Coming Events

Term 1 - Week 8

Thursday 21 March Scripture
Friday 22 March Tennis

Term 1 - Week 9

Sun/Mon 24/25 March Young Leader’s Day
Wednesday 27 March Easter Eggstravaganza
Thursday 28 March LONG WEEKEND
Friday 29 March Good Friday

Term 1 - Week 10

Monday 1 April Easter Monday
Wednesday 3 April Mobile Library
Friday 5 April Tennis

Please note: School Newsletter will be produced fortnightly in even school weeks.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Class Project:
We are having lots of fun using the percussion instruments at school, so we’ve decided to make our own.
Every child needs to make a homemade instrument and bring it to school before Wednesday 10th April.
The instrument can be made from recycled materials found around home. It must be durable enough for us to play it, and it can be decorated as well.
Some ‘easy’ ideas are drums, shakers, pan flutes, guitars and larger phones. (Go to Google – images – homemade instruments).

YOUNG LEADER’S DAY
On Sunday 24th and Monday 25th March, Natasha and Sarah, our school leaders will travel to Sydney for the “Young Leader’s Day’. The girls will join with leaders from the Griffith schools. It is a great opportunity for both girls and we wish them well.

The Department of Education and Communities has recently announced that all government schools will receive a general use adrenaline autoinjector (an EpiPen) for their first aid kit.
This does not replace the need for parents to continue to provide the school with an adrenaline autoinjector and ASCIA Action Plan for Anaphylaxis signed and dated by their doctor when their child has been diagnosed with anaphylaxis. Instead the general use adrenaline autoinjector is intended to be used if:

- An undiagnosed student has an anaphylactic reaction at school
- There is a misfire of the adrenaline autoinjector that has been prescribed for a student
- A student required further adrenaline autoinjector to be administered after his or her own adrenaline autoinjector has been administered.

You’re invited to join us for -
Term 1 Assembly
12th April
Starting 1 pm
BBQ lunch provided by school
1.45 Assembly
ALL WELCOME

SPRING BULB FUNDRAISER
The school is once again having a ‘Spring Bulb Fundraiser’. Last year’s fundraiser was a success and all bulbs were beautifully packaged and labelled.

Please return forms by 5th April, 2013.

EASTER ‘EGG’STRAVAGANZA
On Wednesday 27th March we will have an Easter Eggstravaganza! There will be lots of Easter craft activities, hat parade, chocolate making and egg hunt.
Children may wear mufti clothes on this day.
WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

We have received our resources from last year’s above promotion. We have some excellent new mathematics resources and one new ‘big digger’ for the playground. As you can see, the digger is a big hit! Thank you to everyone who collected stickers on our behalf. Your effort is now being appreciated by our students.

STEWART HOUSE DAY

On Thursday 7th March, we held a mufti day at school to raise money for Stewart House. The theme for the day was to dress up as something starting with ‘s’. We had a scientist, soldier, spy, shearer (guess who??), soccer player, surgeon (not fully qualified as yet), a couple of superheroes and Snow White came too, apparently she’s dumped the seven dwarves. Shane came as Shane, Mrs Hedt came as a squash player and Mrs Bevan came as a school teacher (apparently no imagination!)

We added some of our funds from SRC fundraising (canteen) to donate a total of $50 to Stewart House. Well done everyone!
HEMLOCK THE ACROBAT

On Tuesday 9th April (Week 11) we will be travelling to Goolgowi to watch the performance of ‘Hemlock the Acrobat’. Hemlock is a 45 minute interactive circus show involving equilibrist (balancing) acts and acrobatic feats delivered with flair and showmanship. A question and answer session is integrated into the show to allow young people the chance to find out about life in the performing world. We will be joining Goolgowi Public School for lunch. Children need to bring their lunch, drinks and hat. Travel will be by private car and cost is $5 per child. Please sign and return permission notes with payment as soon as possible.

CAPTAIN’S REPORT

Wow we have had a lot of birthdays this month. Nicholas’s was on the 4th, he turned ‘8’ then on the 5th of March, it was Ashlee’s birthday, and she turned ‘7’. The day after Ashlee’s birthday was Sam’s birthday he turned ‘8’. On the 15th of March it was my birthday and I turned 11.

We had solar panels installed on the weekend; they are great because they save us money!

