Next Week is Education Week - where our schools’ come together to showcase Public Education in our local area.

As part of the Griffith Community of Schools Binya PS will be presenting samples of our students’ work on display boards at Central Plaza, in addition to our canvas art pieces on permanent display currently. We will also take opportunity to showcase our love of learning about history, geography and environment through books, the World Wide Web and music. We are timetabled to perform next Tuesday at 11.15am, singing songs that will take you on a journey through the decades of Australian History. We would love to see you there.

Schools from across our community will be performing at KROP (Kids Rapt on Performing) on Thursday and Friday night at the Griffith Regional Theatre. (Our school performs alternate years, with this being our ‘year off’.) It is a fantastic night of entertainment for anyone who would enjoy music, dance and drama.

Our staff has been updating our WHS this term. Jenny Cox (DEC consultant) visited our school to check through procedures and protocols to ensure our compliance. We recently completed our CPR updates, with thanks to Leonie Stevenson from Beckom PS who was our accredited presenter. Training was held after hours at Barellan Central School. Last week students and staff performed an Emergency Evacuation Drill, where we practiced our evacuation and discussed various scenarios. It is recommended that families develop and discuss evacuation plans for your home setting- in case of fire, intruder etc.

Karen

P&C NEWS - Next meeting: Tuesday 28th July @ 7pm. All parents and community members are welcome to attend.

All agenda items to Kirsty Rowston, one week prior to each meeting.
Oops our secret author in last week’s newsletter was...

We worked on turning a boring sentence into an exciting one. The sentences were ‘The dog ran to the end of the chain. The man opened the door’. I found this really hard because you had to use ‘Show don’t tell’ and try not to give away the ending quickly.

I was proud of my end product; I would like to do more to expand my vocab skills. **The man sprang to his feet. He bolted to the door. His eyes lit up brighter than a spotlight – face filled with joy. He grabbed the handle. His feet couldn’t stop dancing. He yanked the door open, not knowing what to expect, itching to see if it was really them?!** **By Milly Burcham**

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

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"You know your life has changed when...
going to the grocery store
by yourself
is a vacation."

-motherhood
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**EDUCATION WEEK**

What’s on next week? **Week 3**

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**NAIDOC Week**

NAIDOC week is held around Australia in each July. It celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders history, culture and achievements.

This year’s theme honoured those who share their stories of many sites or sacred places with all Australians.

**By Leah and Luke**

**K-2** have been reading the picture book- **My Mob Going to the Beach**, by Sylvia Emmerton. It is a recount story about the aboriginal family’s outing. We have been learning to **summarise**. We can draw pictures or use key words to remind us of the V.I.P’s (very important points). Then we can write the information into our summary.

The ‘mob’ (family) was walking to the beach. Along the way they came across a bull! The grown-ups and the big kids quietly walked past the bull... but not us!

**By Emily**

Shortly after, they came across another ‘mob’, their friends. The grown-ups and the big kids stopped and had a yarn... but not us!
They started out again. It was getting hot. The grown-ups and the big kids stopped and had a drink from the tank at the cemetery... but not us!

Finally they arrived at the beach. The grown-ups and the big kids went fishing and crabbing for dinner... but not us!

After dinner the grown-ups and the big kids sat around the camp fire... but not us! We fell asleep.
School Rewards Program each time a student, family member or friend purchase a pair of shoes from The Athlete’s Foot Griffith and mention Binya Public School they will donate $5 to the school. Thankyou to everyone that mentioned Binya Public School we received a $75 donation last week from The Athlete’s Foot, Griffith. This program runs all year round.

Happy ‘significant birthday’ Mrs VB 😊

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Griffith PS is having a silent auction for this professionally framed 2015 signed Brumbies jersey. The frame measures 85cm x 105cm. If you would like to bid for the jersey the bidding has started at $250.00. Please email your bid to judith.hayman@det.nsw.edu.au and jan.kitchingman@det.nsw or private message the GPS face book page. Please include your phone number. Bidding closes on Friday 31st July at 3pm. All money raised will be supporting Michael Asomua, a Year 6 student, traveling to Darwin to play for the NSW PSSA Rugby League team. Thank you (feel free to share this with any union fans you know!).

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