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GRETA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS

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COURAGE AND LOYALTY

Term 3 Week 10

27 September 2018

DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY

Disco dancing lifted to a whole new level last Thursday evening! Our amazing P&C Committee organised this fabulous event, with the assistance of Mr Soper as our dynamic DJ, and some dedicated parents/carers working the tables with glow products and food.

It was delightful to see students from Kindergarten to Year 6 dancing to songs from a variety of eras. There was Elvis Presley, The Beatles, The Black-Eyed Peas and a number from The Greatest Showman movie soundtrack. Add to that the usual dance floor fillers such as The Nutbush and The Macarena, and Greta kids were really getting their groove on. 'Musical Statues' was a huge hit and congratulations go to Jarell for being the overall winner.

In the many years I have been working in schools, this is one of the best P&C disco events I have attended. Huge thanks also go to our teachers and SLSOs who were also able to help out. Another great example of our school community coming together for our students.

Sharon Morris
Principal



WEBSITE:

www.greta-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

**KEEP UP TO DATE WITH
HAPPENINGS**

**AT OUR SCHOOL VIA THE :-
GRETA PUBLIC SCHOOL APP**

SCHOOL HOURS

Supervision from: 8.30am

Classes Start: 9.00am

School finishes: 3.00pm

FEEDBACK/COMPLIMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS

Our 'Feedback, Compliments and Suggestions' box is now up and running in the foyer of the office.

ASSEMBLIES ARE HELD EVERY SECOND TUESDAY IN THE SCHOOL HALL @ 2.10PM

Wk 2 23rd Oct Year 3/4R

Wk 4 6th Nov Year 5

Wk 6 20th November K/1

Wk 8 4th Dec Year 6

DATES TO REMEMBER

**STUDENTS AND TEACHERS
RETURN TO SCHOOL ON
MONDAY 15TH OCTOBER
(There is no pupil free day)**

**THE NEXT BOOKCLUB WILL
BE THE LAST CHANCE TO
REDEEM ANY VOUCHERS
FROM LAST YEARS
PRESENTATION AWARDS.**

**SMART STARTERS
PROGRAM WILL RUN
EACH THURSDAY
1.30PM - 3.00PM
CONCLUDING ON THE
8TH NOVEMBER**

**KINDER ORIENTATION
WILL COMMENCE ON
THURSDAY 15TH NOVEMBER
AND BE HELD EACH
THURSDAY MORNING
CONCLUDING ON THE
6TH DECEMBER.**

P&C NEWS



CANTEEN



**Canteen will re-open in Term 4
For lunch 8.30am—12pm
Wed - Thur - Fri**

GENERAL MEETING

**Monday 15th October
@6pm in the Library
Children Welcome !!!**

FUNDRAISING FOR OUR FARMERS DAY

Don't forget that tomorrow is our big fundraising day for our partner school, Parkes Public School. Students and staff are encouraged to come dressed as a farmer or farm animal for a gold coin donation. We are going to have recess for our first break, where Stage 3 will be selling cakes and slices to the students for 50c each.

We hope family and friends will come along and join us for our lunch break, which will start at 1:00pm. Mrs Jarlett's husband is kindly donating his time to cook the BBQ for us, then after lunch we are going to celebrate our farmers by holding a whole school line dance! Students have been busy this week learning some dances to teach their family members. If you are available, please come along and help us make a difference to another school community.

BOWLERS ON A WINNING STREAK

Huge congratulations to Koby, Jace and James for their recent win against Salt Ash Public School in the second round of the knock-out primary schools bowling competition. The boys won both games in straight sets of 8-2 and 6-2 and now progress to the final rounds on Monday, 22nd October where they will play against King Street.

Ms Page, the organising teacher, is very impressed with the teams progress given they have not played before. However, it is their outstanding attitude, commitment and sportsmanship towards other teams that should be acknowledged. Thank you, boys, for representing our school so magnificently in the wider community.

We know you will join with us in wishing them all the very best for the finals next term.

GARDEN HARVEST

On Tuesday before assembly we had our first garden stall where we harvested, bagged and sold fresh parsley, beetroot and bunches of silver-beet for a gold coin donation. Many thanks to those who bought from our stall. We made just over \$12.00 and will use this to purchase seedlings to plant early next term.

