



Parkes Public Panorama

Term 2 Week 1 - Wednesday, 27 April 2016



MISSION STATEMENT

Parkes Public School strives for excellence in the education of responsible and respectful students in a safe learning community.

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Congratulations Sharna Ross

Sharna has been selected in the Western Football (soccer) Team. She will now compete in Albury in June later in Term 2. A fantastic achievement!



WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS

We are very pleased to welcome Alex, Harrison, Nicholas, Sophie, Emily and their parents to our school community! We hope you are all very happy at Parkes Public School!

ANZAC DAY

Many thanks to the one hundred students who participated in the Anzac March on Monday. Thank you parents for making the effort to get your children to the march! Our school looked wonderful. Thank you also to our captains, Holly, Henry, Isabelle and Wilson who represented us at the Dawn Service. Students who marched will receive an acknowledgement certificate from the school and a free meal voucher courtesy of Parkes Services Club.

We will be holding our Anzac Service at the Primary assembly on Friday afternoon.

PRIMARY TOILET REFURBISHMENT

During the holidays the girls' and boys' toilets were refurbished. New toilet pedestals, floor tiles and a urinal in the boys' toilets have been installed. These works have been carried out at significant cost. A lot of the improvements would have been unnecessary if our students had treated the toilets with respect. Unfortunately, in the past students have vandalised the toilets: they have kicked holes in walls, stood on toilet seats and broken them, and deliberately blocked drains. **Please support us at home by speaking to your children about the respectful and responsible ways to behave when visiting the toilets.**

FUN RUN – FRIDAY, 6 MAY

Hopefully many of you have already found sponsors for our P&C Fun Run. Our fun run will be held in conjunction with our Cross Country Carnival. Please note, 6 May is the actual carnival date and not the practice date as originally communicated.

There will be two vouchers (from Sports Scene) awarded to one Infants and one Primary student in the form of a lucky draw for those who return their money by the due date of Friday, 20 May.

For Your Information



Stewart House

The Stewart House Fundraising Drive is on again for 2016! In the past, students from our school have had the opportunity to access the wonderful services Stewart House offers. This is why Parkes Public School has once again chosen Stewart House as one of its charities to support. This year any family who makes a donation of \$2 or more to Stewart House goes into the draw to win a family holiday valued at \$4000!

Donation envelopes will go home this week with the youngest student in the family. Entering the prize draw is as easy as 1, 2, 3! Simply:

1. Fill out your name, address, telephoner number and school on the envelope
2. Include at least \$2 in the envelope..
3. Return to school to classroom teachers by Friday, 6 May (Stewart House Day).

Stewart House has been helping disadvantaged families for 85 years and need our support to enable them to keep offering their programs in the future to students who need it the most. Please consider giving to this worthwhile charity.

Year 5 Opportunity Class Applications for 2017

For those parents with a student in Year 4 who are interested in their child being involved in an opportunity class in Year 5, applications are now open and close on Friday, 13 May. If you wish to apply you must do so on line at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. Please note the closing date is non-negotiable and no late applications will be accepted.

2016 AUSTRALASIAN SCHOOLS COMPETITIONS

These competitions are for students in Years 3-6.

The closing date for entry for both the *Writing and Spelling Competitions* is **Tuesday, 10 May**.

The competitions will be held on the following dates:

- ♦ Writing - Tuesday, 14 June
- ♦ Spelling - Wednesday, 15 June

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WRITING COMPETITION

I give permission for my child/ren:

_____ Class _____
_____ Class _____
_____ Class _____

to participate in the **2016 Australasian Schools Writing Competition**.

Please find enclosed **\$17.00** entry fee for each child.

Parent/carer _____

Date _____

SPELLING COMPETITION

I give permission for my child/ren:

_____ Class _____
_____ Class _____
_____ Class _____

to participate in the **2016 Australasian Schools Spelling Competition**.

Please find enclosed **\$11.00** entry fee for each child.

Parent/carer _____

Date _____

Mrs Breaden's Message



Welcome to Term 2 everyone! I do hope you all had a lovely holiday!

This week's newsletter will only be a mini version as it is a short week.

Mr Smith, Mr Lovett and myself will be attending *Stronger, Smarter Leadership* course this week.

I hope everyone has had opportunity to gain some sponsors for the Fun Run over the holidays. You still have another nine days to seek sponsorship. This is our major fund raiser for the year and the funds will really help us with our technology updates.

I was so proud to attend the Dawn Service with our captains and to march with our students and staff on Anzac Day. Thank you for all who made the effort to participate.

Have a great first week back!

L Breaden

Student Reflections On Harmony Day

I am grateful to live in Australia because we have food and clean water when other countries don't.

I am also grateful that people come to Australia because if they didn't we wouldn't be able to taste different foods. We also wouldn't be able to get to know their culture and experience some of their special cultural days like the Chinese New Year Festival.

Kaitlyn Neems 6W

Today it is Harmony Day so I think it is very fitting to explain why I am glad to live in this peaceful country.

To be in Australia means a lot to me. I was born in Australia and I wish to remain here. Being in a place where we are not at war and do not have to run away from everything to stay alive is the best feeling.

I am glad I have lovely friends and family who live here too.

I also have a full tummy all the time which is amazing. I wish people everywhere were as lucky but I do understand they are not.

