FANTASTIC 3-6 PRESENTATION DAY
The 3-6 Presentation Day held yesterday was again a wonderful GEPS event taking us on a journey through the sixties!
Congratulations to all the students for their outstanding performances in their items and to the students who received awards for their outstanding efforts this year.
Thank you to all the parents who assisted with items and costumes.
Thank you to the staff for their commitment and effort in preparing students for the day and to Mr Cook and Mr Conlan who again did a magnificent job in coordinating this event.

DUX OF SCHOOL
At the 3-6 Presentation Day yesterday the DUX of GEPS for 2015 was announced. Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding achievement.

DUX OF SCHOOL
Zara Jones
DUX IN ENGLISH
Alexandra Kelly
DUX IN MATHEMATICS
Lachlan O’Grady

2016 SCHOOL LEADERS
Congratulations to our new SRC for 2016 who were elected by students and staff.
They are:
Captains: Olivia Bennett & Wil Donaldson
Vice Captains: Amity Witton & Patrick Gunn
SRC: Cecilia Bellicanta, Lucy Wallace, Kalan Stevenson, Jay Summers
DEBATING STATE FINAL RECORDING
As you would be aware our debating team are the state champions in the NSW 2015 Premier's Debating Challenge for Years 5&6. A recording of the State Final is available at the link below

To view the video just follow the link below, or google “Vimeo 2015 Years 5&6 Debating Final”

https://vimeo.com/user11416839/review/146180806/bb5d2b153b

YEAR 6 FAREWELL
Thank you to our committee of Year 5 parents and teachers who have put a lot of time and effort into organising the Year 6 Farewell which will be held next Tuesday night. I am sure that it will be a fantastic night that will be remembered by Yr 6 students and parents. Year 6 parents and school staff are very appreciative of your efforts.

To all our Year 6 students who are now coming to the end of their primary school years, we wish you all good luck as you venture into the next part of your learning journey.

2016 CLASS STRUCTURES
The planned class structures and teacher allocations for 2016 are below. This is our current planning for teacher allocations and class structures, however this may change during the first week of Term 1 2016 depending on any staff transfers or appointments and/or changes in enrolments.

Kindergarten: Mrs Mulholland, Mrs Chapman, Ms Causer, Ms Bergamin
Year 1: Ms Morton, Mrs Gray, Mrs Graham
Year 1/2: Mrs Oates
Year 2: Mr Grandi, Ms Kenny, Mrs Smith
Year 3: Ms Gilbert, Mrs Gill, Ms Napoli
Year 3/4: Mr Conlan
Year 4: Mrs Brown, Ms Davis
Year 5: Ms Carter, Ms Crawford
Year 5/6: Mr Cook, Mrs Careri/Mrs Malone
Year 6: Mr Noad
MC Class: Mrs Hunt

Please note that student allocations to classes will be announced on the first pupil day in 2016. Allocations are made following the class formation policy which was published in the newsletter earlier this term.

SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS HAMPERS
Over the last couple of weeks each class have been collecting items for a Christmas Hamper to donate to the Salvation Army. The donation of these hampers will take place at the 3-6 Assembly this Thursday at 2.00 pm
OUTSTANDING P & C EFFORT IN 2015
The ongoing support of parents and the school community helps provide high quality resources and facilities for all students at GEPS. The P&C is an integral part of our school fabric and play a significant role in the in the function of our school and have again been very active this year in supporting the school.

Their contributions include:
• Conducting their major Cash Raffle with a $10 000 first prize. They did and exceptional job in selling all 250 tickets
• Holding Mothers and Fathers’ day stalls
• Operating the school uniform shop and canteen
• Committing up to $30 000 for the new Covered area and outdoor furniture next to the Library
• Providing:
  o $3 000 towards our wireless network
  o $4 000 for classroom blinds
  o $1 600 for external hall floodlights
  o $6 000 for new hall and gunyah microphones and sound system
  o $10 000 towards the construction of a new front Fence

This is a wonderful achievement for the P & C this year. Thank you to everyone who has supported the activities of the P & C in 2015.

