Term 3 Week 7

**Principal’s News**

“What you think, you become.
What you feel, you attract.
What you imagine, you create.”

Lots of exciting events are coming for our students and their families over the coming weeks. We look forward to enjoying these with you: School Book Fair and Dress-up Day, P&C Fathers’ Day Breakfast, P&C Fathers’ Day Stall, P&C School Disco, excursions for Kindergarten and Stage 1 students, Grandparent’s Day and Art Show as well as our normal school and sporting programs.

Yeah! Our front fence is finally repaired and the shade sail over the fixed equipment is now secure…. Slowly our school playground is taking shape. Tomorrow afternoon the dead tree stumps at the front of the school are being removed. To help us complete this task safely and efficiently we ask that you collect your child/children and move off the school site as quickly as possible at home time.

Sadly the Stage 1 (Years 1, 1/2 and 2) excursion was postponed due to the rain, a new date has been set, Wednesday, 16th September. Your child’s/children’s permission note to participate in this excursion to Tocal will remain current for the new date, 16th September. If you have any questions about the excursion, new date or current permission note please see your child's teacher. Fingers crossed for sunny skies come the 16th.

**Installation of flashing lights near Greta Public School**

“The NSW Government has provided funding for the placement of school zone signs with flashing lights at all schools by the end of this year to alert motorists of the 40km speed limit required during school drop off and pick up times.

Installing these flashing lights in schools zones has been shown to improve driver awareness of the need to travel at a lower speed to ensure the safety of children and others coming and going from the school area.

Roads and Maritime Services is delivering this safety initiative and plans to install signs outside Greta Public School on Wyndham Street/Sale Street the week beginning Tuesday 1 September outside of 40km school zone hours. Work will take up to two hours to complete, weather permitting.

Lights are installed on pre-existing poles or new poles are put in place if needed.

Partial lane closures may be in place while work is carried out to ensure safety of road users and workers. There will be some noise associated with this work, but every effort will be made to minimise these impacts.”

(Information from Roads & Maritimes Services)

Working together with families, staff and community to ensure all our children are happy and safe at school and achieving their best at all times.

Mrs Jayne Schmarr
Principal
School News

**EARN AND LEARN**

Last week's total was - 4,200  
Our current total is - 6,000  
Our target amount is - 15,000

(Remember to ask your friends, neighbours, grandparents etc to collect for you).

We thank you for all for your support of Greta Public School.

**SMALL UNIFORMS REQUIRED**
If you have any uniforms that your children have grown out of we would really appreciate it if you could forward them on to the school office as we are running short of emergency clothing once again (especially in the small sizes).  
Thanks in advance for your help.

**EAST MAITLAND LIBRARY - WRITING COMPETITION**
Congratulations to Angus, Tyler, Skye, Chloe, Aisha, Allan and Tristan who all attended a very special award ceremony at East Maitland Library last night. These Greta Public students were recognised for their tremendous effort in a recent writing competition. It was lovely to spend the evening with children who strive hard and have the courage to aspire to be the best that they can. Well done to Kyle and Lewis who entered the competition but were unable to attend the function last night.

Mrs Hemsworth

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**Targeted Sports Program**

Each Tuesday afternoon boys and girls from Greta Public School have been participating in the Targeted Sports Program at Max McMahon Oval, Rutherford. The children play a range of games and drills in the sports of soccer and rugby league. Other schools in our district including Lochinvar, Telarah and Gillieston Heights also attend this program. Our children really enjoy the professionally run activities organised by Joshua Potapczyk from Rutherford Technology High School, along with his talented staff and students. I must also commend the children on their excellent behaviour and wonderful enthusiasm.

Mr Quinn  
Organising Teacher

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**Community News**

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**Season 2015/2016**

**Competition night starts on Wednesday 7th October 2014 at Max McMahon Oval**

(Corner of Weblands Street and Alexander Avenue Rutherford)

Please come to our Registration days and meet our friendly committee at Max McMahon Oval on:

- Wednesday 16th September 2015 from 5:00pm to 6:30pm
- Saturday 19th September 2015 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm
- Wednesday 23rd September 2015 from 5:00pm to 6:30pm

Please bring your child’s birth certificate or Blue book to register

Cost of Registration: Under 10’s and Under $75.00.  
Under 11’s and Up $85.00  
Cost of Uniform: Tops and Shorts $15.00 each item

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20th August 2015

Dear Parents and Candidates

**Reconciliation, Confirmation, Eucharist in Branxton/Greta Parishes**

The Branxton/Greta Parish will be holding enrolments in the formation program for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist 2016 on the following dates:

- Wednesday 7th October at 6:00pm
- Wednesday 13th October 2014 at 4:00pm

Both sessions will be held at St. Brigid’s Church, Station Street, Branxton. If you wish to enrol your child or children please attend one of the above dates.

