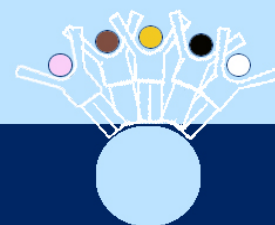


# Griffith Public School

A quality education for all



## NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 8 2023

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### Kindergarten 2024

We are now taking enrolments for our Kindergarten class of 2024. Please come and get an enrolment form from the office. Also, if you know anyone with kindergarten aged children, please encourage them to consider our school. Please see the flyer below for further information.

The flyer is for Griffith Public School's Kindergarten 2024 enrolments. It features the school's crest and the text 'KINDERGARTEN 2024 ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN!'. It lists 'Children Stay and Play Sessions' from 9:30am-12pm for six weeks, with specific dates for each week. It also mentions that children need to bring a school bag, hat, lunch, and water bottle. A 'Parent Information Night' is scheduled for Wednesday 15th November at 6pm, where the P&C uniform shop will be open. Contact information for questions is provided, including the school's Facebook page. The flyer ends with the statement 'We are looking forward to seeing you!' and includes two small photos of children.

### Stage 3 Excursion

Miss Sergi and our Stage 3 staff are currently organising the itinerary for our Stage 3 excursion which will take place from Wednesday 22nd through to Friday 24th November to Canberra. Please continue to make regular payments. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

### Dads and Donuts

Thank you to those parents who came to our Father's Day, Dads and Donuts afternoon tea last Friday. It was wonderful to see so many family members and smiling faces. I hope you enjoyed the cuppa and donut, and spending time looking at your child's work.

### School Holidays

School holidays are fast approaching. Our last day of school this term is Friday 22nd September. The first day back of Term 4 will be Monday 9th October. Please be aware that there will not be a Staff Development Day on the first day of Term 4, so both students and teachers will start on the same day.

### Tell Them From Me Survey

In Term 3 2023, our school is taking part in the Tell Them From Me student survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, The Learning Bar, which specialises in school-based surveys.

Staff in schools will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey typically takes 30 minutes or less to complete and will be administered by the school during normal school hours. Once the surveys are completed by students, reports are prepared and in most cases are available to schools within three business days.

Individual students will not be identified in any publication and all information will be handled in accordance with the relevant privacy legislation. Students' personal information will not be disclosed by the department to any other person or body other than as required by law.

This research will help schools in New South Wales to better understand how to improve student

wellbeing and engagement. It will also help teachers and principals discuss what works to improve student outcomes.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish. If, during the survey, your child is uncomfortable, he/she can choose to stop the survey at any time. The majority of questions in the survey can be skipped.

If you do not want your child to take part in the survey, please contact the school office and have them withdrawn.

Have a great week.  
Derek Noffke  
Principal

### Trent Barret Gala Day

Last Tuesday, 29 August, 20 Stage 2 girls competed in the Legends of League - Trent Barrett Gala Day. Two teams were entered. GPS 1 were undefeated throughout the day. The girls showed great skill and determination. Ahmyah Johnson received Best on Ground and was unstoppable scoring 15 tries throughout the day. GPS 2 fought hard throughout the day coming away with 1 win and 3 losses. These girls had a great day and learnt new skills along the way. Claire Webb was formidable in defence and attack, giving it her all and earning herself Best on Ground.



# Intensive SWIMMING

**Who? Years 2-6**

**When?**  
Term 3 Week 9 and 10  
11th September - 22 September

**Cost- \$30**

**LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!**

Spare notes available at the front office.

### 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

### Griffith Public School - Term 3 2023

Term 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
Week 8	4 Sept	5 Sept	6 Sept AECG meeting 2pm MRHS Wade site	7 Sept	8 Sept	9/10 Sept
Week 9	11 Sep Intensive Swimming	12 Sep Intensive Swimming	13 Sep Intensive Swimming	14 Sep Intensive Swimming	15 Sep Intensive Swimming K-6 assembly	16/17 Sep
Week 10	18 Sep Intensive Swimming	19 Sep Intensive Swimming	20 Sep Intensive Swimming	21 Sep Intensive Swimming	22 Sep Intensive Swimming Last day of term 3	23/24 Sep





"Somewhere inside all of us, is the power to  
change the world" – Roald Dahl



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## School Bytes

Griffith Public School is now using School Bytes for student invoicing and receipting. Please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

The School Bytes portal provides flexibility for you to conveniently:

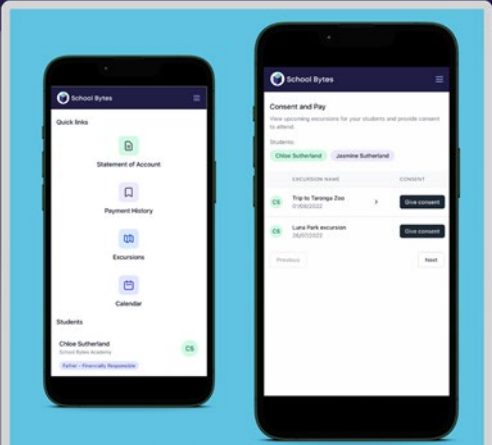
- Make school payments online (including paying for multiple siblings at once)
- Use a family credit to pay for an activity or school contributions
- Download a receipt for payments made
- View all historical payments in one place
- Complete and submit digital permission notes
- View the status of all permission notes
- Request a refund if required

This can be done where you want at any time: day or night. Through the portal, you will easily be able to download a receipt once a payment has been made and have access to view all historical payments when needed. Online payments are processed in real-time and can be viewed by school staff immediately.

While our preference is for payments to be made via the portal, we will still accept payment via cash, cheque, money order and EFTPOS.


