

# Gresford Public School

## Newsletter

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### Principal's Message

Welcome to the second term of learning at Gresford School. Our term calendar is filling fast with great learning experiences. Please visit our new website regularly to be kept well informed.

Many thanks to all those who contributed to our **ANZAC Day commemorations** held at school and at the Gresford Cenotaph on Sunday. We had an abundance of beautiful flowers which Mrs. Isaac cleverly made into a number of floral tributes to lay here at school and at the town service. Special thanks go to Mr. Stewart Hopson for his generous donation of so many flowers and to the Hojer Family for arranging for them to be collected. We also thank Janet Hooper for making ANZAC biscuits for the whole school. Father Stephen, in his role as army chaplain, gave a memorable address and we thank him also. Thank you to all parents and students who made the effort to attend the service on Sunday.

Our **Cross Country event** went well last week with children running bravely over long distances. Results are in this newsletter. Congratulations to all going to the Zone carnival on 14<sup>th</sup> May.

Our Year 2 and Year 3 students enjoyed a **video conference** with the

well known children's author Margaret Wild last week. Our **science program** commences next week with Dr. Wright.

The position of **School Administrative Manager**, which has currently been held in a relieving capacity by Mrs. Jasper, is now being advertised. A member of the school community will be represented on the interview panel.

Children in Years 3 and 5 are currently being prepared for the **NAPLAN tests** scheduled for 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> May. There is possible industrial action surrounding this test due to the misleading and damaging information published on the Myschool website. We will keep parents informed of the outcome of this dispute.

**Professional learning** for staff so far this term has been in the areas of writing, office administration, behaviour management, school safety and security and technology.

Regards,  
Pauline

*"However good  
or bad a situation is,  
it will change."*

### Mother's Day

#### Gifts/Stall

As the company we were dealing with is unable to supply most of the items ordered we have changed the company and gifts we are using.

Children who have previously ordered and paid for a gift or gifts will now be able to choose a gift/gifts from our stall on **Thursday 6th May**. They will not need to bring in any more money. These gifts will be of similar quality and price to those previously requested.

**Any other child who wishes to bring \$7 next Thursday to purchase a gift is welcome to do so.**

### *Thank you*

A big thank you to Karen & Gus Lawrence for looking after the chooks over the school holidays and also for their kind donation of a bag of chook food.

The Chook Committee

## DATES TO MARK IN YOUR DIARY

### May

- Monday 3rd May - Science starts
- Thursday 6th May - Active After School K/1 Yoga & Year 2 Soccer
- Friday 7th May - Walk Safely to School
- Friday 14th May - Zone Cross Country
- Thursday 20th May - Year 2/3 visit to Lara Nursing Home
- Thursday 20th May - P & C meeting
- Tuesday 25th May - ICAS Computer test
- Thursday 27th May - Public Education Day
- Monday 31st May - Year 4/5/6 Debating

### June

- Tuesday 1st June - Year 5/6 Coalmine excursion
- Wednesday 2nd June - Year 2/3 Public Speaking
- Thursday 3rd June - Year 5/6 Open Day at Dungog High School
- Tuesday 8th June - Musica Viva at 11.50am in computer room
- Wednesday 9th June - ICAS Science test
- Friday 11th June - Netball - Gresford v Paterson
- Tuesday 22nd June - ICAS Spelling & Writing tests
- Thursday 24th June - Ensemble excursion to Lara Nursing Home
- Wednesday 30th June - Field Events
- Thursday 1st July - Sports Carnival**

## ATTENTION ATTENTION

The School's Sports Carnival is to be held on  
Thursday 1st July  
at the Gresford Sporting Complex  
from 9.00am sharp

Come along and support your child/ren and their team

Bring a chair, lunch (or buy from the canteen)

or you might want to assist on the day.

## School News

### Party Of The Year

#### A Night of Tropical CRUISIN'

**New date: 11 September**

**From the Create Carnivalé Gresford P&C people**

**Lifeboats Cocktails Island-life Laughs**

**Smorgasbord Coconuts Dancing**

**Ocean-liners Prizes**

**Captains-table Auction**

### ***NOW AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL***

Long Cargo pants are now available for sale through the office

***Sizes 6 to 16***

***\$20.00 each***

Logo school shirts are also available

***Sizes 6 to 16***

***\$15.00 each***

### **CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2 WEEKS 3 & 4**



**Friday 30.04.10** - Sharon Lawrence & Dana Hawkins



**Monday 03.05.10** - Ros Iverach & Ruth Iverach

**Wednesday 05.05.10** - Donna Varley & Kayla Madden

**Friday 07.05.10** - Linda Hodges & Renee Russell

**Monday 10.05.10** - Sharon Hipwell & Sylvia Lawrence

**Wednesday 12.05.10** - Betty Richardson & Paula Brown

## Cross Country Results

### 5 Year Boys

1st - Colby Davies

### 7 Year Girls

1st - Shaneakia Nikora

2nd - Bekky Farr

3rd - Latia Hipwell

4th - Michaela Lawrence

### 9 Year Boys

1st - Jesse Farr

2nd - Jamie Hickey

3rd - Alex Butler

4th - Bob Butler

### 11 Year Boys

1st - Thomas Hojer

2nd - Beau Redhouse

3rd - Cameron Hipwell

4th -

### 12 Year Boys

1st - Gus O'Brien-Cavanough

2nd - Jacob Hojer

3rd - Eric Richardson

4th - James Jenkins

### 5 Year Girls

Alysha Cowley

### 7 Year Boys

Baylie Barsley

### 9 Year Girls

Hannah Redhouse

Clare Richardson

Gemma Hawkins

Courtney Lawrence

### 11 Year Girls

Ella Duncan

Alex Cant

Ellen Hodges

### 13 Year Boys

1st - Coogan Brown

### 6 Year Boys

1st - Scott Barsley

2nd - Kayden Atkins

3rd - Henry Varley

### 8 Year Boys

1st - Charlie Hojer

2nd - Jono Davies

3rd - Jack Hodges

4th - Riley Atkins/ Zhane Duncan

### 6 Year Girls

Brooklyn Bidner

Jada Laurie

### 8 Year Girls

Kiara Quirk

Kelsey Hawkins

### 10 Year Girls

Mia Quirk

Rhianna Legge

Kalea Morrison

### 10 Year Boys

1st - Gus Lawrence

2nd - Charlie Begg

3rd - Ziz O'Brien-Cavanough

4th - Paul Locke

Mia Groves





Keep this absent note handy for the next time your child/ren are absent from school.

**ABSENT NOTE – Gresford Public School**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Teacher,

Please excuse my child from class on the following date(s) \_\_\_\_\_

due to (reason for absence) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

✂ \_\_\_\_\_ ✂

**Have you changed your details? Please let us know.  
Return this section to school ASAP!**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (home)

\_\_\_\_\_ (home)

\_\_\_\_\_ (work)

\_\_\_\_\_ (work)

\_\_\_\_\_ (mobile)

\_\_\_\_\_ (mobile)

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter: Please tick box if you wish for the newsletter to be emailed ☐

**EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

\_\_\_\_\_ (NAME)

\_\_\_\_\_ (NAME)

\_\_\_\_\_ ( Home phone)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Home phone)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Mobile)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Mobile)

