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P&C NEWS

The P&C met on Monday. For Term 2 and Term 3, they have decided to hold an afternoon meeting from 3.15-4.30 pm. Children will be welcome to play outside, there will be a DVD shown also in the event of wet weather. We hope parents who aren’t able to attend an evening meeting may be able to participate in the next three meetings. When Term 4 begins, the idea is that meeting will revert to the 7pm timeslot.

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SRC NEWS

Thank you to everybody who bought a bouncy ball to support Stewart House. There are still a few balls left which will be available to be sold at recess if requested by students. Students can buy more than one if they would like. $3.00 each.

Cricket News

Last week our cricket team played against East Maitland Public School at Paterson Oval. Competition was fierce! The team scrapped home in the 24th over with a couple of wickets to spare and by 4 runs. We would like to congratulate William W for carrying his bat through the innings and the partnership that he built with Nicholas Stuckings. Well done to everybody who worked as a team.

Horse Sports

On Friday 17th of May I went to Singleton to compete in the Mt Owen horse sports day. Firstly I did a hacking class then I did a riding class then I did pleasure hack. After lunch we did some sporting events, they were barrels, bending, bongo field bounce, keyhole and inside outside bending. Once we had finished doing sporting we went to a big hall and we did the presentation. At the presentation I won a beautiful, sparkly, handmade brow band and two pink and purple curly hair bands to match it. I had a great day and can’t wait to go to the Dungog one.

Year 5

Opportunity Class Placement in 2015

Opportunity Class Placement is now open for Year 4 children wishing to apply to enter an O.C. class for Year 5 in 2015. Forms available from the school’s office. For more information go to www.schools.nsw.edu.edu.au/ocplacement

Debating News

This week saw the beginning of the annual Premier’s Debating Competition in which we have entered two teams – one from Year 5 and one from Year 6. The Year 6 team debated on Tuesday, being the affirmative, against Hinton, with the topic being “Teachers should wear school uniforms”. They scored a win. The Premiers debating team from Year 5 went to Vacy on Wednesday morning and were the affirmative. They debated the topic “That all primary school students should have to do debating”. Congratulations to all our new debaters who have done their best.

Maitland Zone PSSA

All parents are invited to look at the Maitland Zone PSSA website to be found at http://www.maitlandpssa.schools.nsw.edu.au. This site showcases our local sporting talent as well as calendars, information, forms and news about what is happening in Maitland Zone.
## ASSEMBLY AWARDS

**Term 2**

**Week 4**

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| **Kindergarten** | Name: Charli Jackson  
Reason: Enthusiasm, helpfulness and clever work in all subjects. | Name: Sophie Merchant  
Reason: Great work with adding up and with reading. | Name: Brodie Wood  
Reason: Great work in guided reading and maths. | Name: Eve Cridland  
Reason: Great work with reading. |
| **Class 1** | Name: Ava Byrne  
Reason: Great class helper and for improvement with her spelling and sentence work. | Name: Rosie Smith  
Reason: For beautiful manners and improvement with her story writing. | Name: Milarn Collyer  
Reason: For trying hard with his Homework and for some great acting in Drama. | Name: Charlie Cant  
Reason: For working hard in class and for using adjectives in his story writing. |
| **Class 2** | Name: Daniel Deaves  
Reason: Keen attitude and effort in Maths. | Name: Jaden Hicks  
Reason: An excellent effort in art lessons. | | |
| **Class 3/4** | Name: Zo Lennon Hatchman  
Reason: outstanding effort in the Timestable Challenge. | Name: Oscar Kerr  
Reason: wonderful spelling results each week. | Name: Liam Tremethick  
Reason: taking his time to create a beautiful artwork. | Name: Mia French  
Reason: for always giving things a go with a positive attitude. |
| **Class 5/6** | Name: Ella Presland  
Reason: A sensational tap routine. | Name: Macey Gilbert  
Reason: Courage during sporting trials. | Name: William White  
Reason: Enthusiasm in drama. | Name: Ellen Paterson  
Reason: Application to all tasks. |

## CARE AWARDS - Week 3 & 4

**EARLY STAGE 1:** Zac Mulhearn & Charli Jackson

**STAGE 1:** Tayla Norley & Bridget Taylor

**STAGE 2:** Ruby Baker & Tynan Palmowski

**STAGE 3:** Will Cant & Elena Norley

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| Kindergarten | Name: Phoenix Walton  
Reason: Working hard with his maths and reading.  
Name: Coby Palmowski  
| **Class 1** | Name: Kieran Watts  
Reason: For being a great class helper and for working hard in all areas.  
Name: Benjamin Gilbert  
Reason: For improvement with his handwriting. |
| **Class 2** | Name: Louis Presland  
Reason: Trying hard in Maths.  
Name: Kalem Rackley  
Reason: An excellent effort in handwriting lessons. |
| **Class 3/4** | Name: Evie Hughes  
Reason: Being a kind and caring friend to all her peers.  
Name: Sienna Bridge  
Reason: Beautiful handwriting in all areas. |
| **Class 5/6** | Name: Gemma Lee  
Reason: Working hard in all areas.  
Name: Alanna Paterson  
Reason: Excellent handwriting in all areas. |

**Captains Award:** Taylor Norley for good effort in tabloids.
Cannington Horse Sports Day
Friday – 20th June
Cessnock Showground

Entry Fee: $20 per rider * (See conditions of entry)
Age Groups: 8yrs, 9yrs, 10yrs, 11yrs, 12yrs, 13yrs, 14yrs, 15yrs, 16yrs, 17yrs & over

All entries must be made through the child’s school and submitted as a school team.

All forms available on the Millfield PS website from Monday 21st April.
www.millfield-ps.schools.nsw.edu.au

TOCAL FIELD DAY RAFFLE
Thank you to everyone that purchased tickets in our Tocal Field Day raffle.

Congratulations to the following winners:
1st  Mr Haddock
2nd  Mr Greg Morris
3rd  Annette Woloszyn
4th  Aleecia Swan

The 3-Village Art Festival is the first of its kind, a significant and unique four day event celebration of the arts held amongst the three picturesque and historic villages of Paterson, Vacy and Gresford situated in the Paterson and Allyn River Valleys.

Starting at Tocal Agriculture College, about 20 minutes from Maitland on the Dungog Road, festival goers will travel between the villages viewing a wide range of works from some of Australia’s most talented artists and photographers while enjoying the magnificent countryside, with its diversity of small farms and villages.

At each Village (about 6km apart) art, photography, sculpture, woodwork and numerous other examples of visual arts will be displayed. There will also be market stalls, vintage car and bike displays, as well as children’s activities and entertainment to keep the whole family entertained.

A range of classic Aussie pubs in East Gresford, Vacy and Paterson offer traditional country pub surroundings as well as good food. The 3-Village Art Festival will truly ensure that there is indeed, something for everyone!

When: Thursday 22nd – Sunday 25th May 2014
Where: The village of Paterson, Vacy and Gresford in the Paterson and Allyn River Valleys located in the beautiful Hunter Valley.

Join us for the opening Function to be the first to view and buy excellent art and photographs and meet some of the regions most talented artist. Enjoy beautifully prepared food and local wines from Camyr Allyn Winery.

Opening Function at – Tocal Agriculture College, Tocal Road, Tocal Friday 23rd May 2014, commencing at 6.30pm

For more information contact Graham Murphy 0416116009 or graham@gabes.com.au