Road Safety Message to Parents

A friendly reminder to parents regarding road safety. We are concerned for children's safety. The roads around the school are very busy. For this reason it is very important that children use the allocated and marked crossings to cross the road. Primary children should not cross the road without an adult. Please cross the road to collect your children from school if you are picking them up.

If your child rides to school on a bike or scooter they must be wearing a helmet for their own safety.

Stage 2 Sport

Andrew from the NRL Development Centre has started a rugby league clinic with Stage 2 this week. The intensive coaching will focus on catching, throwing, kicking and running skills culminating with the students being able to organise and run their own modified game.

After the first session, all students showed improvement not only in their skills but in their sportsmanship.



School Canteen

Wednesday 3 rd	Agnes Lolohea
Thursday 4 th	Cathy
Friday 5 th	Elena
Monday 8 th	Elena
Tuesday 9 th	Brenda

Thank you to last week's helper, Kerri.

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

Lunch orders in by 9:30am please.

Thank you,
Brenda (Canteen Manager)

P&C News

***P&C Fathers' Day Stall - Thursday 4th September...THIS WEEK.** All presents are \$5.00.

*P&C Mega Garage Sale, Saturday 11th October from 8am. Start cleaning out your cupboards and sending things into school. All donations must be in a good condition. **PLEASE..... NO BROKEN RUBBISH.**

*P&C Mini Fete - Friday 14th November from 1pm-3pm. If you are interested in organising a stall, please contact me at school.

The next P&C meeting will be **Wednesday 3rd September (this week) at 7pm.** Everyone is very welcome!

Helen Lander

(P&C President)

Years 5 and 6 Personal Development and Health

Students in Years 5 & 6 have been given a note with details of a Personal Development and Health talk to be given on Wednesday October 8th. This will be given by trained PD/H/PE teacher, Mrs Jenny Ellis. There are separate sessions for boys and girls. Topics covered are outlined on the note but can contain explicit information about puberty and sexual relations. If you DO NOT want your child to attend you need to return the form attached to the note sent home, otherwise permission to attend is assumed. The topics are part of the PD/H/PE curriculum for Years 5 & 6. If you would like more information please contact Mrs Campbell.

Free autism workshop for Griffith families

Research suggests that almost one per cent of the entire population of Australia is now being diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). The prevalence of this lifelong condition means there is greater awareness across our community than ever before. However, we can still improve our understanding of the challenges autism presents during the school years. These challenges –

impacting students' behaviour, social experiences and learning – can be addressed with practical up-to-date, evidence-based strategies like those introduced at Positive Partnerships workshops for parents and family carers.

Details for the upcoming two day workshop

Dates: Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th September

Venue: Griffith Ex-Servicemen's Club Jondaryan Avenue Griffith

Cost: free, including resources, lunch, morning tea and refreshments

Full details and online registration at www.positivepartnerships.com.au

Summer Tennis Competition

Junior tennis Competition starts Friday 5 September

4:00pm

\$5.00 per child

Enquiries – Cheryl 0429 126 586



2014/15 Junior Cricket

Registrations for junior cricket will be held in September 2014.

Boys and girls from Kindergarten to Year 5 can register for Saturday morning cricket on the following days-

- Sunday 7th September 2014 from 9.30 am to 11am at Exies Sports Club
- Monday 15th September 2014 from 4.30pm to 6pm at Exies Sports Club
- Sunday 21st September 2014 from 9.30am to 11am at Exies Sports Club

Kinder and Year 1 participate in Milo in2 cricket from 9am to 10am on Saturday mornings.

Year 2 and 3 children play Junior Bradman at Exies Oval each Saturday morning starting at 9am.

Years 4 and 5 children play at various grounds in Senior Bradman starting at 8.45am each Saturday. Registration forms can also be obtained from Sportspower in Banna Avenue.

A team information day and coaching day will be held on Sunday 12th October 2014 from 9.30 to 11am at Exies Oval.

Games commence on Saturday 18th September 2014.

Year 6 children now play in D grade. For more information contact Roy Binks on 69621288 at work or 69625082 at home.

Junior Representative Cricket.

Trials for Milliken Shield will be held at Exies nets on Saturday 13th September 2014 from 9.30am to 11am. Any player who is under 13 on 1/9/2014 is eligible.

Trials for under 14s and under 16s will be held at Exies nets on Sunday 14th September 2014 from 9.30 to 11am.

Fathers Day Stall

The P&C are having a

Fathers Day Stall on

THURSDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER

All children from K-6 will be able to purchase a gift from the stall.

There will be a variety of gifts to buy.

All gifts are \$5.00 each.



NAPLAN Results

The NAPLAN results have arrived and have been sent home today with the Year 3 and Year 5 students. Please ask your child for them or check their school bag.

Griffith Little Athletics

Family, Fun and Fitness

Free Trial Days

Thursday 11th and Thursday 18th September 2014
5.00 pm

Season Commences Thursday 9th October
West End Oval Griffith
Thursday's at 5.30 pm

Ages from 3 years to 17 years

Register on line at www.laansw.com.au

Little Athletics is suitable for all abilities and levels

For more information email
littleathleticsgth@live.com.au
or call

Veronica Cudmore on 0408 768 059

Jetstar



P&C

MEGA

Garage Sale

Saturday 11th October



8am



in the school hall.

Start cleaning out your
cupboards.....all donations
need to be in good condition.



The simplest way

to get your kids loving Fruit & Veg.

Come to our Fruit & Veg Sense Session

Eating more fruit and vegetables
could be the simplest change you
can make to improve your family's health!



Griffith Primary School is holding a Fruit & Veg Sense
Session

Date: Thursday 11th September 2014

Time: 2pm – 3.30pm

Venue: Coolah St
Griffith 2680

Save time and money making healthy meals the whole family will
enjoy. You will receive great resources too!

Don't miss out- register now at Griffith Primary or phone (02) 6962 3199



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Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 8

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: _____