

# **Gresford Public School**

**Newsletter Term 1** Week 2 February 7th, 2019

## Principal's message

Welcome to the 2019 school year. We are happy to have all our lovely students return and we especially welcome new kindergarten students and their families.

We also welcome back Mrs Davies after the arrival of her baby boy, Van. Mrs Davies works with our team on Mondays and Tuesdays teaching groups of children to support their literacy and numeracy consolidation. Mrs Davies also brings her special skills in teaching dance back to our school and has already started working towards the Hunter Dance Festival.

We are very lucky to have engaged the talents of Mrs Rubeli who works on Mondays and Tuesdays extending the literacy and numeracy skills of groups of talented Year 3 to Year 6 students. Mrs Rubeli also provides additional principal release allocated by the Department of Education to deal with the administrative load of running the school. Mrs Rubeli has a wealth of talents including music, science, puppetry and yoga teaching.

Parent information sessions are planned for **Tuesday**, 12<sup>th</sup> February when parents are invited to meet with class teachers to find out about curriculum directions and classroom organisation for the year. Meeting times are as follows: Year 3/4 -3.15pm to 3.45pm Kinder/Year 1- 3.45pm - 4.15pm Year 1/2 - 4.15pm -4.45pm Year 5/6 - 4.45pm -5.15pm.

We hope to meet with as many parents as possible.

To support children's safety online, Years 3-6 participated in video conferences this week presented as part of Safer Internet Day which has been organised by the government Office of eSafety. We want our children to be safe online.

We look forward to greeting new families at the P&C Welcome Disco to be held on the school 15<sup>th</sup> hard court on Friday, February from 6 pm to 8.30 pm.

Kind regards,

Pauline

"Teachers open the door but you must walk through it yourself."-Chinese Proverb

## 3/4 STEAM Lesson







# **School Planning Snippets**

This year the school will undergo what is known as external validation which all schools are required to participate in. This will mean a significant amount of preparation by the whole staff to prepare for the visit of a panel of assessors who will examine the full range of educational practice at our school. We are confident they will be satisfied with the standard of teaching and learning presented daily by our dedicated team.



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PBL AWARDS Jackson Wells, Pippa Merchant, Lacey H SCHOOL MERITS Annabelle Chesworth, Caidence Apthorp		FEBRUARY Tue 12th -	Parent meetings - 3/4 - 3.15pm K/1 - 3.45pm 1/2 - 4.15pm 5/6 - 4.45pm	
Monica Lawrence	Wed 13th -	Canteen begins		
SPORTS AWARDS		Thu 14th -	School Banking begins	
Zaiden Apthorpe, Kurtis Joliffe, Ethan Cr LIBRARY AWARDS No Library this week	Fri 15th - - -	P&C A.G.M P&C Welcome Disco - 6pm Book Club loop orders due		
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT	Wed 20th -	Gala Soccer Day		
Jameson Cremer, Nina Maroulis, Lara Silver, Hendrix Johnston		MARCH Tue 5th -	Show entries due	
GOOD LISTENER AWARD Bailey Caukwell, Ellie Barnett		Fri 8th -	Gresford Show visit	
		Mon 11th -	Young Leaders Conference School Captains only	
		Thu 21st -	Harmony Day	
CANTEEN ROSTER		Mon 1st -	Swim School begins	
		Fri 12th -	Swim School finishes	
Wednesday 13th February Sylvia & KristyFriday 15th February P&C meeting Elise Chesworth &	Tucker Box & P&C News         Please find with today's newsletter			
Samantha Wall DISCO	our latest menu and roster			
Wednesday 20th February Sheree Graham & Samantha Russell	for Term 1, 2019.			
Friday 22nd February Tracy Merchant & Shantelle Turnbull	Thanking all our wonderful volunteers in advance for all that you do.			
Wednesday 27th February Sharon Hill & Shannon Cremer	n February Kind regards,			

**Professional learning** for staff has been in the areas of Child Protection and curriculum development.

# Some Reminders

- Hats are required every day for fitness, sport and playing the playground. School hats will only be loaned for fitness activities and sport. "No hat – play in the shade."
- No bus board messages after 2.30pm please unless it is an emergency.
- Uniform purchase is only on canteen days, Wednesdays & Fridays after 9.30am.

