Athletics Carnival a Huge Success!

The weather was kind to us and the students’ participation in all events was wonderful to see. Everyone cheered their house teammates, put their best effort into all their events and showed great sportsmanship.

The day was a great success, with a special thanks to all the parent helpers who worked in both the canteen and on the field events. These sporting events could not run without these helpers, so we would like to thank them.

Thank you to Mr Angel and Mrs Johnson for their organisation of the 3-6 carnival, to Mrs De Paoli for her organisation of the K-2 carnival and to all the staff who contributed to the smooth running of the day’s events.

The students took part in elimination trials at school for Friday afternoon sport. Students were given the opportunity to try discus, long jump, shot put and high jump. The final of these field events except for high jump, took place at the carnival on Tuesday. All students were able to compete in different running events at the carnival: 100m, 200m, 800m and house relays.

Congratulations to the following students who were the age champions for the carnival;

**Junior Girls** – Ana
**Junior Boys** – Jyi, Paddy
**11 Year Girls** – Victoria
**11 Year Boys** – Jacob
**Senior Girls** – Dannielle
**Senior Boys** – Ryan, Connor

Congratulations to **Macarthur** the winning house.
Education Week 2015
This year Education Week is being held in Week 3 of Term 3. The theme for Education Week is “Celebrating Local Heroes”.

GNPS will be celebrating Education Week through a variety of activities throughout the week. We will have the choir singing at Griffith Central on Tuesday at 10.00 am for the official opening and then at 10.30 am and on Wednesday Kindergarten will be singing at 10.00am. We also have our dance group performing in KROP on Thursday and Friday.

Our main celebrations will be held on Tuesday 28th July when we will have our Open Day, Assembly and Lapathon. Times as follows:

Open Day
Classroom visits – 11:45am - 12:15pm
Assembly - 12:15pm – 1:05pm
Picnic lunch (parents and students) 1:05pm
(Parents are invited to order from the canteen if they would like)
Lapathon: 2:00pm – 3:00pm.
We hope you are able to come and join us to celebrate in 2015.

Lapathon sponsor sheets have been sent home for children to find sponsors. All money raised from the Lapathon will go towards literacy resources for students from Kindergarten to Year 6. Please encourage the students to get as many sponsors as they can.

Assembly Awards - Term 3 Week 2
KD: Ben, Jayli, Antwone
KC: Ruby, Saskia, Daniel
K-1P: Kayla, Jack, Aurora
1M: Sania, Victoria, Lane
1-2T: Loujane, Tayah, Raja
2BA: Gisela, Jessie, Mariam
2/3Y: Max, Liliana
3J: Oscar, William
3-4A: Muhammad, Hayley
4M: Teagan, Alexei
5W: Mena, Jessica
5P: Cayden, Kevin
6M: Jmella, Inam
6D: Callum, Dannielle

Woolworths Vouchers
GNPS is registered for the Woolworths Earn & Learn program at Woolworths. Stickers can be collected and sent into school or placed in the Griffith North collection boxes at both Woolworths stores. Please support our school to collect as many stickers as possible. These are then used to get new resources for our school.

Carpark
During the holidays, we had the carpark fence section completed. There are now gates for the entry and exit of the carpark. These gates will be closed at 8.45am, so that no cars can enter or leave the carpark and opened at 9.20am. In the afternoon they will be closed at 3.00pm and opened at 3.30pm.
Please do not open these gates to walk through. There will be walking access close to the entry gateway. This will allow all parents and students to safely leave the school grounds and then use the school crossing.
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.

