

Principal's message

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 3! This is always a big term filled with exciting learning opportunities and activities. We are looking forward to celebrating Education Week, Book Week, Science Week and many sporting and cultural events with our students. Thank you for your ongoing support in helping make Term 3 a wonderful experience for our school community.

Sentral

Parents and carers—please check the Sentral for Parents app regularly. Turn on notifications so you don't miss school news, events or permission notes. Absences should be recorded in Sentral on the day (or within 7 days). If you need help with the app, please contact the office.

Attendance Matters – Every day counts

Consistent attendance has a big impact on learning and wellbeing.

Every day counts—regular attendance builds strong habits.
Be on time - learning starts promptly each morning.
Report absences promptly—log reasons in Sentral the same day (or within 7 days).

Unwell? Please keep your child at home and record the absence in Sentral.

Need support? If your family is experiencing challenges with attendance or punctuality, contact the school - we're here to help.



Late Arrivals / Early Departures

For safety and attendance records, please sign students in/out at the office if arriving late or leaving early. Provide the reason in Sentral and follow staff directions when collecting students during learning time.

School Uniforms

As the weather gets colder, many jumpers are left at school and are unlabelled. Please ensure all uniform items—especially jumpers and hats—are clearly labelled. Students should wear the school jumper and hat each day.

Education Week – Ignite the Potential

We warmly invite families and community members to celebrate Education Week at Gresford Public School at 11:00am on Thursday 7 August. Join us for morning tea, followed by an assembly, open classrooms and a book fair.

Our Dance Group will perform at the annual Education Week Awards Ceremony at Dungog High School at 5:00pm. We will also recognise our Education Week award recipients at that event.

Years 3–6: Social Media Expo at Tocal

Students travelled to Tocal to listen to Carla Barbary, who talked to the students about safe and healthy device use, including regular breaks, movement and eye-health strategies (such as a '20-20-20' approach). The focus was on balanced habits to support wellbeing.

Hunter Dance Festival

Congratulations to our students who performed in Newcastle. You danced beautifully in front of a huge audience and looked amazing on stage—well done!

P&C Bunnings Barbecue – Maitland

A big thank you to our parent volunteers for running this Sunday's Bunnings Barbecue in Maitland. If you're in the area, please stop by and support the school with a sausage sandwich.

Year 1 Phonics Screening (Week 4)

Year 1 students will complete the Department of Education Phonics Screening Check in Week 4. This helps teachers monitor reading development and plan support.

Book Week – Tuesday 20 August (Open Assembly 10:30am)

Start planning those costumes—we can't wait to see favourite book characters come to life! Families are warmly invited to our Open Assembly at 10:30am.

Zone Athletics – Wednesday 13th August

Good luck to our team members representing Gresford Public School at zone in Maitland. We hope to see lots of personal bests!

Science Day – Clarencetown (Thursday 15 August)

As part of Science Week, Years 2–6 will take part in hands-on experiments and activities at Clarencetown. It will be a great day of learning.

Attendance Celebration – Amazing Race

To celebrate attendance goals at the end of last term, students took part in an Amazing Race. The day showcased patience, perseverance and teamwork—congratulations to the winning team!

RoboCup – Newcastle University

Students are competing in robotics challenges against other schools today. We wish our team the very best!

Public Speaking

All students are preparing speeches for class presentations. One student per grade will be selected to represent the stage at the Maitland round. Please support your child as they practise at home.

Garden Project – Plant Donations Welcome

Students are planning a new garden near the basketball court. If you have hardy plants, off-cuts or cuttings that you would like to donate, please send them to school. We also have an abundance of kumquats—pop into the office if you'd like some for jam-making!

Thank you for your ongoing support of our students and school community. We look forward to working together to make Term 3 a successful and positive term for everyone. As always, please don't hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions or need support.

Jump Rope For Heart

Our Jump Off date is August 22nd so you still have plenty of time to organise sponsors.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jody Kilpatrick



Travelling Australia or Overseas?



If you are..



Travelling for 10 weeks or more – up to 1 school year (200 Days), then stay enrolled with your current school, whilst accessing learning and attending through Distance Education.

Learning Together!

