

NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 8 2025

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I hope you were able to enjoy some special family time this weekend. Thank you to the many families who joined us for the Dads and Donuts celebration. It was wonderful to see so many families coming into the school to share time together. Thanks also to the P&C for the fabulous job organising the gift stall and the raffle. Your fundraising efforts are greatly appreciated.

It was another busy week at Griffith Public School. Last week, students participated in a range of celebrations and activities both at school and around Griffith. We have received great feedback from the different venues about the enthusiasm, participation, and behaviour of our students. It makes us all proud when we are represented so well. Thank you for all that you do to support your children to be here and ready to learn every day. If there is anything we can do to better support your children, please reach out.

Hats, hats, hats

We are coming to the end of the term, and this means that hats will be needed once again for the playground. We certainly noticed the heat on our heads yesterday! Students need to have a wide-brimmed hat to be able to play out in the sun. Caps are not allowed as they don't provide protection to necks and ears. If your child needs a new hat, these are available from the canteen for \$15.00.

Whole School Assembly

Our next scheduled assembly is on Friday, 19th September. The hall is being prepared for the upcoming Art Show. It is great to have families come in and join us for these assemblies. If you are taking your child home after the assembly, please allow them to return to class to collect their bag while you sign them out at the office. Your child will wait in their classroom for collection, and then their teacher will take the sign-out slip from you when you collect them. Thank you for helping us keep all our children safe.

Art Show

Your children have been producing some incredible art for presentation at the Art Show. This will be held this Thursday, 11th September, in the school hall from 4–6 pm. Apart from the Dance Group and Choir, all students need to go home at the end of the school day and return with their family. You are also welcome to visit the hall for a quieter viewing between 9 am and 2:30 pm on Friday, 12th September. Food and drinks will be available for purchase on Thursday afternoon.

Years 2–6 Intensive Swimming

We are excited to begin our Intensive Swimming Program. This will run each day from Friday, 12th September, until Thursday, 25th September. Students will need their bathers and towel every day. We have high expectations for focused, sensible behaviour at the pool to ensure everyone is safe and can enjoy their lessons.

Library Visit

Students in Stage 1 went to the Griffith City Library to meet authors Kate and Jol Temple. They had a great time and loved hearing about how stories are put together.

High School Transition

On Thursday, Year 6 students will continue their Transition Program to Wade HS and Griffith HS. Students transitioning to GHS need to meet the Year 6 staff at the high school in the morning and then return to school together at 11:30 am.

Kindergarten 2026

We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2026. Please come and get an enrolment form from the school office. We are excited to welcome next year's Kindergarten students at our Stay and Play sessions. These are a great opportunity for children to make new friends, meet the teachers, and become more familiar with the 'big school' environment. Please see the advertisement in this newsletter for more information.

Attendance

Does your child love some days but not others? If you are struggling with school refusal, please reach out to your child's teacher. There is usually something we can do to make every day a happy one.

Let's Celebrate!

We have many great things to celebrate at Griffith Public School.

- **NAIDOC Public Speaking Challenge:** Blake, Moses, Felicity, and Hannah L. presented their speech on "The Next Generation: Strength, Vision and Legacy" at Griffith High School. You may have seen on Facebook how proud they were delivering their speeches. They will be sharing their positive and inspirational speeches at the assembly next week for us all to enjoy.
- **Excellence in Athletics:** Tangi, Blake, Brighton, Billy, Thomas, and Hannah competed in Albury at the Riverina Athletics Carnival last Friday. These athletes fought hard and achieved 3rd, 4th, and 5th places! One of the team reported that he "had a really good time and made a lot more friends." The sportsmanship was outstanding!
- **Proud and Deadly Awards:** Our students received awards for a range of achievements. This large group attended the ceremony with Mrs Lemon and Mrs Myers. Their behaviour was excellent and commented on by others at the ceremony.
- **2026 Leadership:** In the coming weeks, our Year 5 students will have an opportunity to nominate themselves for school leadership. We have high expectations for our leaders and know that students will be thinking hard about the best way they can be a leader in 2026. If you have any questions about this process, please contact Ms Lauren Brain (AP Stage 3) through the office.
- **Visiting Pre-Service Teachers:** We had 13 pre-service teachers visit our school last Tuesday. These university students were visiting many rural schools in the area. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive about the classrooms, the students, and staff. We are lucky to have such a great school to showcase to visitors.

Have a great week, everyone.
Helen King

Principal (Relieving)

GRIFFITH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Art Show

11th - 12th September
2025



Join us for the

Grand Opening 11th September

4 - 6pm

**Students to be accompanied by an adult.
Choir, Koori Dance Group, coffee van,
BBQ and lots of great ART!**

**Hall open to walk through Friday 12th
September 9am -2:30pm**

"Through the Dreamer's Eye"

Library News

All book club orders are due to the school office by Friday 12th September. Unfortunately, no late orders can be made.



