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Term 3 | Week 2 | 30 July 2025







ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On Monday, our school held its Annual Athletics Carnival – a celebration of effort, energy and determination. Despite cool, windy conditions, our students showed great resilience and adapted impressively throughout the day. They were tough!

From sprints and relays to jumps and throws, our students gave it their all. The 100m finals had everyone on their feet, with several close finishes keeping the excitement high. Field events were equally impressive, with standout performances across all age groups.

A highlight of the day was our Invitational Sprint – featuring the top eight girl and boy runners from across the school. It was a fiercely contested race, and we congratulate this year's champions: Vua S and Ethan B.

The house competition was spirited and close all day. Kamilaroi ultimately claimed the overall shield, with Barindji and Wiradjuri close behind.

A huge thank-you to our staff, parent volunteers, canteen ladies and our very impressive student helpers for running such a smooth and enjoyable event. Most of all, congratulations to every student who participated – your sportsmanship, determination and house pride made the day a great success!

JUNIOR:

Girls: Boys:

Champion: Honor C Champion: Jobe C

Runner Up: Liliarnah M Runner Up: Lachlan D & Jed G

11 YEARS:

Girls: Boys:

Champion: Mia N Champion: Ben S Runner Up: Madeline P Runner Up: Sosaia F

SENIORS:

Girls: Boys:

Champion: Quinn A Champion: Thomas C R/Up: Vua S Runner Up: Josh F



THE STORY OF OUR NEW MURAL

- as told by Aunty Carolyn at our NAIDOC Assembly...

This is an excerpt from Aunty Carolyn's Term 2 NAIDOC Assembly interview, led by Kingston, Jerimiah and Brooklyn.

"We have titled your mural – "Vision for our Future" (Story sharing of Tradition and our next generation)"

"Let's take you all on your School's Cultural Mural Journey on Wiradjuri Country. We have symbols for the presence of our Elders and community coming into your school. Our Elders have much knowledge and understanding of Culture and giving us permission to speak about who we are and where we come from."

"If you look carefully, you will notice the colours of your Sporting Houses – Wiradjuri - green; Kamilaroi - yellow; Barindji - Blue and Arunta - Red. This is symbolising when you all come together as one. We have kept using lots of bright colours which represent OUR next generation."

"We have a very special symbol of Wiradjuri TOTEM, the GUGAA (Goanna in Wiradjuri language) – he is the keeper of our land."

"You will notice 2 big Yarning Circles. Yarning Circles are our way of cultural practices: we sit, we listen, we share."

"Tiny handprints above your wonderful thumb prints, symbolise younger students starting their school journey at Griffith East, with guidance of their older peers."

"We have incorporated parts of The Aboriginal 8 Ways of Learning; With that in mind we cannot forget your wonderful teachers and Principal, a section shows a meeting place for all staff, coming together with community creating wisdom for their students."

"We have both watched and have walked away from this special mural being proud that our kids, all students are given the opportunity to continue 'Culture' and learn about who they are and where they belong, this is so important for our kids to know. We can see at your school, with community involvement our kids will be given the opportunity to keep their culture alive through growth, imagination and making their connections with leadership from teachers and your Principal."





100 DAYS OF FUN

Kindergarten celebrated 100 days of school this week by dressing up in a 100 day shirt or costume. "Zero the Hero" flew in for a visit and left us some crowns to make, to mark the occasion.

Throughout the day, students participated in a variety of activities about 100 and munched on what seemed like 100 pieces of party food.









Outstanding Students Week 1 Term 3

KA Manatveer K, Ariana M, Braiden R

KHR Holly D, James K

KM Brylee-Rose E, Tori K

KS Maia B, Ollie B

1D Alexh C, Oliver D, Mathew M

1K Jelysa G, Khadijah S, George T

1M Grace A, Hallie C, Logan M

2B James E, Rafsan H, Teina-Lee S

2CW Jesse C, Ace D, Antonio M

2N Firat A, Mason C, Jonathan Z

3/4C Cooper B, Emily C

3/4G Honor C, Lucas P

3/4H Flynn B, Samuel B, Isobel R

3/4RA Violet H, Oliver P, Faithly P, Navaeh R,

Jaiden R, Zency D

3/4S Esma-Nur A, Chloe G, Layla M, William S

5H Zarah C, Tahlia F, Kai R

5Q Kalleigh A, Jerimiah F, Tori K, Xavier W

5/6M Cohen C, Prudence D

6CB Logan E, Ayden T, Quinn A

6N Rhylen F, Ryan P

SHOWTIME & SUNSHINE! COMBINED EDUCATION WEEK & BOOK WEEK

Wednesday 13 August

10.45 – 11.15am Open classrooms

11.15 – 11.40am Morning Tea outside hall

Year 1 Art Show - School Hall

12.00 – 1.00pm Book Week Parade &

Performance

1.00 – 2.00pm Picnic Lunch

Term Three	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	28 July K-6 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL	29 July	30 July GZPSSA Soccer Knockout	31 July 3-6 Assembly Tennis KO vs Forbes PS	1 August K-2 Assembly 2B
3	4 August Book Club Orders and money due	5 August	6 August	7 August 3-6 Assembly KROP Performance P & C Meeting 7.00pm	8 August K-2 Assembly KA KROP Performance
4	11 August	12 August	13 August Combined Education Week and Book Week 2025	14 August	15 August Zone Athletics Carnival No K-2 Assembly
5	18 August	19 August	20 August Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Regional Final	21 August Premiers Spelling Bee Online Regional Final 3-6 Assembly – 3/4C	22 August K-2 Assembly KHR
6	25 August NSWPSSA Tennis KO Sydney	26 August	27 August	28 August MRHS Yr 6 Transition 9.00 – 11.35 3-6 Assembly	29 August Sydney Band Festival K-2 Assembly KM

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 4 Aug Jenny Workman, Josie Mutia Tues 5 Aug

Subha Thyagarajan, Mira Taylor

Wed 6 Aug

Kara Howard

Thurs 7 Aug

Nicole Spencer, Lauren Catanzariti

Fri 8 Aug

Renee Condon, Chelsea Wilson

CAKE ROSTER

Wed 6 Aug

Rebecca Codemo, Rajwant Bhogal, Amanda Rosato, Tammy Hirst, Andrew Noad

Winter Warm Down Movie Success!

What a way to end term 2! Our amazing SRC hosted a Winter Warm Down Movie session and helped raise a fantastic \$500 for Ronald McDonald House Wagga!

A huge shoutout to our student leaders for organising and packing delicious snack packs, and to all the classes who contributed by recycling their juice containers. This fundraiser was a true team effort, filled with warmth, fun, and kindness. Thank you to everyone for supporting our day and being so generous!

