Term 3 – Week 5

Friday 14th August, 2015

ZONE ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS
Congratulations to our combined Small Schools Athletics Team who were crowned joint Griffith Zone Athletics Champions with East Griffith at the Zone Carnival last Friday. Harry Rowston and Leah Boyd proudly represented our school. Congratulations to Leah Boyd, who broke a zone record in her long jump. Both Leah and Harry have qualified for Riverina in their different fields (see sports report) as well, they will compete in the P6 relay along with Amelia Burcham and Sam Conlan.

Too sick for school?
Unfortunately we have had many sick students this week so we wish them all a speedy recovery. As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1hytn2E

Book Week Excursion
Each year, schools and public libraries across Australia spend a week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators.
Next Tuesday we will celebrate Book Week by visiting the Griffith Library and as an added bonus we will be viewing the Archibald Exhibition along with the ‘Young Archie’ entrants ‘at the Art Gallery. The budding artists of Binya have been busily practicing their portrait drawing/painting skills and completing their individual entries. At the Library they are listening to Louise Park. Louise is the best-selling author and publisher of many popular children’s books including Boy vs Beast, Zac Power, Star Girl and Bella Dancerella.

Area News
Binya School will the featured school in next week’s Area News on Monday.
Helen 😊

Making the Learning Obvious
Be a learner yourself – risk taking and mistake making are important process in learning.

Be fallible – make mistakes in front of students (and talk about them).

Share you own learning frustrations and challenges.

Talk about how new learning is tricky and does require persistence.

Tell them when you do not know something and help them find the answer.

Explain to them that learning is about figuring out what doesn’t work as well as what does...
Developing a **GROWTH MINDSET**

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**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

**COLLECT MOMENTS NOT THINGS**

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**Sports Report by Leah Boyd**

Last Friday Harry and I went to the Zone Athletics Carnival in Griffith. Long jump was first, I broke the Zone record of 4.12m with a jump of 4.18m. I came 2\textsuperscript{nd} in the 200m and 100m; I have qualified for the Riverina Athletics carnival in all three events. I just missed out on 11yrs girl champion by 1 point.

Harry also had a great day with a 2\textsuperscript{nd} in discus and high jump; he has also qualified for the Riverina athletics carnival in both events.

Harry, Milly B, Sam and I are also running in the P6 Relay in Albury on Monday 31\textsuperscript{st} August.

We all better get training!

**Upcoming Sport**

- Touch Gala Day – Friday 14\textsuperscript{th} August
- Riverina Athletics – Monday 31\textsuperscript{st} August

**Kid’s Corner**

**Mathletic’s Awards**

Congratulations to our recent award winners

**Bronze**

Emily Forster, Max Conlan, Charlie Kite, Luke Forster and Claire Burcham

**Gold**

Sam Conlan

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**What’s on next week? Week 6**

| Monday 17\textsuperscript{th} August | Binya School features in The Area News |
| Tuesday 18\textsuperscript{th} August | Book week @ Griffith City Library. Young Archie @ Griffith Art Gallery Mobile Library |
| Wednesday 19\textsuperscript{th} August | Canteen Library |
| Thursday 20\textsuperscript{th} August | |
| Friday 21\textsuperscript{st} August | Cultural Day at Rankin’s Springs |

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**P&C NEWS** - Next meeting: **Monday 31\textsuperscript{st} August @ 7pm.** All parents and community members are welcome to attend.

All agenda items to Kirsty Rowston, one week prior to each meeting.
Millie Rowston creates a picture graph in maths.

Emily practices doubling as a strategy for addition.

Kinder News

On the weekend Sam, Jonty, Dad and I went camping in the forest.  

By Max

Year 2 and 3 persuade us all with their opening statements from the Small Schools Public Speaking competition.

2015 is the year of the soil. What does that mean to me? Simply, soil is our unsung hero! It’s one of the greatest assets in Australia; an element that stands between life and death for us all. We rely on soil to keep us alive by providing the world’s food supply.  

By Sam

Cats definitely make the best pets! I know because I own one of the cutest, fluffiest rag doll kittens!  

By Emily

Don’t you just living in the country – so peaceful! Rural kids have it much better! Living in the bush is the safest way to walk, ride a bike or even go for a drive.  

By Charlie

Chooks make the best pets. They are fun and very friendly and always make you feel good.  

By Bailey

Who could resist those big black eyes of the Gecko? They are so cute and when you’re feeling blue they will cheer you up with their cheeky smile.  

By Leo

Did you know there is a fish called a Siamese fighting fish? I believe they make the best pets. They are so beautiful and it’s good to watch them swim in a tank in your room.  

By Greer

Year 5 practice their persuasive writing

In conclusion family are so much more important than friends because they are there to guide you through life. Your mum, dad, sisters and brother are there to support you and give you advice. Your family will help you jump the hurdles of life. That is why I believe family is so much more important than friends. Blood is thicker than water.  

By Milly B
When you get old you still have all of your family. But your friends get old too, you cannot see them. However you always have family that visit. Plus when you’re old you get grandchildren. So in conclusion family are forever and friends come and go. By Harry

Genius Hour Report by Luke

In Genius Hour we have been doing our own projects. I have been doing Scratch. Scratch is a computer coding program. I like doing Scratch because it is a lot of fun, and the limit is your mind! Download Scratch at: https://scratch.mit.edu/scratch_1.4/.

Remember to keep collecting Earn and Learn stickers. They can be sent into the school or placed in the box at Woolworths in Griffith. Last year we purchased valuable resources for Science and Maths.