North Weekly News

This Wednesday Piper and Abbey will be participating in the NAIDOC Public Speaking and Debating Challenge at Sturt Public School. We would like to wish them all the best for this event.

Debating
Yesterday our Year 5 debating team consisting of Matilda, Charlie, Leo and Victoria debated our Year 6 debating team consisting of Georgia, Connor, Callum and Jemimah on the topic of “Car and motorbike racing should be banned” in the Premier’s Debating Competition. Year 5 were the affirmative and Year 6 were the negative. Congratulations to the Year 6 team who won the debate.

Reports
Reports for first semester will be sent home tomorrow. Teachers have been working very hard to complete a comprehensive report of your child’s achievements and areas for development. If you would like to discuss your child’s report please contact the office or your child’s classroom teacher to make an appointment.

Staff News
Thank you to Mrs Upcroft who has taught 3/4A for the last three weeks while Mr Angel has been on Long Service Leave. Mrs Upcroft will return to GNPS for the first week of Term 3 to teach 5P while Mr Pendlebury attends the State Music Camp in Sydney for the week.
Behaviour Awards
Congratulations to all the students who received their Bronze/Silver Awards at today’s assembly. It is wonderful to see so many students behaving well and displaying our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) values. Well done and keep up the great work!

End of Term 2
We have had another very productive term with students involved in a variety of activities from academic, cultural and sporting events. It is wonderful for our students to have the opportunity to participate in all these activities. All these events 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 3!
Susan Bourne
Principal

NAIDOC Week Celebrations
NAIDOC Week is from 6th July to the 13th July, which is during the school holidays. GNPS will be celebrating NAIDOC Week in the first week of Term 3. We have planned the following activities for the week;

Tues: K-6 NAIDOC Week Assembly
Thurs: Mark Saddler Presentations to whole school throughout the day
Fri: Mufti-day for all students to come dressed in red, yellow and black.
      Indigenous Games during the day.
I would like to thank Mrs Morel for organising these activities for our students.

SRC K-6 Disco – Wednesday 24th June

K-2 - 5.30pm – 6.30pm
3-6 - 6.30pm – 8.00pm
Our theme for the disco is “Choose Your Own Adventure” or casual.
• Entry fee is $2.00;
• Food and drinks will be on sale. The cost will range from $1 to $2 per item; and
• Glow Sticks will also be sold on the night-$2

We hope that everyone can come along and enjoy the end of term SRC Disco.
Thanking You GNPS SRC

Technology Information Evening
During the disco Mrs Young will be holding a Technology Information Evening for parents. The K-2 Technology Information Evening will be from 5.30pm to 6.30pm and the 3-6 will be from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. Both will be held in 5W’s classroom.

Year 4 Boramabola Excursion Deposit
The Year 4 Borambola Excursion deposit of $50 is due by Friday 26th June, which is the last day of Term 2. The total cost for the excursion is $270.
Kindergarten Enrolments for 2016

Come and enrol now!

Enrolments for students who are eligible to attend school in 2016 are now being taken. Eligible students are those who live in zone and turn 5 before July 31st 2016. If you have a child or you know of anyone who has a child who is able to attend school in 2016 please ask them to come and enrol. Applications for enrolments are now being taken at the school office. Please present your child’s Immunisation record, Birth Certificate and evidence of residential address at the time of application.

NIDA Winter Courses Griffith

The National Institute of Dramatic Art (NIDA) is Australia’s leading centre for education and training in the dramatic arts, offering a variety of creative learning experiences, including full-time study and short courses for all age groups. These school holidays NIDA Open will be running a range of short courses in Griffith. Courses provide the perfect opportunity for your students to gain access to NIDA’s expertise and develop practical skills in a fun and supportive environment.

NIDA school holiday courses

Grades: 3–12

Dates: Monday 29 June–Sunday 5 July 2015

Venue: Griffith High School, Coolah St, Griffith

For more information and to book, visit open.nida.edu.au/national or contact NIDA Open on 02 9697 7626

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We would like to thank all the parents, grandparents and caregivers who have helped out over Term 2. We really appreciate all your support and the children love seeing you here as well.

Enclosed in this newsletter is the Term 3 roster. Please fill out and return ASAP. We hope everyone has a relaxing holiday.

Lollies will be sold on Friday as an end - term treat.

Thanking you Adele and Paulina

P&C News

The GNPS Lamington Drive will now be held on Friday 14th August, as the original date clashed with the Zone Athletics Carnival. Last week you should have received a roster for you to indicate when you are able to help out for the lamington drive. Please fill out this form but remember that the date will now be a week later, Friday 14th August. These forms need to be returned by Thursday 25th June. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Enclosed is the Lamington Drive Order Form. Please return by Friday 17th July.

Thanking you

Jo Thorpe GNPS P&C President

Tennis Holiday Camp

- 29 June- 2 July 9.00am- 12.00pm;
- Cost $30/child per day, $25 second child and third child is free;
- Discount $100 for 4 days; and
- Register: www.griffithtennis.com.au
Sport News
Netball Gala Day
The Netball Gala Day was postponed last week due to the wet weather. The Gala day will now be held tomorrow. Good luck to the girls and thank you to Mrs Johnson for organising this for our students.

School Holiday Workshops
Zarche Gifts in Griffith Central is offering Art & Craft workshops for boys and girls aged 5 years through to 12 years old. We do a variety of activities including Clay modelling with poly soft clay, we bake the finished product in the oven and it becomes hard & sets ready for your child to take home. We also make hair accessories & jewellery out of fabric, beading, scrap booking, decorative face masks, handmade origami flowers. Maximum 8 children per class. Bookings are essential. $45.00 per child $5 discount for extra siblings. Starting from: Saturday the 27th of June running every day right through till Friday the 10th of July; Times are 10am till 12pm or 2pm till 4pm (every day). Everything your child makes is theirs to take home. Contact Mel on 0429591742 Or pop into Zarche gifts in Griffith Central next to Sanity.

Red Nose Day - Friday 26th June 2015
Red Nose Day, held annually on the last Friday in June, is the major fundraiser for SIDS and Kids. Funds raised through Red Nose Day activities assist SIDS and Kids in providing vital services and programs to the Australian community.

About SIDS and Kids
SIDS and Kids is dedicated to saving the lives of babies and children during pregnancy, birth, infancy and childhood and to supporting bereaved families. Wearing a red nose on Red Nose Day shows support for SIDS and Kids work in saving babies’ lives through research and education.

We are raising awareness in our school and selling products to raise money for more research. Please come to school on Friday 26th June wearing red and bring a gold coin donation. Students will be able to purchase:

- Face painting – a red nose -50c, a red nose with moustache -$1
- Lolly guessing -50c a guess or $1 for 3 guesses
- Red cupcakes -50c

GNPS Athletics Carnival
We will be holding our Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 21st July, which is Week 2 of Term 3. All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be participating in this day and are expected to attend. Permission notes have been send home already. Please return permission notes and $2 before Friday 17th July. If you are able to help out at the carnival or in the canteen on the day please indicate on the permission note.

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