

Principal's message

The Big Vegi Crunch

Today we joined lots of other schools across NSW in educating children in the health benefits of eating lots of fresh vegetables. Thanks to the generosity of Woolworths, we sampled a range today. Children are encouraged to bring vegetables for snacks in class as well as fruit. Water is also important for frequent drinks during class time.

Tomorrow is **Nude Food Day** and our SRC will be recording the numbers of lunch boxes in each class with no plastic wrapping or packaging. Year 3/4 were last month's winners. Years 1/2 and 3/4 participated in a video conference yesterday on sea turtles from the Great Barrier Reef as part of our science and environmental studies. We again heard the message about the damage plastics are doing to our oceans and the creatures that live in them.

Congratulations to all our Cross Country runners and place getters. You all had a long way to run! Well done also to all those who competed at the zone event.

Year 6 were the lucky ones to visit Dungog High for a presentation by **Eddie Woo, Australia's Local Hero of 2018** to hear him talk about the fun

things that can be studied through maths. This opportunity was made available through the Dungog Community of Schools Middle Years Maths Program.

Anzac Day this year falls in the school holidays and we will be marching as a school, in uniform on 25th April at 10.30 from the local garage to the cenotaph where our school will play a role in the service. We hope that as many students as possible will attend this important commemorative occasion. We will have our school service on the first day back after the holidays on 30th April. It would be appreciated if students could bring donations of flowers for our school wreath to be laid on this day. Parents are welcome to attend.

Kind regards,
Pauline

*"Words are of course
the most powerful drug
used by mankind."*

PBL

Student of the Month

Jameson Cremer



Jameson has already shown himself to be an excellent student. He is happy, friendly, hardworking and demonstrates respect, resilience, responsibility and leadership in the classroom and playground.

Congratulations Jameson.

**RESPECT* RESILIENCE*
RESPONSIBILITY***

Big Vegi Crunch



School Planning Snippets

Strategic Direction 3 of our school plan focuses on developing innovative and creative thinking in our students. Professional learning to support the continued development of this for our teachers will be in their attendance at

PBL AWARDS

Amelia Crow, Kimberley Thiecke, Kate Smith, Piper Conn, Ellie Barnett,
Tom Field, Layla Turnbull

SCHOOL MERITS

Isaac Houston, Jake Osmond, Ethan Crouch, Harrison Sellens,
Nyah O'Connor, Lucy Pittman, Bailey Conn

SPORTS AWARDS

Harley Pittman, Toby Addison, Layla Turnbull, Mathilda Joliffe,
Jaxson Kleinschafer, Charlie Hill, Sam Feild, Bailey Conn

LIBRARY AWARDS

Charlotte Marsh, Monica Lawrence

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Amelia Crow, Pearl Farley, William Venter, Chase Hoffman,
Kayla Townsend, Lara Silver

APRIL

Mon 8th - Cricket v Paterson

Fri 12th - Swim School finishes

- Easter Church Service
9am

- Easter Hat Parade
10am

- PBL Assembly 10.30am

Freedom Friday for students receiving PBL
awards and who have accumulated 3
certificates

- Last day for Term 1

Mon 29th - Staff Development Day

Tue 30th - All students return for
Term 2

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 5th April

CLOSED - Swim School

Wednesday 10th April

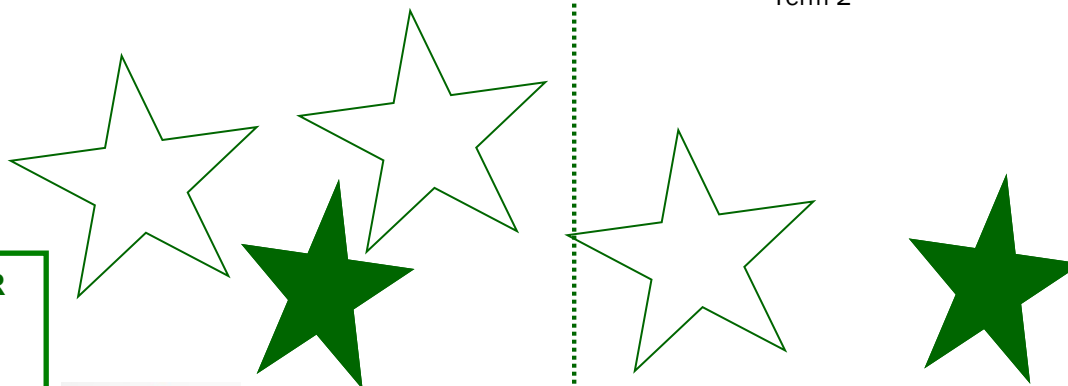
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Friday 12th April

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Happy

Holidays



Tucker Box & P&C News

Volunteers Needed

Please remember to return your Pony Pat volunteer note by tomorrow if you are able to assist in either ticket sales or to set up or pull down the marquee. As of today only 3 people have put their hand up to volunteer for this great fundraiser.

WE NEED YOUR **HELP**

A graphic where the word 'HELP' is written in large, bold, black letters. The letter 'H' is partially obscured by a hand icon. The letters 'E', 'L', and 'P' are also partially obscured by hand icons. Above the 'E' and 'L' are the words 'WE NEED' and 'YOUR' respectively, in a smaller font.



Professional learning for staff has been in the areas of finance, school planning, mathematics, L3, Work, Health and Safety and writing.

ANZAC Services

The Anzac March leaves the local garage at 10.30am and proceeds to the cenotaph. The school ANZAC service will be held on 30th April at school; donations of flowers would be appreciated.



Support Our Recycling Program



Did you know one rubbish truck worth of plastic ends up in our oceans every minute?

Help us stop the toxic cycle of plastic use at every level before its too late.

Please support our soft plastics recycling program.



Many thanks to Grahame Chevally and the willing band of workers who have laid concrete at our school for a new pathway to the side gate, for the repair of a broken and dangerous section of path and a base for our new hen house. Special thanks also to Keith Collier who did the excavation, surface preparation and formwork and to Lou Whyte who organised workers and material and did her share of concreting.

ALL THIS WAS DONE AT NO COST TO THE SCHOOL

We are very grateful!





bee hotel for native solitary pollinator bees.

Work with everyday items found in the household and backyard.

WHEN: Wednesday 17 April 2019
TIME: 10.00am to 11.30pm

WHERE: Dungog Library 17 Mackay Street, Dungog

COST: FREE

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL CALL DUNGOG LIBRARY
ON 02 49 92 1 819



No Fridays.

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

Please support this excellent service

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."

Please!

- ◆ No bus board messages after 2.30pm unless it is an emergency.
- ◆ Uniform purchase is only on canteen days, Wednesdays & Fridays after 9.30am.



Hunter Mobile Preschool operates preschool at the Gresford School of Arts Hall Supper Room each Tuesday and Friday of the school term. We currently have vacancies on both days for this year.

If you would like to enrol your child or would like to know more, please email us at lhactivityvan@bigpond.com

We are also taking details for our waiting list for 2020.



Scripture Easter Service
Friday 12 April, 9am
Gresford School Computer Room

The Story
The Symbols
and
Songs
about Easter

Everyone is welcome



Every Day Counts



When your child misses just	that equals per year	and therefore from Kindy to year 6	and therefore from Kindy to Year 12 that is	Your child has missed
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	9 months of school	1 ½ years of school	260 days
1 hour per day	40 days per year	1 and ¼ years of school	Over 2 ½ years of school	520 days
1 day per	40 days per year	1 and ¼ years of	Over 2 ½ years	520 days