SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Congratulations this year to Kamilaroi House who won the GEPS 2015 Swimming Carnival last Wednesday.
It was fantastic to have so many students participate in the events. The 25 metre events in both strokes and kickboard again gave the opportunity for increased student participation in the carnival.

Congratulations to our age champions:

Junior Girls
1st - Emma Cullen
R/U - Montana Dunn

Junior Boys
1st - Charlie Wallace-Chapman
R/U - Jack Mingay

11 yrs Girls
1st - Lily Mingay
R/U - Ella Morrissey

11 yrs Boys
1st - Wil Donaldson

Senior Girls
1st - Niamh Wood
R/U - Jiordan Wallace-Chapman

Senior Boys
1st - Kolby Seers
R/U - Fabian Cacopardo

Records Broken
Niamh Wood broke the 12yrs Girls 50m freestyle record set by Latisha Forbes in 2007 of 32.03. Niamh’s new record time was 31.16.
Wil Donaldson broke the 11yrs Boys 50m freestyle record set by Josh Golden in 2012 of 34.88. Wil’s new record time was 34.44.
Wil also broke the 11yrs Boys 50m breaststroke record set by Josh Golden in 2012 of 50.43. Wil’s new record time was 48.25.

Thank you to Mr Noad who did a fantastic job in organising the carnival- it ran smoothly all day, (even with Mr Noad away sick on the day) Also thank you to everyone involved in making our 2015 Swimming Carnival a huge success.
Without the support of the many parents willing to be officials, (giving up their day to assist us) provide delicious snacks and wonderful lunches, our carnivals would lack
the community spirit which makes these events so very enjoyable for both ourselves as staff and the students of GEPS.

**The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey- Years 4 - 6 Students**

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many others in the state, will participate in a Department of Education and Communities initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.


The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 9 March and 2 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students in *Years 4-6 today*. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by **Friday 6 March**. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.

**P & C AGM**
The P & C Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Thursday 5 March 2015 at 7.30 p.m. in the school staffroom in the Administration block. All parents are welcome to attend this meeting and it is important that parents are aware that they must be a financial member of the P & C to vote at the AGM.

Andrew Pryor
Principal

**GEPS Uniform Shop**

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For uniform orders outside these times please contact the school office.

**ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK**

Assemblies are held in the Norma Marin Hall.

- **Yrs 3-6** – Thursday 2.30 pm with 6N
- **K-2** – Friday 12.30 pm with 2S
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25 February  Term 1  Parent/Teacher Interviews
26 February  Griffith Zone PSSA Swimming Carnival
3 & 4 March  School Photographs
5 March  P & C AGM 7.30 p.m
16 March  Forensic Science Show for Yrs 3-6
23-25 March  Yr 4 Excursion to Borambola
23 March  SRC- Young Leaders Conference - Sydney

Griffith East Public School
Office Hours
8.30 a.m. – 3.30 p.m.
Monday to Friday
Ph: 69621804 or 69624409

2015 BOOK FAIR
Our annual Library Book fair is being held in the Library from 3-6 March. Books can be purchased before school from 8.45 a.m. - 9.15 a.m., Lunch time and after school from 3.15 p.m. during the Book Fair.
All commissions which the school earns from the Book Fair are used to purchase new books for the library.

UNIFORM SHOP
Size 6-8 polo shirts & jumpers have arrived at the uniform shop.
As of next week the uniform shop will be open on a trial basis from 2.45pm - 3.30pm on Wednesdays as well as the normal opening hours.

CANTEEN NEWS

Helper required this Friday Feb 27th

On Mondays and Tuesdays ONLY we will be offering a special Meal Deal in the Canteen:
1. Ham & Cheese sandwich, juice & jelly - $4.00
2. 2 party pies, water & paddlepop - $4.00

CANTEEN ROSTER
WEEK 6 TERM 1

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Friday Junior Tennis Competition
Junior tennis Competition starts Friday 27 February 2015
4:00pm
All ages, standards catered for, from Hot shots courts through to full size.
New players to tennis receive a FREE LESSON.
Enquiries – Cheryl 0429 126 586

Excellence, Innovation and Inclusiveness
Week 4 Awards

KB  Fletcher Kelly, Emmy Smith, Maison Magliotti
KC  Xavier Knott, Marlee Tagliapietra, Chloe Williams
KM  Chelsea Rand, Mia Fattore, Kasey Denton
KS  Jayde Turner, Edie Pendlebury, Ted Files
1B  Ryan Andrighetto, Isabella Ceccato, Harry Marcus
1G  Kayla Kember, Bryan Cunial, Hayley Morton
1M  Liliana Grieve, Jayden Hoey, Jai Kenny
1T  Gerico Luat, Larn’ie O’Meley, Huon Buckland
2G  Jordan Virago, Jacob Melville, Liam James
2J  David Onetaka, Molly Di Stefano, Digby Jones
2K  Olivia Cullen, Ruby O’Connor, Joshua Mitchell
2S  Stella Matthews, Jett McNab, Laine Hayllar
3G  No Awards
3M  Mia-Rose Parnell, Liam Bartlett, Christopher Anderson-King
3N  Gemma Turkington, Grace Garbett, Jai Menegazzo
4B  Ninny Johnson, Tessie Muller, Connor Peebles
4C  No Awards
4T  Heath Bethe, Sofie Macedone, Jade Fabris
5C  No Awards
5R  Alex Gullo, Maddison Redman, Nathan Snaidero
5/6CM  Joseph Bellicanta, Caleb Harris, Simonne Bagiante
6C  Aliyah Peihopa-Smith, Luke Salton, Lachlan Gill
6N  No Awards

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