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K-2 Easter Hat Parade

It's Easter Hat Parade time again!

All K-2 families are very welcome to come to our Easter Hat Parade. There will be hats, singing, poems, a lucky door prize, chocolate eggs,and, most importantly, the Easter Bunny!
It will be this Wednesday, April 10, at 12 o'clock in the school hall.
So hop, hop, hop along!

Years 3-6 Cross Country

Wow! What an incredible Cross Country Carnival Years 3-6 had at Lake Wyangan last Friday. It was a beautiful day at the lake and it was wonderful to see the students in their green, red, blue and yellow house colours.

A big congratulations to all the students who completed their age race and an even bigger congratulations to those students who received a 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th place ribbon. Throughout the day all students showed great sportsmanship and the cheering and support shown to the runners was incredible to see. Well done House Captains for showing great leadership.

The winning house, age champions and the G.P.S Cross Country team will be officially announced at the school assembly this Friday.

Finally, a big thank you to all teachers and staff who made the day possible, as well as to the parents who attended the carnival to support the students and to add their voices to the cheering. Thank you also to Ms Dredge, Mr Date and Mr Oliver who did a great job of organizing the event.

K-2 Merit Award recipients for Week 10

Congratulations to the following award recipients:

KB - Irae Matagia and Abraham Baleinausori
KD - April-Rose McDonald and Moake Matenga.
KI - Birsen Faez and Cooper Rennie
1K - Jihra McGrath and Jada Johnson
1/2S - Xavier Sarkis and Khloe Colpo
2C - Kayleb Medley and Lavinia Na'a
2F – Tilema Moli and Sevuloni Baleinausori

Tech award: Jax Whitehead
"Caught you out" award: Maddox Samuelu Kirby

Griffith Anzac Ceremony

Every year our school marches at the local ANZAC Day March. This year the march falls in the school holidays. We ask students to come dressed in their school uniform and to bring their hat. Please meet staff from school in the area near the Griffith Art Gallery. We understand that some of you may be away however, if you are in town, we encourage you to bring your children along so we can show our respect. Students who attend also receive a special certificate so they can remember their involvement.

Easter Church Service

Students who participate in Scripture will be attending the Easter Church Service this Thursday beginning at 11.30am. Students will be travelling by bus and will require $1 to cover the cost. Students will also need to wear full school uniform.

P&C News

If you would like to learn more about our P&C and help out please come along to our next P&C meeting on Tuesday 7th May at 5.30pm.

Thank you,

Melyssa Sarkis, P&C President

Opportunity Class for Year 5 2020

Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These classes help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the combined results of the Opportunity Class Placement Test and school assessments.

The application process for Year 5 opportunity class placement in 2020 is about to begin.

Important dates in the application process are as follows:

Tuesday 30 April 2019: Online applications open

Friday 17 May 2019: Online applications close (Parents and carers must apply by the due date.)

Tuesday 21 May 2019: Principals' processing site opens

Friday 7 June 2019: Principals' processing site closes

Wednesday 31 July 2019: Opportunity Class Placement Test

Parents and carers must apply online between Tuesday 30 April and Friday 17 May 2019 at:

https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5

Interested parents and carers must read Information about applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2020 available at:

https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5/information-for-applicants

If you would like further information about this, please contact Mrs Lemon, Mrs Campbell or Miss Hayman for further information ASAP.

Stewart House Donation Drive 2019

Stewart House envelopes have been sent home. Your kind donation supports the 1,700 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT. Please return completed envelopes to the school office by this **Thursday, 11 April.**

Griffith PS Term 1 2019

Term One	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
11	8 April	9 April **11am School ANZAC Day Service** **Stage 3 ANZAC Day Luncheon**	10 April **12pm K to 2 Easter Hat Parade**	11 April Scripture Easter Church Services	12 April Last day of term 1 K to 6 Assembly	13 14 Apr
	15 April	16 April	17 April	18 April	19 April Good Friday	20 21 Apr
	22 April EASTER MONDAY	23 April	24 April	25 April ANZAC Day Public Holiday-meet between 10-10.15am near the Art Gallery.	26 April	27 28 Apr
Term 2 Week 1	29 April Staff Development Day School and Office closed as all staff at training off site.	30 April Students K to 6 Return **Year 2 Swimming Lessons**	1 May	2 May	3 May K to 6 Assembly	4 5 May
2	6 May	7 May Year 2 Swimming Lessons	8 May	9 May P&C Mother's Day Stall	10 May Mum's and Muffins	11 12 May
3	13 May	14 May Year 2 Swimming Lessons NAPLAN Year 3 and 5	15 May NAPLAN Year 3 and 5	16 May NAPLAN Year 3 and 5	17 May K to 2 Cross Country and Athletics Fun Day K to 6 Assembly	18 19 May
4	20 May	21 May Year 2 Swimming Lessons	22 May	23 May Rugby League Stage 2 Mortimer Shield	24 May Zone Cross Country	25 26 May
5	27 May	28 May Year 2 Swimming Lessons	29 May	30 May	31 May K to 6 Assembly	1 2 June
6	3 June	4 June Year 2 Swimming Lessons	5 June	6 June	7 June	8 9 June
7	10 June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	11 June Year 2 Swimming Lessons	12 June	13 June Riverina Cross Country	14 June	15 16 June
8	17 June	18 June Year 2 Swimming Lessons	19 June	20 June	21 June	22 23 June
9	24 June	25 June Year 2 Swimming Lessons	26 June	27 June	28 June Years 3-6 Athletics Field Events Selection Day	29 30 June
10	1 July	2 July Student Reports home Year 2 Swimming Lessons	3 July	4 July	5 July	6 7 July