# East Links

Term 2 | Week 10 | 2 July 2025





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## **CELEBRATING NAIDOC WEEK**

NAIDOC Week is a time to reflect on the rich history, culture and contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. This year's theme, "The Next Generation: Strength, Vision and Legacy," resonates deeply with us as we continue our commitment to fostering pride in our cultural heritage among all our students. Embracing our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural heritage enriches our school community and strengthens the bonds we share as a school.

Our heartfelt thanks go to Aunty Caroline Williams and Uncle Alan McKenzie. Their incredible work in painting the mural on our library wall is more than just a beautiful piece of art; it is a powerful representation of this year's theme. This mural serves as a constant reminder of the strength and vision that our next generation embodies, as well as the legacy we all have a role in creating.

Let us carry forward the spirit of NAIDOC Week every day, as we strive to ensure that all voices are heard, and all cultures celebrated.







## **EXCELLENCE in PUBLIC SPEAKING**

Congratulations to our amazing public speaking representatives Rocco, Wilmien, Simon and Nirvair. These students represented our school at the local final of the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition this week. In the final students presented a prepared speech and an impromptu. This is a challenging competition and is always hotly contested. Congratulations to Wilmien and Rocco who both received highly commended awards in the Stage 2 final. Congratulations also to Nirvair who won the Stage 3 final. He will now represent Griffith at the regional finals.





## AWESOME ATTENDANCE

Thank you to our entire school community for supporting student attendance at school this term. At the end of week 9 our average whole school attendance rate is sitting at 91.2%. Last week students whose attendance has been above 95% for the term, went into the draw for a canteen voucher and a Lego pack. Congratulations to Layla and Odette who were the winning students from Years 3-6.

Average class attendance rates for the term are listed below.

2N 92.5% 6N 92.1%	1D 91.0% 1K 92.0% 2B 92.3% 2CW 88.1%	5H 5Q 5/6M 6CB	89.9% 92.1% 90.0% 90.9% 92.1%
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### **SMASHING TOUCH WIN**

Our GEPS boys touch team played against South Wagga PS last week. They put on an amazing show of teamwork and discipline in defence and attack. A 12-1 win now places them into the Riverina Final. Congratulations boys.



## **TENNIS CHAMPIONS**

Our mighty GEPS tennis team have smashed their way to victory, taking out the PSSA Riverina Final against Murrumburrah. That's right—we're officially Riverina Champions!

They came. They served. They conquered. Next stop: the State Quarter Finals against Forbes Public School - stay tuned!



## Outstanding Students Week 9 Term 2

KA Manatveer G, Mercy L

KHR James K, Kelsey Y

KM Lenny E, Antonio R

KS Zia C, Domanik C, Natalie M

**1D** Angus B, Matteo C, Harriet P

**1K** Muhammad A, Jelysa G, Hannah J

**1M** Romeo G, Logan M, Lionel S

**2B** Seth A, James E, Georgia S

**2CW** Eymen A, Heidi B, Alec B

**2N** Arlo G, Jesse M, Stephen P

**3/4C** Aalieah J, Oscar W,

3/4G Ariella G, Jaxon H, Ammaar M

3/4H Will B, Ada C, Indi C, Royce C

3/4RA Levi B, Emily H, Laura M, Peni S

**3/4S** Bulut A, Arabella E, Austin F, Evie T,

Liliarnah M

**5H** Nicholas A, Cooper R, Christopher Z

**5Q** Sreebala J, Ben S

**5/6M** Torren H, Aran S

6CB Imogen C, TJ M, Ivie W

**6N** Akin A, Amelia T

### **IMPORTANT CANTEEN NEWS**

Our school canteen will be closed on the first two days next term

Tuesday 22 July & Wednesday 23 July The canteen will reopen on Thursday 24 July.

### FLEXISCHOOLS IOU

Flexischools are providing a new IOU section. After clicking on your child's name you select the IOU section, then select the money amount owing, it will be taken from your Flexischools account. For further information call the canteen on 0482 381 182

Term Two	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10	30 June Life Education Van Academic Reports emailed to parents.	1 July Life Education Van	2 July Life Education Van Mural opening, NAIDOC Week assembly and Parent Picnic 12.30pm Paul Kelly Cup Final	3 July Life Education Van 7pm P&C Meeting No 3-6 Assembly	4 July LAST DAY OF TERM 2 No K-2 assembly

### Term 3

	21 July	22 July	23 July	24 July	25 July		
	<b>PUPIL FREE</b>	State Junior	State Junior	State Junior	State Junior		
		Music Camp	Music Camp	Music Camp	Music Camp		
	DAY	Students	NSWPSSA Cross	3-6 Assembly	Krop rehearsals		
1	State Junior	return to	Country		for Band		
	Music Camp	school	CANTEEN				
		CANTEEN	CLOSED				
		CLOSED					
	28 July	29 July	30 July	31 July	1 August		
2	ATHLETICS		GZPSSA Soccer	3-6 Assembly	K-2 Assembly 2B		
	CARNIVAL		Knockout				
	4.0	Г A	C Assessed	7 August	O. A. count		
	4 August EDUCATION WEEK	5 August EDUCATION WEEK	6 August EDUCATION WEEK	7 August EDUCATION WEEK	8 August EDUCATION WEEK		
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					KROP		
					Performances		

### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

Mon 21 July
PUPIL FREE DAY

**Tues 22 July** 

**CANTEEN CLOSED** 

Wed 23 July

**CANTEEN CLOSED** 

**Thurs 24 July** 

Natasha Rosenow, Belinda

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Fri 25 July

Debbie Moseley, Roz Toscan,

Alison Matthews

New Canteen Phone Number 0482 381 182

The office can no longer transfer any phone calls to the canteen.

P & C MEETING

**Thursday 3 July** 

7pm

**School Staffroom** 

Please come along and discuss our upcoming

**Colour Fun Run** 

