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Term 4 Week 10

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> SCHOOL HOURS Supervision from: 8.30am Classes Start: 8.55am School finishes: 2.55pm

MESSAGES GRETA PLAY2LEARN (Playgroup) Term 1 (9.30am - 11.30am) 11th Feb 2016 CANTEEN TREAT DAY TOMORROW FRI 11TH

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL IN 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER Movie/Party Day - 14th Dec BLINKY BILL K-2 HOTEL TRANSYLVANNIA 3-6

> P&C INFORMATION: <u>P&C Meeting</u> Wed 16th Dec @ 1.00pm

Canteen 2016 Open Tuesday - Friday

NO CANTEEN ON MONDAYS

UNIFORM SHOP Tuesdays Only 9.00 - 11.00AM

GRETA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS



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COURAGE AND LOYALTY

10th December 2015

Principal's News "The best teachers are those who show you where to look but don't tell you what to see."

End of Year Activities

The end of the year is fast approaching and we are working through a very full calendar of events.

"Angels" A fantastic night of Carols was enjoyed by our school and community on Monday Night. Thank you to the staff, students, P&C and contributing performers for making it a night to remember.

A little known fact about Monday night was that against the backdrop Angels was the opening of a time capsule by several of our past students. The class of 1999 buried this capsule in our school groups and met to remove the contents.

There was great excitement as Ms Kimberlee Hodges did the honours and passed around the memorabilia.

A reminder that **Reports** will be handed out to students on **Friday 11th December**.

Presentation Night was held last night and what a wonderful turn out we had. It was great to see so many parents, carers, grandparents and friends at our presentation. It was a great evening, recognising the hard work our students have put in over the year and all students are to be congratulated on their achievements. This year saw the introduction of several new awards. A full list of award winners can be seen on the following pages.

Year 6 Farewell will be held tonight 10th December at 5.30 for 6.00 seating. This year the students will be dining at school. Thank you very much to the P&C for their generous contribution towards the meal and to the year 6 parents for making the night so memorable.

Our **Movie Party Day** will be held on Monday 14th December. Students are expected back from the movie by 12.30pm. Please see your classroom teachers in regards to what to send for party lunch and arrangements for hot food delivery. Students who are not attending the Movie will stay at school, work and supervision will be provided.

Leaders for 2016

Congratulations to the Year 5 students who have been chosen as leaders for 2016. All staff are looking forward to working with you next year as you guide our students throughout 2016.

Relieving Principal Terri Ferguson



Class Structures

Thank you everyone for your patience and understanding as we settle numbers and class structures for 2016. We hope to make an announcement of staffing and classes next week.

Holiday Reading

Holiday reading is a great way for your child to keep up their reading skills throughout the school holidays. This plays a huge part in what reading level they will be at when they return to school. We ask you to encourage your child to read. At this time of year there are some beautiful books available for very reasonable prices. Or, perhaps a couple of books under the tree.

Year 6 Farewell

We wish all of our Year 6's a fun and enjoyable evening this evening as they celebrate their time at Greta Public School.

Party Day

Some important information for party day:-No thongs No singlets No short shorts

Return to School Dates 2016

Year 1 to Year 6 return on Thursday 28th January Kindergarten commence on Friday 29th January

Our New Leaders for 2016



<u>"ANGELS"</u> GPS CHRISTMAS CAROL EVENT

WOW! WOW! WOW!

On the following page we have put together a snapshot of what we thought was a truly wonder-ful evening.

It was a joy to see so many happy, relaxed students, their families and community members enjoying an evening of great talent, true Christmas spirit and how lucky were we to have such a lovely balmy Australian evening.

We cannot thank you all enough for your contribution to such a successful night for us. Whether it be your hard work, your generosity or just sharing the spirit we are grateful.

Some of the highlights of the evening were seeing our students enjoyment in performing their carols for you, seeing many excited children when Santa arrived and simply having fun with our community.







P&C NEWS

The Greta Public School P&C Association for 2015 would like to give a huge thanks to all the teachers, parents/carers, volunteers and community members that have contributed to raising money and making our school such a joy.

Some of the wonderful businesses that have contributed this year include:

Autobarn, Baileys of Greta, Branxton IGA, Branxton Pharmacy, Bushells Traditional Butchery Singleton, Devotion to Hair, Elite Window Tinting Singleton, Greta Newsagency, Guardian Pharmacy Greta, Harvey Norman, Independent Sentsy Consultant Velene Burke, Libreri Eggs, Lochinvar Hotel, Masters, Miss Kiss, Super Strike, Rays Outdoors and Tattersall Hotel Greta.

The last day the Snack Shack will be open is Friday 11th December – its our red day which means there will be lots of naughty goodies for sale – shh don't tell Santa!

A final meeting of the GPS P&C will be held on Wednesday the 16th December at 1pm in order to finalise accounts etc. We will also incorporate the fundraising committee meeting, which will address fundraising for 2016.

WINNER OF THE GOLD COAST RAFFLE THAT WAS DRAWN AT PRESENTATION NIGHT WAS WAYNE SMITH FROM NEWCASTLE. CONGRATULATION & ENJOY!!!!!

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and safe and Happy New Year!

If you have any concerns or suggestions please contact us via <u>greta-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u>, attention P&C.

Regards Krista Findlay-Egerton Secretary

Community News

GRETA PUBLIC SCHOOL Greta Play2Learn

TIME: 9:30am - 11:30am WHERE: Greta Public School Hall WHO: Families with children 0-6 years

Term 1 - 2016 dates:

Thur 11th February

Shared Morning tea. Meet other families. Art & craft activities, educational toys, books & games. UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS **TUESDAYS ONLY 9.00AM - 11.00AM** Order Forms are available outside of these hours. CANTEEN ROSTER Wed 27th Jan - Pat, Stacey Thur 28th Jan - Pat, Pam Fri 29th Jan - Lucy, Rae CLOSED MON 1ST FEB 2nd Feb - Alicia, Renee 3rd Feb - Pat, Jackie 4th Feb - Pat, Lynette 5th Feb - Lucy, Rae

January School Holiday Program at the Hunter Wetlands Centre

Tuesday 19 January 10am -12.30pm for 7-10 years Cost: \$20 Booking essential phone 4951 6466 **Making It!** Use glue, wood, string, paper and other materials to make

Wednesday 20^{th} January 9.30am – 12.30pm for 8 – 12 years

Cost: \$20 Booking essential phone 4951 6466 **Bush Skills.** Make a damper, build a bush shelter, learn basic first aid and other survival skills.

Wednesday 20 January 10am -12.30pm for 4 – 7 years

Cost: \$20 Booking essential phone 4951 6466 **Digby Fixit Live!** Adapted from her book Digby's Moon Mission, author and performer Renee Price will use storytelling, songs and puppets to bring her character Digby to life. This 30 minute performance will be followed by book signing, craft and a chance to meet some of our wetland reptiles at an interactive talk. **Thursday 21 January** 10am – 2.00pm All ages Cost :Entry by gold coin donation. No bookings **Wonders at the Wetlands** - a family fun day activities for all ages and parents as well. Live music dip-netting, bird-spotting, reptile talks crafts, face painting and so much more to see. Visit the Hunter Wetland facebook page or website for more information.

Thursday 21 January 10am – 2.00pm All ages