GRETA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS



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Term 3 Week 6 21st August 2014

CLASS AWARDS

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KF Matilda V Kale Q Sehv W Jack D	KP Chy-Anne D Natlaie L Joshua J Peyton M			1 Amira F Kadilee F Jace E Max B		
1/2 Sumalee S Isoa K Laura P	2 Jasmine B Renae R Kimberley L Koby K			3 Aisha H Chloe W Skye A Tyler M Dekan B Tristan W		
4 Tyler B Nicholas H Brooke F Zac M Dayne B	5 Benji Mc Jordan L Mackenzie A Thomas F Emma V Dekoda M			6 Tiarna C Hayley F Ocean P Kye M Blake S		
	CITIZE	NSHIP AWARDS				
K F Troy Mc1/2 Sinead Mc4 Haylea L	KP 2 5 LARGE I	Billy Bob Mc Heidi S Jessica M VERIT CERTIFIC		1 3 6	Drew F Ryan B Emily Mc	
PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS WILL BE HELD IN WEEK 8 (1ST SEPT). FURTHER INFORMATION WILL COME HOME IN THE NEXT WEEK.					BOOK CLUB ORDERS DUE BACK THIS MONDAY 25TH AUGUST	

Ben R

Dates to Remember

1st - 5th Sept - Parent Teacher Interviews 10th Sept P&C Breakfast 19th Sept Last Day of Term 3 (Yr 6 Fundraiser Footy Colours Day)

Assembly Dates Term 3 Assembly starting at 12:30 2nd Sept - Yr 1 Item 16th Sept - End of Term Assembly

Heidi S

P & C News

CANTEEN:

Our Slushie Day demo was a huge success. So as a result of this we are now in the process of ordering one for the canteen permanently. For those who may not be aware the mixture used in our machine falls under the guidelines regarding healthy canteen food.

The Canteen will be holding a Breakfast Day on Wed 10th September. This breakfast will commence at 8.00am and finish at 8.45am (there will be no service after this time to allow children to finish their food before class time). Menu for this day will be sent home in the near future.

UNIFORM

Uniform shop will be open Tuesday - Thursday 8:30 to 9:30 and Friday 8:30 to 2 pm Jackets will now be \$24 due to price changes from supplier When you place your order for uniforms could you please leave the correct money with your order otherwise the order can not be filled. Please drop order form and money at the canteen or the office.

DATES TO REMEMBER: 3rd Sept Fundraising Meeting 10th Sept Breakfast for Students 17th Sept General Meeting @1.30pm 22nd AugPat, Rhiain25th AugAngela, Rebecca26th AugPat, Annette27th AugSam, Stacey28th AugPat, Maryanne29th AugMel, Kristen

1st Sept Lynette, Pat 2nd Sept Trina, Belinda 3rd Sept Pam, Sam 4th Sept Kristen, Pat 5th Sept Mel, Bee

President Melissa Witchard

Community News

CANT WAIT FOR CRICKET SEASON TO START? Learn How To Score Runs and Take Wickets FOR FREE! ULTIMATE CRICKET SCHOOL Improve your Skills Take Part in the Fast Bowling Challenge Lead Your Team in The High as a Kite Catching Comp Learn how to score Boundaries and Sixes Compete in the International Twenty 20 Cup!!	 WESTERN SUBURBS JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB Registration dates for players aged 8 to 15 years for Western Suburbs Junior Cricket Club will be taken on the following dates: WHEN: Tuesday 26th of August & Tuesday 2nd of September 2014 WHERE: McDonalds, New England Highway, Rutherford TIME: 4:30 to 6:00pm COST: \$70 per player (family discounts apply) NEW REGISTRATIONS: Will need to bring along their birth certificate.
SUNDAY September 7th, 2014 10am - 2pm Maitland Park, MAITLAND	Milo In2Cricket program. Registrations will also be taken by Western Suburbs Junior Cricket Club for children aged 5 to 9 who are interested
Book Now For Your Chance To Score A FREE PASS To The Ultimate Cricket Camp These School Holidays @ Maitland Park	 in participating in the Milo In2Cricket program. COST: \$60.00 per child (child receives a bat, ball, T-shirt and more)
www.supersportscamps.com.au	For more information please contact Glenn Lupton on 0418 644 731

Principal's News

Thought for the Week

Success is achieved by developing our strengths, not eliminating our weaknesses.

Kindergarten 2015

We are currently gathering numbers for Kindergarten enrolment in 2015. If you know of anyone who has a child who will be enrolling at Greta in 2015, please ask them to contact the school.