By Natasha, School Captain

WRITING

The seniors have been studying poetry and have written their own ‘diamond poems’. Here are a few examples:

2 wheeler,  
Motor, fast  
Riding, jumping, spinning  
Motorbike, throttle, quad-bike, rack  
Driving, turning, skidding  
Slow, bigger  
4 wheeler  
By Seth

Pony  
New, young  
Frolicking, playing, chasing  
Mane, tail, hooves, ears,  
Galloping, trotting, walking,  
Trustful, old  
Horse  
By Sarah

Strong,  
Fast, angry  
Running, jumping, climbing  
Excavator, bulldozers, sticks and twigs,  
Sitting, watching, sleeping  
Slow, quiet  
Weak  
By Shane

Work  
Easy, hard  
Interesting, writing, colouring  
Think, pens, balls, games  
Chasing, counting, running  
Fun, fast  
Play  
By Natasha

P & C MEETING

Today was our AGM and our positions are as follows:

President Paula Hayes  
Secretary Monique Morris  
Treasurer Catherine Merrylees  
Fundraising Co-Ordinator Geraldine Blair  
Uniform Co-Ordinator Anne Dissegna

Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting and volunteered for a position on the committee.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

If you need any school uniforms to be ordered could you please let Anne Dissegna (our lovely uniform co-ordinator) know so she can get an order in before the end of term.
VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS
Schools operate much more effectively and provide a much-improved service to students with funds donated by parents in addition to that provided by the government and the P & C. Voluntary school contributions this year are:
$20 per child or
$30 per family

Thank you to those who have already paid.

WHEAT FOR SALE
Looking for some cheap wheat for chook food or mulch? **The school is selling bags of wheat for $8 or 3 for $20 and rice straw for $6 as a fundraiser.**
If interested please ring the school on 69935 143 or come and see us. We have some available right now!

LIBRARY NEWS
Borrowing day is on Tuesdays this year. Please ensure your child brings their books in their library bags.

SCHOOL BANKING
School banking this term will be held on Thursdays. If you would like your child to start school banking please see Mrs Woods.

HOMEWORK
Homework is handed out on Mondays and is to be returned on Fridays.

COMMUNITY NEWS
If you need community notices advertised in our newsletter please ring the school or fax your notice to the following numbers:
Phone 69 935 143
Fax 69 935 002

Carrathool Combined Sports Club (incorporating Hall Committee) would like to advise that their meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month at 10 am.
No Meeting for March because of Easter Sunday
Next Meeting will be held on Sunday 28th April at 10.00 am
ALL WELCOME

Hay Carer Support Group
An opportunity for mutual support, sharing in a confidential setting and to hear informative speakers
Alzheimer’s Australia NSW
Dementia Helpline 1800 100 500

When: 1st Wednesday monthly
Venue: Community Health Centre, Hay
Time: 10.30 am
Contact: Merylise 69602835

There are some fantastic family activities on over the Easter weekend in Griffith, including:

Pioneer Park Action Day
Good Friday 29 March
Venue: Pioneer Park Museum, Remembrance Drive, Griffith
TIME: 10am–4pm

This is a fabulous family day providing an opportunity to experience Griffith in the early days. There will be plenty of live entertainment, pony
rides, train rides, traditional games and working machinery.
Whip-cracking legend Josh Curphey (he was part of the opening Sydney Olympic Games ceremony) will also be part of the action!
Homemade pasta, BBQ, Scones with jam and cream!
COST: Family pass $30 (2A+3C) Children $6, Concession $8, Adults $10

Combined Churches Easter Children’s Breakfast
Saturday 30 March
Venue:: Memorial Park, Griffith
TIME: 9am to 12noon
The combined churches of Griffith along with Fusion Riverina present the annual Easter children’s brunch and activities
COST: Children free, adults gold coin donation

For full details and a downloadable program go to www.GriffithEasterParty.com.au

NEWSLETTER BRIEFS

Facts about fractions
If you’ve forgotten 3/5 of primary school maths and 7/8 of high school maths, what’s left? Ah ha! Kids need help learning how to add fractions too. The only thing left is to print these fact sheets.


Amazing art
Autumn’s the perfect season to take a trip to a gallery. The popular Art Express exhibition connects us to the inner lives and self-expression of high school students. Amazing works are on show throughout NSW. Check out the calendar.

Find out more: http://artexpress.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/
St George’s Anglican Church

EASTER SERVICE

Good Friday 29th March, 2013
Starting 4 pm

Service to be conducted by Reverend Joe Formosa

ALL WELCOME