North Weekly News

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Term 2 Week 3

Tuesday, 5 May 2015

P&C Family Fun Day

Thank you to all our families and the community who supported our Family Fun Day on Sunday. It was a wonderful day and it was great to see everyone enjoying the day. Thank you to our hard working and dedicated P&C, especially Jo Thorpe and Tracy Ciampa for all their organisation for this event. I would like to thank the parents and students who helped out with stalls, the choir and band for performing and Ella Rowley, who sang. Thank you to the teachers who came along and helped out, to our clown Mrs De Paoli and to Miss Petrulli, and Mrs Marshall who volunteered for the Splat Ball with me.

P&C Family Fun Day Raffle Winners

Congratulations to our raffle winners:
- 1st Prize- Eclipse Package- Janelle Ruggeri;
- 2nd Prize- Hip Digs Voucher- Francine Pangallo;
- 3rd Prize- Art Work by Amanda Bordignon-Kylie Mulholland;
- 4th Prize- Coffee Machine- Suzi Triggs; and
- 5th Prize- Remote Control Car-Carrissa Campbell

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Sydney Symphony Orchestra Performance at the Regional Theatre
Information Evening
Tomorrow night we are holding an Information Evening for new families in the library at 7pm. If you know any new families looking to send their child to GNPS in 2016, please ask them to come along or to contact the school for more information.

2015-2017 School Plan
The 2015-2017 School Plan is now available on our website www.griffithn-p.schools.nsw.edu.au, for community members to read and to look at our future directions. Our three strategic directions are:
- Teaching Excellence;
- Dynamic Learning; and
- Community Engagement.

Annual School Report
The 2014 Annual School Report is available for viewing on our school website: www.griffithn-p.schools.nsw.edu.au. The 2014 Annual School Report outlines our achievements during 2014. If you do not have access to a computer at home to read the Annual School Report please come and see the office so we can organise a copy for you.

National Assessment Plan Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)
This year the Year 3 and Year 5 students will participate in the 2015 NAPLAN. NAPLAN will take place in Week 4 of this term. The dates are as follows:
- Tuesday 12th May: Language Conventions and Writing
- Wednesday 13th May: Reading
- Thursday 14th May: Numeracy

If you have any questions or issues regarding NAPLAN please contact your child’s classroom teacher. More information can be found at: www.naplan.edu.au/parents/parents.html

Assembly Awards - Term 2 Week 3
- KD: Abbey, Jayli, Ben
- KC: Tyrese, Koby, Saskia
- K-1P: Sean, Martha, Kaiden
- 1M: Grace, Brooke, Harry
- 1/2T: Zoe, Raja, Kaiden
- 2BA: Jonah, Zac, Ben
- 2/3Y: Liliana, Mitchell, Dante
- 3J: Shauna, Elise
- 3/4A: Paddy, Brock, Zainab
- 4M: Gracie, Ethan
- 5W: Samuel, Victoria
- 5P: Daniel, Madysen
- 6M: Sam, Maddison
- 6D: Georgia, Aiden
- Italian: Blake, Trystahn, Susannah, Maddison

P&C Mother’s Day Stall
This year the P&C will be running a Mother’s Day Stall. Student can choose from six wonderful gifts for their mum! The gifts will be available from Monday 4th May until Friday 8th May unless sold out before.
Cost - $5 a gift.

P&C News
- May 14 (7.15pm) – Special Meeting to discuss the Nature Playground for the Infants area. Please come if you have a special interest in improving the Infants Playground and if you may be able to assist in the playground development project. Everyone Welcome!
- May 29-30 (All day Friday/Saturday) – GNPS has been on a waiting list to run the BBQ and Cake Stall at the Collier & Miller Sale Expo. 2015 is our year! This is an amazing opportunity to raise significant funds for our school. WE NEED YOUR HELP! We require a roster of people to run the stall from 7am to close each day – anytime you can offer will be greatly appreciated. Also volunteers are needed to make cakes/slices/cupcakes to sell on the day. Please call with your offer to help: Jo 0432 184 977.
- June 4 (7.15pm) – Normal P&C meetings resume on the 1st Thursday evening of each month. Everyone Welcome!

Thanking you
Jo Thorpe P&C President
Canteen News Week 3

Wednesday 06.5.15 Helper Needed
Thursday 07.5.15 Helper Needed
Friday 08.5.15 Josie Tapner
Monday 11.5.15 Neva Barber
Tuesday 12.5.15 Anjanette Rowley

This term there is gluten free bread and wraps available for students to order. Also Hot Milo will be available from the canteen in the mornings for $1.50.

Thanking you
Adele and Paulina Canteen Supervisors

Green Mean Machine
The Green Mean Machine are working on recycling. If you have any egg cartons that you would like to recycle please send them into Mrs Braithwaite.
Thanking you for your support!

Riverina Basketball
From the 27th to the 30th of April Sam, Ryan and Mr Angel went to Wollongong for the state basketball carnival. Ryan and Sam represented Riverina and Mr Angel was the coach. Riverina won 1 out of our 7 games but were really competitive against some of the best teams in the state. Overall Riverina came 12th out of 14 in the state. We would like to thank Mr Angel for coaching and selecting both of us in the team.
By Sam and Ryan.

Sport News
Riverina Tennis
On Monday the 27th to the Thursday the 30th I Connor went to Sydney to play in the P.S.S.A state tennis championships. I lost all my games against the best teams in the state. The Riverina team tied 5th and the girls came 6th and the boys came last. I would like to thank Duncan Adams for being our manager for the week.
By Connor

Tony Lockett Shield
On Thursday there was an AFL Gala Day held at the Griffith Exies Oval. A group of nineteen primary boys attended and participated. Our first game was against Griffith East but sadly we lost, then in our second game we versed Ariah Park/Ardlethan and we also lost. Then we versed Hanwood Public School and we got smashed. Everyone gave 100% and we would like to thank Mrs Burley, Mr Burley and Mr Witherspoon for coaching us and teaching us how to play better.
By Oscar and Caleb
**Trent Barrett Shield**

On Tuesday 28\textsuperscript{th} April, nine boys and eleven girls represented GNPS at Jubilee Oval and participated in the 2015 Trent Barrett Shield. Teams are to be congratulated on their great sportsmanship.

The girls’ results are as follows:

- Game 1 versed Griffith Public School 2 and lost 1 to 5;
- Game 2 versed St Mary’s Hay and won 1 all, but GNPS scored first; and
- Game 3 versed St Francis/Naradhan/Tullibegeal and lost 1 to 2.

The boys’ results are as follows:

- Game 1 versed Hanwood Public School and won 28 to 8;
- Game 2 versed Lake Cargelligo and won 36 to 20; and
- Game 3 versed Beelbangera Public School and lost 24 to 16.

The whole CRL (Country Rugby League) Team, along with Trent Barrett himself came along to meet the children and sign memorabilia, ahead of their Country verses City match held on Sunday 2\textsuperscript{nd} May.

My favourite part of the day was all of us cooperating and the main thing is it’s not about winning, it is about having fun!

Emma Hamson

I had a great time and I loved playing for the school.

Daniel Brown

**PSSA Tennis Knockout**

Good luck to our GNPS Tennis Team, consisting of Connor Potts, Aidan Peruzzi, Georgia Robinson and Maddison Potts, who will play Small Schools on Wednesday at the Griffith Tennis Courts. Thank you to the other students who tried out for our team on Monday afternoon.