

## NEWSLETTER TERM 2 WEEK 3 2023

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### Principal report

#### Kindergarten Parent/Teacher interviews

Kindergarten Parent/Teacher interviews will be held Tuesday and Thursday this week. Notes and times have been sent out. The interviews will take place in the Kindergarten rooms. Please enter and exit from the front gates.

#### Student Reports

Teachers are currently undertaking a variety of assessments and observations in preparation for our Semester 1 reports. These reports will go home on the week starting Monday 26th June 2023. As we held our Parent/Teacher interviews in Term 1 and early Term 2, there will be no formal interview process this term, however please contact your child's teacher if you require a follow up conversation.

#### P&C Mother's Day Stall

This Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> of May, our P&C will be running a Mother's Day stall in the hall. All gifts will be \$5 or less. A flyer has been sent home with the newsletter so you can help guide your child/ren in choosing the perfect gift.

#### Stage 3 Rugby Union

Last Thursday our Year 5 & 6 boys rugby union team travelled to Wagga Wagga to compete in the next round of the competition. They won their first game and drew their next two. They displayed great teamwork, determination and outstanding behaviour and attitude all day. Thank you to Ray for his commitment in training our team and to Mrs Catanzariti for managing them. Also, thank you to Matenga for driving them safely to and from their games.



#### Muffins with Mum

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of May is our Muffins with Mum event. It will be held near the hall at 1:15pm. We look forward to seeing our special ladies in our lives attend and see the wonderful work our students have produced in appreciation for all you do for them. Children will bring their fruit break along to eat with you while you enjoy a delicious muffin and a hot coffee or tea. Please stay for the assembly afterwards where you will be entertained by Year 3.



## Year 2 Swimming

Year 2 swimming began last week, and all the students had a great time. What an amazing opportunity provided by our P&C and the Griffith City Council, allowing ALL Year 2 students to learn to swim for free. Thank you. This will happen every Wednesday this term.



## Whole School Assemblies

Our Whole School Assemblies for this term are as follows:

- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (National Sorry Day)
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023
- Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023 (special NAIDOC Week Assembly)

Please feel welcome to come along and celebrate student success with us. Our K-6 Assemblies commence at approximately 2:00pm in the hall.

## Removing Head Lice and Nits

Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they're not dangerous. Here's everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits. Please contact the Hub if you require further information regarding how to treat your child's hair. We may be able to support you with this. Find out more:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice/Pages/treatment.aspx>

## Absences

Please contact the school if your child is away. An SMS is sent out daily when your child is away, and the absence has not been explained. You can reply to this SMS, call the school, email the school or communicate with the class teacher via Seesaw.

### Why attendance matters

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

Learn

Make friends

Build skills through fun

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## National Road Safety Week and Walk Safely to School Day

National Road Safety week runs from the 14<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> May which encourages all road users to consider how they can reduce preventable traffic injuries, which is the main cause of morbidity in children under 15. The 2023 theme is **'Everyone has a right to get home safe, every day – no exceptions'**.

**Walk Safely to School Day** is Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Students across Australia are invited to walk safely to school on this day while learning about road safety and the health benefits of walking.

Help them keep safe by modelling and teaching good road user behaviours from a young age.

- Until they are at least 8 years old always hold your child's hand when walking on the footpath, in the car park and when crossing the road.
- When your children are between 8 and 10 years old, supervise them very closely when they are near traffic and crossing the road.

For all children, including older ones (age 11 and above) regularly remind them to be safe and responsible pedestrians by:

- sharing the footpath and walking on the left
- looking out for vehicles entering or leaving driveways
- putting mobile phones and earphones away, so you or your children are not distracted by music, texting, emailing or searching the internet when walking
- using safe places to cross such as pedestrian crossings, traffic lights or a school crossing, if available.
- showing respect to other pedestrians.

Have a great week.  
Kristy Lemon  
Relieving Principal



## P&C News

Thank you to everyone that came along to our P&C meeting last Tuesday.

We held the AGM and voted in the new committee for 2023.

