



NEWSLETTER TERM 4 WEEK 5 2020

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End of Year Events

2020 has had additional challenges as a result of COVID-19 and our school community has worked together to ensure our students, families and staff health and safety have been at the forefront of our planning, whilst having the least disruption as possible to students' learning.

Planning for end of year events, in line with COVID-19 regulations has been particularly challenging.

These guidelines include:

Year 6 and Year 10 formals and graduations

*Schools can plan for Year 6 formals and graduations provided they occur in a COVID-safe way and **they must follow the Year 12 advice for formals and graduations.***

School organised Year 12 formals- As stated above these apply to Year 6 formals and graduations

Year 12 students will need to be aware of the following guidelines for school organised Year 12 formals held on a school site or at an external venue. In these instances, schools must follow these guidelines:

- *Follow the latest NSW Health advice including any updates and comply with the requirements within the plan specified for the event.*
- *Limit attendance to Year 12 students and supervising staff only.*
- *If the venue has the capacity, the school can decide to allow the attendance of external visitors such as partners, DJs, and photographers. The school will need to consider*

and follow the current safety guidelines which includes: signing in with an external visitors form and ensuring the venue has the capacity to maintain the 4 square metre rule for each attendee.

- *Ensure there is no self-serve or buffet-style food service. If hospitality staff are engaged to serve food or take orders it is recommended that these staff wear a mask.*
- *Alcohol is not permitted.*
- *Maximum of 10 attendees per table.*
- *Students and/or guests will not be allowed to congregate or crowd in groups including when arriving or leaving the event.*
- *Dance floors are allowed and should be held outside if possible. If a dance floor is indoors, ensure it is well ventilated. Additional advice includes: Dancing with partners from outside the school community is allowed only if partners are from the same local community and have an established relationship and normally socialises with the student cohort and there must be sufficient room for 1.5 metres physical distancing.*
- *Singing, chanting and rapping during the event will not be allowed. The only COVID-Safe singing permitted is for a solo or group performers of no more than 5 participants, distanced at least 5 meters away from other people and not directly above the audience.*
- *Avoid playing woodwind instruments where possible, particularly in groups and in indoor or confined spaces. Players of non-reeded woodwind instruments (such as flutes and recorders) should*

be positioned so that they can maintain a physical distance of 1.5 metres from all persons (including other members of the musical group). They must also maintain a minimum 3 metres space between the direction of air flow from their instruments and other performers.

The **Department of Education** has also provided these additional guidelines to schools which **must** be followed:

Activities on hold

*The following events will continue to be reconsidered in Term 4. **For now, these events must remain on hold.***

- Parent and carer attendance at assemblies and other school events
- School-based activities that involve large gathering of adults. These include parent/community gatherings such as parent functions, working bees, fundraisers, school barbecues, large parent information evenings and large on-site cultural events

As a result of these guidelines, there are changes to the way we traditionally hold our Presentation Day, Year 6 Graduation and Year 2 Graduation.

Information regarding the changes will be sent home shortly and shared via Seesaw. Unfortunately, parents will not be invited to attend because of venue constraints due to student numbers. We will be livestreaming or recording the events and sharing lots of photos.

Please contact Miss Hayman if you require any further clarification once you have received the notes explaining in more detail the end of year organisation.

Thank you.

NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

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Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight

= 4 weeks



= Over 1 year missed

1 day per week

= 8 weeks



= Over 2.5 years missed

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A quality education for all

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

DO YOUR BEST

Kindergarten 2021



As a result of COVID regulations we had to make changes to our Kindergarten orientation.

Children Stay and Play Sessions:

Monday 16th November 1.45pm - 2.45pm

Monday 23rd November 1.45pm - 2.45pm

Parents and carers please bring children to either the front gate (Coolah entrance) or back gate (Murrumbidgee Ave entrance) where our staff will meet you.

Unfortunately parents are currently not permitted on school grounds.

Please like and follow our school Facebook  page as we will be sharing lots of important information to assist you and your child with transition to Griffith Public School.

If you have any questions, please call the school on 69623199

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE!!

To find out more about the quality education programs on offer in our school, please call visit or email us:
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Griffith PS Term 4 2020

Term 4 2020	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
Week 5	9/11 3/4 Excursion	10/11 3/4 Excursion	11/11 3/4 Excursion	12/11	13/11	14/15 Nov
Week 6	16/11 Kinder Orientation 1.45pm-2.45pm	17/11	18/11	19/11	20/11	21/22 Nov
Week 7	23/11 Kinder Orientation 1.45pm-2.45pm	24/11	25/11	26/11	27/11	28/29 Nov
Week 8	30/11	1/12	2/12	3/12	4/12	5/6 Dec
Week 9	7/12	8/12	9/12	10/12	11/12 Presentation Day at school.	12/13 Dec
Week 10	14/12 Year 6 Graduation-day time event Reports home	15/12	16/12 Last day Term 4	2021 Years 1-6 return to school Friday 29 th January Kindergarten will start on Wednesday 3 rd February. A letter will be sent home with a Best Start time before they start on the 3 rd .		



Souvenirs for Sale!



Mugs, pens,
key rings
\$5.00



Centenary
Book
\$10.00

Available at our front office!



Griffith Public School is 100 years old!

We are going to construct a Centenary Pathway.

This pathway will be a edging to an existing
cement path.

Any person who has been associated with GPS
can purchase a paver to go in the pathway.

\$25 per paver



A maximum of 3 lines per paver and 16 characters
per line.

All orders due by FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER.

LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Fill out form with payment and return to:

Griffith Public School

Coolah St

Griffith

NSW 2680

or

Visit our front office (cash only)

or

pay online at quickcliq.com.au

Paver Order Form

Contact name _____ Phone _____

Number of pavers _____ TOTAL payment _____

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