ZONE SWIMMING CHAMPIONS

Congratulations GEPS Swimming Team!

In a very impressive performance our swimming team have been crowned Zone Champions for 2015. We are all very proud of your efforts last Thursday; your dedication, teamwork and behaviour on the day was extremely impressive.

All swimmers showed great guts and determination in the pool and I am sure they are very happy with their efforts.

Cleaning up in their individual age brackets were Wil Donaldson (11 Years Boys Champion), Niamh Wood (Senior Girls Champion) and Kolby Seers (Senior Boys Champion).

Awesome effort ... Niamh Wood broke the 12 Years Girls 50m Freestyle record, which was set in 2007 by another GEPS student, Latisha Forbes. Way to go, Niamh ... we hope this stands for a long time to come!

We have a large contingent of 16 members representing the Griffith Zone at the Riverina Carnival next Monday the 9th of March. The team includes all four of our relay teams and 9 individual athletes. We wish you all the very best of luck and know that you make us all very proud.

Some of our wonderful swim team members were already back at school studying hard... Sorry you missed the photo.

Thank you, also to the many GEPS parents who contributed to the Zone Carnival. You are champions yourselves!

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PARENT/TEACHER COMMUNICATION
Education is a partnership between home and school and it is extremely important that clear and effective lines of communication are consistently open between home and school and also the privacy of teachers is respected outside of school hours.

Teachers can be contacted by telephoning the school, and if they are unavailable a message will be given to them to phone you back. Alternatively an email can be sent to the school email account grathe-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au marked to the attention of the teacher in the subject line and it will be forwarded to the teacher by the school office. At times teachers are available to speak to you when you bring your child to school or picking them up from school, if they do not have duties or meetings.

The Department of Education and Communities Social Media and Technology Guide for staff cautions staff about having parents of students as friends on Facebook for a number of professional and privacy reasons. It is not part of our school policy for teachers to friend parents on Facebook.

Teachers are also not required to provide their personal mobile phone numbers to parents, as it is expected that any telephone enquires about school business or information about students will be conducted through the school telephone numbers.

The school has also just launched an APP (Information in the newsletter) which will communicate up to date information about school activities to parents.

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.

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS
A letter outlining our voluntary contributions for 2015 is being sent home with your child in the near future. The contribution is $30 for one student attending or $50 for a family. The contribution is used to purchase educational resources used in all classrooms across the school and benefits all students across the school.

The P & C has endorsed the voluntary contribution for 2015 and we appreciate the support which the contribution provides to the school.

Andrew Pryor
Principal

GEPS Uniform Shop
Opening Times:
• Wednesday 8.45 a.m. – 9.30 a.m.
• Wednesday 2.45pm – 3.30pm
• Friday 8.45 a.m. – 9.30 a.m.
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 3G & 4B
• K-2 – Friday 12.30 pm with 2J

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

5 March       P & C AGM 7.30 p.m
9 March       Riverina Swimming Carnival
10 March      Cricket team State KO match against Small Schools
16 March      Forensic Science Show for Yrs 3-6
23-25 March  Yr 4 Excursion to Borambola
23 March      SRC- Young Leaders Conference – Sydney
28 March      NSW State Election – Polling Booth – School Hall
1 April       Grandparents- Assembly – 11.45 a.m.
2 April       Scripture– Easter Church Services

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.

BORDER MUSIC CAMP
28th June – Saturday 4 July 2015
This is a residential music camp for around 240 children of all ages from beginner to advanced. For more information and application forms please go to www.bordermusiccamp.org.au or phone Alastair McKeans 0418990775 or Margie Gleeson 0412711819 (after 6pm). Pamphlets are also available from the school office.

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PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL JUMPERS, HATS, LUNCH BOXES AND DRINK BOTTLES ARE CLEARLY MARKED WITH YOUR CHILDS NAME.
GRiffith East PS – APP
The Griffith East Public School App is available in both the Apple App Store and Google Play Store and is free.

To sign in you need to use the following:
Username: community
Password: griffitheps

The App will ask you for which individual grades you would like notifications for or you can select all grades. Information which will be available on the App include:
- Weekly Newsletters
- Calendar of Events
- Canteen Menu
- Notifications of School Events and changes to routines
- After school return times of excursions

MOVING INTO YEAR 7 IN 2016
The Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2016 information guide and expression of interest forms were handed out to Year 6 Students today. Please fill in the forms where required and return to the office NO LATER than March 20th, 2016. The forms have been filled in with your child’s name, address and their local zoned school. Please be aware that your local zoned school is dependent on your address and not the school your child is currently attending. If your child is seeking enrolment at their local zoned high school please fill in and sign sections A & B. If you wish your child to attend a non–local high school please fill in and sign sections A & C. You will need to outline your reasons for applying at a non local high school. If your child is not attending a NSW Government school next year please fill in and sign sections A & E.

School Banking
The school banking program provides children with an opportunity to make deposits into a Youthsaver account at school each week. There are great rewards on offer. School banking is held at our school each Tuesday. For further information please go to www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking or call into the school office.

Week 5 Awards

KB  Sophia Van Veen, Beau Castle, Megan Callcut
KC  Declan Lawson, Marcus Tusa, Bilal Baryamai
KM  Jackson Malligan, Dean Suine, Madelaine Smith
KS  Lily Malone, Matilda Poole, Beau Ryan
1B  Anna Eddy-Irwan, Pasquale Furore, Jylee Trembath
1G  Riley Coutts-Collins, Ashton Menegazzo, Kaedence Pattison
1M  Narin Ciyan, Rory Heiland, Claudia Dickie
1T  Austin Flack, Natalia Ritchie, Alice Hill
2G  Antonio Furore, Baris Aslan, Ceylan Zengin
2J  Riley Kelly, Brooklyn Keith, Savinna Crompton
2K  Sophie Suine, Jesse Ryan, Ava Windbacher
2S  Emma Windbacher, Ahmet Kurt, Cadence Busby
3G  Jack Brand, Pearl Wallace, Phoenix Menere
3M  Ilaisiane Lomu, Ozone Ae, Brandon McKenna
3N  Hugh Donaldson, Max Moran, Liam Thomas
4B  Kate Armanini, Jay Turkington, Finnan O’Connor
4C  Bray Thornton, Aiyla Buckland, Kai Hearne, Abi McIntosh, Olivia Rowland
4T  Alyssa Reynolds, Zarek Jasnos, Sofie Macedone
5C  Emma Bagiante, Danielle Monteleone, Charlotte Andreazza
5R  Charlie Curry-Tyrrell, Dylan McFadzean, Cooper Angel
5/6CM  Lily Mingay, Nishu Saini, Jade Abley
6C  Ned Goslett, Portia Goring-Calabria, Katelan Whitten, Zeke Sheather
6N  Jesse Carturan, Joonas McDermott, Bethany McIntosh

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