

## NEWSLETTER TERM 4 WEEK 7 2018

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### Important Dates Ahead

*(Also see calendar at the back of the newsletter)*

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December** K to 2 Frolic

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December** Year 6 Farewell and Presentation Day

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** Last day for 2018

**Years 1-6 return to school on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January. Kindergarten students begin on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February.**

### Stage 3 Excursion

On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November, sixty Stage 3 students travelled to Lake Burrendong for a three night excursion. They participated in many fun activities such as archery, slip and slide, rock climbing, kayaking, raft building and bush craft. Everyone had a fantastic time and came home via the Wellington Caves. They returned tired but with lots of great memories.



### Stage 2 Excursion

Stage 2 had a fabulous time in Echuca. The weather was wet and windy but they still went horse riding after they brushed and saddled their own horses. There was bouldering, archery and a great night's entertainment roasting marshmallows around the campfire while watching a fire twirling display. Most of the fun was had sharing rooms and chatting in bed. On day two, students learnt how to throw a lasso and they also played mini-golf. Then they all competed on the commando course before their final activity, a ride on a hundred year old paddle steamer.



**Griffith High School Year 7 Books**

Kindergarten students Shiloh, Amos and Yug accompanied Miss Sergi to a book launch at Griffith High School on Friday. Students were presented with the books that were written and illustrated for them by year 7 students. Thank you to the year 7 students who made the books and visited kindergarten to read to them. The children enjoyed listening to these wonderful stories.

**Exciting News for K-2!**

On Tuesday 18th December, K-2 children will be able to participate in a fun day at school. This will involve time spent on an inflatable water slide and class parties with a visit from Santa.



To go on the water slide, children will need to bring the following items labelled with their name:

- swimmers
- towel
- sunscreen
- rash shirt

For the class party, your child will need to bring one item of food to share with their class.

Thank you,  
K-2 Teachers.



## *Year Two Graduation Ceremony*

**Friday 14th December 2018**

**12.15pm in the School Hall**

**Parents and friends welcome**



### **K-2 Frolic**

The K-2 Frolic will be held  
on  
**Thursday 6th December**  
in the hall.

**DRESS** – Christmas Theme or dancing clothes.

**TIME** – 5.30pm - 7.00pm.

Children will be able to buy a drink and chips for 50c each.  
See you then!

### **Stage 3 Information- Year 6 Graduation and the 'Big Day Out'**

Being the final year of primary school for our Year 6 students and the school year quickly coming to an end, we will be hosting a special Year 6 Graduation Ceremony on **Thursday 13th December** in our school hall commencing at **5pm**. All parents and carers, family and staff are invited to attend the formal ceremony followed by a special dinner for Year 6 students only and a disco from 7:30 pm until 9 pm with their Year 5 peers. Year 6 students are required to pay \$10 for Graduation and \$8 for the Year 6 'Big Day Out' (BDO) to their teacher ASAP.



The BDO will be held on Friday 14th December. Year 6 and their teachers will enjoy a final hooray, spending time together at City Park followed by a sausage sizzle and a swim at the Griffith Aquatic Centre. Notes have been sent home about these two events.

### Year 6 Bear/Footy

Order forms were sent out to all Year 6 students weeks ago asking students to decide if they would like to purchase a Grad bear or footy. These are designed for students to sign as a keepsake from primary school instead of signing school shirts and dresses. It would be greatly appreciated if any school uniform items could be donated back to GPS if you have no one else to hand them on to.

We have extended the deadline for ordering Grad bear/footys to this Friday. If you would like to order one, please complete the order form and return it with money to class teachers by Friday 30th November. No late orders will be accepted. Ordering will take place Friday afternoon.

### School Hats

A friendly reminder that students need to wear school hats to be able to play outside. School hats are available for \$15 from the school canteen or the uniform shop in the hall on Thursday mornings.

### Presentation Day

A note was sent home with students who are receiving an award at Presentation Day on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December at the Griffith Regional Theatre. Tickets to attend are limited to two per family as seats are limited and they are running out quickly! Please come in, or contact the office, by this Friday if you received a note and would like tickets, otherwise you will miss out!

### Morning Supervision

Just a friendly reminder that teacher duties commence at 8:50am every day.

If your child arrives early, they are not supervised. If staff are present, they do remind students to sit and wait until the teacher commences duty.

At times throughout the day, gates may be locked for various reasons to do with keeping students safe. If this is the case, please come to the front gate as someone in the office will be able to let you in.

Thank you for your understanding.

### P&C News

Well done to all who supported the fete and a huge thank you to the staff and P&C members for their hard work. \$2700 was raised.

Fundraisers discussed for next year include a 'Harmony Day' Colour Run and a Cystic Fibrosis Car Rally and Lunch. These will be discussed further next year but our ability to run these events will be dependent on the support of parent and community volunteers so we hope to see lots of support for the P&C in 2019.