YEAR 7 ENTRY TO SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOLS IN 2020

If you are thinking of applying for your current Year 5 child to sit for a Year 7 placement in a government selective high school in 2020, the application website opens on Tuesday, 9th October 2018. Parents and carers must apply online at the following link:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

Applications close on Monday, 12th November 2018 at 10:00pm.

If you wish to apply for your child and do not have internet access, please come and see us and we can give you an application information booklet. All Year 5 students brought home a note on Monday regarding this information.

Share Our Space

Greta Public School

Your school is a vital part of our community, and we want you to use it. During the October holidays participating schools across NSW will be opening up their play areas for your enjoyment.

**For more details visit
schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au**

Tell us what you think about the Share Our Space program by visiting: bit.ly/2FRzHFY

This pilot is an initiative of the NSW Government.





CLASS AWARDS



K

Kosy W
Jasper M
Morgan M

K/1

Kaidee G
Michelle C
Ruby P
Elisabeth K

Yr 1/2B

Harvey E
Emma S
Olivia H
Talan M

Yr 1/2R

Evaleigh M
Joshua C
Mayson H
Samuel B

Yr 3/4B

Aden L
Mikaylah P
Billy M
William S
Erica S

Yr 3/4R

Harvey W
Haleigha V
Rebecca M
Taj K
Jarell K

Yr 5

Caige M
Thomas K
Kaysha T
Beau S
Zara C

Yr 6

Blade R
Laura P
Nathan K
Sophie R
Hayley C

Citizenship Awards

K Emery S

K/1 Bodhi M

Yr 1/2B Khloe S

Yr 1/2R Ben Y

Yr 3/4B Lilly L

Yr 3/4R Jasmine C

Yr 5 Ebony R

Yr 6 Koby K

Dojo Awards

K Kosy W

K/1 Kayli M

Yr 1/2B Max C

Yr 1/2R Annabella S

Yr 3/4B Jackson B

Yr 3/4R Leanne R

Yr 5 Logan D

Yr 6 James A

K Lochlan H

K/1 Maddison H

Yr 1/2B Archy M

Yr 1/2R Ben Y

Yr 3/4B Jacinta W

Yr 3/4R Jayda B

Yr 5 Alex W

Yr 6 Heidi S



P&C NEWS

Snack Shack

We are pleased to announce that we were able to fill the position of Canteen Co-Ordinator at Monday night's meeting. We would like to welcome and sincerely thank Tracey White for taking on the position and giving our children the opportunity to once again have the canteen facilities available to them. The canteen will reopen in Term 4 Wednesday – Friday for lunch service only. We will be compiling the roster in next few days, so if you can spare some of your time and volunteer please speak to Tracey 0439 364 544 or Michelle 0404 495 655.

General Meetings

Next meeting will be held on Monday 15th October at 6pm in the Library. We welcome new members to come along and join to share your ideas and skills with us. We would love to see some new and of course our familiar faces. ***Children are welcome to attend as we will put a movie on for them in the next classroom.***

Michelle Woodhouse
P&C President.



UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesdays
8.30-9.00am

Fridays
8.30-9.00am



**WERE YOU
AT THE DISCO !!!!!**



CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

Name _____ Contact Number _____

Please circle your preferred choices:

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

8.30am - 12.00pm

Weekly

Fortnightly

Monthly

Once a term

As we are currently only opening for the first break of the day the volunteer hours are reduced.

As part of being a volunteer in our school you would be required to complete a working with children declaration if you haven't already done so.

Thank you

For more information please contact Tracey White 0439 364 544 or Michelle Woodhouse 0404 495 655 (if unanswered please leave a message).

Youth Mental Health First Aid Course for Parents, Coaches, Carers

And any adult with a young person in their life

Is your teenager unusually sad or irritable?

Lost interest in the things they used to love?

Are they having trouble studying, working or maintaining positive relationships?

Has your teenager recently had major changes in thoughts, feelings and behaviours which are disrupting their daily life?

They may be developing a mental health problem.
You have what it takes to help.

Dates: Mon 8 and Mon 15 October 2018

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Venue: East Maitland Bowling Club, East Maitland

Cost: Free (rrp \$300)

Fully Catered

*You must attend both sessions to complete the course

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches adults how to assist young people who are developing a mental health problem or in a mental health crisis.

You will learn:

- The signs and symptoms of developing mental health problems in young people including depression, anxiety, eating disorders, psychosis and substance misuse;
- How to provide Mental Health First Aid in a crisis including suicide, non-suicidal self-injury, medical emergencies and severe psychotic states; and
- Where and how to get help when a young person is developing a mental illness.



