Education Week Open Day a great success!

It was lovely to see so many parents, carers and family members join us today to celebrate Education Week at our Open Day. Our Education Week Assembly was fantastic with our school leaders doing a great job in hosting it and the choir, Kindergarten and 1P entertaining us! Many students received awards in several different areas with two special Education Week Awards going to Dylan Manning and Peter Jones.

The Lapathon as usual was a fantastic success with the children giving 100% at all times. It was a very proud day with all staff and students showcasing our wonderful school.

Student Award Nominee: Dylan Manning

Dylan is an extremely friendly, reliable and dedicated student at Griffith North Public School. He applies himself whole-heartedly to every task and is always willing to assist others.

Dylan displays excellent citizenship qualities and is a wonderful role model to all students. He demonstrates the qualities of respect, responsibility, and care in all aspects of his schooling. Dylan is willing to do any task asked of him in a positive and efficient manner.

Dylan is an enthusiastic and engaged learner who is always endeavouring to learn more! He thrived when he attended the Riverina Environmental Education Centre’s Talented Students program earlier in the year.

Dylan’s commitment and dedication to his learning attitude and his peers are a credit to him. He is a delight to have at our school. Congratulations Dylan!
School Community Award Nominee: Peter Jones

Peter Jones has been a dedicated member of the parent body at Griffith North Public School since 2002. During these years he has continually supported our school and been proactive in promoting our school in the community. Peter has been an active member of the Griffith North Public School, School Council. He held the School Council President position for many years, where he worked tirelessly to ensure the best outcomes for all stakeholders within the community.

In his role as School Council President, Peter was involved in many meetings on behalf of the parent body regarding traffic and parking around the school. He was instrumental in ensuring that a positive outcome was achieved for our school and the community. Peter’s contribution to Griffith North Public School has been truly appreciated. Griffith North Public School would like to publicly thank Peter for all his support and dedication over the past thirteen years.

KROP

I would like to wish our Dance Group all the best for their four performances this week at the Griffith Regional Theatre. They have worked hard and their dance looks fantastic! I would like to thank Ms McGrail and Mrs Woodward for all their work and effort that has contributed to making our KROP item, such a success. THANK YOU!

K-6 Education Week Awards - Term 3 Week 3

KD: Xavier, Jennie
PBL: Jayde
KC: Bruce, Saskia
PBL: Ruby
K-1P: Ryan, Skye
PBL: Lauren
1M: Jonah, Brooklyn
PBL: Bree
1-2T: Raja, Loujane
PBL: Frank
2BA: Mervyn, Josephine
PBL: Logan
2/3Y: Max, Montanna
PBL: Tasnia
3J: Nicholas, Tabitha
PBL: Mitavale
3-4A: Noah, Emma
PBL: Michael
4M: Michael, Teagan
PBL: Nicola
5W: Kai, Amber
PBL: Ella
5P: Enzo, Samantha
PBL: Cayden
6M: Patrick, Lara
PBL: Seth
6D: Damien, Jenna
PBL: Kyle

Education Week Display at Griffith Central

Thank you to Mrs Morel for organising the GNPS Display at Griffith Central. She has done an amazing job. Make sure you have a look when at Central during the week. There is a collage of “Faces of GNPS”, which every student has contributed to.
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 is 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.

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 3

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Thank you to the mums and grandparents who help out in the canteen. We really appreciate your support. If you would like to help out please come and see us.

Thanking you
Adele and Paulina Canteen Supervisors

Riverina Choral Singing Camp
Last week I went to Borambola, for a singing camp. We had to sing for six hours a day, starting from Monday till Friday.

On Tuesday night the entire choir came to the conference room to listen to the talented people who were singing in the talent quest that was on that evening. For the Talent Quest I sang “My Favourite Things.”

On Friday we went to three small schools and performed for them. We also sang for our parents.

Thank you to the teachers who organised for me to attend this awesome camp.

By Lara

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.
P&C News
We’ve had a great response to the Lamington fundraiser and would like to thank the school community for their support.
We’d love a few more helpers for the Lamington making day – Friday 14th August. Please let Tamara know: 0428 645 044.
All are welcome to the next P&C meeting – Thursday 6th August, 7.15pm in the Staffroom.
Thanking you
Jo Thorpe
GNPS P&C President

Debating
Last Friday Year six and Year five debating teams debated against Griffith East. GEPS was a very strong team. The first debates were GNPS Debaticorns #63 vs GEPS Swans debating of the topic “We should ban all ads for unhealthy food and drink”, and GNPS Red Rebuttal Rebel vs GEPS giants on the topic that “All school kids should learn a musical instrument.” GNPS lost both debates. In the second round Debaticorns #63 debated GEPS giants on the topic “Parents should pay their kids pocket money” and the GNPS Red rebuttal rebels debated GEPS Swans on the topic “Year fives and older should be allowed to use Facebook”. GNPS lost these debates as well. Even though GNPS lost all debates, we learnt lots and all still spoke really well.
By Callum Thorpe

Choir
Congratulations to our choir who performed beautifully at Griffith Central this morning. Thank you to Ms Maloni for all her work with choir this year.

Sport News
PSSA Basketball
Our Griffith North boys won their basketball match against Narrandera last Thursday 23rd July. It was a very exciting match because it was a 45-45 draw at full time. The game was extended by five minutes to get a winner. The North boys played their best basketball for the day in extra time. They scored 14 points and held Narrandera to no goals in the five minute period. North eventually won the match 59-45 after 45 minutes of play. Mr Angel and the North parents were on the edge of their seats during the match! The boys will now play the winner of Holbrook and Tumut.

Griffith Basketball 2015 Spring Competitions
Junior, Senior & Mixed Nominations
Thursday 30th July 5pm – 6.30pm
Juniors
11 years & under $ 90.00
13 years & under $ 115.00
15 years & under $ 115.00
2nd junior game fee $ 40.00 extra
Aussie Hoops
New Member $ 80.00
Renewal $ 60.00
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Competition commences
Juniors 13th August
Seniors 9th August
Mixed 7th September
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Seniors $ 130.00
Mixed Competition $ 500 per team