

NEWSLETTER TERM 2 WEEK 10 2025

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Congratulations to all those students who received an award at last week's assembly. It is always pleasing to recognise and acknowledge student achievement through these types of activities.

KROP

I would like to congratulate our KROP group who have again been successful in gaining selection to perform at the Griffith Regional Theatre. The main performances will be held on the 7th and 8th August 2025.

Please be aware that KROP tickets go on sale to the public at 10am on 3rd July, so please enquire at the theatre. We are planning to purchase an number of tickets (approximately 30) for the matinee performance for our students to watch and experience the show on first in first serve basis.

Student Reports

Student reports are going home this week. Parent/Teacher Interviews will also take place this week, which is when you will receive your child's Semester 1 report. A booking schedule for the interviews has now been released through School Bytes, so please nominate a time that suits you if you haven't already.

Kindergarten 2026

We are now taking enrolments for our Kindergarten class of 2026. Please come and get an enrolment form from the school office. Also, if you know anyone with kindergarten aged children, please encourage them to consider our school. Our Kindergarten Transition will also commence later this year, so please keep an eye out for further information.

School Holidays

School holidays are fast approaching. Our last day of school this term is Friday 4th July. The first day back for Term 3 will be Tuesday 22nd July, with the teachers returning on Monday 21st July for the Staff Development Day. I hope you enjoy the school break, spending time with family and friends.

NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC Week is held in July. It is a time to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements and is an opportunity to recognise the contributions that Indigenous Australians make to our country and our society. We encourage all Australians to participate in the celebrations and activities that take place across the nation during NAIDOC Week. As this celebration is during our school holidays, we will be holding our NAIDOC activities at the start of Term 3. Further information soon.



Finally, I would like to wish our Boys Rugby League team all the best as they head to Wagga on Thursday.

Have a great week.

Derek Noffke
Principal



Griffith Public School - Term 2 2025						
2025 Term 2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
Week 10	30 June Parent teacher interviews this week	1 July	2 July	3 July AECG meeting 2pm	4 July Last day of Term 2	5/6 July
Term 3 Week 1	21 July School Development Day	22 July Students return to school	23 July Year 2 swimming 10am	24 July KROP to theatre	25 July NAIDOC week special assembly 2pm	26/27 July
Week 2	28 July	29 July GPS Athletics Carnival	30 July Year 2 Swimming 10am	31 July	1 August	2/3 August
Week 3	4 August	5 August Education week assembly and community BBQ	6 August Year 2 Swimming 10am	7 August KROP performance AECG meeting 2pm	8 August KROP performance	9/10 August



Griffith Public School

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2026

ENROL NOW

Enrol online or come into the school office.

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Save the Date! Griffith Public School Art show 11th -12th September 2025



Through the Dreamer's Eye: An Art Show

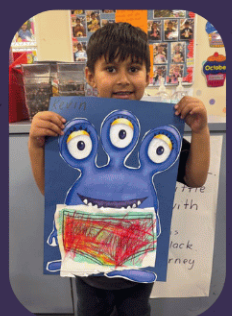
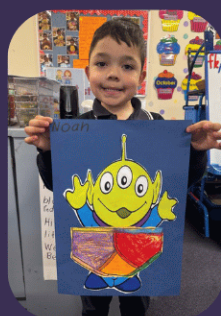
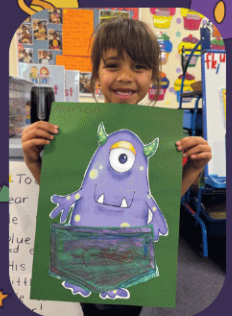
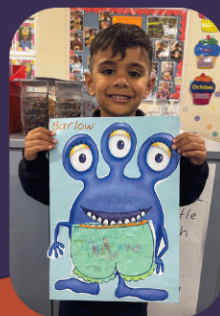
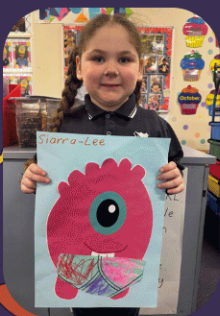
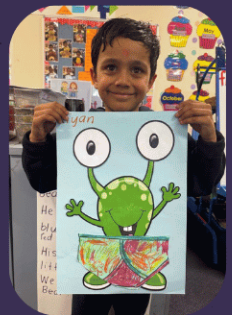
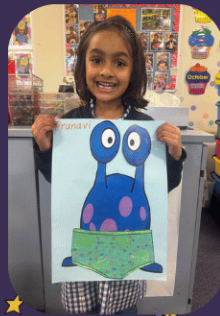
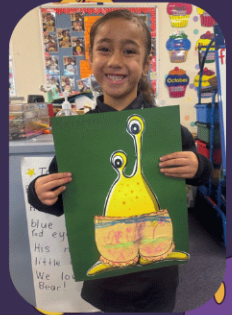
"A deep dive into how individuals at GPS interpret and represent their dreams through creative arts"

KL

WITH MRS LANDER

ALIENS LOVE UNDERPANTS

KL have been reading *Aliens Love Underpants*.
Take a look at the underpants they created for their
own aliens!



