Spelling Bee

Congratulations to our four Spelling Bee School Finalists Thomas (3J), Aoibhinn (4M), Victoria (5W) and Callum (6D) who competed in the Regional Zone Spelling Bee Final last Tuesday.

Congratulations to Aoibhinn who came first in the Stage 2 competition and will now be going to Sydney to represent Griffith and the surrounding areas in November. This is an outstanding achievement. Well done Aoibhinn!

UNSW Writing Competition

GNPS is very proud of the excellent results achieved by students participating in the UNSW Writing Competition.

In the writing competition two high distinctions, three distinctions and three credits were achieved. Congratulations to the following students:

**High Distinction**
Ella and Callum

**Distinction**
Victoria, Samuel and Marco,

**Credits**
Muntasir, Georgia and Jemimah
PLAN (Plotting Literacy and Numeracy)
Teachers have plotted individual students on the Literacy and Numeracy Continuums. This is to guide ongoing planning for teaching.
Tomorrow we will be sending home where your child currently sits on these continuums as well as some ideas that you could use at home.
In keeping with our usual practice, you are very welcome to discuss this feedback with your child’s teacher.

Gold Award Assemblies
Congratulations to our wonderful students
The K-2 and 3-6 Gold Award assemblies were held today with the majority of our students receiving their Gold Awards. This is a significant achievement for these students and shows that they have displayed excellent behaviour during the past three terms. Well done boys and girls, we are very proud of you.

End of Term
We have had another very productive term with students involved in a variety of activities from academic, cultural and sporting activities. It is wonderful for our students to have the opportunity to participate in all these activities. All these activities have been so successful due to the hard work and dedication of the parent body, students and the staff.
I would like to thank the students, parents and staff for all their efforts and enthusiasm over this term. We have a fantastic school where we can all work together to provide great opportunities for our students!
I hope you all have a relaxing holiday and I am looking forward to another successful Term 4! THANK YOU and have a great holiday!

Kindergarten Orientation 2016
Information Evening for Parents
Tuesday 13th October 2015
If you have a child commencing Kindergarten in 2016 you are invited to an information meeting on Tuesday 13th October, 2015.
The meeting will commence at 6:30pm in KC’s classroom (Room 13). At this meeting you will be given information regarding Orientation Session times.
We look forward to meeting you!
Orientation dates are:
Week 3: Tuesday 20th October 2015
Week 4: Tuesday 27th October 2015
Week 5: Tuesday 3rd November 2015
These sessions will be a half day of the school day not a full day. The morning session will run from 9.30 to 12pm and the afternoon will run from 12.30pm to 3.00pm.
P&C News- Nature Playground

Amazing progress! Thank you to our wonderful team of parent helpers who worked hard to get the first stages of the Infant’s Nature Playground completed. We have also started the Cubby House re-decoration. Thank you Miss Bourne for your support and for lunch!

Working Bee No. 2 will commence at 9am Sunday 20th Sept.

We will be placing rocks, carting sand and woodchips into place and painting. Thank you again to all those who attended and worked so hard this week.

Partners in Learning parent survey
You can access the survey by following the link below on your computer or tablet:
1. Login in: https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com
2. Your School's Parent Username = parent17959
3. Your School’s Parent Password = Gri4027

Newsletter Online
The newsletter is also available on our school website www.griffithn-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
This is a great way to complete the Partners in Learning parent Survey.

Canteen News Week 10

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Thank you to everyone who supported the Hot Chip Day last week. It was very successful. We have had a very busy term in the canteen and we would like to thank all our parent and grandparents helpers. Enclosed in this newsletter is a Term 4 Roster. Please indicate when you are able to help out and return to us ASAP. We appreciate all the support that we can get.

Thanking you
Adele and Paulina
Canteen Supervisors

Year 6 at Wade High School Middle Schooling Program
During the past 8 weeks groups of students were split into 3 groups at Wade High School. The options were science, woodwork and maths.
In Woodwork, we made string art and it was fun. When we were finished we were allowed to take them home. In science they experimented with fire and matches. The group that did maths learnt about modular arithmetic (computer coding). We all enjoyed it and look forward to doing another subject next term.

By Aidan, Sam and Ryan
**Lego Club**

COME AND JOIN IN THE FUN AT THE WESTERN RIVERINA GRIFFITH LIBRARY

DATES FOR 2015:
Thurs 17th of September
Thurs 15TH of October
Thurs 19th of November

GROUPS WILL BE:
- 5 to 8yrs 3.30 till 5pm (one parent or carer must stay to assist in supervision)
- 9yrs and above 5pm till 6.30pm (we will need three supervisors)

Each group will be no more than 10 children in total so RSVP is essential. Please call Dene on 0411718763 or email admin@griffithautism.org.au

Siblings or friends of the ASD child are welcome.

Lego play has shown to be a great therapeutic means for children on the spectrum. It encourages imaginative play, improves motor skills and provides opportunities to work on social and communication skills.

For more information about the benefits of Lego play please refer to our website www.griffithautism.org.au

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**Spring 2015 Western Riverina Junior Chess Tournament in Griffith**

WHERE: St. Patrick’s Primary School Hall, Griffith (Warrambool St)

WHEN: Monday 5th October 2015 (last day of the school holidays)

TIME: 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

ENTRY FEE: $10 [$15 for a family] payable on the day.

OPEN TO: Anyone under the age of 18 who likes to play chess

PRIZES: Guaranteed trophies for 1st, 2nd & 3rd in U18 & U12

Possible prizes for U10 depending on numbers.

REGISTER BY: 3rd October 2015 by contacting: Noel Maddern Ph 0428 887 626 or by email: noel.maddern@det.nsw.edu.au

WHAT TO BRING: Lunch & refreshments [soft drink and water for sale]

You don’t have to be a great chess player, as this is a fun tournament, but knowledge of the rules is required.

The results will be sent to the NSW Junior Chess League for ratings.

Chess: the clever sport

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**Griffith Little Athletics**

Family, Fun and Fitness

Held at West End Oval Griffith

Ages from 3 years to 17 years

Born before 30.9.2012 or after 1.10.1998

Free Trial Days

Thursdays 10th and 17th September 2015

5.00 pm

Competition Starts

Thursday 8th October

5.30 pm

Little Athletics is suitable for all abilities and levels

Pre-register on line at www.lansw.com.au

For more information call

Veronica Cudmore on 0408 768 059