THANK YOU
We come to the end of a very successful and rewarding year at Griffith East Public School.

Our students have achieved in a wide range of areas including the academic, cultural and sporting areas. These opportunities are made possible by all the staff at GEPS whose time, energy, enthusiasm and commitment I wish to recognise, and also the outstanding support we have from the P & C and parent community/helpers who assist in so many areas of the school, giving countless hours of support. We are a positive and active school community!

On behalf of the students and staff I would like to thank you for your support during 2015. Enjoy the holidays with family and friends
Andrew Pryor – Principal

CANTEEN NEWS
Thank you to all those parents who have volunteered to help in the canteen this year, made cakes or donated goods. Your continued assistance is very much appreciated.

CANTEEN ROSTER
Monday 14 Dec
• Charmaine Ceccato

Tuesday 15 Dec
• Danielle Dunn
• Corrinne Poole

Wednesday 16 Dec
• Rachel Wood
• Corinne Farronato

Cakes 16 Dec
• Sandra Taylor
• Kelly Dal Broi
• Lynda Franks
• Vinnie Agostino
• Anita Denton

Please contact the Canteen Supervisor Phoebe Ritorto on 69625273, if you are able to volunteer any time to assist in the canteen. New canteen helpers are always welcome.

Happy Holidays!
**ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK**

Assemblies are held in the Norma Marin Hall.

- 3-6 Assembly this Thursday at 2.00pm
- No K-2 Assembly this week

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**Griffith East Public School**

**Office Hours**

8.30 a.m. – 3.30pm

Monday to Friday

☎ 69621804 or 69624409

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**LIBRARY BOOKS RETURN**

As we are nearing the end of the school year it is important that all library books are returned. This will also assist us as we do our stocktake. Mr Bristow.

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**STAR STUDENTS**

Congratulations to our students who have received awards in Week 9 Term 4

- **3G** Caitlin Bucello, Daniella Pompeani, Georgie Whittaker
- **3N** Seda Celik, Xavier Smith, Kiara Hirst
- **4B** Tayla Hirst, Blake Millis, Imogen Boon
- **4C** Jack Mingay, Shelby Garside-Boyd, Lanieta Caqasau, John Simpson, Abi McIntosh, Ruby Jones, Alice-May Ravarua
- **4T** Cooper James, Ameena Baryamai, Connor Barlow
- **5C** Ava Young, Isaac Glass, Anmol Singh, Katesha Kay, Lachlan Harrison, Emma Bagiante
- **5R** Josh Apolloni, Hamish Peato, Lucy Wallace, Dylan McFadzean
- **5/6CM** Zara Heiland, Tieshia Nuumaalii, Jake Brand, Reece Fabris
- **6C** Samuel McPherson, Ned Goslett
- **6N** Niamh Wood, Dylan Wells, Ethan Curry-Tyrrell

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**GEPS PRESENTATION DAY - DVD ORDER FORM**

Name: __________________________

Child’s Class: _____________________

I would like to order ___ DVD (s) of the 3-6 Presentation Day @ $15 each

I would like to order ___ DVD (s) of the K-2 Presentation Day @ $15 each

Total Enclosed $______

Please return to school office

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**MILO T20 BLAST SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP**

**Griffith Camp**: 13/14 January 2016

**Times**: 9am – 1pm

**Location**: Exies Sportsground

**Cost**: $99, includes player pack

**Contact**: David Tiffen 0412918173

**Register online**: playcricket.com.au

MILO T20 Blast gives girls and boys the opportunity to play fun games of cricket in an active and social setting. For children aged 7-12 with basic cricket skills. 90 minute games, fun and safe, everyone gets a chance to bat, bowl and field.

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**WHERE**: St Patricks Primary School Hall

**WHEN**: Monday 25th January 2016

**TIME**: 9:15am to 3.45pm

**ENTRY FEE**: $10 ($15 for a family) payable on the day

**OPEN TO**: Anyone under the age of 18

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