Term 2 2015

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

Week 10 NAIDOC Week

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NAIDOC Week 2015

This week at GPS we are celebrating NAIDOC Week. NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

NAIDOC originally stood for ‘National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee’. This committee was once responsible for organising national activities during NAIDOC Week and its acronym has since become the name of the week itself.

Yesterday at GPS we began NAIDOC Week with a special assembly and sausage sizzle. Mr Richard Bamblett was our guest speaker and Vanessa Myers, Griffith HS Captain and former GPS student said the ‘Welcome to Country’. Tye Powell, a former GPS student played the didgeridoo. Once again our school choir performed beautifully and a group of Stage 3 Koori girls performed some Koori dances which had been taught to them by Shakia Charles.

Thank you to all the family and community members who came along to the assembly to help us celebrate. As you can see on our calendar there are many more activities planned for this week.
Books in Homes Kindergarten to Year 3 Assembly

Every student in Kinder to Year 3 received a book pack with three books of their choice at our special ‘Books in Homes’ Assembly last Thursday.

Mrs Pam Young from Griffith City Library came along as a special guest and presented the books to our students.

The ‘Bennelong Foundation’ very generously provides the funding for the purchase of the books.

KL wrote letters to The ‘Bennelong Foundation’ to thank them for providing the funding for the purchase of the books.

Thank you for my books. Mum and I read them at bedtime under my strawberry shortcake doona.
Hayley

Thank you for my books. My mum read the bible and I read my books before bed.
Christian

Thank you for my books. I put my books on my bed. I sneaked to my room and got my books. My mum read all my books to me.
Tatupu

Thank you for my books. My sister read all my books to me. My favourite book was “Some Mums”
Luchia

Enviro Champs

We attended the Enviro Champs Leadership Program in our hall on Thursday 4th June. There were other schools there too. We made some new friends which was great! We participated in a variety of activities promoting team work. We had to brainstorm ideas for a project to do at GPS. We played fun games and our favourite game was to pop a balloon and follow the instruction that was inside it. We enjoyed the food that was supplied by Brenda at our canteen for morning tea and lunch. We can’t wait for the next instalment of the program which is working with Sally next term when she visits.

Jerville Rala, Jerome Rala, Beyonce Marela and Amandeep Chand

Environmental Education Centre Visit

Last Thursday we went to the Riverina Environmental Education Centre at Wagga Wagga. When we got there we thought it was going to be boring until we started the program. We
participated in many different science activities. One was checking how healthy the water was and catching water bugs to investigate. We had water in containers and added a tablet to it. We then had to shake it for five minutes. This was exhausting. The water changed colour from brown to green. We made bottle rockets from bottles, water and air. We placed them on pumps and shot them into the air. This was awesome! After that we used microscopes to zoom in to see some bugs up close and personal. When the day was over we received certificates and headed to McDonalds. We had an awesome time and we want to thank Siosi Liu for driving us.

Omega Liu, Raymond Halaapiapi, Preston Murray

P&C News

Griffith Public School
P&C Disco

This Thursday, 25th June 2015
6pm in the School

- Professional DJ and Disco lights!!
- Glow sticks: huge variety available, from 50c to $2
- Chips 50c
- Cans of drink $2
- Lollies $1

Tickets

Disco: This Thursday!!

Important
- Younger siblings can attend the disco, but will still need to pay the $5 entry and must be accompanied by an adult
- Supervising adults will not be charged but we do not wish High School students to attend

- We recommend children bring $5 spending money (apart from the entry fee) to spend on glow sticks, drinks and snacks

Uniform Shop: the P&C uniform shop is open every Thursday morning from 9:00 to 10:00. Thank you to our dedicated team of helpers who volunteer their time each week in the uniform shop. More jackets are arriving soon!

Krispy Kreme: Look out for our Krispy Kreme fundraiser, coming soon!!

Next meeting: Wednesday, August 5th at 7:00pm

Vanessa Clark, P&C President

School Canteen

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Thank you to everyone for supporting our canteen this term. We have been able to donate a substantial amount of money to our P&C.

Chicken Nuggets      $3
Hot Dogs             $3
Chicken Burgers      $3.50
Pluto Pups           $3

Thank you, Brenda, Canteen Manager

Holiday Clinics

LOOKING FOR SOME FUN DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS? GET DOWN TO ONE OF OUR HOLIDAY CLINICS

Venues:
- Coostamandra - 1st of July
- Young         - 1st of July
- Wagga Wagga   - 2nd of July
- Temora        - 7th of July
- Leeton        - 8th of July
- West Wyalong  - 9th of July
- Batlow        - 10th of July
- Darlington Point - 10th of July

To register for a clinic simply go to http://www.playnrl.com/programs/ and enter your location then follow the prompts... For $40 you receive a football, a backpack, a hat and more!!! See you there!

Adam Perry – South West NSW
Mobile: 0420 485 490

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KROP-Hollywood goes to Bollywood

Congratulations again to our wonderful and very committed KROP performers, who have secured a spot in this year’s KROP spectacular with 20 other schools from the Griffith District. This year the students are performing an Indian inspired musical item “Hollywood goes to Bollywood.

We would like to thank Meena Dogra and her daughter Shivya for helping us with our dance moves. We would also like to acknowledge Fashion Point 4 U which has helped us get some costuming items together. We look forward to performing on Thursday 30 July and Friday 31st July, 2015 at Griffith Regional Theatre.

Tickets for KROP will be on sale on the 25th June at 10am. Evening performances may be booked online. Please advertise this date to family and community member as tickets do sell out very quickly and we would like to avoid disappointment. These cannot be purchased from our school.

• Tickets are available from the Griffith Regional Theatre on (02) 69628452. Tickets are on sale from the 25th June, 2015.
• Ticket Costs:
  Evening Performance
  Adults: $20.00
  Children (under 15): $12.00
  Matinee Performance
  Adults: $15.00
  Children: $8.00

Don’t forget CARNIVALE
Friday 4 September 2015!

Intensive swimming

During Term 3, Griffith Public School will be participating in a 2 week swimming program at the Griffith Regional Aquatic and Leisure Centre. The program will begin on 7 September 2015 and run through until 18 September 2015. This program is aimed at students in years 2-6 who cannot swim or are weak swimmers. More information regarding the cost will be available early next term.