Dates: Thur 4 and Fri 5 October 2018

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Venue: Club Maitland City, Rutherford

Cost: Free (rrp \$300)

Fully Catered

*You must attend both sessions to complete the course

Dates: Mon 22 and Wed 24 October 2018

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Venue: Club Maitland City, Rutherford

Cost: Free (rrp \$300)

Fully Catered

*You must attend both sessions to complete the course

Dates: Thur 25 and Fri 26 October 2018

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Venue: East Maitland Bowling Club, East Maitland

Cost: Free (rrp \$300)

Fully Catered

*You must attend both sessions to complete the course



HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE

1 Wetlands Place, Shortland, NSW 2307
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**School
Holiday
Activities**

OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM AT THE HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE

SAVE OUR SPECIES

Did you know there are nearly 2000 plants and animals on the threatened species list in Australia?
These school holidays you can learn how you can help Save Our Species.

THREATENED SPECIES DISCOVERY WALK

Collect your list of threatened species, your map and a special wetlands pencil and head off on an adventure around the Wetlands. Find 10 threatened species and enter our SOS competition.
You could win a fabulous prize!

You can also have fun dip-netting in the pond and nature weaving.

\$5 per person, 3 to 5yrs \$2, under 3 free. No bookings required

BUSH SKILLS ADVENTURE FOR 8 TO 12 YEAR OLDS

Tuesday 2 October & Wednesday 10 October 9.30am to 12.30pm

Come on a Wetlands Adventure - learn bush survival skills, make and eat a damper, take a guided walk to the Bush Tucker Garden, build a bush shelter and meet some of our resident reptiles.

\$20 per child. Bookings essential.

Book online at www.wetlands.org.au or phone 02 49516466

THREATENED SPECIES ADVENTURE FOR FAMILIES (All ages)

Wednesday 3 October & Monday 8 October 10.30am to 12.30pm

Take a guided Threatened Species Discovery Walk and see how many animals and plants you can find.

Collect natural materials for Nature Weaving creations.

Feed the Magpie Geese & meet some of our resident reptiles up close.

Children must be accompanied by a parent or carer.

Cost \$8 per person, under 3 free

Bookings essential. Book online at www.wetlands.org.au or phone 02 49516466



Bring the family to the Hunter Wetlands Centre
A fun, environmentally friendly learning experience!
Open 9am to 4pm

Entry: \$5 Per person, Children 3-5yrs \$2 & Children under 3 free.

There's lots to do at the wetlands in the holidays: Dip-netting, children's playground, reptile display, walks, Magpie Geese feeding at 10.30am daily, canoeing, BBQ & picnic facilities, bring your bike and ride around or try orienteering.
www.wetlands.org.au

Gift Shop: Ice-creams, drinks and affordable gifts for children & adults.

Wetlands Cafe: Open 9.30am to 2.30pm daily

Closed in shoes, hat, sunscreen and insect repellent recommended.





Variety
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VARIETY KIDS XMAS PARTY

Variety - the Children's Charity NSW/ACT invites you to the Variety Kids Xmas Party.
Please pass this invite along to kids from the Hunter who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs and their parents or carers.

Wednesday 21st November 2018
4pm - 8pm
McDonald Jones Stadium.

It's the ultimate Xmas Party with farm animals, live music, inflatables, face painting, karaoke, festive fun and a visit from Santa - plus much more.
Refreshments will be available for all kids who have registered.
There will be food available for purchase for adults.

RSVP Friday by 19th October 2018 at kidsxmasparty.org

If you have any questions or need help registering please call 4965 4911.
Tickets will be posted in early November.



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**PLAY ALL-GIRLS JUNIOR CRICKET AT YOUR LOCAL CLUB.
ENJOY ACTION PACKED GAMES AND MAKE THE SPORT YOUR OWN.**

Hunter Valley Sixers Girls Cricket League - u13 and u15 Girls

Miller Park, Braxton

Thurs 1st Nov - Thurs 8th Dec 5.30 - 7.15pm

Register at playcricket.com.au and add in "Singleton"

Look for Hunter Valley Junior Cricket Council

Call Rod: rod74porter@gmail.com 0402 711 740

**happy
holidays!**

To All Our
Students
And Their
Families



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REGISTER AT PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU**

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