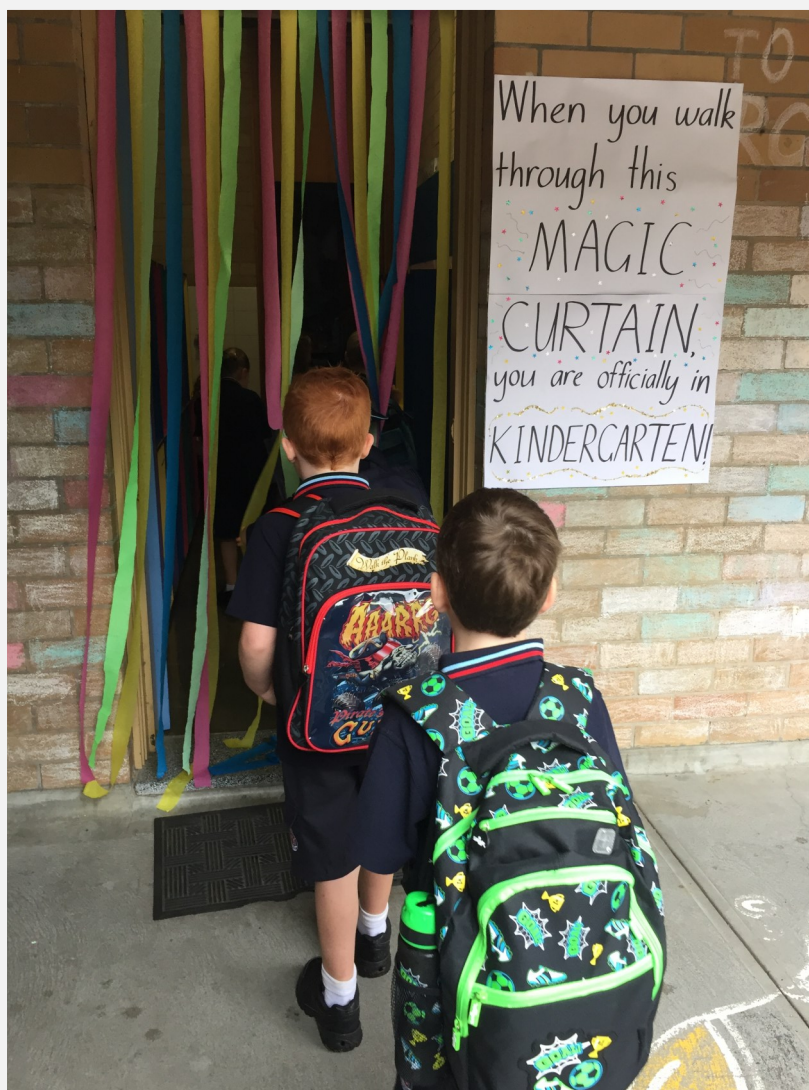




Welcome Kindergarten!

Our new Kindergarten students are off to a great start! They have settled in very well and are learning all about how school works. The Year 5/6 buddies have been a wonderful help with settling them in. Kindergarten began by learning about why writing was invented. They made camp fires to discuss how ancient people wrote on walls to remember stories to pass on. Now kindergarten are ready to start learning their sounds! They are a lovely class and we wish them a fantastic time at Paterson Public School.



Term 1, Week 3 February 10th Coming Events

February

Mon. 13th - Swimming Carnival
Years 2-6

Tues. 14th - Class Information
evening

Wed. 22nd - 1/2 Assembly

Frid. 24th - P&C Welcome BBQ

March

Wed. 8th - Year 4 Assembly

Wed. 22nd - Year 3 Assembly

April

Wed. 5th - School Photos

- Year 5/6 Assembly

Notes Sent home

Canteen Menu & Roster

Cattle Judging

Water Fun Day

CHANGES TO SEXTONS

BUS ROUTE

Changes will commence on Monday 6th February 2017 along Martins Creek Road - the service will make a loop into the "Brisbane Grove" subdivision (both AM & PM)

The service will travel ONLY - ONE WAY along Martins Creek Road in the AM & PM - which means the AM service will continue via Martins Creek and then Gresford Road to SCHOOL,

In the PM the service will leave School and travel via Gresford Road and Martins Creek and then on the same route as has been the case as previous - travelling on to Duns Creek.

If you require any further clarification - please contact me on 4938 5240.

2017 School Leaders

A reminder that our school leaders for 2017 will be inducted at a special assembly in week 4, Wednesday 15th February, commencing at 2.15pm.

This will include our School Captains, Vice-Captains, Prefects, Sports House Captains and Vice Captains.



Dungog High School

**Year 5/6 Information Evening
Wednesday 22nd February at 5pm**

**Students in years 5/6 & their families
are invited to an information evening
in the MPC at 5pm**

**Guests will tour the school & have the
opportunity to meet with staff
A free sausage sizzle will be provided.**

**RSVP 17th Feb Dungog High
4992 3022**

WANTED Lego

The Kinder classroom is in need of more Lego. If you are able to donate Lego or Duplo it would be greatly appreciated.



Calf Handling and Cattle Judging

Many thanks to Mark Watts and his team at Bernicia Limousin Stud for hosting training sessions in calf handling and cattle judging. Our first competition for the year will be the Maitland Show Junior Cattle Judging event to happen on Friday, 17th February.

Swimming Carnival

Reminder that the swimming carnival on Monday will be held at East Maitland Pool. Students travelling by bus to the pool will need to be at school by 8.55am. If you are meeting the bus at the pool please be waiting at the gate to allow a head count at 9.30am. We ask that you remind your child to wear a hat and bring sunscreen to be applied throughout the day. There will be no ribbons handed out on the day. Ribbons will be given out at a special assembly in the coming weeks.