Griffith Public School

YEAR 2 SWIMMING

Wednesday 10th September

Remember to bring:

- Swimmers & Towel
- Spare underwear & socks
- Goggles
- Plastic bag for wet clothes

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Griffith Public School - Term 3 2025						
2025 Term 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
Week 8	8 Sept Stepping Stones	9 Sept	10 Sept Year 2 Swimming 10am	11 Sept Art Show opening MRHS transition 9am	12 Sept Intensive Swimming starts Book club due	13/14 Sept
Week 9 Intensive Swimming every day	15 Sept Stepping Stones	16 Sept Year 2 Gala Day	17 Sept	18 Sept	19 Sept Whole school assembly 2.05pm	20/21 Sept
Week 10 Intensive Swimming Mon - Thurs	22 Sept Stepping Stones	23 Sept	24 Sept	25 Sept MRHS Transition 9am	26 Sept	27/28 Sept
Term 4 Week 1	13 Oct Staff development day	14 Oct	15 Oct	16 Oct	17 Oct	18/19 Oct

Kindergarten



2026

Stay and Play

9:30am-12pm

Monday 20th October

Monday 27th October

Monday 3rd November

Monday 10th November

Monday 17th November

Children will need to bring a
bag with a hat, packed lunch
and a water bottle.

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Riverina Athletics Carnival last Friday.

Well done to all our GPS athletes who competed at the Riverina Athletics Carnival on Friday.

We're proud of the effort and sportsmanship shown by everyone involved.

Blake had a fantastic day, placing 3rd in Long Jump with a personal best of 4.10m, earning him a spot at the State Championships! Such an outstanding result! He also came 4th in both the 100m final and 200m, running a PB of 31.02 in the 200m. Great work, Blake!

The Junior Boys Relay Team also had a strong performance, working together to run a PB time of 1:02.30. A great team effort!

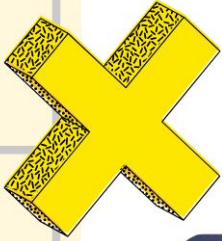
Tangi tried her best as well and came 12th in her event. Great effort Tangi!

We're proud of what you all have achieved.



5H Choral Counting

with Mr Hellier



Choral Counting 4th September 2025 4/9/25

677	1231	1786
788	1342	1897
899	1453	2008
1010	1564	2119
1121	1675	2230

Choir to 35 at first break

Goes up by 111 (Emily)

Ones column goes up by 1's (Ava)

10's column goes across two columns and down one each time (Felicity)

Second column only has 1's in the thousands (Chloe)

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1051	1131	1211
1291	1371	1451
1531	1611	1691
1771		

All end in 1 (Harley)

All are odd (Felicity)

Thousands are 1 (Ava)

Always up by 80 (Harley)

Tens column goes down by 2's (Chloe)

Columns up by 800 (Ava)

BSP cottage break

KROP from 1

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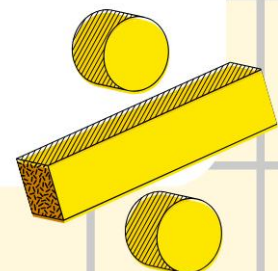
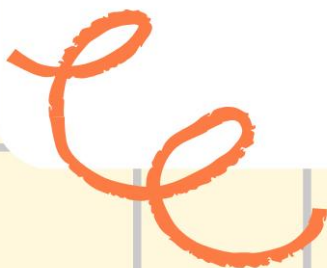
1189	2189
389	2389
589	2589
789	2789
989	2989

Odd numbers in 100's (Felicity)

+200 (Ava)

Always ends in 89 (Harley)

+1000 going across (Torun)



Take the step today. Become a foster carer.

Whether you rent or own your home, are single, a couple or a family, if you have room in your home and heart—we want to hear from you.



People featured are for illustrative purposes only.



Visit nsw.gov.au/fostercare or call 1300 770 240 for more information.

HOLIDAY CLINICS



The League Stars program appeals to the true nature of kids, in all their messy, high energy, love of fun and play. During the holiday clinic your child will participate in specially designed games that get them smiling and sweating.

League Stars kids have loads of fun with their friends, old and new, but the program delivers so much more. The holiday clinics unlock more of their unique strengths, building physical, cognitive, social and emotional skills that will help them take on challenges big and small, now and in the future.

REGISTER FOR OUR HOLIDAY CLINICS AT LEAGUESTARS.COM

DATE: 9/10/2025
TIME: 10.00 am - 1.00 pm
AGE: 5-12 Years
COST: \$59

WHERE:
Jubilee Oval
Groongal Ave
Griffith
NSW 2680

Jennah Barzan
jbarzan@nrl.com.au
0460 949 769

YOUR LEAGUE STARS COACH IS:



GRIFFITH JUNIOR CRICKET 2025/2026 SEASON Registrations are now open!!

Griffith Junior cricket will start their 2025/2026 season in October. All games/sessions will take place on Saturday mornings.



All registrations will need to be made online through [PlayHQ](https://www.playhq.com/)
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Search for Griffith District Cricket Association

Cricket Blast:

- Group #1 - Kinder - Year 1 (5-7 years old)
- Group #2 - Year 2-3 (7-9 years old)

Senior Binks/Tucker:

- Year 4-5 (10-11 years old)

Games and Blaster activities start on Saturday 25th October

If having trouble registering, please come along to our assistance evening on the 15th October at the Exies Sports Club from 5-7pm.

A coaching and team information session will be held on Sunday 19th October from 9:30 to 11:30am at the Exies.

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Roy Binks on 0490 534 707. Also please check out our Facebook page (Griffith Junior Cricket Club) for updates.



SHARE OUR SPACE

- ⚡ PERFECT FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 5-12
- ⚡ DEVELOP FUNDAMENTAL CRICKET SKILLS IN A FUN AND INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT

Griffith Holiday Program
7th October
10am - 2pm
FREE
Jubilee Oval



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