**AVAILABLE NOW!**

We are excited to announce our school offers a flexible and simplified way parent/carers can make payments




**The Parent Portal**

- Easily make a payment online
- Download your receipt
- Sign and return permission notes digitally
- Use any credits on your account to make payment
- View your complete payment history

 School Bytes

Register for the Parent Portal via the QR Code or visit <https://portal.schoolbytes.education>



## Check-in assessment for Year 6

Dear parents and carers,

During Term 3 students will participate in the Check-in assessment.

The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online literacy and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning.

The assessment can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. Students who require further support with their learning, may receive the same level of support during the assessment as they would normally receive in the classroom.

- The assessment will be scheduled for our Year 6 students during Week 8 - 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> September.

**Please ensure that your child attends school on these days.**

- All students complete a reading assessment and a numeracy assessment. Year 6 students will also complete a writing assessment.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

Regards

Mrs Giulia Parisotto, APC&I

**GRIFFITH PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C**

**MAJOR RAFFLE**

**\$2500+ IN PRIZES**

**FIRST PRIZE:**  
\$600 WOOLWORTHS GIFT CARDS  
\$200 QUEST GRIFFITH GIFT CARD  
\$100 BUNNINGS GIFT CARD  
\$50 ATHLETES FOOT VOUCHER  
\$50 HUNKY DORY GIFT CARD  
WINE PACK

**SECOND PRIZE:**  
4 MAN TENT  
BEACH CHAIR  
GARDEN HOSE PACK  
MANCAVE GIFT VOUCHER  
\$50 COLLIER AND MILLER  
\$50 LEAGUES CLUB  
\$50 GB SPORT  
WINE PACK

**THIRD PRIZE:**  
\$130 ECLIPSE VOUCHER  
\$50 LEAGUES CLUB  
\$50 KMART  
\$50 PETS DOMAIN  
MYLI CANDLE  
MINI CHOPPER  
WINE PACK

**FOURTH PRIZE:**  
GOOGLE NEST  
CINEMA/BOWLING/FUNDLAND  
VOUCHERS  
\$50 AXIKEM  
\$25 GB SPORTS

**TICKETS \$5 OR 3 FOR \$10**

**SCAN ME**



**TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS VISIT [HTTPS://T.LY/OLX8Q](https://t.ly/OLX8Q)**



A huge thank you to all those who have donated to our fundraising raffle.





WE INVITE YOU!

COME AND TRIAL WITH US, TO BE PART  
OF THE GRIFFITH REPRESENTATIVE  
TEAM FOR 2024!

SUNDAY 10TH OF  
SEPTEMBER

To apply, follow the link on the  
Griffith Netball Association  
Facebook page or scan the QR code.

Please contact  
griffithnarep@gmail.com if you have  
any questions.



**TIMES:**

**11 YEARS:** 8:30AM TO  
9:30AM

**12 YEARS:** 9:45AM TO 11:15

**13 YEARS:** 11:30AM TO  
1:00PM

**14 YEARS:** 1:15PM 2:45PM

**15 & 17 YEARS:** 3:00PM TO  
4:30PM

**OPENS TEAM:** 3:00PM TO  
4:30PM

**LOCATION: GRIFFITH REGIONAL SPORTS  
CENTRE**

## Do you have a child under the age of 6?

We've Got News! The ParentsNext Program has recently changed and from 5<sup>th</sup> of May 2023, there are no compulsory requirements. Mission Australia will still be here to give you the same great support towards your future.



### Need A Drivers Licence?

Let us help you with the expenses of your learners, driving lessons and drivers licence!

01



### Want to Upskill?

We are experts at helping guide you in the right direction and assist linking you to the right course today.

02



### Want a job?

We're here to support you with job applications, crafting impressive resumes and enhancing your skills for future success.

03



### Want to connect?

Our program is closely connected to local community groups and playgroups providing you with a vibrant and engaging network!

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**Call to find out if you're eligible today!**

1800 791 371

PNX@missionaustralia.com.au

Cnr Ulong and Olympic Street, Griffith, NSW

**MISSION  
AUSTRALIA** | together  
we stand

## GRIFFITH PUBLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS... Carnivale 2023



**THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER  
10:30 AM  
COMMUNITY GARDENS**



## GRIFFITH JUNIOR CRICKET 2023/2024 SEASON

**Registrations are now open!!**

Griffith Junior cricket will start their 2023/2024 season in October. All games/sessions will take place on Saturday mornings. Registrations will need to be made online through PlayHQ

<https://www.playhq.com/>.



To sign up just follow the links (for the appropriate age group) below. They will take you directly to the correct PlayHQ registration page.



### Cricket Blast:

Group #1 - Kinder - Year 1 (5-7 years old)

Group #2 - Year 2-3 (7-9 years old)

<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/e44655>

### Senior Binks/Tucker:

Year 4-5 (10-11 years old)

<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/43be14>

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Roy Binks on 0490 534 707. Also please check out our Facebook page (Griffith Junior Cricket Club) for updates.



Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

Our Carnivale celebration is quickly approaching on the 19<sup>th</sup> of October. Students will be performing cultural dances in the community gardens and on conclusion of this, a food fair will be held at Griffith Public School.

We would love to celebrate all cultures during the food fair and are looking for parents who could prepare and deliver to school, food from their culture. All foods will be shared amongst the Griffith Public School community.

Our students have studied a variety of countries for many weeks, and it would be fantastic for them to be able to taste some of the foods from a variety of different cultures. For this to happen, we really need your assistance. If you could contribute at all to our food fair, please nominate the country and name of food below. Please return notes to classroom teachers by **22<sup>nd</sup> of September (last day of term 3)**

Student \_\_\_\_\_ class \_\_\_\_\_

Country of food \_\_\_\_\_

Name of food \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Carers name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

With thanks,

Mrs Catanzariti and Miss Storr