# GRETA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS



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SCARY AND CUTE REPTILES
VISITED YEAR 1
LAST WEDNESDAY







# **Dates to Remember**

29th Nov - Yr 6 Fundraiser & Final Day to place uniform orders for starting school 2014

11th Dec - Presentation Day @ 4pm

13th Dec - Fun Day

18th Dec - Last day of School 2013

#### **Term Assemblies**

22nd Nov - Performance Year 1 & 3 6th Dec - Final Assembly for 2013 Yr 4

#### P & C News

#### Canteen

Volunteers are still needed, if you can help please fill in a form below. To all our new Kindy mums for 2014 we welcome you to come along and join us in the canteen next year.

### **Uniform**

Just a reminder if you wish to have uniforms to start school in 2014 then your order & money must be in by next <u>Friday the 29th of November</u> to allow time to order stock and ensure pickup before end of term. (no late orders will be considered)

Canteen Roster

DATES TO REMEMBERFriday22 NovRebecca D, Bee MWed 4th Dec - Next fundraising meeting.Mon25 NovAmanda CTues26 NovStacey C, Alicia McBernadette MenckWed27 NovJackie L,PresidentThurs28 NovMel, Maryanne

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

Your name _			_	
Contact Numb	oer			
Please circle y	our preferred choices:			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Weekly	Fortnightly	Monthly	Once a term	

If you have any suggestions that you think may help in anyway with the canteen please feel free to let us know

Thank you

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

# FREE FREE FREE

# Carols in the Rurk

The Mayor, Councillor Bob Pynsent on behalf of Cessnock City Council invites you to an evening of traditional Christmas Carols in Cessnock.

Our talented local performers include soloists, bands and choirs.

Santa Claus will make a special visit

**THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER 2013** 

7.30 - 9.30pm

CESSNOCK TAFE GROUNDS

Bring your picnic blanket, hamper and seats

(please leave your alcohol and glass at home)
COME AND ENJOYTHE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

For further information please contact Pauline Ross on 4993 4210. With thanks to our major sponsor



# **Principal's News**

# **Thought For the Week**

Take time to laugh. It helps to lift life's loads.

# Congratulations

Congratulations to Davor Wieczorak and James Oliver who were finalists in the 2013 Bicycle NSW artwork competition. The boys were chosen out of over 10 500 entries and the standard of the competition was extremely high. The boys are to be congratulated for their great designs and making it to the final stages of the competition. Well done!

#### Senior Citizens' Luncheon

On Wednesday 4th December some of our students will be performing for the senior citizens at their Christmas lunch held at the Greta Services Club. Miss Elkins will be organising a group to perform some Zumba routines and Mrs Gilmour will lead a choir group in some carol singing. Notes will be out shortly for those students involved.

#### Uniform

Our students proudly wear our uniform. It gives a sense of belonging and ownership. Lately we have seen a number of students wearing jumpers and shorts that are not part of our uniform. Please ensure your child wears their correct uniform.

#### **Afternoon Exiting**

We would request that parents inform the school of any change of pick up or travel arrangements either by note or by phone call. We cannot depend on a child's word when they are asking to go home with a friend or catch an alternate bus as we do not know if they have your permission. Our duty of care does not allow us to alter their usual arrangements or release children to other adults without some prior information.

Sandra Armstrong Principal

# Professional Guitar & Keyboard Tuition at Greta Public School

We have an amazing opportunity to offer professional music tuition to students starting in Term 1, 2014. The program is run by Music Stars – Australia's leading provider of school music tuition. Music Stars provides:

Group music tuition (3-5 students)

Caters for Years 1-7

Weekly 30 minute sessions

\$11 per lesson, per student (\$110) per term (includes music books)

70% less then out-of-school lessons + family discounts available

End of year reports and certificates

Guitars and keyboards supplied for use during lessons

# Registrations Close 30<sup>th</sup> November 2013

If you would like your child to participate in Term 1, 2014 please register your interest online by visiting <a href="https://www.musicstars.com.au">www.musicstars.com.au</a> Payment is not required until lessons commence next year. If minimum numbers aren't reached the program will not be able to run so please register your child ASAP.

#### More Information

If you require more information or would like to discuss the program in more detail please contact Music Stars directly using the information below. Please do not call the school.

**Phone**: 1300 889 179

**Email**: info@musicstars.com.au **Web**: www.musicstars.com.au

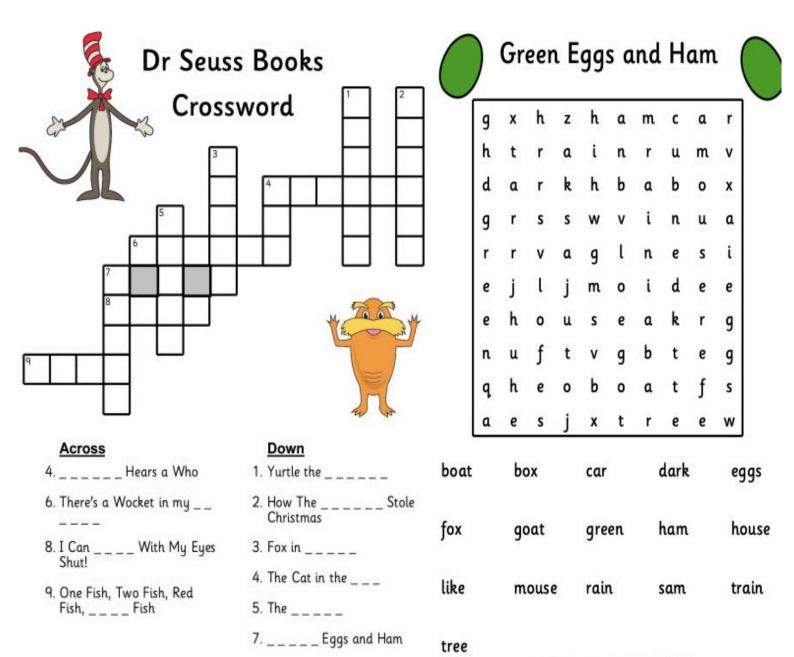
Please note:- Lessons will either be at lunch time or after school, not during class time.



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# Encouraging your child to read at home

- Be yourself and involve your child in everyday conversations from an early age.
- Read aloud to your child. It will help your child to learn the language of books and encourage the enjoyment of books and reading.
- Talk about books together make reading a shared, enjoyable activity.
- See that there is a range of reading material for your child at home, both fiction and non-fiction.
- Read to your child in your first language research shows that using your first language will help your child when he or she learns to read English.
- Try not to let television intrude on reading time set aside some uninterrupted time to read with your child.
- Listen to your child read every day, even if only for a short time.
- Give books as treats and presents.
- Discuss the meanings of stories and words.
- Join your local library. Borrow books for yourself as well as your child.

More tips at www.schools.nsw.edu.au