

3/4 News

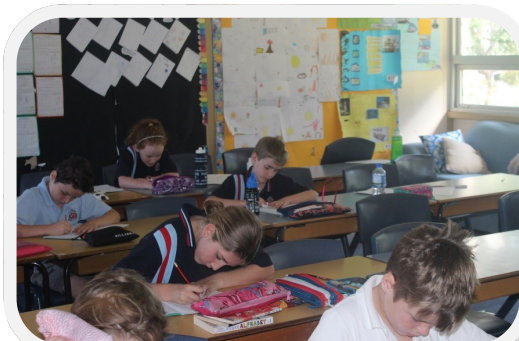
We have had a busy beginning to term three. Stage Two have been involved in numerous class activities involving Geography, English, Science and Mathematics.

We welcomed visitors into our classroom space to share our world during Education Day to show them our work and also to do science experiments. It was unfortunate (or lucky) that it was raining so we missed out on PE time with our visitors! This week we presented a poem about responsibility for our assembly item.

We have been getting ready for Great Aussie Bush camp and look forward to it next week. We do hope that there will be stunning weather, comfortable beds and yummy food. We will try to not miss you all too much!!

We would also like to wish all our classmates the best of luck in all the different activities that we participate in outside our classroom this term - school cricket team, choir, horse sports and zone athletics.

Mrs Halliday



Term 3, Week 5
August 15th, 2016
Coming Events

AUGUST

Mon 15th - Stage 2 & Stage 3 camps
Fri 19th - Zone Athletics
Wed 24th - 1/2 Assembly
- Newcastle Perm. Maths
Test Yrs 5 & 6

SEPTEMBER

Wed 7th - Gresford Create Art Carnival
- Kinder Assembly
Wed 21st - 5/6 Assembly

NOTES

Gresford Create Art Carnival & Canteen Menu

ATTENTION PARENTS

There has been a case of Head Lice in the school and we are asking all parents/caregivers to please check their children's hair and treat with the appropriate product.



Louse eggs glued to hair shafts. Eggs are the size of a small pinhead



Approximate size

CANTEEN DAYS

MONDAY	FRIDAY
15th August Genevieve Fitzgerald/Sarah Reynolds	19th August Deb Gordon/Janet Krick
22nd August Michelle Toews/Kya Muddle	26th August MEAL DEAL DAY - Kerri & Carla
29th August Rennae Coleman/Tien Norley	2nd September Amy Merchant/Nicole Paterson
5th September Genevieve Fitzgerald/Sarah Reynolds	9th September Julie White/Danielle Cowled
12th September Rennae Coleman/Tien Norley	16th September Karen Ford/Alison Teasdale
19th September Jo Huntriss/Genevieve Fitzgerald	23rd September Carla Parish/Michelle Toews

Principal's Update Week 5, Term 3

School Camps

The school might look a bit quiet next week, as our stage 2 and stage 3 students are attending excursions. A huge thanks to the accompanying staff for the many extra hours they put in to give our students the opportunity to attend overnight camps. Stay tuned for more information about a K-2 excursion towards the end of term that is currently in the planning stages.

Zone Athletics

The zone athletics carnival was postponed for a second time and will now take place this Friday, 19th August. Hopefully our very patient athletes will enjoy their day and the weather will be kind to us.

Road Safety

We have had a number of reports of incidents on the school crossing in which cars travelling past are not stopping or are travelling in a dangerous manner. We will be speaking to all students to remind them about road safety and it would help if you could also discuss it at home. Please remember that you are a role model for our children and it is very important that parents also use the school crossing in a safe manner, and do not park in the bus zone. We would encourage you to report any traffic incidents outside the school to the Maitland Police.

Swim School Changes

In response to community feedback, we have revised the structure of swimming school. This year, all students from K-6 who are not able to swim 25m will be invited to participate. It will now run as a 'learn to swim' program rather than as a whole school scheme. Permission notes are attached to the newsletter.

Communication

Our teachers are available to discuss your child's learning with you at any time. Please feel free to make an appointment to discuss their progress at any time throughout the year.

With thanks.

Sarah-Jane



As pedestrians, children can be easily distracted and are often too small to be seen by drivers. They may be unable to predict or identify dangers and tend to act impulsively.

Talk with your child about safe behaviour on the footpath – it is not a safe place to play. Include discussion on the dangers of vehicles that may be entering or exiting driveways.

Until your child is at least eight years old, hold their hand:

on the footpath, in the car park, when crossing the road.

Up until at least 10 years old, supervise your child very closely, holding their hand when crossing the road.

If you cannot be with your child, organise for another trusted adult to accompany them.

