Miss Mayberry

This is Miss Mayberry’s last week with us at GNPS, as she will begin her new role of Itinerant Support Teacher-Vision, based at Yoogali Public School.

I would like to thank Miss Mayberry for all her efforts and commitment to GNPS. She has worked hard to support her students and to provide a quality education for them.

On behalf of the GNPS community I would like to wish Miss Mayberry all the best with her teaching career.

Riverina Carnival

Yesterday was the Riverina Swimming Carnival, which was held at Albury. Congratulations to Victoria who came 2nd in the junior girls breaststroke and will now go on to represent GNPS, Griffith Zone and the Riverina at the State Swimming Carnival, held in Sydney in April. This is a wonderful achievement.

School Council

Congratulations to Heather Nolan who has been nominated and has accepted the position of parent representative on the GNPS School Council. Thank you Heather!

P&C Executive 2014

Parents and school in partnership

The Griffith North P&C held their AGM on Thursday 6th March. I would like to publicly thank the members of the 2013 committee for their work in the past 12 months and welcome the new committee to their roles. I am looking forward to working with the new committee.

The P & C executive positions for 2014 are:

President: Tamara Minato

Vice-President: Bec Chapman & Steve Mitchell

Treasurer: Tahnee Jamieson

Secretary: Kim Jones

School Canteen Treasurer: Leanne Roser
Parent Teacher Interviews
This term teachers will be holding their parent teacher interviews. These will be held during weeks 8, 9 and 10 of this term. 5A and 1/2M will be held at the beginning of term 2, due to the change in teacher. Each class teacher will send home their dates and times.

Have a wonderful week
Susan Bourne
Principal

SRC Representatives for 2014
Congratulations to the following students who were elected by their classmates as SRC representatives for 2014. These students will be working with the Captains and Prefects to develop leadership skills and to make our school an even better place to be. SRC members will receive their badge at a special assembly at a later date.

2-3Y – Patrick Paye
3J – Isabell, Daniel
4A – Yuri, Matilda
4M – Madysen, Charlie
5W – Damien, Georgia
5M – Ella, Ryan
5/6P – Eliza, Callum
6DM – Jayden, Isabel
6M – Isaiah, Tayla

Assembly Awards - Term 1 Week 7
KD: Eva Rose, Maika, Scarlett
KC: Abbie, Lonoah, Brandon
K-1V: Bree, Sebastian, Nevaeh
1M: Jorja, Brandon, Gisela
1/2M: Thomas, Mervyn, Eliza
2BD: Brock, Corey, Sophia
2/3Y: Oscar, Michael
3J: Ella, Daniel
4A: Abbie, Luca
4M: Mena, Victoria
5M: Vake, Japleen
5A: Mark, Tamia
5-6P: Aidan, Jaali
6M: Darcy, Serenity
6DM: Anika, Brody
Italian Awards: Will, Lacey, Brendan, Ella

Harmony Day
We will be celebrating Harmony Day on Tuesday 18th March. On this day students can wear casual orange clothes to school. This year students will participate in multicultural art activities. Students will rotate around two activities in mixed groups from Kindergarten to Year 6. The first activity is at 9.45-10.30 and the second from 10.30 to 11.15.

After the activities there will be a K-6 Assembly at 11.35 in the school hall with K/1V and 6M presenting items based around Harmony Day. Parents are welcomed to come along and help with the art activities and then stay for the K-6 Assembly. If you have any question please contact Miss Mason at school.

2014 Excursion to Ballarat and Bendigo
The final cost of the Ballarat and Bendigo Excursion is $400. Thank you to the parents and caregivers who paid their deposit of $100 to confirm their child’s participation in the excursion.

The balance of payment can be made in instalments or as a lump sum. Complete payment will be expected by Friday 28th March 2014.

Any parent, who foresees difficulty with finance, is invited to ring Miss Bourne as soon as possible.
University of NSW Computer, Science, Mathematics, English, Writing and Spelling Competitions 2014

Students in Years 3-6 are invited to participate in the University of NSW Competitions. The competitions are: Computer (Years 3 - 6), Science (Yrs 3-6), Maths (Yrs 3-6), English (Yrs 3-6), Spelling (Yrs 3-6) and Writing (Yrs 3-6). The entry fee for each competition is $8.00 per student except for Spelling which is $11.00 and Writing $17.00. Entries to all competitions must be to the school by Thursday 27th March 2014. Payment can be made using cash or cheque. Cheques should be crossed and made payable to Griffith North Public School.

2014 Voluntary School Contribution

Thank you to the families who have already paid their voluntary School Contributions. It is greatly appreciated. A reminder for those who have not paid your voluntary school contribution that it is:

- $30.00 for 1 student attending GNPS ($0.75 cents per day if you have one child :)
- $55.00 for 2 students from the same family attending GNPS ($1.38 – 69 cents per day per child)
- $75.00 for 3 or more students from the same family attending GNPS($1.87 – 63 cents per day per child)

Please note that all contributions – no matter how large or small – are greatly appreciated.

Canteen Roster – Term 1

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Canteen News

Tomorrow we are having a “Spider Day” at recess. Large are $1.50 and small $1. Please make sure you are using the 2014 Menu with the correct prices. If you do not have an up to date menu please come and collect one. We are now selling banana milk instead of ice coffee milks.

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who have been helping out in the canteen. We really appreciate all your support and your children love seeing you there!

Thanking you
Adele and Paulina
Canteen Supervisors

Sport News

Discus and High Jump Day

This Friday is our Discus and High Jump day. On this day all students who are turning 8 years old and older, will participate in Discus and High jump for the Athletics Carnival. The high jump winners are finalised on this day, so if your child is absent they will miss entering the High Jump, as it is not run at the Athletics Carnival. The discus can be caught up on and is run at the Athletics Carnival, with the top 8 from this day.

Netball

Congratulations to Ella, Ellie, Jade and Georgia who were selected in the Griffith Zone Netball team last week. They now go on to try out for Western Riverina Netball next term. Well done girls!
Tomorrow Jorja, Darcy, Elijah, Aisea and Olivah will be trialling for the Griffith Zone Soccer Team. We would like to wish these students all the best for the day.

**Rugby League Trials**

Congratulations to the following Griffith North boys for being selected to go to the Rugby League trials in Leeton this Friday 14th March; Under 11’s - Dylan, Mark, Osam. Opens - Keedan, Ioane and Aisea. We wish the boys all the best.

**P&C News**

Last Thursday night we held our AGM meeting. I would like to thank the 2013 committee for all their hard work and support throughout 2013. I would like to welcome the new committee Bec Chapman and Steve Mitchell (Vice Presidents), Tahnee Jamieson (Treasurer), Kim Jones (Secretary) and Leanne Roser (Canteen Treasurer).

Our current fundraiser is the Pie Drive. The order forms have been sent home and are due back with the correct money this Friday 14th March. The pies will be ready for pick up on Tuesday 8th April at 3pm from the school hall, just in time for the school holidays! The family who orders the most pies will receive four free movie tickets, so start ordering and getting your friends orders as well!

Thanking you Tamara Minato
P&C President