

Darlington Point Public School



Striving for Excellence

Term 4 – Week 5

Monday, 7 November 2016



OPTIONS FOR THE FUTURE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION IN GRIFFITH

As a result of the NSW Government's "Rebuilding NSW" regional education fund, the Griffith community has the opportunity to select from two options for the future of secondary education locally.

Option 1: Create a new state of the art secondary school by merging Griffith High School and Wade High School. The new Griffith Secondary School would include an investment of up to \$25 million to build modern, future-focused teaching and learning spaces to complement refurbished existing facilities. The new school will be informed by the latest educational research in teaching and learning.

Option 2: Refurbish Griffith High School and Wade High School. A refurbishment and upgrade at both Griffith and Wade High Schools valued at up to \$10 million and a new way of working together that has the potential to improve student learning outcomes.

Community Consultation

The community will play an important role in shaping the future of secondary education in the region. Over the coming weeks there will be a series of opportunities for community members to provide their feedback on two proposals. Register your interest for the community consultation by sending an email to griffitheducation@saucecommunications.com.au

Change of Dates ***IMPORTANT***

Please note that we have had to make some changes to several events that are to take place this year. An updated calendar can be found on page 4. Please note changes to the following:

- Captain's speeches;
- Lake Talbot Excursion; and
- Year 6 farewell dinner.

Term 4 Week 5

Wed 9 th Nov	Kinder Orientation
Fri 11 th Nov	Public Speaking 1/2B 3/4H 5/6P

Term 4 Week 6

Mon 14 th Nov	Intensive Swimming
Tue 15 th Nov	Intensive Swimming
Wed 16 th Nov	Intensive Swimming
Wed 16 th Nov	Kinder Orientation
Thur 17 th Nov	P&C Meeting 6pm
Thur 17 th Nov	Intensive Swimming
Fri 18 th Nov	Intensive swimming

Term 4 Week 7

Mon 21 st Nov	Intensive Swimming
Wed 23 rd Nov	Kinder Orientation
Fri 25 th Nov	Public Speaking K/1P 3/4C 4/5G

Remembrance Day

This Friday 11th November all students will participate in a Remembrance Day ceremony held at the Darlington Point Cenotaph at 11:00am. Students will walk down at about 10:45am. Parents and community members are also welcome to attend. Students will eat lunch on arriving back to school.

Star of the Week



Bethany – 3/4C

Star of the Week this week is Bethany. Bethany is a helpful and caring classmate who always attempts tasks to the best of her ability. She demonstrates an enthusiastic and positive approach to all areas of school life. Bethany sets a good example in our class through her willingness to help others. Congratulations Bethany!

P&C Meeting

There will be a P&C meeting on Thursday 17th Nov @ 6pm in the 5/6 classroom. This is the last one for this year, so please put it in your diaries, we need your attendance.

Canteen Roster Term 4

Fri 11 th Nov	Need a Volunteer
Fri 18 th Nov	Marg Gilbert
Fri 25 th Nov	Need a Volunteer
Fri 2 nd Dec	Marg Gilbert
Fri 9 th Dec	Need a Volunteer
Fri 16 th Dec	NO CANTEEN

More volunteers are required to do canteen this term, if you can spare 2 hours on a Friday it will be greatly appreciated.

There will be NO Lasagne available for lunches for the rest of the year.

Rivadestra Lunches

Rivadestra will **NOT** be doing school lunches this week. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Enrolling Kindergarten for 2017

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2017. Children who turn 5 before 31st July 2017 are eligible for enrolment in Kindergarten. If you would like to discuss readiness for school or any other matters regarding enrolling your child please contact the school office.

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

MERIT AWARDS

TERM 4 WEEK 4

K/1 P

Oliver – creative programming work when coding in Geography.

Jazzi – excellent problem solving skills when coding.

Jordan-James – excellent effort in Literacy especially writing activities.

Emily – an exciting story about her cat eating the eggs and sausages.

1/2 B

Starlette – her ability to work independently on writing tasks during English.

Amarni – working hard to use her word decoding strategies when reading and writing.

Zane – excellent application to group and individual work during mathematics.

3/4 C

Makayla – helping her peers work their way out of the learning pit.

Issac – his insightful comments during class discussions on Charlotte's Web.

Lachlan – the careful way he is working, always trying to do his best.

3/4 H

Britney – thoughtful contributions during discussions in Geography.

Isla – always giving 100% in all Literacy activities.

Izabella – consistent effort and application in Maths groups.

4/5 G

Darcy – an impressive knowledge of 3D shapes and their attributes.

Brayden – improved oral reading and use of decoding skills to work out unfamiliar words.

David – improvements in English, especially in the areas of oral reading and handwriting.

5/6 P

No Awards

Bidgee Bonus Awards



Term 4 Week 4

K/1 P – Hannah-Lea

1/2 B – Nil

3/4 C – Katie'Lee, Shanice & Michael

3/4 H – Ash & Kameron

4/5 G – Nil

5/6 P – Billy

Intensive Swimming Program

All students received a note last week about our Intensive Swimming Program which will take place at the Darlington Point Pool. It will continue daily for 6 days from next Monday 14th Nov to Monday 21st Nov 2016. A timetable will be included in next week's newsletter. There will be NO cost for this program. All costs involved are being kindly covered by the P&C.

Please return the completed permission note to the school by this Wed 9th Nov 2016.

Variation to School Development Day

The Department of Education provide schools with 5 development days each year. This year the staff have rescheduled and completed these days at different times throughout the year. Staff have been involved in training and development courses outside of normal school hours and therefore won't be present at school on the 19th and 20th December 2016. This does not affect the students as their last school day is Friday 16th December 2016.

Any further questions please contact the school office.

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Term Four	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
1	10 October	11 October	12 October	13 October	14 October	15 16 Oct
2	17 October	18 October	19 October Kindergarten Orientation 2pm Yr7 Coly Transition	20 October	21 October	22 23 Oct
3	24 October	25 October School Photos	26 October Kindergarten Orientation 2pm Yr7 Coly Transition	27 October	28 October	29 30 Oct
4	31 October	1 November Bookfair	2 November Kindergarten Orientation 2pm Yr7 Coly Transition	3 November	4 November	5 6 Nov
5	7 November	8 November	9 November Kindergarten Orientation 2pm	10 November	11 November Public Speaking 1/2B, 3/4H & 5/6P Kindy Swim assessment	12 13 Nov
6	14 November Intensive Swimming	15 November Intensive Swimming	16 November Intensive Swimming Kindergarten Orientation 2pm	17 November Intensive Swimming P&C Meeting 6pm	18 November Intensive Swimming	19 20 Nov
7	21 November Intensive Swimming	22 November	23 November Kindergarten Orientation 2pm	24 November	25 November Public Speaking K/1P, 3/4C & 4/5G Captains Speeches	26 27 Nov
8	28 November	29 November Uniting Church Christmas performance	30 November Kindergarten Orientation 2pm	1 December	2 December Debating	3 4 Dec
9	5 December	6 December	7 December Kindergarten Orientation 2pm Presentation Night	8 December	9 December Student Reports sent home.	10 11 Dec
10	12 December Lake Talbot Excursion	13 December	14 December Yr6 Dinner	15 December	16 December Pool Day Last day for students & Staff	17 18 Dec
11	19 December	20 December	21 December	22 December	23 December	24 25 Dec
Hols	26 December	27 December	28 December	29 December	30 December	31 1 Dec Jan