Our term is drawing quickly to an end with report preparation being a major focus for staff. These will be issued on the last day of term and 3 Way Conferences are scheduled for Weeks 2 and 3 next term. Notes will be sent home outlining conference times available for each teacher.

**Our athletics carnival** was a resounding success due to great organisation by Mrs. Dillon, great weather and great help from parents and teachers on the day. Of course it was also great to see the enthusiastic participation of students as well. Sports champions for 2015 are included in this newsletter. Congratulations to all. Zone athletics is set down for 31st July and students will be notified if they have qualified. Special thanks go to Shane Frost, our general assistant and Anthony Creak who carried out the onerous task of line marking. We were lucky the rain did not wash away their good work. Our Year 5/6 students are attending a Dungog High Gala Sports Day on 17th June and we are hosting a second inter school sports visit on 26th June. Both experiences have been organised to support the transition to high school as well as focusing on physical fitness and friendship.

**Our Breakfast Club** has recommenced thanks to the generosity of the Tucker family who have kindly offered their time 3 mornings a week to ensure all our children enjoy a healthy start to the day. There have been some culinary surprises with the cooks of the Tucker family taking over, which the children are delighted with. If anyone is able to assist on Tuesdays or Thursdays then we would be fully operational again. Please contact the office if you can spare an hour on these mornings. St. Vincent De Paul and Gresford Foodworks are our generous sponsors for this worthy cause.

We have welcomed Mrs. Isaac back to our support staff this fortnight relieving for Mrs. Crouch who is on holidays. Esther was a long serving and valued member of our staff for a number of years. We also welcome Mrs. Sue Allen, who is relieving in the School Administrative Officer role in Mrs. McCabe’s absence who is on long service leave. Mrs. Allen is another experienced staff member who has come to us highly recommended. We have a student teacher commencing on Year 5/6 this week. Miss Louise Butcher has been studying at the University of Technology in Sydney and is completing her final practicum. We hope she enjoys her experience at our beautiful school and learns lots about the art of teaching.

**Professional learning** for teachers this week has been in the areas of data analysis, disability education, Quality Teaching and teacher accreditation.

**Dates to be aware of early next term are:** holidays-27th June to 13th July inclusive; Musica Viva concert-first day back on 14th July; Education Week Open Day-29th July with open classrooms, Book Fair and Alice in Wonderland Theme Day; Education Week, Dungog District Presentation 30th July.

Kind regards,

Pauline

“The average amount of sleep required by the average person is just five minutes more.”

**School Banking with the Commonwealth Bank** is now available every Thursday.
Athletics Carnival Report

Our re-scheduled athletics carnival was held in near perfect weather on Tuesday. The field events had been held at school last Thursday and every competitor ran, threw and jumped with enthusiasm in all their events over the two days. Many thanks to the canteen workers and cooks who provided delicious food to keep spectators and competitors well-nourished during the day. Also huge thanks to Anthony Creak who spent a whole day last Wednesday helping our general assistant Shane Frost with the big job of marking the oval. Thanks also to the parents who assisted on Tuesday with judging, marshalling and recording. A big team effort that resulted in a successful carnival! The Zone Carnival for children aged 8 and above is scheduled for Week 3 of Term 3, Friday 31st July. Notes will be given to children who have qualified.

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**Dates for your Diary**

**JUNE**
- Wed 17th - Sports Gala Day @ Dungog High for Years 5 & 6
- Thurs 18th - School Banking
- Fri 19th - P & C meeting 10.00am
- Tues 22nd - Quarry Excursion
- Thurs 24th - School Banking
- Fri 26th - Years 5 & 6 Sport Day @ Gresford
  - Reports Home
  - Last day Term 2

**JULY**
- Mon 13th - Staff Development Day
  - Pupil Free Day
- Tue 14th - Students return
  - Musica Viva Concert
- Wed 29th - Education Week Open Day
- Thurs 30th - Education Week Dungog District Presentation

**School Planning Snippets**

As part of our school directions for 2015, all teachers will be released from classes on 18th June to work on a school plan for the teaching of English as set down in the new English syllabus. This will cover the teaching of reading and viewing, comprehension, writing, spelling, listening and speaking.

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**Tucker Box News**

A huge thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who helped out at the Athletics Carnival on Tuesday. We would also like to express our gratitude for all the yummy cakes and slices donated on this day. It was a great success, heaps of money was raised which all goes back into the school where it is spent on things to help the kids.

Canteen supplied a nutritious and tasty lunch for the Sports Gala Day initiative. Year 5 and 6 children from our school and other local schools participated in sports activities. The next one is scheduled for Friday 26th June at Gresford PS.

Pie Drive orders are due in **THIS FRIDAY (TOMORROW) 12TH JUNE 2015** We don’t want you to miss out!

Term 3 Canteen Roster will be coming out at the end of this term. If any new volunteers are interested please let Sylvia or Kristy know so it can be finalised, or if current volunteers want to change their frequency, please let us know asap.

Parents, we have had some children confused or disputing what they have ordered at the canteen. If you could please let them know and discuss with them what they are ordering, it will save a lot of concern.

Coming up in Term 3: Look out for the Mad Hatter’s Party!!

Sylvia and Kristy
Awards

**Spelling Champions**
- Darcy Locke
- Katharina Lawrence
- Liza Kelehear
- Ryan Skolyszewski
- Shannon McFadyen

**Library Award**
- Bella Sellens
- Monica Lawrence

**Good Listener Award**
- Charlie Tucker
- Daniel Abra
- Joey Galvin
- Tess Hartigan

**Sports Award**
- Lacey Hoffman
- Chase Hoffman
- Cameron Jupp
- Billy Huckstadt
- Blake Wilson
- Will Craig
- Will Mitchell
- Leila O'Connor

**School Merits**
- K/1 - Piper Conn, Lacey Hoffman
- 1/2 - Ryan Creak, Joey Galvin
- 3/4 - Chelsea Abra, Oscar Wyvill
- 5/6 - Kayden Atkins, Hamish Jupp