Calendar
Term 4 2014
*Please note dates from week to week as there are occasionally some changes.

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Final Newsletter for 2014

Thank you all for a wonderful year. We wish all our students a safe and happy holiday. Best wishes to our Year 6 students heading off to High School. School finishes for students next Wednesday the 17th December.

Years 1-6 return to school on Wednesday 28th January and Kindergarten begin on Monday 2nd February 2015.

Proud and Deadly Awards 2014

On Monday evening GPS and Kalinda School held a ‘Proud and Deadly’ Awards Night for our Aboriginal students. The aim of the evening is to recognise and acknowledge Aboriginal students’ achievements. Families enjoyed a BBQ dinner following the presentation. Thank you to Maxine Kirby, Jan Kitchingman and Veronica Reid for all the work they did to organise the evening. Thank you to PACE, NSW Aboriginal Lands Council, Rossies Supermarket, Baker’s Delight and Collin’s Bookstore for making generous donations. Thank you to all those who came along and supported the school and their children.
Volunteers Morning Tea

Yesterday we held a morning tea to say thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who support our school by assisting in many ways—P&C, Canteen, Sport, Breakfast Club... etc. etc.! We appreciate everything volunteers do! Thank you!

Recycled Christmas Tree

The Dirty Dozen, Shawn Pattison and some Year 6 boys built a Christmas tree from recycled materials to enter in the ‘Recycled Christmas Tree Competition’ held by Bunnings. They used off cuts of wood that were donated by Bunnings, pine cones, plastic water bottles, cardboard tubes, wire, spray paint and glitter. Thank you to Shawn Pattison for all his dedication and handy man skills, Bunnings for the wood and the students for their creativity. Dirty Dozen and Shawn delivered it to Bunnings last Thursday. Please go and have a look at our amazing creation.

Year 6 Graduation

Year 6 Graduation is on tonight, Tuesday December 9th. All Year 6 students are to come to the 5/6T classroom by 4.50pm while parents and friends can go to the hall. Following the ceremony photos can be taken in Area A while those Year 6
students who have paid to attend the dinner return to the hall. Year 5 students arrive at 7pm to join Year 6 for a disco. This has $5.00 entry fee and drinks will also be on sale. Parents are reminded to pick their students up from school by 9pm.

**Stage 2 Excursion**

Tomorrow, Stage 2 students and staff head to Temora for the first part of their excursion. They need to be at school **no earlier** than 6:40am. Please make sure you have your backpack packed with what you need for the day (lunch, snacks, and drinks of water, money, and camera). Remember to bring along a snack to share. We would like to thank our generous Griffith Public P&C for kindly donating the sausages and bread for our excursion. This has helped keep the cost down.

**Stage 2 Stall**

On Wednesday, the Stage 2 students who are not going on the excursion will be making Pizza Pinwheels and Sherbet. They will create posters to advertise their products and compose a jingle to sell it to the rest of the school. These will be for sale in **Area A at Lunch time on Thursday**.

Pizza Pinwheels: 50c each or 3 for $1.
Sherbet: $1 a bag.

**Surveys**

Thank you to all our families who returned the surveys. Your input is greatly appreciated. Congratulations to the Mamafainoa family who won the $50 School Uniform shop voucher. If you would like to discuss any of the questions, or share ideas you may have for the school, please contact Miss Hayman, come along to a P&C meeting or have a chat to your class teacher. Your feedback is valued and appreciated.

**Griffith City Library**

As our Library is now closed for the year I suggest, if you aren't already a member, you join the Griffith City Library in Banna Avenue. Our town Library has a great stock of books and usually has lots of great activities for children to participate in during school holidays. We have some membership forms available in the school office. You can collect one, fill it in and then go into the town library to join.

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**Coolah Chronicle**

The Coolah Chronicle is our school's yearly magazine. It is a record of 2014 at Griffith Public School, filled with photos of the students at our memorable activities held throughout the year. Please order and pay for your copy of this year's Coolah Chronicle now. This year's Coolah Chronicle will be in full colour. It will cost $20 per copy. We only print what is ordered so please avoid disappointment and order yours today.

All orders are to be in to the office by **Wednesday 12th December 2014**. The completed Coolah Chronicle will be handed out on or before Wednesday 17th December 2014. Spare order forms are available in the office foyer.

We do have some 2013 copies at half price available from the office.

**P&C News**

Thank you to everyone who has supported the P&C during the year. Please see below for the Uniform Shop opening times for the rest of the year and for early 2015.

**Uniform Shop Opening Times**

Thursday 4th December 2014 1.30pm-2.30pm
Thursday 11th December 2014 1.30pm-2.30pm
**Tuesday 27th January 2015 10am-12 noon**

Thank you for your support,
Helen Lander (P&C President)

**School Canteen**

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Thank you to last week’s helper, Kerri.

Chicken Burgers  $3.50  
Pluto Pups       $3.00  
Hot Dogs         $3.00

Thank you, Brenda
(Canteen Manager)
If your children are not returning to Griffith PS next year please let us know ASAP as it will help us with organisation. Also, please inform us if you know of any families who will be enrolling students at GPS next year. Thank you.

Violin Lessons

Violin lessons are available in Griffith. The violin is a beautiful instrument and best learned when young. Playing the violin is thought to be the most complicated activity known to man. Yet, some teachers such as Suzuki have started children as young as two years old. Each child is different. Some children thrive learning an instrument at an early age and others need to be a tad more mature before such an undertaking. Learning the violin requires discipline and dedication. However following the Suzuki method, learning the violin is fun and enjoyable.

Lessons for young beginners are 30 minutes and an hour for those keen to learn more. An individual lesson costs $30 for 30 minutes or $40 for an hour. Group lessons are also available. A group consists of three students. Group lessons cost $20 per person.

Call Paul Barlow on 0434 537 976 to organise availability and lesson time or visit "Strings | Bows | Music" at https://www.facebook.com/pages/Strings-Bows-Music/1567003553529834.
Coolah Chronicle 2014

Order Form

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

This year our school magazine, The Coolah Chronicle will be in full colour and will cost $20.

To secure your copy please return the attached order form and your money to G.P.S by the 12th December, 2014.

The Coolah Chronicle will be handed out on or before Wednesday 17th December, 2014.

Thank you for supporting Griffith Public School,

Mrs Leanne McWhirter
Coolah Chronicle Editor

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Please Note: You must order and pay to secure your copy of The Coolah Chronicle 2014 before Friday 12th December, 2014.

Please return this order form to Mrs McWhirter or the office.