GEPS Debating Team: Emily Adamson, Jiordan Wallace-Chapman, Giorgia Ceccato, Bethany McIntosh and their coach, Ms Gilbert

YEAR 6 MINI FETE TOMORROW
Our annual Mini Fete is on tomorrow, Thursday 19th November.
Due to the forecast of hot weather the mini fete will now start at 10.00 a.m. and conclude by 12 noon. The fete is for all GEPS students only, from Kindergarten to Year 5. Year 6 students and their parents have worked hard to prepare another memorable fete, with a wide range of food, drink and activity stalls.
Students will need:
- a hat;
- sunscreen; and
- some money to be able to enjoy the fete

School or sports uniform only to be worn on the day.

GEPS DEBATING TEAM 2015 STATE CHAMPIONS

CALENDAR

18 November
- Kindergarten Orientation
  9.30 – 11.00 am

19 November
- Yr 6 Mini Fete

20 November
- Kindergarten Classes to Visit Griffith Central

24-29 November
- Choir to Schools Spectacular

25-27 November
- Enviro Mentors Workshops

1 December
- K-2 Presentation Day

8 December
- 3-6 Presentation Day

14 December
- Semester 2 reports issued

15 December
- K-2 Disco and Santa Visit
  2.00pm- Hall
- Yr 6 Farewell

16 December
- Last day of school for 2015
If your child was to bring approximately $10, they would be guaranteed of a great time. Food, drink and activity prices range from 20c up to $2. Coins would be appreciated.

**The canteen will be closed for the day.** A sausage sizzle will operate, both during the fete and will be available at lunchtime. Sausages do not need to be pre ordered. All money raised goes toward the Year 6 Farewell dinner in December.

**PRESENTATION DAY DVD’S**

DVD’s of both the K-2 and 3-6 Presentation days will be made by Vince Bucello of Mid State Video productions. These will be available soon after each presentation day. An order form is on page 3 of the newsletter. Please return to the school office.

**BE SAFE ON LINE**

1. **Keep computers out in the open**
   
   Your child may think twice about looking at inappropriate websites and won't be able to chat to their friends all night while you think they are doing their homework.

2. **Mind your business**
   
   Remind your child to keep information such as their name, address, phone number, school and even your credit card number to themselves. When signing up to a chat room, they should use a screen name that is a nickname and not easy to work out. The same goes for choosing passwords – don't make them easy to figure out. If your child is going to put photos on the internet, ensure they don't show them wearing their school uniform – this can be enough to identify your child's school. Also ensure that any photos are not the type that would attract unwanted attention from strangers.

3. **Just because it's on the internet, it doesn't mean it's true**
   
   Make sure your child uses multiple sources for research, and is careful not to plagiarise.

4. **Stranger danger is online, too**
   
   Ensure your child never organises to meet up with any strangers they have met online. If they really want to meet up, encourage them to talk to you about it first and insist on going along with them. Remind your children to also be wary opening emails from strangers. They could contain spam (online junk mail), a virus (which will harm your computer), or be from a stranger looking for trouble.

5. **Get a filter**
   
   Internet filters can help block inappropriate sites for children. None are completely reliable and it’s best if you talk about what websites are appropriate with your child so they understand and make the right choice on their own.

6. **Encourage your child to talk with you about their online experiences – good and bad**
   
   This will make it easier for them if they see something inappropriate or are emailed something unsuitable.

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7. Talk about this with your child and it may lead to a decline in bullying behaviour, not to mention the many disagreements that children have with each other.
8. **Forever is a long time.** A lot of blogs and websites maintain information as part of cyberspace forever. By publishing without thinking of the future, your child's innocent work online may be something that comes up later on and may negatively impact their career and personal life.

**UNITING CHURCH CHRISTMAS FETE (Beal Street, Griffith)**
Friday 20th November at 5.00pm
Cakes, produce, Craft, Christmas Gifts, plants, Biscuits and jams, books, lucky jars, pre-Loved treasures, BBQ dinner/salads/sweets.
Entertainment, free jumping castle. Great family fun.

