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**17 August**
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**18-19 August**
- Town Library Visits

**20 August**
- K-6 Book Week Assembly – 11.45 a.m.

**25 August**
- Trent Barrett RL teams to Wagga for Grand Final
- Yr 5 & 6 – “I am Jack” performance- Griffith Regional Theatre

**31 August**
- Riverina Athletics Carnival – Albury

**2 September**
- School Spelling Bee Final – Hall
**K-2 SWIMMING- TERM 4 SPORT**

As in previous years we will be offering a learn to swim program as an option for K-2 sport. Due to the places being offered by the pool for this program (maximum of 100 students), it will be offered to Yr. 1 & Yr. 2 students first and then remaining places are offered to kindergarten students. (This is the same process we have used in previous years).

On Monday 24 August 2015, Yr. 1 & 2 students will receive a note about Term 4 swimming lessons and the following week on Monday 31 August 2015, Kindergarten students will receive a note regarding this program for any available places which remain.

The cost is $65 per student and includes swimming instruction for 8 weeks and travel to and from the pool. The lessons will take place on Wednesday mornings from Wks 1-8 during Term 4. Places will be allocated on a first in basis.

The students who do not participate in the swim school program will complete a K-2 sports program at school each Wednesday morning.

**2015 SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS**

Thank you to all the families who have sent in voluntary contributions for 2015. The contribution is $30 (equivalent to 15 cents for each school day) for one student attending or $50 (equivalent to 25 cents for each school day) for a family. The contribution is used to purchase educational resources used in all classrooms across the school. The school office is still accepting voluntary contributions for 2015.

**ENVIROCHAMPS RECYCLING COMPETITION**

The Year 5 Envirochamps have decided to tackle the problem of excess rubbish and littering in our school. They are running a recycling competition with a great trophy as the prize for the house that recycles the most.

Bunnings Griffith very kindly donated bins and spray paint so there is a bin for each house to try to fill as quickly as possible. There have been a few teething problems as students are still not sure what can and can’t be recycled. However, with the help of our Envirochamps the first points are ready to be given. Good luck everybody and keep recycling!

**FATHERS DAY STALL WEDNESDAY 2ND SEPT**

Buy a gift for dad, grandpa, or your carer and help raise funds for the school! All students have the option of buying on the day or pre-order. Complete pre order form and return with money to office by Friday 28th August. All pre orders will be delivered on day of sale. Pre order so your child doesn’t miss out. Only while stocks last. Orders may be changed due to stock availability. Please make sure all pre orders are clearly marked with your child’s name and class.
ZONE ATHLETICS REPORT

I would personally like to thank the entire Griffith East Community – teachers, parents and students, for a wonderful combined team effort last Friday. As organising school, we ran a great canteen, an efficient marshalling area, a super recording table and a stress-free finish line. And, our students were amazing, of both attitude and effort. A sincere thank you must go to our sensational parent helpers – you are greatly appreciated.

We were Overall Champion School yet again, except this time we tied first with the combined Griffith Small Schools team, which was in itself a fabulous story – well done, Small Schools. Individual Zone Champions from Griffith East were Mia Paton [11 years girls], and Connor Sully [senior boys]. Niamh Wood broke the Zone long jump record by 9cm, and Connor Sully broke the Zone long jump record by a massive 42cm.

We have a team of 18 qualifiers for the Albury Riverina Carnival on August 31\textsuperscript{st}. We wish them well.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the volunteers and Year 6 helpers that contributed to a busy and successful Zone Carnival day. The canteen relies on volunteers to provide valuable student service and significant financial contributions to the school wish list. Thank you also to Ronnie Garbin for the donation of fresh navel oranges now available for free at the canteen

GRiffith Basketball

Griffith basketball is after more girls to play in the 11 yrs and under and the 13 yrs and under competition. Fees payable include door fee, playing singlet to use and referees. If you are interested please contact Lou Testoni 0407641984 or Chris at West End Stadium 69625353

GEPS Uniform Shop

Thursdays 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.

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AFTER SCHOOL AFL AUSKICK
Day: THURSDAY
Who: Girls and Boys
Age: Kinder – Year 6
Dates: August 27th, September 3rd, 10th, 17th
Venue: Beelbangera Oval, Beelbangera
Time: 3:45pm – 4:30pm
Cost: $35.00 for 4 week Program
Includes: Program run by AFL NSW/ACT Development staff, AFL Pack with a Sherrin football.
REGISTER: e) che.jenkins@aflnswact.com.au
Ché Jenkins – AFL Development Officer

STAR STUDENTS
Congratulations to our students who have received awards in Week 4 Term 3:

KB   Caileb Knox, Adele Tropeano, Gulcin Mercandagi
KC   Presley Young, Marlee Tagliapietra, Pamela Sayson
KM   Berat Aslan, Caner Avder, Madelaine Smith
KS   Kaleb Moses, Matilda Poole, Elise Harris
1B   Pasquale Furore, Daniel Sherif, Isabella Ceccato
1G   Riley Coutts-Collins, Mula Simeon, Kayla Kember
1M   Elsie Barton, Lucas Cummins, Rory Heiland
1T   Natalia Ritchie, Cole Anderson, Austin Flack
2G   Jacob Melville, Baris Aslan, Amy Tracy
2J   Jacob Mitchell, Oliver Young, Shamia Davis
2K   Bede Kenny, Jeffrey Howey, Sevi Mancini
2S   Cadence Busby, Jarra Harrison, Zoey Dunn
3M   Jack Brand, Liliana Rokov, Christopher Anderson-King, Sebastian Schmetzer
3N   Xavier Peihopa-Smith, Charlotte Scott, Jai Menegazzo
4B   Evie Brand, Nandaryn Johnson, Eliza Mortlock
4C   Jamie Mahlknecht, Taylah Woolner, Kai Hearne
4T   Ameena Baryamai, Zach Schmetzer, Blake Hornery
5C   Thomas Shields, Cecilia Bellicanta, Ava Young
5R   Emma Morton, Cheyenne Stewart, Cooper Angel
5/6CM Zac Sheather, Jade Abley, Amanda Harrison
6C   Zara Jones, Alex Kelly, Caitlin Lane
6N   Ethan Curry-Tyrrell, Cansu Avder, Jadha Anderson-King

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