DISTANCE EDUCATION



The New South Wales Department of education has a Public School Service to be there on the journey with you and your children.



NORTH EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL OF DISTANCE EDUCATION

We provide learning designs for students on the move. The programs are personalised to suit your child's learning needs, your supervision & management of the learning and your travelling context & environment.



TERM 3 CALENDAR

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	July 21st Staff Development Day P&C meeting 7pm @ Hotel Beatty	July 22nd All students return for Term 3	July 23rd	July 24th	July 25th Social Media Expo @ Tocal - Yrs 3-6 8.45am - 11am
Week 2	July 28th Hunter Dance Festival	July 29th	July 30th	July 31st	August 1st Canteen open Scripture starts
Week 3	August 4th	August 5th	August 6th	August 7th Dungog Education Week Awards @ Dungog High Open Day @ Gresford P.S. Book Fair 11.35am	August 8th
Week 4	August 11th Game Changer opens	August 12th	August 13th Zone Athletics	August 14th Science Day @ Clarencetown P.S. Yrs 3-6	August 15th
Week 5	August 18th	August 19th	August 20th	August 21st	August 22nd
Book Week	P&C meeting @ Hotel Beatty 7pm		Book Week Parade	Game Changer closes	Jump Rope for Heart
Week 6	August 25th Stage 3 excursion to Canberra	August 26th Stage 3 excursion to Canberra	August 27th Stage 3 return from Canberra	August 28th	August 29th
Week 7	September 1st	September 2nd Try a High School Yr 6 @ Dungog High	September 3rd	September 4th	September 5th
Week 8	September 8th	September 9th	September 10th	September 11th. R.U.O.K. Day	September 12th Musica Viva
Week 9	September 15th Reptile Park whole school excursion P&C meeting @ Hotel Beatty 7pm	September 16th Photo Day - full summer uniform	September 17th	September 18th	September 19th
Week 10	September 22nd	September 23rd	September 24th	September 25th	September 26th Last day Term 3



SCHOOL MERIT AWARDS

Logan, Annabelle, Tahlia

PBL AWARDS

Tyler

LIBRARY AWARDS

Lachlan

GOOD LISTENER AWARDS

Blayke, Tahlia

ACADEMIC AWARDS

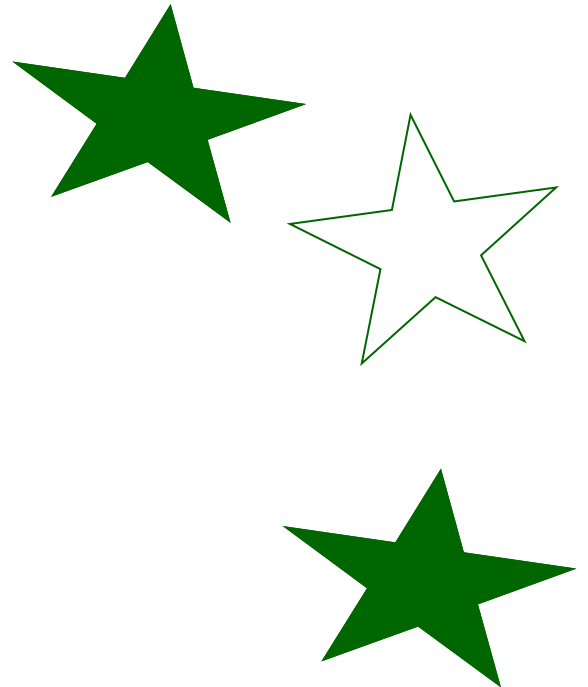
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PBL BRONZE AWARDS

Lachlan, Wyatt, Maisy, Jack, Jackson W, Charlize, Oliver B, Hazel Hallie, Lucy, Campbell, Edie, Lilah, Mylah