NSW Department of Education

Learning every day in every
way through play

Yoga and mindfulness

Dostretches or lie on the ground with your
child and watch the clouds move or how
leaves sway in the breeze.

More activities like this:

- Brainstorm with your child activities that help them to feel calm.
- Research some stretches together and copy them or find an online kids yoga session like cosmickids.com
- Practice some mindfulness with your child, like closing your eyes for 1 minute.
- Do some breathing exercises with your child, especially if they are feeling angry.

What children are learning:

- Musical concepts such as beat and rhythm
- Maths skills through repeating sound patterns
- Exploring the sounds that different objects make
- Developing whole body coordination
- Improving language skills through singing

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From the Counsellor's Corner

When Sad Things Happen

It is your friendly school counsellor-psychologist here, writing to you from our wonderful school. I am not only a counsellor, but I am also a mother and the grandmother of a five-year-old little boy. Just like you, the parents and grandparents of Griffith Public School, I want my family to feel happy and safe.

Sadly, there are many things which we can't protect our children from, such as losing loved ones or seeing scary images on our TV screens. Sometimes daily we are shown pictures of wars and fighting from all around the world.

Unfortunately, there are also violent events which occur in our own community.

At a local shopping centre recently a tragedy occurred, reminding us that even here in our little town very sad things can happen.

The event was witnessed by some children who were out with their families. These children will most likely feel distressed. These feelings are the way that the brain tries to make sense of what has happened. The key to helping children recover from such a shock is for the adults in their lives to be calm. Children take their cues from the grownups around them.

Here are some ideas for families when talking to children about traumatic events:

Answer questions honestly

Invite questions but keep answers simple, if you don't know the answer tell them you don't

Remind children that this is an unusual event

Tell them it is normal to feel upset

Encourage them to talk about it if they wish

Reassure them they are safe

Keep to your usual routine and planned activities especially school attendance. This makes children feel secure

Encourage enjoyable activities; a walk, a board game, drawing.

It's normal for children to feel upset, but if this lasts longer than a few days seek help from professionals. Please feel free to contact me at the school if I can be of help.

Best wishes to all our families.

Julia Hopp

Registered Psychologist (PSY0002035812)

Griffith Public School Debaters

On Monday, 23rd June, the Griffith Public Disputers debated against Griffith East Public School. It was a fantastic debate with some strong arguments from both sides. The topic was that Years 5 and 6 students should do all their schoolwork on a screen instead of using textbooks and paper. The Griffith Public Disputers won the debate, as they were able to relate their arguments more to the education of primary school students. Well done team!



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

LEARN, PLAY & GROW AT PCYC THIS JULY!

 **BASKETBALL**
 **GYMNASTICS**
 **NERF/LASER TAG**
 **STEM**
 **CRAFTS**
 **MINI OLYMPICS**
 **PARKOUR**
 **FUTSAL**

Book 3 Days and Get the 4th Free!
Active and Creative Kids vouchers accepted.



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PCYC



FREE, FRESH & FIT
FAMILY FUN DAY
 NAIDOC WEEK
THURSDAY 10TH JULY
10AM - 2PM
GRIFFITH SKATE PARK

LIVE MUSIC
 AND MORE
 FREE LUNCH
 STALL HOLDERS
 SKATING & BIKE COMP
 FIRE TRUCK
 LUCKY DOOR PRIZE
 PLEDGE FOR NEW MERCH
 COFFEE VAN
 KIDS ACTIVITIES
 ELDERS TENT

FREE, FRESH & FIT
TRACKING INDIGENOUS SMOKING



AFL

Griffith mixed
School Holiday Program
 Wednesday 9th of July
 Location: Exies Oval No.2
 Time : 9am to 3pm

Auskick Ages
5yr - 7yrs old

Superkick Ages
8yr - 12yrs old

Scan the QR code to REGISTER FOR ONLY \$55

For more information contact: Sam Daniel on sam.daniel@afl.com.au

AFL PLAY

GRIFFITH OZTAG
SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC

REGISTER NOW!

OZTAG
 GRIFFITH

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

6-13 YRS

JUBILEE SPORTS OVAL

9:00am - 1:00pm

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