NEWSLETTER TERM 2 WEEK 9

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Term 2 2015 Calendar
*Please note dates from week to week as there are occasionally some changes.

Week 9

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<th>Monday, June 15th</th>
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Week 10 NAIDOC Week

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<td>Friday, June 26th</td>
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Books in Homes Kindergarten to Year 3 Assembly

This Thursday at 1pm a special assembly for students in Kinder to Year 3 is being held. Every student in Kinder to Year 3 will receive a book pack with three books of their choice. Students will be able to keep their books and take them home, to share with their families.

This is part of ‘The Books in Homes’ program that aims to get quality books into student’s homes, so they can be shared with the whole family. The ‘Bennelong Foundation’ very generously provides the funding for the purchase of the books.

NAIDOC Week 2015

A K/6 assembly to acknowledge NAIDOC Week will be held next Monday 22nd June at 10:30am in the school hall. All parents and community members are invited to attend the assembly. Following the assembly, a BBQ lunch will be held for all students, parents and members of the community.

NAIDOC Week 2015

On Friday 12th June the girls League Tag Team 2 participated in the playoffs for the finals for Mortimer Shield at Leeton.

The girls won two games 11-0 and 10-0. They drew their first game and they narrowly missed out on the finals. Unlucky girls! However their team work, persistence and sportsmanship were second to none!

Thank you to Mrs Misi, Mrs Tuiaki and Mrs Lokeni for helping transport the girls to Leeton. Thank you to Mrs Parisotto for coaching and managing the team.

On Friday 12th June 15, stage 3 boys also travelled to Leeton to take part in two rugby league competitions. Their first game was against Hay and this was in the Classic Shield competition. Despite the score, this was a tough game with tries not
being scored easily. The boys came away with a 20-0 win and have now progressed in this competition with further games expected next term.

Their remaining three games were played as part of the Mortimer Shield competition and were also won convincingly by the boys. Game 1 was against St Joseph's Leeton White with a win of 20-8, game 2 was against St Joseph’s Blue with a win of 22-4 and their final was against Yenda Public with another win of 30-0.

Through the hard work and persistence of Coach, Ray Schaefer, the boys have really learnt to play together as a team and to listen to one another on the field. Player of the day was awarded to Pati Auvae. Thanks to Maxine for driving the bus, Mrs Catanzariti for managing the team and to the parents who supported the team on the day.

**Stage 1 Assembly Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at the last assembly:

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<td>Jordan Kelsey</td>
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<td>Logan Jolly</td>
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<td>Samantha Gadsden</td>
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<td>Jeffery Mafi</td>
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P&C News

**Disco:** Next week!! (see the ad at the end of the newsletter).

If you would like to help organise the disco, please come along to our meeting this week: Wednesday, 7:00pm in the staff room.

**Uniform Shop:** the P&C uniform shop is open every Thursday morning from 9:00 to 10:00. Come on in for jumpers, jackets, winter skirts, long pants and long-sleeved tops. Thank you to our dedicated team of helpers who volunteer their time each week in the uniform shop.

**Next meeting:** Ever wondered what happens at a P&C meeting? Well, come along to the staff room this Wednesday, June 17th at 7:00pm and check it out!

Vanessa Clark, P&C President

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**Griffith Public School**

**P&C Disco**

**Thursday 25th, June 2015**

6pm in the School Hall

- Professional DJ and Disco lights
- Dance and best dressed competitions
- Glow sticks, snacks and drinks available to buy

**Tickets $5.00 at the door**

**School Canteen**

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A huge thank you to last week’s helpers with our very successful spaghetti day; Agnes Lolohea, Rachel Dreyer and the staff who came in the canteen and worked tirelessly to fill the 220 orders! Also, thank you to Kate, our cleaner, who made and donated cakes for the catering job we had on Monday.

- Hash Browns $0.50c
- Sweet Chilli Chicken Wraps $4
- Chicken Nuggets $3

Thank you, Brenda, Canteen Manager
**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 Shivyia 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

**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 children to gain access to NIDA’s expertise and develop practical skills in a fun and supportive environment.

Grades: 3–6
Dates: Monday 29 June–Sunday 5 July 2015
Venue: Griffith High School, Coolah St, Griffith

The 10% earlybird discount has been extended until this Friday 19 June, be quick! For more information and to book, visit open.nida.edu.au/national or contact NIDA Open on 02 9697 7626.

**News from 1M**

1M had lots of fun learning about different jobs people in our community do. Students wrote about what job they would like to do when they grow up.
What does Early Action for Success Mean for Griffith Public School?

Early Action for Success is the Department’s strategy for implementing the NSW government’s State Literacy and Numeracy Plan. It aims to improve students’ literacy and numeracy skills through a targeted approach in the early years of schooling.

The support provided by Early Action for Success provides every kindergarten, year one and year two class with an extra teacher for an hour every day. The extra teacher works with targeted children to improve their writing, reading or numeracy skills.

Early Action for Success also provides extra training for teachers in programs to develop children’s literacy and numeracy. We now have all our staff training in L3 (Language Learning and Literacy) and TEN (Targeting Early Numeracy). These programs ensure our teachers are supported in providing good quality programs to all our students.

Through the Early Action for Success strategy we have bought lots of quality books to not only develop students reading skills but to provide students with lots of opportunities to develop their thinking and talking skills.

We have also used Early Action for Success funding to extend our ‘Transition to School Program’ so we are better able to support families when students begin school.

Mrs Nardi is our Instructional Leader who works with Mrs Kitchingman and K-2 teachers to organize and implement programs to support student learning.

Student progress is tracked every 5 weeks and results have shown K-2 students are achieving good results in numeracy, reading and comprehension. Our target area is to now keep supporting student growth in writing.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability Notification for Parents and Carers

From 2015, all Government and non-Government schools across Australia are required to participate annually in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD).

All Australian schools will collect data on their students who are receiving adjustments to meet additional learning and support needs in accordance with their obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and Disability Standards for Education 2005. This data will be provided to the Australian Government to assist in the development of a consistent, national picture of the education needs of students with disability.

The data provided to the Australian Government by the NSW Department of Education and Communities is provided in such a way that it cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

General information about the national data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education and Training website at:

Privacy Protection- The NSW Department of Education and Communities follows the requirements of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 and the Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002. Schools will collect, record, store and use data about individual students in line with these requirements. Data security and protection is a priority and students’ personal details will be kept confidential. Under Clause 52 of the Commonwealth Australian Education Regulation 2013, data collected by the NSW Department of Education and Communities for the NCCD must be provided to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training. This includes the number of students at each level of education, the number in each
A category of disability and the number at each level of adjustment. The information is provided to the Commonwealth as a series of number sets that cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

The Australian Government Department of Education and Training follows the requirements of the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988 when handling any data provided by NSW Department of Education and Communities in connection with the national data collection. A privacy notice has been developed to by the Australian Government to provide students, parents and carers with important privacy information in relation to the data collection. This notice is available on the department’s website at http://education.gov.au/notices

If you have any questions about the data collection please do not hesitate to contact Miss Hayman.

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**Save the Date**
Griffith Public School and Kalinda School are celebrating

**Carnivale**

On
**Friday the 4th of September, 2015**

10:30 am for a Concert
followed by an
**Multicultural Exotic Food Fair**

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**Win a $5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 9**

Give your newsletter to your parent or carer to read. Ask them to sign this slip and put it in the box in the front office. If your slip is drawn out at Friday’s assembly, you will win one $5 canteen voucher! Two slips will be drawn out at each assembly.

Student / Family name: __________________
Parent / Carer Signature: _______________