Congratulations to the following members,

President - Tahnee Brown

Vice President - Alison Quinn

Secretary - Michelle McIntosh

Treasurer - Melyssa Sarkis

Uniform Shop - Mel Grady

The P&C continue to provide free swimming lessons to all students in Year 2! This program allows students to develop and improve important lifesaving water skills!

We are also in the process of putting together an online raffle and a plate fundraiser to raise funds to continue supporting our students in programs like the swimming lessons above; support Riverina Representative students in attending their selected sports; reducing the costs of major excursions like the Stage 3 Canberra excursion later this year; and ensuring we keep uniform costs as low as possible.

If you would like to help or join the P&C our next meeting will be on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 5pm in the school staffroom. We will discuss the upcoming Athletics Carnival Canteen, along with organising the upcoming online raffle.

Keep an eye on the school Facebook page for more details and upcoming events!

Regards,  
Tahnee Brown  
P&C President 2023

Griffith Public School - Term 1 2023						
Term 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
Week 3	8 May	9 May Kindergarten Parent/Teacher Interviews	10 May Year 2 swimming	11 May Mother's Day stall  Kindergarten Parent/Teacher Interviews	12 May Muffins with Mum  K-6 Assembly	13/14 May
Week 4	15 May	16 May	17 May Year 2 swimming	18 May	19 May	20/21 May
Week 5	22 May Book Fair in the Library	23 May	24 May Year 2 Swimming	25 May Basketball Gala Day	26 May K-6 Assembly  Zone Cross Country  National Sorry Day	27/28 May



*Griffith Public School P&C*

**MOTHER'S DAY STALL**

**Thursday 11th May.**

Starting at 10am in class groups.

Your child can choose from a variety of special gifts for \$5 or less!




**KINDERGARTEN 2024**  
**MEET AND GREET**  
**TUESDAY JUNE 13TH 4PM**

New and existing Kindergarten families are invited to come along and hear about the wonderful learning opportunities for your child at GPS.

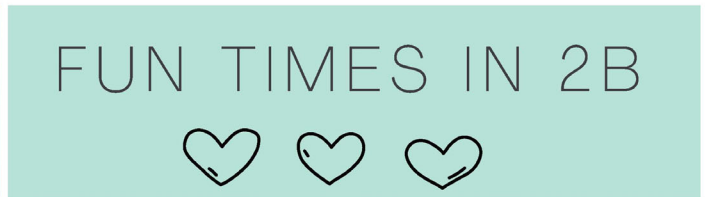
Learn about our well resourced classrooms, our strong emphasis on literacy and numeracy, our kind and caring staff and our additional learning support programs.



Come on a tour of our wonderful school and enjoy afternoon tea in our Kindergarten rooms.

We look forward to meeting everyone!







## LAW WEEK 2023

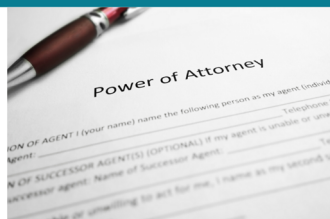
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### Lunch & the law

MAY 15	Scams and the law
MAY 16	Renting and the law
MAY 17	Traffic fines, driving and the law

Virtual sessions screened at the Library - drops in welcome bookings are not required

### FREE FAMILY LAW INFORMATION SESSION



THURSDAY 18 MAY | 11AM

FREE INFORMATION SESSION ON POWERS OF ATTORNEY, APPOINTMENTS OF ENDURING GUARDIAN AND WILLS

@ GRIFFITH CITY LIBRARY  
BOOK YOUR PLACE VIA [WRL.EVENTBRITE.COM.AU](http://WRL.EVENTBRITE.COM.AU)

THURSDAY 18 MAY | 5PM



COMMINS HENDRIKS



### League Stars Program

Monday afternoons for 6 weeks

22 May 23 – 26 June 23

Griffith Apex Oval (1 Boonah Street)

\$79 each to register

<https://www.playrugbyleague.com/league-stars/>



WHEN: 22/5/2023 - 26/6/2023  
TIME: Monday 4.00pm - 5.00pm  
WHERE: Apex Oval (Griffith)  
1 Boonah St



## Stepping Stones

Our Stepping Stones program started this week and everyone had a wonderful morning!

