Dear Parents/Guardians/Community Members,

Another busy week is upon us, Mrs Heath along with the School Captains are attending the Young Leaders Conference in Sydney. On Wednesday, Year 3 and 4 students are off to Borambola for the biannual excursion to the Sport and Recreation camp. Hopefully the rain will stay away for the 3 days.

Next Friday we will be having an Easter Fun Day, the kids have been asked to create a Easter Basket for judging in the morning; following the Easter parade students will enjoy a day of fun Easter activities.

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Parents please note that the school is not responsible for the bus. All enquiries can be directed to Transport for NSW on 1800 049 961.

BORAMBOLA EXCURSION
Final payments must be made prior to students leaving on camp unless otherwise negotiated with the school.

We really encourage open communication between staff and parents. If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child’s education please don’t hesitate to contact the school to arrange a suitable time to meet with your child’s teacher or myself.

Regards
Richard Busby
Principal

GRiffiTH CENTRAL AND THE AREA NEWS $5000 SHOP FOR YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL AND WIN PROMOTION
Griffith Central and the Area News are offering schools the opportunity to win a chance at cash in their new “Shop for Your School” promotion. This promotion will run from Monday 10th March and run through until Friday 9th May.

How to enter.
Customers collect a coupon from any issue of The Area News. Customers will receive a sticker when they make a purchase of $10 or more at Griffith Central. They then place the sticker on their entry form and nominate Darlington Point Public School, as the school they would like to see get the cash. They can then place the completed entry into the orange barrel at Griffith Central.
On Friday May 9th, the first two correct entries drawn will win.
First Prize:
$3000 cash for the school and $700 Griffith Central Gift Vouchers, for the customer who submitted the entry.
Second Prize:
$2000 cash for the school and $500 Griffith Central Gift Vouchers for the customer who submitted the entry.

NAPLAN
If your child is currently in Year 3, 5, 7 or 9, they’ll sit NAPLAN tests this May. Despite what you may have heard, there’s no reason to panic or start an intensive study schedule for your child.
Find out more:
CHANGES OF ADDRESS
If you have recently changed any of your details such as address, home/mobile/work phone numbers could you please let the office know as soon as possible so that our records can be updated.

EFFORT REPORTS
Student Effort Reports will go home next week. Interview times will be available with your child’s teacher on Wednesday 9th April from 4pm to 6pm. Interviews will be for a 10 minute period. Please ring the school office to book an interview time with your child’s teacher.

Interviews will be in the school hall.

Canteen news
THERE WILL BE NO HOT FOOD FOR RECESS but can be ordered for lunch.

ROSTER
Friday 4th April Amanda & Jo Curphey
Friday 11th April – Amanda & Kim

FRIDAY 4TH APRIL – MEAL DEAL LUNCH DAY – FRIED RICE AND DRINK AND ZOOPER $5.00. A lunch bag is available from the canteen/ or the school office for your order. Please have orders and money back to the canteen/or office by 2nd April.

New volunteers are always welcome. If interested please see Amanda in the canteen on Fridays.

Thank you, Amanda Long - Canteen Co-ordinator

COOLIBAH CAFÉ SCHOOL LUNCHES
The Coolibah Café will be doing school lunches on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Orders and money are to be handed to the school office by 9:15am. A menu is available at the school office. Please make sure that the correct money is included with order. Thanks.

SAFETY AT SCHOOL CROSSINGS
Children’s crossings are part-time crossings that operate for the safety of children around schools. Usually the crossing will operate before and after school. However, the school can display the crossing flags to move children safely across the road during school time, for specific reasons such as excursions or sport.

Red flags displaying the words ‘Children Crossing’ indicate that the crossing is in use. When the red flags are displayed drivers must slow down and stop before the stop line when a pedestrian is on the crossing or waiting to cross. The driver must remain stopped until all pedestrians are off the crossing.

A penalty of $506 and 4 demerit points apply for failing to comply with a ‘Children’s Crossing’.

For more information on Safety around Schools please contact Murrumbidgee Shire’s Road Safety Officer, Jo Wilson-Ridley on 6959 5589.

Alternatively a complaint form may also be used. Complete the form and send it to the principal, or the school director in your area.

NEW UNIFORM PRICE LIST

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ALL SPORTS SHIRTS NOW $10.00 EACH

Thumbs Up Raffle Winners
Term 1 Week 10

15 minutes free play – Stella Tuohey
30 minutes computers for the whole class – Madelyn King
15 minutes free play – Zach Bamblett
Grab Bag – Lachlan Ewan

Bidgee Bonus Awards

Kinder-Year 1 HEATH

1/2 BOWDITCH
Daneeka Fejsa-Sexton, Issac Lyons, Tremel Williams.

2/3/4 MARSHALL
Abbey O’Grady, Courtney Cottom.

3/4/5 GUEST
Bryce Morgan-Murray, Jai Morgan-Murray, Chloe Godwin-Groves.

5/6 BUSBY
Madelyn King
ASSEMBLY AWARDS – WEEK 9, 2014

Mrs Heath – Phillip Maugeri – Great participation during Science activities!
Jayden Pardy – Writing a wonderful description of Sye.
Lachlan Ewan – Awesome work when hearing and recording sounds in words!!

Mrs Bowditch – Stella Tuohey – Great work in Literacy when working on Reading Responses.
Tremel Williams – Good contributions to our class discussions about frogs and their habitats! Well done!
Lucas McColl-Saunders – Great participation in Health discussions and PE. Well done!

Mrs Marshall – Ky Annetts – Excellent work with data and graphs!
Isla Burns – Wonderful writing in journals and creative writing!
Samuel Carter – A great improvement in all learning areas.
Jai Morgan-Murray – An improved effort in Numeracy. Keep it up!
Justin Jenner – Great contributions to class discussions, in all areas.
Mr Busby – Madelyn King – Working well during Maths groups. Keep it up!
Joshua Annetts – Great skills and teamwork during fitness.
Shauntae Birmingham – Trying hard when responding to text.

STAR OF THE WEEK – 2/3/4 Marshall
Edward Tuohey

Edward is a polite student who always uses his manners and helps others. He has insightful contributions in class discussions and is enthusiastic about his learning. Edward works hard and always produces great work. Well done!

EASTER BASKET COMPETITION

On Friday April 11th we will be having an Easter Fun Day. The children will be participating in a variety of activities during the day. An EASTER BASKET COMPETITION, will also be judged on this day. Baskets are to be made at home and brought to school on the day. There will be prizes! Students can wear casual clothes on the day. Get your thinking caps on!!

NAPLAN TESTING – MAY, 2014

National Assessment Program – Literacy & Numeracy (NAPLAN)

If your child is currently Years 3, 5, 7, 9, they will sit the NAPLAN tests in May 2014.

There is no need to get stressed as the students will have lots of practice for these tests.
Will be holding an

Autism Awareness Day

Wednesday the 2\textsuperscript{nd} of April

Griffith City Library between 10am and 2pm

Everyone welcome come and share a cuppa, sandwich and cake and view our extensive resource library which has just been updated, receive information about local services such as Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Early Intervention Services, Post School Services, Counselling, Psychology and much more or just come for a chat.

Light refreshments and balloons will be provided

‘Different not less’
Autism Speaks it’s time to listen