2016 SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
School Photographs will again be taken in Term 1 this year. They will be taken by Cliff Dykes Photography, and will occur on:

- **Tuesday 8 March 2016** (K-6 classes)
- **Wednesday 9 March 2016** (family, whole school photos)

This year envelopes are pre printed with your child’s name. You will also find instructions on the envelope if you wish to pay by credit card. **This can only be done online.**

_Envelopes are being sent home with your child today._

Envelopes are processed directly by the photographer thus the school office **does not open the envelopes and cannot give any change.**

Family photo envelopes are available from the school office.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL – THIS FRIDAY
**When:** Friday 19th February, 2016
**Cost:** $6.00 – This should already have been paid at school.
**Spectators:** $1.10
**Time:** 9.15am - Individual Medley swimmers begin to race - timekeepers meet at pool 9.30am - buses leave school for all other swimmers
**Food:** BYO or buy from the ‘Aquatics Centre’ canteen on the day
**Compulsory:** House colours & Team spirit!

A Program outline and Griffith Aquatic Centre Canteen Menu is being sent home with this newsletter
SCHOOL EXECUTIVE
The school has 5 Assistant Principal (A.P.’s) positions.
The A.P.’s have responsibility for a number of areas as well as the following grade groups:
- Kindergarten: Mrs Kylie Mulholland
- Years 1 & 2: Mrs Karen Oates
- Years 3 & 4: Mr Vince Conlan
- Years 5 & 6: Mr Wayne Cook
- Support Teachers: Mrs Lisa Turner
They can be contacted to discuss any issues regarding the grades /areas they have responsibility for.

SCHOOL HOURS
Playground supervision commences at 8.45 a.m. and lessons commence at 9.15 a.m. each day.
We realise that some students catch buses which arrive before 8.45 a.m. due to buses servicing a number of schools with different starting times. **Students who arrive before 8.45 a.m. must stay seated in the Gunyah until the 8.45 a.m. bell rings.**
School finishes for the day at 3.15pm and children who do not catch buses are expected to leave the school grounds.
*The fixed playground equipment is out of bounds before 8.45 a.m. and after school*

PANCAKE DAY SUCCESS
Thank you to the canteen committee and parents who cooked over 800 pancakes yesterday for recess. The students and staff enjoyed the morning tea treat. Your efforts are appreciated by everyone.

2016 BOOK FAIR
Our annual Library Book fair is being held in the Library from 29 February - 3 March 2016 in the School Library

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 our school library.

Further information about the Book Fair will be sent home soon with your child

HOT CROSS BUNS P & C FUNDRAISER
HAPPY EASTER: The P & C will be holding Hot Cross bun Drive starting next week. To help you BEAT THE CROWDS the packs of 6 buns will be available to purchase at a of cost $7/ pack.

Look out for Order forms and more information with next week’s newsletter.
Canteen News
Thank you to all the volunteers that participated in the pancake day. The canteen is dependent on volunteers for its operations and all profits go towards funding school equipment from the P&C. The next canteen meeting will be held on the Monday, 22nd Feb at 5:30pm at the Sports Exies. It is an easy and flexible way to get involved in the school community. Positions on the canteen committee will be open after the P&C AGM.

Griffith Junior Swans Football and Netball Registration Days
Thursday 25th Feb 4.30pm-6.30 with fantastic opportunity to meet AFL stars from GWS Giants
Junior Football & Netball – U11’s/U13’s/U15’s
Fridays 5.15pm – start 29/4/2016
Net Set Go- Wednesdays 5pm – Start 27/4/2016
For more information contact Sandra Best – 0447 686 655

Swimming Carnival Preparation Classes
The Griffith Regional Aquatic Leisure Centre will be holding “Carnival Preparation Classes” for any child wanting to come and practice diving, turns and their race events under the guidance of a squad coach. Thurs 18th and Mon 22nd February 6.30 – 7.30pm. Cost is $12.50 per class, no need to book, just turn up.
For further information please contact Vanessa on 69628228

Griffith Netball Association Registration and ‘Come and Try Day’.
Saturday 5th March at 11am, Jubilee Oval. Registrations will be taken for Net Set Go, Junior and Senior Divisions from 11am – 2pm.
Come and Try Netball will be on the same day 12.00 – 1.30pm. This is aimed at people who have either never played netball or those who have played in the past. For more information please phone Carlene Stevenson on 0429626813 or griffithnetball@gmail.com

Senior & Junior Basketball Nomination Night
Thursday 18th & 25th February from 5.00pm - 6.30pm.
Monday night Aussie Hoops – New member $80 and renewal $50
Thursday Night Competition
11yrs & under $90
13yr’s & under $115
Juniors start March 3rd
Aussie Hoops start 7th/14th March.

ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK
Assemblies are held in the Norma Marin Hall.
• 3-6 Assembly -Thursday at 2.30pm
• K-2 Assembly – Friday at 12.30 p.m. with 2G

Canteen Roster
Monday 22 Feb
• Melissa Harrison
• Jenny Johns

Tuesday 23 Feb
• Sandra Taylor
• Jodie Turner

Wednesday 24 Feb
• NEED SOMEONE

Cakes 17 Feb
• Rebecca Codemo
• Margarite Belardo
• Nicole Dickie
• Shireen Donaldson
• Corinne Poole

Thurs 25 Feb
• Rene Mercuri
• Corinne Poole

Friday 26 Feb
• Yvette Blanchard
• Amanda Long
• Margarite Belardo

For all canteen enquiries please phone Phoebe Ritorto on 69625273

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

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BUSKERS WANTED!
(Acoustic/ non powered sites only)

Here is a perfect opportunity for you to show us your talent
Singing, Dancing, Musical instrument, Juggling, Street chalk drawing?...
We are calling for Buskers to add a little more atmosphere to Banna Ave on
Easter Saturday, 20th March 2016 from 9am - 2pm

The Griffith Business Chamber will be running the side walk sale, the Griffith Children’s Easter Brunch on Banna will once again be held in CWA Park, Tony Jo’s. Amusements will be set up in Koyoyo St (between the post office & Zecco), the Griffith City Band will be performing in Memorial Park and the Lachlan Valley Steam Train will be running shuttles all weekend from the Railway Station so as you can see there is heaps going on in the street so we want to add a bit of local entertainment to the mix!
There will also be lots happening at Griffith Central & the Griffin Plaza.
More details on Griffith’s Easter Party to come!.

Buskers Applications will be on a first in best dressed basis

Application forms are available from the Griffith Visitors Centre and must be returned by March 7th.

For further information if required, please phone Mirella Guidolin at the Griffith Visitor Information Centre 6962 8400

GRiffith Junior Rugby Club
Registration Day – Saturday 20th Feb 1-4pm Exies Sporties
Under 7’s - $20.00
Under 8’s and above - $60.00
Each new player receives a pair of shorts, free sausage sizzle after training on Friday nights and end of year gift. For more information phone Damien Marcus 0428641996

STAR STUDENTS

Congratulations to our students who have received awards in Week 3 Term 1:

KB Sophia Romeo, Luca Carden, Alyrah Jackson
KC Roy Condon, Aleah Campbell, Ariya Cappello
KM Ely Firebrace, Ellah Dickie, Ellie Matthews
KS Daisy O’Connor, Alessia Musitano, Harry Crotty
1B Sena Kurt, Adonis Diaz
1G LJ Moi Moi, Violet Tuibenau, Georgia Matthews
1M Tyrone Moss, Jayde Turner, Fletcher Kelly
1/2K Hayden Hartley, Adele Tropeano, Mackenzie Hassan
2G Jessica Featherstone, Dhane Stevenson, Javier Bruce
2J Jas Brar, Larn’ie O’Meley, Matthew Miotello
2S Austin Flack, Taina Tuibenau, Isaiah Catanzariti
3G Stefan Donadel, Stella Matthews, Riley Kelly
3M Armani Trimboli, Jordan Virago, Arnika Jasnos
3N Boran Ciyan, Civanah Armstrong, Oliver Young
3/4C Tahlia Sully, Baris Aslan, Roy Skelton
4B Liam Bartlett, Johanna Shields, Kriven Tusa
4D Isabella Ward, Sebastian Schmetzer, Noah Kirkman
5C Angelica Rowland, Jack Turner, Heath Bethe
5R Katelin Pattison, Andrea Francis-Williams
5/6C Lincoln Price, Richie Spencer, Tayla Hirst
5/6CM Gianna Sidlow, Amity Witton, Jordan Barrett
6N Keanu Ferraro, Ella Burns, Zach Sheather

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