Our **Before and After School Care Service** provides quality, fully accredited child care services, **Monday to Thursday** both mornings and afternoons at the following times:

> <u>Mornings: 7.30 to 8.30 and</u> <u>Afternoons: 3.00 to 5.30.</u>

## <u>No Fridays</u>.

Rebates and casual vacancies available. Enrolment forms available at the office.

### Please support this excellent service



## School Banking is back at Gresford Public School

We would like to welcome Sandy as our new School Banking Co-ordinator!

School Banking is back. School Banking Day will be Thursday, commencing on 14th February 2019.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for students to learn about money and develop good savings habits. For each weekly deposit made at school, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once they collect 10 tokens, they can redeem them for a School Banking reward.

If your child has previously participated in School Banking, or has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account, they can start banking straight away by bringing their Dollarmites deposit wallet to school on School Banking day.

If your child has lost their book, they can bring their money to school in a sealed envelope with a note on School Banking day and we will issue them with a replacement book.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please contact Sandy or visit commbank.com.au/ schoolbanking.



YOU'RE INVITED TO THE MEET AND GREET DISCO Hosted by Gresford School P&C Association

When: Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Time: 6.00pm to 8.30pm Location: Gresford School Hardcourt \$2.00 entry per person BBQ from 6.00pm Sausage sandwiches, drinks, chips, ice-cream and lollies will be available for purchase on the night.



### Paterson River Netball Regos Open

Paterson Netball is looking for players for the 2019 Netball Season.

Registrations are open now and until the 8<sup>th</sup> Feb.

#### All ages welcome.

We are registered for the Active Kids Rebate so take advantage of the \$100 discount per child.

Links on our website and facebook page to hassle free registration.

Any queries or help don't hesitate to contact our Facebook page or Jess on 0497498654.





### Under 6's to All Age Men's & Women's – Gresford Vacy Football Club Children turning 5 in 2019 can play as Under 6's - We cater for junior Mixed and Girls only Teams

'Eligible Kids' are school aged children between 5 – 11 years old where their family has utilised the governments' \$100 Active Kids Voucher from Service NSW Preschool and 12-18 year olds Childrens cost is \$50 upfront

For voucher information: https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-active-kids-voucher

You must register online at: playfootball.com.au

# WIN rebel vouchers & refunds !!!

4x weekly prize draws of vouchers and merchandise during Feb - All **registered players eligible**. Major prizes drawn on March 1st. Juniors Major prize is Rebel Vouchers - 1st \$150, 2nd \$75, 3rd 30°. Geniors Major priz 1st prize - full trego rethund, Zho prize - Naif rego rethund. Must be registered and paid in full to be eligible for Major pri

Else Rego Days - Sunday 17th Feb. 3pm-5pm at Gresford Sports Complex

AND Friday 22nd Feb, 4pm-6pm at Vacy sportsground

NB: New players MUST bring a copy of their birth certificate

Every player receives a playing strip & dress shirt NB: all juniors receive a free training ball too

Category	GVFC Rego Fee	Less Active Kids \$100 Voucher	GVFC Game fees	Season Total Cost	
Entry 5 years (Preschool)	\$50.00	NA – Still \$50	nil, zero, zilch, nothing, \$0	Only \$50 Rego – No game fees	
Entry 5 - 11 yrs	\$100.00	\$0	nil, zero, zilch, nothing, \$0	Nothing if Service NSW \$100 Active Kids voucher utilised – else \$100	
Youth 12 -18 yrs	\$100.00	\$0	\$50 upfront or \$5 per game	Only \$50 Games fees upfront if Service NSW \$100 Active Kids voucher utilised	
Senior Amateur	\$230.00	NA – Still \$230	Saturday & Sunday: \$100 upfront or \$10 per game Friday nights: \$130 upfront or \$13 per game	Saturday & Sunday: \$330 upfront for rego and games fees inc Friday nights: \$360 upfront for Friday nights	

#### For more information or help contact:

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