After school, meet your child at the school gate. At the end of the school day children may be excited, distracted and tired and may not concentrate on road safety.

Drop-off and pick-up by car

Make sure your children are in appropriate [child car seats](#) that are fitted and used correctly. Stick to the **40km/h speed limit** in a school zone as children are about and can be unpredictable. Look out for buses pulling out – watch for **wig-wag** lights.

Always park and turn legally around schools and **avoid dangerous manoeuvres** like U-turns and three-point turns. Always **give way to pedestrians**, especially when entering and leaving driveways. Drop the kids off and pick them up on the **school side of the road** in your school's designated drop-off and pick-up area. Calling out to them from across the road is dangerous because they may run to you without checking traffic. It's safest for the kids to get out of the car on the **kerb side of the road** to be away from passing traffic.

Term 3

Assembly Award ~ Week 4



Term 3 Week 4	Respect	Responsibility	Resilience
Kindergarten	Tahlia Ford for always showing respect to teachers and class members.	Archie Gillespie for demonstrating responsibility in the classroom	Atlas Hatchman for persisting and trying her best during new tasks
Year 1/2	Billy Herbert for being more responsible in class and with his learning.	Coby Palmowski for being more responsible with his learning.	Emma Parish for displaying resilience in and out of the classroom.
Class 3/4	Charlotte McNally for demonstrating respect in class towards all visitors.	Jett Saxby for being responsible in schoolwork by taking ownership of his own learning.	Connor Ford for demonstrating resilience when in class and the playground.
Class 4/5/6	Tynan Palmowski for displaying a mature attitude.	Joslyn Paterson for always completing work to the best of her ability.	Kain Lee for demonstrating greater resilience.



Kindergarten	Tess Coleman for being a trustworthy and studious class member
Class 1/2	Paige Key for being a responsible learner in and out of the classroom.
Class 3/4	Aidan Tremethick for taking responsibility at all times by taking care of personal and school property.
Class 4/5/6	Luke Speelman for contributions to choir.

Captain's Award:

Jett Saxby for being kind and caring to others.



GRESFORD VACY
JUNIOR CRICKET

Registrations for the 2016/2017 season are now open.

Competition commencing 15th October.

Games are played at 8.30am Saturday mornings,

Games last no longer than 3 hours.

Registration fee of \$100 includes a hat and use of a game day shirt.

Online registrations and payments can be made by contacting:

Hazel Craig-hazel.craig@hotmail.com / 0405 417 900

or at registration day at The Gresford Sporting Complex

Thursday 1st September 3.30pm -530pm

This year we are also looking for players to play in the T20Blast competition. This is an 8 a side competition and skill building program for players aged 7 and up, played at Robins Park Maitland on Monday's between 4.30pm -6pm. The cost is \$99, players receive a t-shirt and cap and all equipment is provided. For more info on the T20 Blast Program visit

www.playcricket.com.au/learn/T20-blast.



NORTHERN SUBURBS CRICKET CLUB
Est. 1903

President: Will Callinan/Dave Wilks Secretary: Amy Callinan Treasurer: John Callinan

Registrations for 2016/2017 season

ALL Milo In2cricket (5-8yrs) participants have to register & pay OnLine this season.

Please go to the link below to proceed:

www.playcricket.com.au/club-finder/club-details?id=4387

Registration for Junior (U/10 to U/16) and Senior players

Where: Lorn Park Clubrooms

Dates: Friday 12 & 19 August – 4.30pm to 6.30pm

Saturday 13 & 20 August 9.30am to 11.30am.

A Final Day will be held on Saturday 27 August 9.30am to 11.00am.

All **new players** are welcome to attend. If you are a NEW junior player OR are registering with NSCC for the 1st time please bring your **Birth Certificate** with you.

OnLine Rego: Existing players will receive email instructions.

Any further enquiries please

Visit website: www.northscc.com.au OR

Email: will.callinan@mn.catholic.edu.au OR

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Scare-Crow Competition

A FUN EVENT FOR ALL

GET INVOLVED MAKE SOMETHING

Crazy

Vacy Community Arts Centre is holding a Scarecrow Competition and invites interested people to participate in this fun event. This event will be held on Sunday the 18th September when the Vacy Country Carnival is on.

So get your imagination going and see what crazy creations you can come up with, fun for the whole family.

Scarecrows will be judged on the day and prizes awarded in categories. Kids up to 12 years and Open

Entry fee is \$3.00

Entry forms can be collected at the Arts Centre on weekends from 11am to 3pm and at Vacy General Store

Please send entry forms to

Vacy Community Arts Centre

Old Butcher Shop Gresford Road Vacy