

Principal's message

Spring has sprung and September is **Fruit and Veggie Month**. You will find inserts in our newsletter with ideas to encourage children to eat more fruit and particularly vegetables. We will continue our focus at school on healthy eating focusing on fruit and vegetable consumption in our morning 'Crunch and Sip' time.

Our senior students returned from **Canberra** last week with reports on interesting learning and good behaviour. This excursion gives students first hand experience in the operations of democracy in our nation's capital.

All classes had a visit last week from the **Smart Start Program** which introduces children at their appropriate levels to the importance of careful spending and saving. These are important skills for children to take into adulthood.

Also visiting was Jane Lloyd-Jones from Hunter Local Land Services who spoke to all classes on the threat of feral animals to our local native species. This presentation was arranged to support the **'Kreative Koalas' project** the students are involved in, focusing on the preservation of local endangered species.



Our **new Kindergarten students** for 2020 commenced 'Smart Starters' this week which aims to support the transition from home to school. Children attended with their parents or carers and will continue the program each Wednesday till the end of term.

The school is again very grateful to the world acclaimed pianist and music patron of our school, **Mr John Lill** who has made another substantial and generous donation towards the music education of our students. Those who attended the concert he gave earlier in the year at St Mary on Allyn church would agree that his performance was thrilling. Thank you, Mr Lill on behalf of all the students and families of Gresford School.



Kind regards,

Pauline

*"The money saved for a rainy day now
buys a smaller umbrella."*



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Month**

School Planning Snippets

Our very comprehensive submission which has been prepared for the External Validation school inspection scheduled for Week 1 next term is nearing completion. The school staff has worked tirelessly to present a comprehensive overview of the achievements emanating from the school plan. Their efforts to showcase our school have been commendable.





SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 4th Smart Starters

Friday 6th Science & Engineering Day @ Dungog High School for Yrs 5/6

Monday 9th Life Education Van visit

Tuesday 10th Life Education Van visit

Friday 20th P&C meeting
Netball Gala Day

Friday 27th Talent Quest
PBL Assembly
Last day for Term 3

OCTOBER

Monday 14th All Staff & Students return for Term 4

PBL AWARDS

Amelia Crow, Charlie Hill, Lara Silver, Charlee Swindle, Daniel Hodges, Skye Turner, Ryan Thiecke, Josie Hodges

SCHOOL MERITS

Jameson Cremer, Kurtis Joliffe, Nate Turner, Piper Conn, Bridie Booth, Lacey Hoffman, Lilly Bradley

SPORTS AWARDS

Norton Bynon, Madelin Cremer, Nate Turner, Chase Hoffman, Jaxson Kleinschfer, Chilli Bynon, Ethan Crouch, Charlee Swindle

LIBRARY AWARDS

John Hodges, Pearl Farley, Bridie Booth

GOOD LISTENER AWARD

Pearl Ropata, Piper Conn, Charli Barnett

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Annabelle Chesworth, Bridie Booth, Lucia Merchant, Bailey Conn, Kayla Townsend, Kurtis Joliffe, Lucy Pittman, Chase Hoffman

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 6th September
Katherine Hodges & Illanda Ellis

Wednesday 11th September
Rebecca Marsh & Sherree Graham

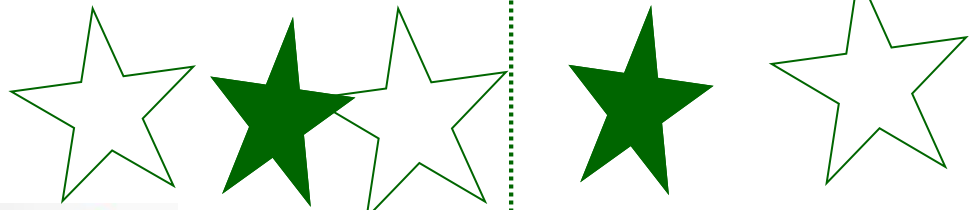
Friday 13th September
Tracy Merchant & Shantelle Turnbull

Wednesday 18th September
Samantha Russell & Shannon Cremer

Friday 20th September
Sharon & Peter Hill

Wednesday 25th September
Chloe Bradley & Sylvia Lawrence

Friday 27th September
Ang Kelehear & Karleen Kelehear



Tucker Box & P&C News

Next
P&C meeting
is on
Thursday 19th September
at the new time
of
5.00pm to 7.00pm



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.

Professional learning for staff has been in the areas of external validation and L3.

'NO HAT PLAY IN THE SHADE'

We have many children coming to school without a hat. It is the school's policy '**No Hat Play in the Shade**'. We are asking parents to make sure their children have their hats in their bags so children can participate in all activities at the school.

We thank you for your assistance with this matter.



Kindergarten Enrolments - 2020

In preparation for the next generation of learners, we are inviting parents of Kindergarten students for 2020 to contact the school for enrolment and orientation details.



Smart Starters

Is your child starting school next year? If so, we invite you to our Smart Starter transition days being held in the school library on the following dates.

Wednesday 11th September

Wednesday 18th September

Wednesday 25th September

From 2.00pm to 3.00pm.

Hope to see you there!

5/6 Canberra Excursion



Country is not just a place you can visit
It's also something you carry around inside you.
Greg Lehman 15/3/16



Polish your boots, tie up your bows and gather your friends its
Gresford Public School P&C Association's biennial fundraising ball –
"Boots and Bows"

Come and join us to help raise money to purchase new laptops for the
students of Gresford Public School.

Saturday 9th November
at The Gresford School of Arts 6.30pm.

Ticket price includes a delicious 3 course meal and entertainment by
live band 24 Hours.

You won't go thirsty with bar facilities available and plenty of fun and
games to be had on the night.

Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased from the Gresford Public
School front office or on the school website via the "Make a Payment"
tab using Ball Ticket as a reference along with your contact details.

Gresford Public School P&C Presents

BOOTS and BOWS 2019

fundraising event

Saturday 9th November

Live Band - 24 Hrs
Bar, Auction and Games

Gresford School of Arts 6.30pm
\$50 per head including dinner.
Tickets on sale at the office of
Gresford Public School.

All funds raised will be used toward new laptops for the
students of Gresford Public School.

 **Cancer Council**
Healthy Lunch Box

Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

... to use spring vegetables.

Fruit and vegetables
are tastiest and
cheapest when they
are in season.



During Spring,
mandarins, pineapples,
berries, asparagus,
cucumber, green beans, zucchini, mushrooms
and peas are all in season.

Here are some fruit and veg filled, spring ideas:

- [Green frittata](#)
- [Fattoush salad](#)
- [Moroccan lentil salad](#)
- [Tofu Korma](#)
- [Zucchini and turmeric salmon patties](#)
- [Healthy banana split pots](#)
- [Yoghurt rice pudding](#)
- [Frozen fruit puree](#)

healthylunchbox.com.au

VACY VILLAGE COUNTRY CARNIVAL



9AM-3PM

SUNDAY SEPT 8th 2019

When too much Vacy is never enough!

[vacycountrycarnival@gmail.com!](mailto:vacycountrycarnival@gmail.com)



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Could
all
Perpetual
Awards
from
last year please
be
returned to
school as soon
as possible.



River PATERSON VALLEY COLOUR RUN 2019

Sunday 22nd September 2019

9.00am

Tocal College

patersonvalleycolourrun.com

Register now to secure your **FREE** Goodie Bag
(including a T-Shirt, and colour sachet)

Limited Supply Available - so hurry and register or you will miss out.

All money raised goes to Paterson Valley Community Pre-School.
A Not-for Profit Community Pre-School.