The P&C are investigating more affordable 'bucket hats' for the students to wear as a cheaper alternative to the broad rimmed school hats with the logo, so watch this space!

Canteen Volunteers are needed between 9.30am and 11.30am. Please see Bec in the canteen if you are available to help out.

Finally a huge thank you to all who have assisted and supported the P&C throughout 2018. Money raised has helped give free swimming lessons to Year 2 students and allowed the school to reduce the cost of excursions.

Priscilla Guidolin & Melyssa Sarkis, P&C Presidents



**Get ready for the 2019 school swimming carnival season.**

Carnival Preparation Classes will provide your child with advice on their swim events, how to start a race, turn and finish a race correctly.

Please note this is not a stroke correction class.

To enrol your child must be able to swim 50m, be participating in their school carnival or have progressed to the next level carnival.

Individual swimmers and relay teams are welcome.



**WHEN:** January School Holidays and during Term 1 2019 (see reception for dates)

**WHERE:** Griffith Regional Aquatic Leisure Centre

**COST:** \$14.70 per class - \$44 Private lesson

Book today at reception

Or call 69628228





## Work at the biggest event in NSW

### NSW State election

### 23 March 2019

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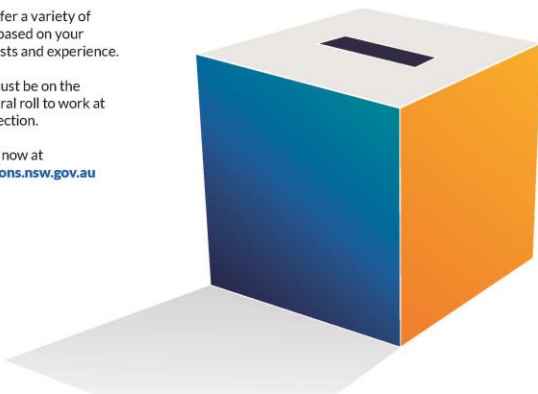


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Let's **celebrate**

### International Day of People with Disability

Join us at Kalinda School  
Merrigal Street, Griffith NSW  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December  
from 11am – 1pm  
Let's celebrate with a BBQ lunch & fun activities

**3 DECEMBER** [www.idpwd.com.au](http://www.idpwd.com.au) /idpwd #idpwd

Current PBL Focus:

## Non-Compliance!

*When out in the playground, be sure you are doing the following...*

**Playing in appropriate areas and always wearing a hat!**



## Griffith PS Term 4 2018

Please note dates may change, check newsletter each week.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
6	19 Nov	20 Nov 2pm Kindergarten 2019 Orientation Stage 3 Excursion Depart	21 Nov 2pm Kindergarten 2019 Orientation	22 Nov Stage 2 Excursion Depart	23 Nov Stage 2 and 3 Excursion Return	24 25
7	26 Nov P&C 5:30pm	27 Nov	28 Nov AECG Meeting 2pm	29 Nov	30 Nov K to 6 Assembly	1 2 Dec
8	3 December	4 Dec	5 Dec	6 Dec K to 2 Frolic	7 Dec	8 9 Dec
9	10 Dec	11 Dec	12 Dec	13 Dec <b>Presentation Day Year 6 Graduation</b>	14 Dec Year 2 Graduation Student Reports home	15 16 Dec
10	17 Dec 2018 All Stars Reward Day	18 Dec	19 Dec <b>Last day of Term 4</b>	<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS begin Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Years 1 to 6 return to school on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019.</b>		

### Term 1 2019

1	28 Jan Australia Day Holiday	29 Jan	30 Jan Years 1 to 6 Students return to school	31 Jan	1 Feb	2 3 Feb
2	4 Feb Kindergarten Students Start	5 Feb	6 Feb	7 Feb	8 Feb K to 6 Assembly	9 10 Feb
3	11 Feb	12 Feb	13 Feb Years 3-6 Swimming Carnival	14 Feb	15 Feb	16 17 Feb
4	18 Feb	19 Feb	20 Feb	21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb K to 6 Assembly	23 24 Feb
5	25 Feb	26 Feb	27 Feb	28 Feb Zone Swimming Carnival	1 March	2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> March
6	4 <sup>th</sup> March	5 <sup>th</sup> March	6 <sup>th</sup> March	7 <sup>th</sup> March	8 <sup>th</sup> March K to 6 Assembly	9 <sup>th</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> March
7	11 <sup>th</sup> March	12 <sup>th</sup> March	13 <sup>th</sup> March Riverina Swimming Carnival	14 <sup>th</sup> March	15 <sup>th</sup> March	16 <sup>th</sup> 17 <sup>th</sup> March