BYOD- BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE

What is BYOD?

Bring Your Own Device, or BYOD, is a term to describe students bringing their own compatible electronic devices to access the technology at school through secure wi fi. This is a technological trend in education and in the corporate world. BYOD is designed to give you, as families, freedom to make technology choices that suit you and all your circumstances, rather than being locked into one form of technology.

Through the program, students engage in a range of independent, group and whole class activities, where they use their devices to engage in student-centered learning in all key learning areas. Students use their devices to research, listen, view, explain, create and evaluate within lessons.

Our Plan

Over the coming weeks in the newsletter information will be provided to the school community about BYOD before we conduct a survey to gain community views about the possible introduction of a BYOD program at GEPS. Information provided will include:

- Reasons for BYOD / Concerns about BYOD
- In which grades is it suitable to be introduced ?
- Individual purchase or school purchase of devices
- Addressing Equity
- Maintenance of devices
- Security of devices and insurance
- Use during school time / Acceptable use of devices
- Technical support and warranties
- School BYOD policy inclusions

CALENDAR

4 June
- P & C meeting- 7.30 pm

8 June
- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

11 June
- Riverina Cross Country

17 June
- School K-6 Athletics Carnival

18 June
- Netball Gala Day

19 June
- Yr 3 Excursion to Altina Zoo

22 June
- Semester One reports issued

26 June
- Final day of term 2

13 July
- Term 3 School Development Day

14 July
- Term 3 commences for students.
P & C MEETING
The next P & C meeting will be held on Thursday 4 June 2015 at 7.30 p.m. in the school staffroom.
All parents are welcome to attend.

ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2016
We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2016. Children who turn 5 before 31 July 2016 are eligible for enrolment in kindergarten.

The school has an enrolment zone and the school office can advise you if you are in our enrolment zone. Applications for non local enrolments are considered using a range of criteria, including the availability of appropriate staff and classroom accommodation. Please contact me if you require further information about the procedures for non local enrolment. Parents are encouraged to seek enrolment in the local zoned school.

If you would like to discuss readiness for school or any other matters regarding enrolling your child please make an appointment with the school office to see Mrs Kylie Mulholland who is our Assistant Principal looking after Kindergarten.

The school will be conducting a pre enrolment/orientation meeting for parents in term 3 to outline our kindergarten orientation program which operates in term 4.

NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY (INCLUDING MEDICAL CONDITIONS AND LEARNING DIFFICULTIES)
All Australian schools are required to participate in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with a disability. Under the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) this will include students who have a medical condition e.g asthma, anxiety or allergies and students with learning difficulties e.g reading difficulties.

A notification letter to all parents from the Dept. of Education and Communities was sent home in week 4 and staff will be completing the data collection before the end of this term.

SEMESTER ONE REPORTS
Semester One Reports will be sent home with your child (in a sealed envelope) on Monday 22 June 2015. There will not be a designated day for parent/teacher interviews.

Parents can contact their child’s teacher at any time during the year to discuss or make an appointment for an interview to discuss their child’s progress (and report). If teachers would like to discuss any concerns they have about your child’s progress they will contact you to make an interview time.
**Lost Property**

There is a large amount of lost property in the office at the moment – most with no names. If your child has lost an item of clothing please come and have a look to see if it is there. All items unclaimed at the end of term will be washed and put into our clothing pool.

**How Would You Spend $10K, $5K, $2K?**

Why don’t you form a syndicate with some of your friends and share the big prize in the 2015 P & C Major Raffle!

*Time is running out for your chance to win. Hurry only a few weeks left!****

Tickets are available from the school office.

**Canteen News**

Our Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea held last Wednesday was a great success with **$634.65** being raised. Thank you to all those who donated cakes for the day.

Orange Juice - $1.80 (Tropical juice is still unavailable).

**Canteen Roster**

**Monday 8 June**
- Public Holiday

**Tuesday 9 June**
- Lynda Quarisa

**Wednesday 10 June**
- Sherri Wallace-Chapman
- Kristy Valenzisi

**Cakes - Wednesday 10 June**
- Kim Lawrence
- Kerry Macri
- Rochelle Matthews
- Angela McIntosh
- Tish McKenna

**Thursday 11 June**
- Anita Denton

**Friday 12 June**
- Tenneel Tagliapietra
- Melissa Harrison
- Pam Bellicanta

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This workshop is for everyone – parents, grandparents, and we also encourage you to bring your kids along too (Year 5 +) as we’re all about bridging generation gaps and working together to tackle cyberbullying.

For more information or to register call Marg Andreazza at Griffith Connections on 69626833 or 0408 207 734 or email: griffithconnections@gmail.com

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**STAR STUDENTS**

Congratulations to our students who have received awards this week:

- **KB** Fletcher Kelly, Georgia Matthews, Gulcin Mercandagi
- **KC** Rory Overs, Finley Wallace, Michael Stephens
- **KM** Lily Ceccato, Caner Avder, Berat Aslan
- **KS** Daina Northill, Flynn Diener, Lily Malone
- **1B** Elif Kaya, Daniel Sherif
- **1G** Bryan Cunial, Harrison Moglia
- **1M** Matthew Miottello, Lucas Cummins, Damikita Crompton
- **1T** Ben Virago, Larn’ie O’Meley, Apple Netphrom
- **2G** Violet Parker, Millie Thornton, Daniel Wetzler-Morgan
- **2J** Jacob Mitchell, Shayla Cummins, Charlie Adamson
- **2K** Olivia Cullen, Jeffrey Howey, Arnika Jasnos
- **2S** Alperen Arici, Jarra Harrison, Charlize Dunbar
- **3G** Curtis Pendlebury, Jake Fattore, Caitlin Bucello
- **3M** Mackenzie Dunn, Christopher Anderson-King
- **3N** Alani Stewart, Max Moran, Charlotte Scott
- **4B** Abraham Lin, Trent Oates, Connor Peebles
- **4C** Nathaniel Menere, Shelby Garside-Boyd, Kaitlin Lucas
- **4T** Bethany Brand, Caden Firth, Jack Turner
- **5C** No Awards
- **5R** Maddison Redman, Wil Donaldson
- **5/6CM** Tieshia Nuumaalii, Zach Sheather, Ben Taylor
- **6C** Ned Goslett, Lachlan Gill, Katelan Whitten, Jordan Jasnos
- **6N** Jake Vaccari, Bethani Castle, Jesse Carturan

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**ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK**

**Griffith East Public School**

**Office Hours**

8.30 a.m. – 3.30 p.m.

Monday to Friday

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**CYBERBULLYING FAMILY FORUM**

**Presented by Griffith Connections**

**Thursday 11th June at the Griffith Exies**

Cost $10 per person/per family

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**GEPS Uniform Shop**

**Friday 8.45 a.m. – 9.30 a.m.**

For uniform 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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