2016 Kindergarten Meet and Play
We will be giving our 2016 Kindergarten students the opportunity to meet each other and have a play at school. It is also a chance for new parents to meet. Some of our present parents will be conducting these sessions and it is hoped that it will make the transition to “big school” easier.
Time: 2:30-3:15
Place: Infants Sandpit
Dates: Fri 7th August
Wed 12th August
Fri 21st August
Wed 26th August
Fri 4th September
Wed 9th September
If you know any new Kinder parents who would be interested, please let them know. For more information, contact Liz Johnstone 0437641288

Canteen News Week 2

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A thank you must go out to Francis Parisi, Josie Tapner, Kelli Bordignon, Amanda Bordignon, Denise Robertson, Emily Barber, Susan Forner and to all the mums who offered to help at the Athletics Carnival. Also to all the mums who made cakes and slices.
Thanking you
Adele and Paulina Canteen Supervisors

P&C News
Thank you to all the people who ordered lamingtons as part of our fundraising efforts.
The Lamington making and collection day is Friday 14th AUGUST. Please return the roster forms to indicate your availability to help, or contact Tamara Minato directly on 0428 645 044.
Next P&C meeting is on Thursday 6th August, 7.15pm – all welcome.
Thanking you
Jo Thorpe
GNPS P&C President

Learning Starts Early
Parents with pre-schoolers may be interested in this series on You Tube titled Learning Starts Early
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq4snerla7prTf21UV/7Vi7g
The videos by Go Goldfields give simple and practical tips on enjoying this special time and helping your baby develop their language and literacy. There are also rhymes and songs you and your baby can share together.
Sport News
Athletics Carnival Results
Congratulations to the following students who qualified in the top TWO places in an event (except high jump, only the first place competitor) and will represent Griffith North at the Griffith Zone Athletics carnival on Friday 7th August (Term 3, Week 4) at West End Oval.

Girls
100m – Jessica, Jorja (8yrs), Elisabeth, Nicole (9yrs), Ana, Nicola (10yrs), Victoria, Tess (11yrs), Dannielle, Sa’ane (12yrs)
200m – Ana, Abbey (Jnr), Victoria, Brianna (11yrs), Tangi, Jmella (12/13yrs)
800m – Kiara, Nicole (Jnr), Victoria, Brianna (11yrs), Jmella, Georgia (12/13yrs)
Long Jump – Ana, Nicole (Jnr), Renee, Matilda (11yrs), Dannielle, Lara (12/13yrs)
Shot Put – Ana, Asenaca (Jnr), Talina, Eutalia (11yrs), Noa, Tepaeru (12/13yrs)
Discus – Ana, Malina (Jnr), Talina, Jessica (11yrs), Lara, Tangi (12/13yrs)
High Jump – Teagan (Jnr), Victoria 11yrs, Charli (12/13yrs)

Boys
100m – Kieran, Riley (8yrs), Todd, Alex Minato (9yrs), Paddy, Kyle (10yrs), Jacob, Leo (11yrs), Connor, Marco (12yrs)
200m – Paddy, Jyi (Jnr), Jacob, Jack (11yrs), Connor, Marco (12/13yrs)
800m – Billy, Noah (Jnr), Shane, Jacob (11yrs), Connor, Aidan (12/13yrs)
Long Jump – Jyi, Noah (Jnr), Jacob, Leo (11yrs), Ryan, Aidan (12/13yrs)
Shot Put – Patrick, Kyle (Jnr), Jacob, Charlie (11yrs), Ryan, Caleb (12/13yrs)
Discus – Jyi, Paddy (Jnr), Jacob, Kokiri (11yrs), Ryan, Caleb (12/13yrs)
High Jump – Jyi, (Jnr), Jacob (11yrs), Ryan (12/13yrs)

PSSA Soccer Gala Day
Last Wednesday the GNPS boys Soccer team played in the Soccer Gala Day at Ted Scobie Oval. The boys beat Beelbangera Public School in extra time, 1-0. Then we beat Lake Wyangan Public School, 3-2. After that, we played Griffith East in the final and we got smashed. We would like to thank Mr and Mrs Burley for coaching us. All the boys had a great time! By Connor Potts

Last Wednesday the girls GNPS soccer team went to Ted Scobie Oval and we lost our first game 1-0. It was a nail-biting game with a tied score up until the last 5 minutes where Beelbangera broke through our defence and scored a goal. We had friendly games and lost one and won one. We would like to thank Miss Taylor for training us. The girls did a fantastic job and we all had lots of fun. Well done GNPS soccer teams.
By Jemimah