NAIDOC Day

This Friday we celebrate NAIDOC day. Ms Camp and Mrs Bowditch have been very busy planning a full day. In the morning we will welcome everyone with a smoking ceremony and introduce our special guests from ‘Youth Off The Streets’ who are coming to show us some Aboriginal artefacts. Following that the kids will break into groups to enjoy the fun activities. We will also have a BBQ lunch were everyone is welcome to come along and try a Kanga-Banga! We happily offer an open invitation to any parents, grandparents, carers, friends, relatives & community members to join in the celebration.

Griffith & Zone PSSA Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all those who competed at the carnival in Griffith on Friday. The level of competition was especially high this year and we were able to achieve some great results. Henry placed 3rd in the Junior Boys Long Jump, Harrison placed 3rd in the Junior Boys 800m, the Senior Girls Relay team placed 3rd and Chloe placed 3rd in the 11years girls 100m final assuring her a spot in the Griffith team to represent at the Riverina carnival in Albury on the 31st of August 2015. Well done!!
Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)
Last Friday we received news that one of our students was diagnosed with Hand, Foot and Mouth disease. This is a common viral infection which is easily passed from person to person.

Symptoms
Generally a mild illness caused by a virus, perhaps with a fever, blisters around the mouth, on the hands and feet, and perhaps the nappy area in babies.

School or home?
Keep home from school until all blisters have dried.

How can I help prevent spread?
Careful hand washing, especially after wiping the nose and using the toilet, and respiratory etiquette (covering a cough or sneeze and disposing of tissues in a rubbish bin).

How it is treated?
- Usually no treatment is needed. Paracetamol will relieve fever and discomfort. Do not give children aspirin.
- Allow blisters to dry out naturally. The blisters should not be deliberately burst because the fluid within them is infectious.
- If the headache is severe, if fever persists, or if you are worried about other symptoms, consult a doctor.

Sometimes it's hard to know if your child is really coming down with something or just suffering a bout of Monday-itis.

For safety's sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. However, if they miraculously recover by 11:00am, ready to race around the backyard, keeping them in bed all day may send the message that staying home isn't nearly as much fun as going to school. Either way, our Too Sick For School? chart (online link only) will help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school.

PLEASE NOTE: This information has been supplied by NSW Health and is not intended to replace a visit to your doctor if anyone in your family is unwell.

Homework Centre
The Homework Centre will continue this Wednesday 12th Aug 2015 (Term 3 Week 5). Parent volunteers are very welcome.

Darlington Point Spring Festival
Saturday 19th Sept
For Stall Bookings phone: 6960 5500 or email: po@murrumbidgee.nsw.gov.au

Coolibah Café
School Lunches
The Coolibah Café will be doing school lunches on Tuesdays and Thursdays. New Menu is available in the school office.

Would You Like Chips With That?
Due to the trimming and removal of several trees in the school grounds recently we have a large supply of bark chips available for sale. We are selling the chips at $10 per trailer or ute load and you must load it yourself. All money raised will go towards buying some new outdoor furniture for the students. Please pay at the front office and arrange a suitable time to load.
Enrolling Kindergarten for 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 Miss O’Connell who is our Kindergarten teacher. The school will be conducting a pre-enrolment/orientation meeting for parents later in term 3 to outline our kindergarten orientation program which operates in term 4.

If you have a child that will be commencing school or know of someone who does please contact the school office.

Trent Barrett Shield

The boys team that were successful in winning at the Trent Barrett gala day held in Griffith early last term will now compete at the finals in Wagga. The finals will be held at Paramore Park, Wagga Wagga on Tuesday 25th August 2015.

I have spoken to Dookie and he would like to start training this Thursday 13th August 2015 at the town football oval from 4pm.

Woolworths Earn & Learn

Don’t forget to ask for your stickers when shopping at Woolworths, especially when going through self-serve. All stickers can be dropped into the front office. We appreciate your support.
Canteen News
The P&C would like to thank Merrish O’Brien for her time in managing the Canteen during the past months. Lauren Howell has now resumed as the current Canteen Manager. If any parent or carer would like to volunteer their time to assist in the canteen on either a Monday or Friday, please contact Lauren.

The canteen will NOT be taking any lunch orders this Friday 14th August as there will be a BBQ lunch provided for NAIDIC Day.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting will be held on Friday 21st August following the school assembly. The main agenda item for this meeting is the School Fete. If you would like to assist with either the planning of the fete or with an activity during the fete, please come along to the meeting. All welcome.

Term 3 School Banking Competition
Rewarding regular savers with a chance to win:
- 75 x iPad Wi-Fi 16GB
- 125 x Bears by Dr Dre Solo 2 Headphones
- 200 x $30 Booktopia Gift Certificates

Make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 and you will automatically be entered in the competition. Double your chance of winning by completing a Money Mission at www.commbank.com.au/prizeportal

Also your school will have a chance to win one of 75 sets of children’s books for their school library, valued at $200.00.
REMEMBER: School Banking Day is FRIDAY

Star of the Week
Breeanna

Breeanna is our Star of the Week because she is a kind and caring member of 3/4. She always looks out for, encourages and helps others. Breeanna has a good sense of humour and she shows great initiative in the classroom. She always tries her best in everything and she demonstrates a mature and positive approach to school.
Keep it up!

Father’s Day Stall
The P&C will be having a Father’s Day Stall on Wed 2nd, Thur 3rd and Fri 4th Sep at lunch time in the school hall. Students can have the option of pre-ordering gifts. A note with gifts and prices will go out soon.