Choir

Congratulations to students that have been accepted into our 2017 performance choir. Rehearsals will commence on Tuesday afternoon.

Class Information Meetings

Our class information meetings will be held on Tuesday, 14th February. This will allow you an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and find out about routines and expectations in their class. For those who are unable to attend, written information will be sent home. The times are as follows:

Year 5/6 -	Mr Lowrey	-	3.30pm
Kinder -	Miss Authers	-	4.00pm
Year 1/2 -	Miss Potter	-	4.30pm
Year 3 -	Mrs Halliday/Miss Guider	-	5.00pm
Year 4 -	Mr Baxter	-	5.30pm

Assembly

Congratulations to our new leaders who led their first assembly on Wednesday afternoon. If you were able to attend you will have noticed that we have streamlined our awards slightly. Three awards will be given out at assembly for each class. One PBL award will be given out to a student who has demonstrated one of our values of respect, responsibility or resilience. A class award will be presented to a student for something wonderful they have done in class and can be for any reason the teacher chooses. The final award will be a Principal Award.

Assemblies will be held every second Wednesday from 2:30pm in the hall. Next Wednesday afternoon we will be holding a special assembly to introduce our school community to our school leaders and house captains for 2017.

Term 1

Assembly Awards

Week 3



PBL News

This week students have been looking at showing respect by waiting their turn. Classes have been involved in discussions, role play and group activities that highlight behaviours associated with turn waiting in different situations.

Term 1 Week 3	PBL AWARD	CLASS AWARD	PRINCIPALS AWARD
Kindergarten	Ethan Cowled (Respect)	Halle Cridland	Xavier Wood
Years 1/2	Drew Saxby (Responsibility)	Noah Laggeti	Imarni-Rose Collyer
Class 3	Emily Ferris (Respect)	Brodie Wood	Addison Monk
Year 4	Bridget Taylor (Respect)	Riley Kidd	Accaylia Monk
Years 5/6	Kiara Merchant (Respect)	Zo Hatchman	Ella Coleman

Captain's Award

Noah Lee for working quietly in class.

Train 4 School

HELPING FAMILIES GET READY FOR SCHOOL

Did you have a little one who just started school?

Train 4 School is a free 8 Session Community Program for families in the Dungog Shire which runs throughout the year before your child starts school. Friendly & practical help to prepare your child for school life - emotionally, physically, socially & academically.



Celebration Session: On track!

Come & connect for morning tea & celebrate your child starting school.

10am, THURSDAY 16th February
Tucker Park, Paterson

No cost. Children welcome.
Morning Tea provided.
Transport available.



For more info contact Ali on
0412 552 546 or Dungog Shire
Community Centre 4992 1133.



Soccer

2017 SEASON WINTER COMP

Register Now!

play with the 'Scorpions'

Under 6's to All Age Men's & Women's
(Children turning 5 in 2017 can play as Under 6's)

New players and beginners are always welcome!

You must register online between 1st and 28th February
at www.myfootballclub.com.au

Registration guides can be found in the "Documents" section
at <https://gresfordvacyfc.teamapp.com>

Registration fees may be paid online or at the club, but **must** be paid in no later than April 1st, 2017



Registration Information day will be held at
Gresford Sporting Complex
Saturday 11th February, 9am – 1pm

New players: Please bring a copy of birth certificate
Families: ½ price of lowest rego fees for 3rd, 4th, 5th Player
You can also purchase/order your club socks or get help with registration
Every new Player receives a free Dress Shirt and playing shorts

~ EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT ~ Register and pay before February 20th

Age Group	Early bird fee	Normal fee
5-7's *	\$ 15.00	\$ 20.00
8-11's	\$ 85.00	\$ 95.00
12-18's	\$ 100.00	\$ 110.00
Seniors	\$ 195.00	\$ 210.00

* 5-7's receive a free training ball & shin pads

More information or help:

Club President, Damien Crouch, 0413-305961

Club Secretary, Fritz Woller 49385386ah / 0419-275760 or e-mail gresfordvacyfc@outlook.com

Payment methods:

- Via credit card during online registration
- In cash at Club on Registration day
- Via online banking to:
Gresford Vacy Soccer Club
BSB: 082 691 (NAB Maitland)
Account number: 509688127
Please use the Players name as the reference

Maitland Junior Rugby Union

2017 Registration

at Marcellin Park Glenarvon Road Lorn

Tuesday 7th Feb- 5pm to 7pm Thursday 9th Feb - 5pm to 7pm
Sunday 12th Feb - 9am to 12pm Thursday 23rd Feb - 5pm to 7pm
Sunday 26th Feb - 9am to 12pm

For online registration and further information
<http://www.maitlandrugbyclub.com.au/registration/>
or enquiries to info@maitlandblacks.com.au



Department
of Industry
Resources & Energy

Support to Pay Electricity and Gas Bills*



Help is available to pay
your energy bills.

For information on
rebates and emergency
assistance go to:

www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/rebates

or phone Service NSW
on 137 788

* eligibility criteria apply

Good for Kids good for life

WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATIONS

Joining in team sports is a great way to increase
your child's physical activity. Other benefits
include:

- Teaching teamwork
- Increasing communication skills
- Gaining confidence through interaction with other children
- Teaching children it is ok to lose sometimes
- Making new friends
- And most importantly, having fun!



Registrations for winter team sports open in the first
weeks of Term 1 so why not inquire today about
what team sports are available in your community?



Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

PHONE 4924 6499