

# East Links

Term 1 | Week 2 | 6 February 2019



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## SCHOOL COMMUNITY CHARTER: LAUNCHED

On 2 December 2018, the School Community Charter was launched. The School Community Charter has been devised to ensure that schools are respectful learning environments for our students and wider school communities. It aligns with the vision and values outlined in the Department of Education's Strategic Plan 2018 - 2022.

The Charter outlines what parents can expect in engaging with their school as a partner in their student's learning, as well as highlighting some unacceptable behaviours that have no place in our school communities. The School Community Charter provides a framework for establishing positive behaviours and terms of engagement. This is the first in a series of resources planning to support schools and their school communities.

Please take a look at the Charter at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/school-community-charter>.

## TERM 1 PARENT/ TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Term 1 Parent/ Teacher interviews to discuss how your child has settled into the 2018 school year will be conducted on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2018 from 3.30 p.m. – 5.30pm** for all classes K-6.

The main focus of the interviews will be to have a brief discussion about your child's start to the school year.

Interviews to discuss your child's progress during semester one will be held after the semester one reports have been issued at the end of Term 2.

Please phone the school office (Ph: 69621804 or 69624409) and they will book you a time slot (10 min maximum) with your child's teacher.

Confirmation of your appointment time and interview venue will be sent home with your child.

If you are unavailable on this day please make an appointment through the school office to have an interview with your child's teacher at another mutually convenient time.

# SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The school swimming carnival will be held on **Wednesday 20th February 2019** at the Griffith Aquatic Centre for all students in Years 3 – 6 and Year 2 students who turn 8 this year and can competitively swim 50 metres.

Event nomination forms will be sent home with your child and need to be returned to school ASAP.

The carnival program will cater for all swimming abilities from non swimmers, to developing swimmers, to competent swimmers.

Normal lessons will occur for Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 classes.

## P & C MEETING

The P & C will be holding their first meeting for 2019 next Thursday, **7<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 7.30 p.m.** in the school staffroom in the Administration block.

All parents are welcome to attend the P&C meeting and it is important that parents are aware that **they must be a financial member of the P & C to vote at the AGM in March. The cost of membership is \$1 and can be paid at the meeting.**

## BOOKCLUB

Book Club orders are due back at the school Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February. You are also encouraged to try and order using the LOOP system. Instructions are on the back of the Scholastic brochure.

### CANTEEN

#### Monday 11 Feb

- Charmaine Ceccato
- Alison Matthews

#### Tuesday 12 Feb

- Melanie Carter

#### Wednesday 13 Feb

- Sally Fineanganofa

#### Thursday 14 Feb

- Sandra Taylor

### ROSTER

#### Friday 15 Feb

- Kelly Dal Broi

#### Cake 13 Feb

- Margarite Belardo
- Katrina Fitzpatrick
- Cathy McPherson
- Shannon Witton
- Bobbie Ryan



### GEPS UNIFORM SHOP

**The uniform shop is open on Wednesdays from 8.45am – 9.30am.**

For uniform orders outside these times, order envelopes are available from the school office. Orders will be filled during the week and delivered to your child's classroom.

# NSW GOVERNMENT PROVIDES SCHOOL BAND INSTRUMENTS

Students at Griffith East Public School will soon have more opportunity to learn a musical instrument thanks to a one-off \$9,785 grant from the NSW Government.

Deputy Premier John Barilaro and Member for Murray Austin Evans made the announcement at the end of last year, which will continue to expand the Griffith East Public School's Band Program.

Mr Barilaro said the purchase of musical instruments could be expensive for families, which may inhibit some students from participating in music, which is why this grant is so important.

"We want to remove the barriers that some families face which prevent children from participating in music lessons which is why we are assisting the P&C Association to purchase new instruments for the school," Mr Barilaro said.

"Learning an instrument should not be determined by whether or not you can afford to access the equipment. By investing in new musical instruments the school can help kids gain confidence through performance and help expand their creative minds."

"We know the cost of participating in creative arts can often be a burden on families, which is why as well as this grant, I am reminding the community that from January 1st 2019 you can also access the NSW Government's \$100 Creative Kids Voucher," Mr Evans said.

Griffith East Public School P&C will use the funding to purchase a selection of instruments, which can be lent to students when they participate in the school's band program.

## SCHOOL HOURS

Playground supervision commences at 8.45 a.m. and lessons commence at 9.15 a.m. each day.

We realise that some students catch buses which arrive before 8.45 a.m. due to buses servicing a number of schools with different starting times. **Students who arrive before 8.45 a.m. must stay seated in the Gunyah until the 8.45 a.m. bell rings.**

**It is expected that students who do not catch an early bus to school do not arrive at school before 8.45 a.m.**

School finishes for the day at 3.15pm and children who do not catch buses are expected to leave the school grounds.

**The fixed playground equipment is out of bounds before 8.45 a.m. and after school.**

# GEPS - Term 1 2019

Term One	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
2	4 Feb	5 Feb NRL & Cyber Safety Presentation	6 Feb	7 Feb School Leaders Induction Assembly P & C Meeting – 7.30 p.m. Yr 4 Cyber Safety Presentation	8 Feb No K-2 Assembly	9 10 Feb
3	11 Feb	12 Feb	13 Feb	14 Feb 3-6 Assembly with 4N	15 Feb K-2 Assembly with 1/2K	16 17 Feb
4	18 Feb	19 Feb	20 Feb School Swimming Carnival	21 Feb 3-6 Assembly with 3G	22 Feb K-2 Assembly with 2M	23 24 Feb
5	25 Feb	26 Feb	27 Feb	28 Feb 3-6 Assembly with 5/6G Zone Swimming Carnival Scripture commences	1 March K-2 Assembly with 2D	2 3 Mar
6	4 March	5 March	6 March	7 March 3-6 Assembly with 3M P & C AGM – 7.00 p.m	8 March K-2 Assembly with 1G	9 10 Mar
7	11 March Young Leaders Day	12 March School Photos	13 March Riverina Swimming Carnival School Photos	14 March 3-6 Assembly with 4C	15 March K-2 Assembly with 1C	16 17 Mar
8	18 March	19 March	20 March Yr 4 Borambola Excursion	21 March 3-6 Assembly with 5D Yr 4 Borambola Excursion	22 March K-2 Assembly with 1B Yr 4 Borambola Excursion	23 24 Mar
9	25 March	26 March	27 March	28 March 3-6 Assembly with 5N	29 March K-2 Assembly with 2B	30 31 Mar