**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**
The uniform shop will be open next **Wednesday morning (Nov 25th)** from 8.45am – 10.30am in the hall. The uniform shop will then be open on Thursday mornings from 8.45am – 9.30am for the remainder of the school year.
For all orders outside these times, order envelopes are available from the school office Orders will be processed during the week and sent to your child’s classroom.

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**CANTEEN NEWS**
New range of gluten free products including party pies now available from the canteen. Please see Phoebe for more details.

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**Monday 23 Nov**
- Cindy Forrester-Smith
- Sandra Taylor

**Tuesday 24 Nov**
- Lynette Kenny

**Wednesday 25 Nov**
- Renee Stewart
- Kim Lawrence
- Kerry Macri
- Rochelle Matthews
- Angela McIntosh

**Thursday 26 Nov**
- Amanda Smith
- Tammy Mingay

**Friday 27 Nov**
- Melissa Harrison
- Rachel Wood

Please contact the Canteen Supervisor Phoebe Ritorto on 69625273, if you are able to volunteer any time to assist in the canteen.
**ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK**

Assemblies are held in the Norma Marin Hall.

- No 3-6 Assembly this week.
- K-2 Assembly this Friday – 12.30 pm

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**Griffith East Public School**

Office Hours

8.30 a.m. – 3.30

Monday to Friday

☎️69621804 or 69624409

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**CANTEEN CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Canteen Christmas party will be held on 28th November at the Victoria Hotel commencing at 6.30pm. RSVP to Phoebe 69625273

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**AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD NOMINATIONS**

We are calling for nominations of worthy recipients who have performed outstanding community service or sporting achievements during 2015. This year is a special Australia Day as we are celebrating 100 Years of Griffith next year in 2016.

Categories are:

- Junior Citizen Of The Year (Under 17 as at 26 January)
- Young Citizen Of The Year (Under 25 as at 26 January)
- Citizen Of The Year
- Community Project Of The Year
- Junior Sportsperson Of The Year (Under 18 as at 26 January)
- Sportsperson Of The Year
- Club Person Of The Year
- Sports Team Of The Year

Nominations can be entered using the form in the Wednesday editions of the Area News or be submitted using the online nomination form at www.griffith.nsw.gov.au.

Nominations close Friday 11 December 2015.

For further information please contact Kelly Dalbroi Community Development Officer on 6962 8100 or email kelly.dalbroi@griffith.nsw.gov.au

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**STAR STUDENTS**

Congratulations to our students who have received awards in Week 6 Term 4

**KB** Adele Tropeano, Maison Mogliotti, Angelica Carturan

**KC** Marlee Tagliapietra, Riley Harrison, Finley Wallace

**KM** Chelsea Rand, Jyve Meehan, Kasey Denton

**KS** Edie Pendlebury, Matilda Poole, Dime Robbie

**1B** Teiah Smith, Isabella Ceccato, Jessica Featherstone

**1G** Isaiah Catanzariti, Bryan Cunial, Sherridan Skelton

**1M** Mischa Musitano, Ryan Calabria, India Hyde

**1T** Javier Bruce, Paigelyn Brand, Mackenzie Hassan

**2G** Liam James, Rhys Smith, Jordan Virago

**2J** Summer Reynolds, Savinna Crompton, Jayven Charles

**2K** Christian Callcut, Jesse Ryan, Olivia Sheldrick

**2S** Emma Panebianco, Kalan Jasnos, Bobbie-Anne Poole

**3G** Ryan Kelly, Jack Brand, Estella Mancini

**3M** Sebastian Schmetzer, Noah Kirkman, Fatimah Baryamai

**3N** Jai Menegazzo, Resharna Seymour, Charlotte Scott

**4C** Lanieta Caqusau, Charlie Wallace-Chapman, Aiyla Buckland

**4T** Bethany Brand, Jack Turner, Sofie Macedone

**5C** Thomas Shields, Danielle Monteleone, Keanu Ferraro, Tayissa Dunn

**5R** Caleb McIntosh, Nathan Snaidero, Emma Morton

**5/6CM** Amanda Harrison, Michael Byrnes, Ashley Salton, Joseph Bellicanta

**6C** Portia Goring-Calabria, Madison Bucello, Connor Sully

**6N** Bailee Beitäki, Jadha Anderson-King, Kyla Rand

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