Jade Smith 6W



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday, 28 April	Western Boys' Hockey Trials
Wednesday, 4 May	Evening Performance - 'Young Hercules'
Friday, 6 May	Cross Country Carnival/P&C Fun Run
	Evening Performance - 'Young Hercules'
Tuesday, 10 May	NAPLAN - Writing
Wednesday, 11 May	NAPLAN - Reading and Language
Thursday, 12 May	NAPLAN - Numeracy
Friday, 13 May	Cross-country Carnival
Monday, 16 May	Grip Leadership Conference
	P&C Meeting
Wednesday, 18 May	Netball School Cup
Friday, 20 May	Lachlan Cross Country
Monday, 23 May	Kindergarten Dad's Day
	Information Night
Friday, 27 May	Athletics Carnival
Tuesday, 23 May	CWA Public Speaking Competition
Wednesday, 15 June	Western Cross Country
Thursday, 8 December	Presentation Night

DON'T FORGET

Life Education Van

Payment of \$5 now due for every student to cover the cost of the student workbook.

Fun Run

Get your sponsorship money in by Friday, 20 May to be in the draw for a prize.

Cross-country Carnival

Friday, 13 May

Kids Ark - East Timor

Teach your children to care for others less fortunate. Donations are collected each Monday.

Student Achievement



CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who gained a:

White Merit Certificate

Jazara Gibson	4R
Lucy Noakes	3N
Tia Dunn	3N
Faith Green	5D

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Kristin Lennox	6S
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K-2 LITERACY AWARDS

The children who received the literacy awards and capes at the Infants Assembly were:

Kindergarten:	Rosie Parkin
Year 1:	Lucy MacGregor Matthew Fredericks
Year 2:	Sharney Egan Mitchell Bates



Students of the Week

Name: Austin MacGregor

Age: 11

Class: 6S

Teacher: Mr Smith

Teacher comments: Austin is an energetic and enthusiastic student. He enjoys the physical aspects of school such as sport and fitness. Austin is always willing to share his keen sense of humour with the class.

Favourite activities: Touch footy, rugby league, fishing, motorbike riding, hockey, BMX riding, skiing.

What career interests you? I would like to be a farmer and a miner.



Name: Danika Swindle

Age: 12

Class: 6S

Teacher: Mr Smith

Teacher comments: Danika is a happy and easy-going student. She always gives her best effort to class activities and thoroughly enjoys the social aspect of her school days. Danika is a joy to have in 6S.

Favourite activities: Netball, hanging with friends and playing with my animals.

What career interests you? I would like to be a hairdresser or a vet.



Sport News

NETBALL

Netball training will commence this week on Thursday afternoon, 28 April from 3.00pm - 4.30pm at the Parkes Public Primary COLA. Students are to bring a water bottle and suitable clothing. Please let Mrs Dolbel know if you can't attend.

Congratulations to the girls on their outstanding effort against Forbes Public in the PSSA Knockout competition. Unfortunately the girls lost 10-1, however played extremely well in the second half of the game preventing Forbes from scoring barely any goals.

The NSW Schools' Cup will be held in Parkes on Wednesday, 18 May. Students will receive further information about this event at a later date.

Thank you

Mrs Dolbel and Miss Bowkett



BOYS' AND GIRLS' FOOTBALL (SOCCER) TRIALS

Football (soccer) trials for the boys' and girls' Parkes Public School teams will be held on Thursday, 28 April from 4.30pm - 5.30pm. The second trial date will be Friday, 29 April from 3.30pm - 4.30pm. All trials will be held at Harrison Park. If your child is interested in trying out, please see Mrs Watson before the day. If your child has a soccer ball that they could bring to the trials (labelled) this would be greatly appreciated.

Community Noticeboard

Parent Line NSW

Parent Line is a state funded telephone and online counselling service for parents and carers of children aged 0-18.

They are open seven days per week and help with:

- child anxiety
- reducing parent/child conflict
- managing challenging behaviour
- managing parents' stress
- impact of parental conflict and separation on kids
- caring for a child diagnosed with a disability
- concerns regarding child development
- referrals to specialist services all over NSW.

You can call them for the price of a local call 9am-9pm Monday to Friday and 4pm-9pm on Saturday and Sunday: 1300 1300 52.

Checkout their website: www.parentline.org.au

Parkes Shire Concert Band

Would you like to

- learn to play an instrument or play your instrument more?
- play with a band?
- play in street parades for Elvis and Anzac Day?
- wear a cool band uniform?
- make new friends?

Parkes Shire Concert Band welcomes new players of all ages and abilities who might already play an instrument, or want to learn. You just need to be in Year 3 or above and able to come to practice on Tuesdays in term time:

6.30pm - 7.00pm New Learners Group
7.00pm - 8.00pm Development Band

Where: Music room, upstairs in the Town Pool Complex, Dalton Street

Cost: \$20 per term plus \$25 per term instrument hire if needed.

Music Director: Duncan Clement

Enquiries: Rhonda Redenbach 045 937 3624



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Who?	Primary Age Kids in Years 3 to 6
When?	Thursdays from 4.30pm to 6.30pm during School Terms
What?	Games, Bible teaching, Singing, Craft Activity Sheets, Small group chats, more Games AND Dinner is included !!!
Where?	Parkes Baptist Church Hall Corner Currajong & Church Streets
Cost?	\$3 per child or \$5 for a family Term fees also available
Contact?	Julie Layton 0427 606 818 or Jenna Field 0447 250 738



Rotary Fun Run

Sunday, 22 May

From 9.00am at Harrison Park

2km / 5km / 10 km courses

Register on line at:

parkesrotaryfunrun.com.au