Parent Forums

Our school is in the planning stage for the next three years. We are looking for parent feedback. I will be holding some parent forums in Week 8. Commencing on Monday 1st September at 2.30pm, Tuesdav 2nd September, after assembly, and Wednesday 3rd September at 9.00am. If none of these times suit, you will have the opportunity to provide feedback to your child's class teacher at interviews or complete an online survey on our website. We look forward to hearing what you have to say.

Online NAPLAN

Our Year 3 and Year 5 students participated in online NAPLAN testing. We are a trial school for this program. Students sat for Reading and Grammar on Tuesday and Maths on Wednesday. These trials will help sort out any problems before it is introduced state wide.

Community Donations to the School

We have been the recipients of some kind donations from community groups in the past week. I would like to extend our thanks to the Coalfields Classic and Enthusiasts Motor Cycle Club for their donation of \$400 and the Lions Club of Branxton for their donation of \$500. These funds will be used to support students in our school. We very much appreciate their kindness and support.

Song Room

As part of the song room program we sent 16 students to Kurri TAFE for a Music Camp over two days last week. The students were involved in drumming, dance, song making and music making. They ended the two days with a performance for their parents. The students enjoyed the experience very much.

Our dance groups will be performing in the True Colours Festival held by the song room next term. The students in these groups are also practising songs to be part of a mass choir at the event.

I would like to thank Mrs Bateman and Mrs Page for their work in supporting the dance groups and the singing.

Gold Coin Donation

Mr Bateman is participating over 11 days in a 330km walk along the Burke and Wills track to raise funds for juvenile diabetes. We would like to thank those students who brought in a gold coin to support this venture.

Fathers Day Stall

The P&C have had a number of requests from parents to run the Fathers' Day stall as in previous years, so a stall will be run at recess on the Friday before Fathers' Day.

Raw Art

The raw art program has been a great success with our students. Some of the art works were shown at assembly this week. It has been pleasing to see such high quality work across the school.

Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition

Year 5 and 6 will be participating in this competition on Wednesday 27th August.

Year 5 Sport Day

As part of our Years 5-8 transition program with the high school, Year 5 will be participating in a sport day with other local schools on Tuesday 2nd September.

Sandra Armstrong Principal

* HEALTHY LUNCH BOX IDEAS *

MACARONI AND VEGETABLE FRITTATAS

- 120g (3/4 cup) macaroni pasta
- Olive oil, to grease
- 2 x 125g cans corn kernels, rinsed, drained
- 1 small red capsicum, halved, deseeded, finely chopped
- 1 medium carrot, peeled, coarsely grated
- 80g (1 cup) coarsely grated cheddar
- 7 eggs, lightly whisked
- 125ml (1/2 cup) milk
- Why not add some cooked chicken

Step 1

Cook the pasta in a large saucepan of salted boiling water following packet directions or until al dente. Drain. Refresh under cold running water. Drain well.

Step 2

Preheat oven to 180°C. Brush six 185ml (3/4-cup) capacity nonstick muffin pans with oil to lightly grease. Combine the macaroni, corn, capsicum, carrot and cheddar in a large bowl. Spoon evenly among prepared pans.

Step 3

Whisk together the egg and milk in a jug and pour over the macaroni mixture. Bake in preheated oven for 20-23 minutes or until just set. Remove from oven. Set aside in the pan for 5 minutes before carefully turning onto a wire rack to cool.

School News

Yr 4 Volunteering - Clean Up the Creek

This term, Year 4 has been involved in a Landcare Project at Anvil Creek. They were fortunate to be able to join forces with Australian Conservation Volunteer, Stacey and weeded a section of the surrounding land which was infested with mother of millions, baby lantana and some grass. We then planted and watered 40 small native plants. Year 4 are proud of the difference they are making in their local area.



Songroom Music Camp

On Monday of Week 5, Mrs Ferguson had the pleasure of accompanying 16 children from Years 3-6 to a day camp at Kurri Kurri TAFE where they participated in a series of workshops in Drumming, Hip Hop, Music Making and Song Making. Along with students from several other local schools, the students rotated around these activities and enjoyed all aspects of creating from learning to sing in three part harmony through creating a soundscape with instruments to Drumming and Hip Hop. The day culminated in a performance by local African Dance and Drum group.

On the second day, each of the groups specialised in one aspect of the creative process, spending the day with one of the various teachers preparing for and presenting a concert for visiting parents and caregivers. As always the children were well behaved, participating with enthusiasm and enjoyment.

