ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Due To the wet weather earlier this week the Athletics Carnival has been rescheduled to be held on Monday 22 June 2015 at West End Oval. All other details for the carnival remain the same, with buses leaving school at 9.25 a.m. and the carnival commencing at approximately 10.00 a.m.

Due to the Athletics Carnival change of date, Semester One Reports will now sent home on Tuesday 23 June 2015

TEACHER LEARNING
Monday 13th July 2015 (Day 1 of Term 3) is a pupil free day in NSW Government Schools (unless approval has been granted to change).
All Staff at GEPS will be involved in professional learning activities which will focus on:
- Implementing the Science and Technology Syllabus;
- Higher Order Ways to Learn (HOW2Learn); and
- Developing a performance and development plan
The first day for students will be TUESDAY 14th July 2015

CAN WE CONTACT YOU?
It is essential that emergency contact details are up to date to ensure parents can be contacted promptly if their child is sick or injured. If you have changed address or your phone numbers – particularly mobile - please let the office know either by sending a brief note or dropping into the office. Updated medical information is also important for the care of your child. Students who have specific allergies, medical conditions or other health problems are required to alert the school and provide documentation for any special care or procedure that may be required. Where a child needs medication at school parents should deliver the medication to the office, in its original packaging and clearly labelled with child’s name and directions for administration.
REMINDER: ROAD SAFETY AROUND THE SCHOOL
Every week in Australia a child pedestrian is killed (about 50 a year). For every child killed another 25 are admitted to hospital. About 13 of these deaths are children run over by reversing vehicles, typically in driveways. Pedestrian injury deaths are second only to car passenger deaths for children aged 5 to 14 and account for 1 in 5 injury deaths for this age group. Everyone is in a hurry and many, especially children are tired in the afternoon.

Schools are very busy places, with many distractions and everybody seems in a hurry. Please remember to exercise care and model good road safety to your children

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD’S SEMESTER ONE REPORT
Your child’s semester one report is a concise report of student progress and achievement that all parents can easily understand. The final assessment is gained from the range of formal and informal assessment tasks and activities undertaken over the semester, an overall, balanced judgement is made about which standard or progression point the evidence best matches. The introduction of the A-E scale used from Yr1 to Year 6, means that all Government schools (with the exception of some specialist setting schools) use the same approach to reporting student progress. The A-E ratings have the same meaning from school to school, and they are used to report student progress against the same state-wide standards. The use of a five-point scale was also one of the conditions set by the Commonwealth Government for the provision of funding to schools.

In every school:
- a ‘Sound’ (C) rating means that a student is at the standard expected at the time of reporting and that their learning is on track. A ‘C’ does not mean achievement is ‘just adequate’. It indicates that a student has met the state-wide standard expected of students of their age at the time of reporting and their learning is firmly on track. Most students will receive this grade.
- a ‘High’ (B) rating means that a student is above the standard expected for their year level at the time of reporting
- an ‘Outstanding’ (A) rating means a student is well above the standard expected for their year level at the time of reporting
- a “Basic” (D) rating means a student is below the standard expected
- a ‘Limited’ (E) rating means well below the standard expected for their year level at the time of reporting

BYOD – Security of devices and insurance (Information for upcoming survey)
Students who bring their own devices onto the school site would do so at their own risk and would be responsible for their care and security. The school does not have any insurance cover for damage or theft, however existing school procedures for dealing with malicious damage would apply.
ENVIRO CHAMPIONS
Four students from GEPS recently attended a leadership workshop. They enjoyed a day of developing their leadership skills through discussions, physical and mental challenges and other activities that encouraged them to think more creatively.
Cecilia Bellicanta, Fred Agostino, Olivia Bennett and Nathan Snaidero developed some fantastic ideas to reduce the amount of rubbish our school produces. There are some fun and exciting developments underway, so get ready!

HOPE FOR NEPAL - this is still on next Wednesday 24th June for all students K-6. Please wear something green [the colour of hope] and have your child bring a coin donation. Please, if you can, make and donate cupcakes for our day - they will sell for 50c, and all funds raised go to Nepal victims - thank you.

3-6 DISCO will be on the same night - next Wednesday, commencing at 6.30pm and ending at 8pm sharp - the theme for the disco will be announced at assembly tomorrow.

AFL SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP
July 1st – West End Stadium Griffith
9.30am – 3.00pm
$50 includes: AFL skills, games, AFL Pack, Morning tea, lunch, afternoon.
All activities conducted by AFL development officers
To register contact che.jenkins@aflnswact.com.au

NRL HOLIDAY CLINICS
Looking for some fun in the holidays?? NRL Holiday Clinics are being held at:
Leeton – 8th July
West Wyalong – 9th July
Darlington Point – 10th July
To register go to http://www.playnrl.com/programs/ and enter your location and then follow the prompts. For $40 you receive a football, backpack, hat & more!!!
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.

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.

NIDA WINTER COURSES GRIFFITH

The National Institute of Dramatic Art is running a range of short courses in Griffith. These courses provide the perfect opportunity for your child to gain access to NIDA’s expertise and develop practical skills in a fun and supportive environment. For more information and bookings visit open.nida.edu.au/national or phone 0296977626

Dates: Monday 29 June – Sunday 5 July

Grades 3-6

Venue: Griffith High School, Coolah Street Griffith

GEPS Uniform Shop
Thursday 8.45 – 9.30am

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.

ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

Assemblies are held in the Norma Marin Hall.

- Yrs 3-6 Assembly - Thursday 2.30 pm with 3N
- K-2 Assembly – Friday 12.30 pm with 1M

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

STAR STUDENTS

Congratulations to our students who have received awards this week:

KB  Evelyn Ross, Beau Castle, Taylah Della Franca
KC  Lara Coldwell, Chloe Williams, Xavier Knott
KM  Alex Melville, Kasey Denton, Aidan Colpo
KS  Edie Pendlebury, Dime Robbie, Beau Ryan
1B  Dhane Stevenson, Jylee Trembath
1G  Ava Walsh, Riley Coutts-Collins
1M  Jayden Hoey, Chase Walsh, Charli Smith
1T  Alice Hill, Cole Anderson, Isabella Guevara
2G  Brady Hunt, Goksu Kocakahya, Jordan Virago
2J  Boran Ciyon, Jayven Charles, Savinna Crompton
2K  Brody Summers, Sophie Suine, Christian Callcut
2S  Joshua Firebrace, Bobbie-Ann Poole, Tyson Sidlow
3G  Joshua Lawson, Shemeikah Monaghan, Jacob Wardell
3M  Mia Parnell, Isaiah Peebles
3N  Taleah Simpson, Hamza Parvaiz, Olivia Bertacco
4B  Gianna Sidlow, Evie Brand, Jayden Smith
4C  Jack Mingay, Kaide Castle, John Simpson, Lanieta Caqasau
4T  Jade Fabris, Myah Simpson, Aaliyah Simeon
5C  Lincoln Price, Thomas Shields, Danielle Monteleone
5R  Patrick Gunn, Fred Agostino, Ella Burns, Charlie Curry-Tyrrell
5/6CM  Alice Mortlock, Angel Zappacosta, Ryan Bock
6C  Aliyah Peihopa-Smith, Brandon Serafin, Lavinia Magoci
6N  Dean Dotta, Giorga Ceccato

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