God bless

Father George Mulholland MSt  
Parish Administrator
CLASS AWARDS

K
Mikaylah P
Jayda B
Patrick S
Haleigha V

Yr 1
Jack D
Chy-Anne D
Rebecca M
Leanne R

Yr 1/2
Jaiden T
Billy-Bob M
Matilda V
Lilly L
Laika F

Yr 2
Kaysha T
Braiden Mc
Drew F
Pyper J
Breannah D

Yr 3
Andrew W
Jasmine B
Laura P
Jordan B
Brett S
Jack P

Yr 4
Tristan W
Tyson B
Lachlan R
Angus E

Yr 5
Brooke F
Farisha K
Tanesha S
Josh F
Malakai M

Yr 6
Joshua A
Jaidan C
Benjamin Mc
Dekoda M
Kye M

Citizenship Awards

K
Jade S

Yr 1
Billy M

Yr 1/2
Angus V

Yr 2
Oscar M

Yr 3
Kimberley L

Yr 4
Tahlia M

Yr 5
Madison I

Yr 6
Lucy G

Dojo Awards

K
Kai M

Yr 1
Jake M

Yr 1/2
Coby S

Yr 2
Drew F

Yr 3
Jye S

Yr 4
Tabitha W

Yr 5
Olivia P

Yr 6
Lucy G

K
Dakota D

Yr 1
Rebecca M

Yr 1/2
Kodie C

Yr 2
Sumalee S

Yr 3
Andrew W

Yr 4
Tahlia M

Yr 5
Farisha K

Yr 6
Imogen C
Save the Date

P & C Rainbow Disco
Thursday 3rd September

K-2 4-5pm
3-6 5.15-7pm

$5.00 entry includes chips & drink
Sweets and glow sticks will be available for purchase.

Fathers’ Day Stall will be held on this day also - Thurs 3rd September

Fathers Day Raffle – Tickets books handed out this week. Tickets 50 cents each. Raffle Drawn 4th September at the Fathers Day breakfast! Please return tickets sold and unsold by Thursday 3rd September please.

Fathers Day Stall – Thursday the 3rd of September - Gifts will range in price from $3 to $15 and children will be able to shop with siblings to avoid doubling up of gifts.

Fathers Day Breakfast – Friday 4th September - 7.30 to 8.30am.

Masters Fundraising BBQ – Monday 5th October – public holiday - Volunteers are needed!

As mentioned the father’s day raffle is on with a huge range of prizes.

We would also like to thank all those donations we have received for our prizes:
1st Prize: NAVMAN – HARVEY NORMAN
2nd Prize: SLEEPING BAG – RAYS OUTDOORS
3rd Prize: COOLER BAG – BAILEYS AT GRETA
4th Prize: CAR WASH KIT – AUTO BARN
5th Prize: DARRELL LEA BAG – GRETA NEWSAGENCY

The snack shack would like to welcome our newest member Roz to our team and returning member Alicia, we greatly appreciate the help.

A volunteer is needed for this Friday otherwise canteen will be closed that day.

The fathers day breakfast orders are coming in showing great interest in the event. Orders need to be returned by Monday 31st. No late orders will be accepted.

Lost property is extremely full so please drop in and find your child’s missing items.

A big thank you goes out to Happi Chappi for the bread donation. The children are loving the free toast mornings.

Thanks again to the families that have been donating cereal and milk. Keep them coming, as we love seeing the children heading off to class with a full tummy.

Our next P&C Meeting is Wednesday the 16th of September.

We are also arranging a meeting on Tuesday 8th September at 7pm, venue to be advised. This is to enable working parents to attend and contribute their ideas and brainstorm, whilst decisions may not be made at these meetings, any ideas will be taken to the monthly meeting for committee voting.

If you cant make it but would like to have an input or get more information please email me and I’ll put you on our mailing list for a copy of the agenda and the minutes after each meeting. If you have any concerns or suggestions please contact us via greta-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au, attention P&C.

Regards
Krista Findlay-Egerton
Secretary

UNIFORM SHOP
OPENING HOURS
TUESDAYS ONLY
9.00AM - 11.00AM
Order Forms are available outside of these hours.

CACTEEN ROSTER
28th Aug Sasha, Renee
31st Aug Bec, Louise
1st Sept Renee, Sasha
2nd Sept Pat, Jackie
3rd Sept Pat, Sasha
4th Aug Kayla, Renee

BOOK WEEK
DRESS UP DAY
TOMORROW
Friday 28th August
Come dressed as your favourite book character.
There will be a parade at 12:30 in the hall.
Tea, coffee and cake will be available for purchase from the canteen after the parade or bring a picnic lunch to share with your children!