PBL GOLD AWARDS

Bailey G



Assembly Award Recipients



THE TUCKER BOX TERM 3 ROSTER

Monday	Wednesday 23/7 Sharon Hill – Megan Barnett	Friday 25/7 Amy Garaty
Monday 28/7 Kim Moore	Wednesday 30/7 Kate Gehrig	Friday 1/8 Alyce Williams – Paul Williams
Monday 4/8 Robyn Porter	Wednesday 6/8 Sam Russell	Friday 8/8 Beth Dark
Monday 11/8 Sam Russell	Wednesday 13/8 Sharon Hill	Friday 15/8 Louise Ward
Monday 18/8 Robyn Porter	Wednesday 20/8 Amy Garaty – Stacey Garaty	Friday 22/8 Kim Booth – Sheridan Richardson
Monday 25/8 Elise Chesworth	Wednesday 27/8 Megan Barnett	Friday 29/8 Alyce Williams – Paul Williams
Monday 1/9 Robyn Porter	Wednesday 3/9 Bec Montgomery	
Monday 8/9 Stevie Walters	Wednesday 10/9 Amy Garaty – Stacey Garaty	
Monday 15/9 Robyn Porter	Wednesday 17/9 Sheridan Richardson	
Monday 22/9 Amy Garaty – Sam Russell	Wednesday 24/9 Elise Chesworth	

CANTEEN OPERATION HOURS 9AM – 2.30PM

Lunch 11.00am – 11.40am

Recess 1.20 – 2pm

PLEASE PLACE ORDERS INTO CANTEEN BY 9AM

Please Note – Children arriving at school after 10am or those that have forgotten their lunch will be offered a sandwich as time does not allow other food to be prepared. Thank you.

Gresford Public School welcomes any new parents or friends of the school thinking about volunteering a day in the canteen. It's a great way to meet other parents and the kids get a buzz out of seeing you working there too. Please come and see our Canteen Supervisors Samantha Russell or Amy Garaty if you are interested.

Our canteen complies with the NSW Healthy Schools Canteen Guidelines.

The Tucker Box

Special day Menu

Wednesday 20th August - Book Week Parade Day

Please write your name, class & orders onto lunch bags & return menu selections & money to school by Friday 15th August

Make any of the below selections for either lunch or recess.

MENU

Hotdog- \$3.50

Fish Fingers- 50c each

Mini vege spring rolls- 50c each

Chicken & Gravy Roll- \$3.50

TREATS

Ice cream & milo \$1.20

Iced donut-\$2.50

Mini Fruit Skewer- \$2.00

Jelly tub- \$1.50

Milo Balls - \$80c

We thank you for supporting our canteen.

THE TUCKER BOX MENU



SUMMER 2025

Something small....

Fruit Salad Snack Tub	\$1.50
Chocolate Mousse cup	\$0.80
Pikelets & Jam ~ 2 per serve	\$0.50
Fresh Popped Popcorn ~ small bag	\$0.50
Assorted 3.5 STAR or above packet varieties	\$1.20
Fruity Bites ~ 10 per serve	\$0.50



Something to drink....

Water 600ml	\$1.00
Chill J Sparkling Drink	\$2.00
100% Orange / Apple Juice	\$2.00
Slushie	\$2.00
Chocolate / Strawberry Milk	\$2.00
Hot or Cold Milo	\$2.00

Something cool....



Frozen Orange Piece	\$0.20
UFO (frozen pineapple ring)	\$0.50
Vanilla Ice cream cup GF	\$1.00
Frozen Yoghurt assorted flavours	\$2.00
Juicy Tube	\$1.50
Chocolate Moose	\$1.50
Quelch fruit stick	\$1.00

SANDWICHES - fresh/toasted

Vegetable or Jam	\$1.50
Cheese	\$1.50
Ham	\$2.00
Ham & Cheese	\$2.50
Egg, Lettuce & Mayo	\$3.50
Salad sandwich	\$4.00
Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, & Cucumber	
Ham or Chicken & salad	\$4.50

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Beetroot	\$0.30
Cheese Slice	\$0.50

Bread Roll or Wrap

\$1.00

SALADS

Salad Tub (Lettuce, Grated Carrot, Cheese, Cucumber & Tomato) \$4.00

Ham or Chicken tender salad Tub Ham, lettuce, grated carrot, cheese, cucumber, tomato, mayo \$4.50

