Thank you Volunteers! Today we held our Parent and Friends Helpers’ Morning Tea where we acknowledge the wonderful support we get from our dedicated band of parents and friends who: run the canteen, teach scripture, help with reading, raise funds, transport sporting teams, help in classrooms, cover books and the list goes on. Where would we be without them? A big thank you from the staff and all the children.

What a fun time the children had on their science excursion yesterday. They played with dinosaurs, lifted cars, climbed into an old tram and had many exciting hands-on experiences designed to stimulate their growing scientific brains. It was great to share the experience with our Scientist in Residence, Dr. Wright and Mr. Wright as well. We would appreciate all donations for our gift to Dr. Wright being in by tomorrow so we can finalise this for Presentation Night.

Congratulations to our Gold Winners for earning 30 fours on their weekly GAA sheets for the year. That means outstanding behaviour for 30 weeks which is commendable. They are: Hamish J, Liza E, Kayden, Alysha, Hayden G, Mathilda, Darcy, Daniel C, Harrison, Rose, Katharina, Kaitlin, Taylah, Ella, Amber, Liza K, Kammi, Acacia, Lacey, Lucia, Lara, Layla, Blake, Mia, Verity, Ebony, Monica, Bella & Piper They will be rewarded with a fun day on Friday.

Miss Elise Lord, our new teacher for 2016 visited the school this week to meet staff and children and was most impressed with the friendliness of our school. She is very excited about taking up her first appointment at Gresford and we look forward to working with her.

Next week will see us sadly farewell Mr. Stewart who has been an invaluable staff member this year and a wonderful teacher for Year 1/2. We wish him well in his new appointment at Morpeth Public School. Lucky Morpeth children.

Kind regards,
Pauline
VALUES
Acacia Galvin, Joey Galvin, Taylah Joliffe, Shaelyn Crouch, Ethan Crouch, Chase Hoffman, Paige McFadyen & Alysha Cowley

SCHOOL MERITS
Mia Wilton, Will Craig, Chelsea Abra, Hamish Jupp, Connor Scott, Rose Kelehear, Cameron Jupp, Hayden Gardiner

GOOD LISTENER AWARDS
Kammi Conn, Acacia Galvin, Billy Huckstadt, Layla Turnbull, Jack Hill, Will Mitchell

SPORTS AWARDS
Layla Turnbull, Bailey Conn, Connor Scott, Josie Hodges, Amber Smith, Shaelyn Crouch

LIBRARY AWARDS
Layla Turnbull, Katharina Lawrence, Verity Spinks, Cameron Tucker, Charlize Tucker

LITERACY CHAMPIONS
Harrison Sellens, Bailey Conn, Darcy Locke, Oscar Wyvill, Ella Osmond, Shaelyn Crouch

DECEMBER
FRIDAY 11th
Gold Recipients Fun Day
TUESDAY 15th
Presentation Night
WEDNESDAY 16th
NO CANTEEN
Last day for students
Reports distributed

JANUARY 2016
WEDNESDAY 27th
Staff Development Day
THURSDAY 28th
Years 1 to 6 return

FEBRUARY
MONDAY 1st
Kindergarten start

P&C NEWS
We would like to thank all our wonderful volunteers who gave up their time to man the canteen this year. Without your help the canteen could not operate and the children would not have your wonderful smiley faces every Wednesday and Friday.

If you haven’t already volunteered for next year please consider as the more volunteers the lighter the load.

Wishing you all a very safe and happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you next year.

See you next year!
Kristy & Sylvia

CANTEEN ROSTER
Fri December 11th
Mel & Rob Thiecke

NO CANTEEN NEXT WEEK

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IF YOU HAVEN’T ALREADY VOLUNTEERED FOR NEXT YEAR PLEASE CONSIDER AS THE MORE VOLUNTEERS THE LIGHTER THE LOAD.

WISHING YOU ALL A VERY SAFE AND HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU NEXT YEAR.

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!
Kristy & Sylvia
“Wealth unused might as well not exist.”
Aesop

Library Books
Could all library books please be returned to school as the end of year approaches.
Many thanks,
Mrs Dillon

Professional Learning for Teachers
- Leadership
- Positive Behaviour for Learning
- Speech and Language; fine motor skills
- NAPLAN analysis

Congratulations to our new school captains for 2016
Alysha Cowley and Kayden Atkins

Newcastle Museum Excursion

On Wednesday, Gresford Public School went to Newcastle Museum. We learned about Newcastle in the olden days, magnets, electricity, levers and dinosaurs. I had a wonderful day.
By Bailey
Verity - He’s an awesome teacher!

Ethan - He is at the office and he says hello and how you going.

Ebony S. - He is very nice. He’s a good teacher.

Bella - He has funny acts. I like his dinosaur and how he stomps and his voice.

Blake - He’s funny and interesting.

Jonah - He’s funny and he’s silly and very much a silly duffer!

Mr Stewart wants to eat my lunch.

Acacia - He plays some jokes that are funny.

Bailey - He is the best teacher in the world and I will miss you.

Daniel C - Goodbye Mr Stewart! I will always remember you.

Josie - You are the most wonderful teacher in the world and I will never forget you.

Mathilda - I wish you could stay at school forever because you’re handsome and awesome.

Will C - You are the best teacher and do the best P.E.

Leila - You are the best teacher you can be. It is sad that you are going. Have fun at your new school.

Hamish - Thank you for a great year of sport.

Alysha - You are the best teacher. I’m sooo sad you have to go. Have fun at your new school. I will miss you.

Hayden G - Thanks for helping me play the drums.

Kayden - Thank you for being a great soccer and cricket coach.
Gresford Public School Staff would like to wish everyone a very happy Christmas and a safe New Year!
Dear parents. Gresford Public School has taken advantage of increased RAM funding in 2015 and this has been used in a number of ways, including employment of SLSOs (teacher’s aides) in every classroom, increased opportunity for children to participate in the Multilit reading program and subsidised costs of educational programs and excursions. Could you please take the time to note how the increased funding has helped your child/ren and your family. Thank you.

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We are going to miss you Mr Stewart