SAUCES

Tomato, BBQ, Mayo \$0.40

FROM THE OVEN

Garlic Bread	\$2.50
Ham & Cheese Toasty Pocket	\$2.50
Butter Chicken Toasty Pocket	\$4.00
Crumbed nuggets GF	ea \$0.50
Sausage Roll	\$3.50
Pie	\$3.50
Lasagne	\$4.00
Butter Chicken w/rice GF	\$4.00
Chicken Nuggets	ea \$0.50
PIZZA ~ Hawaiian ~OR Ham & Cheese	\$2.50
Chicken Tender	\$2.00

BURGER'S, WRAP'S

ALOHHA CHICKEN Burger ~ Chicken Breast, Lettuce, Pineapple, Cheese & BBQ sauce \$5.00

CHICKEN or BEEF SALAD BURGER ~ Chicken Breast or beef patty, Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrot, Beetroot, Cheese & mayo \$5.00

CHEESY BEEF Burger ~ w/tomato sauce \$4.00

Chicken tender wrap with lettuce/ mayo \$3.50

Sweet chilli chicken tender wrap with lettuce, cheese & mayo \$4.00

SPOONS & LUNCH BAGS

\$0.30

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Uniform Order Form

Student: _____ Class: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Contact Phone Number: _____

Item:	Price:	Size: 4	6	8	10	12	14	16	Total QTY	TOTAL \$\$\$
Girls Summer Tunic	\$50.00									
Girls Winter Tunic	\$50.00									
Girls Peter Pan Collar Short Sleeve Blouse in Lemon	\$17.00									
Girl's Hallam Green Pants	\$24.00									
Green and Lemon Polo Shirt Long Sleeve	\$28.00									
Green and Lemon Polo Shirt Short Sleeve	\$27.00									
Cultural Shirt Short Sleeve	\$35.00									
Boys Green Gabardine Cargo Pants Long	\$21.00									
Boys Green Gabardine Cargo Shorts	\$17.00									
Boys Green Sports Shorts	\$11.00									
Girls Green Gabardine Skort	\$19.00									
Unisex Sports Shorts	\$20.00									
Girls Green Pleated Sport Skort	\$18.00									
Green Track Pants Microfibre	\$23.00									
Polar Fleece Vest Green	\$16.00									
Fleecy Zip Jacket in Green (Tracksuit Fabric) Cunningham	\$20.00									
Micro Polar Fleece Zip up Jacket (Polyester mesh Lining) Ellery	\$25.00									
Girls green winter stocking tights	\$10.00	Age of child.	4-6	7-10	11-14					
School Hat	\$10.00	Hat Sizes:	S/M	M/L						
Total:										

Put the required number of each item in the size column / add up the total cost.

Fill out your details (It is important to leave a contact number in case there is a problem with your order).

Payment of your order is only by Direct Deposit: -

- Gresford Public School P&C
- BSB: 646-000 Account No: 100099691
- Please use the reference UNIFORM and your name.
- Please include your receipt number on the form.
- Receipt Number: _____ Date Paid: _____
- Orders will be sent home when paid in full.

Second-hand uniforms are available at no cost.

If you are unsure of sizes, a set of uniforms is available to try on at the Uniform Shop.

If you require further details, please do not hesitate to contact Shantelle Turnbull 0428 389 424.

Gresford Public School P & C

Prices current as of 17/03/2025

CARTOONING & DRAWING FOR KIDS AND PARENTS

Like to draw or learn some drawing skills and have FUN?

Artist Ric Woods is conducting monthly sessions for school age kids both primary and secondary. You can follow Ric step by step to create characters and learn some tips, or do your own thing with some guidance from Ric.

Held Monthly and its FREE/Donation Event

When: 4th Wednesday each month commencing from

Time: 4pm - 5pm

Where: Gresford Congregational Church 30 Durham Road East Gresford

Cost: Free or make a donation for materials

What to Bring: Drink bottle and your favourite pen or pencil, a sketch book if you like, but not required. Blank paper, felt pens and drawing board will be supplied. Sorry NO eating on the premises. Ric has a Working With Children Check but a parent or supervising adult need to attend. See Rics' Art work at www.hospitalmurals-rickwoods.weebly.com

Bookings essential. Phone Ric on 0493248301 (business hours only)

