



Parkes Public Panorama

Term 4, Week 3 - Tuesday, 24 October 2017

Good luck to our debating team which will be competing in the semi-finals against Cudgegong Valley Public School.

Last week, our debating team attended a gala day in Cowra. All the teams involved attended and debated the same topic. This allowed selectors to choose a Western Region Team. Our third speaker, Genevieve Bland, was selected to be part of that team. It is a huge honour, as more than 40 teams begin in the competition for Western Region every year. It is the second year that she has been selected.

On the day, our team was successful in their debate against Canobolas Public School. Their topic for the debate was 'That children should learn another language'. As our team was the negative, they had to argue against it. It was a very difficult debate, however, the team came away with the win, and some excellent feedback from the adjudicator.

This success placed the team in the semi-finals. They will now debate against Cudgegong Valley Public School tomorrow. Their topic will be 'That we are doing enough for the environment.' Our team will be the affirmative. This means that they will be arguing that we are doing enough for the environment.

We wish them the best of luck.



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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For Your Information



Infants Assembly

2E will be presenting an item at the infants assembly tomorrow Wednesday, 25 October. 1L will be presenting an item during Week 4 at the infants assembly on Wednesday, 1 November. Parents, relatives and caregivers are welcome to attend.

Thank you, Mrs Earsman and Miss Lee

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be closed on Wednesday, 1 November and on Wednesday, 15 November.

Sporting Trophies

If your child received a sporting trophy sometime this year, please return it to the school office as soon as possible. Please do not send trophies to school with children as they can often be damaged in transit. It would be better for parents to bring them in personally. Thank you.

Peer Support

Last week in peer support, we introduced a three step model to encourage resilient responses: pause, plan, proceed. The students took part in an activity to identify their feelings and the immediate effects on their bodies i.e. butterflies in their stomachs. The normalcy of feelings was acknowledged and the importance of being proactive was stressed. The students learnt that pausing when they are emotional is helpful. They can do this by being still, taking a deep breath or counting to ten. Pausing gives students space to see a situation more accurately before planning a response. Ask your child to describe the three steps of the model and what is involved in each one.

PBL Mufti Day

The students have been awarded a mufti day on Friday, 10 November in Week 5.

Lost drink bottle

Jensen Venaglia has lost an aqua green drink bottle with the name Venaglia written on it. Please return to the front office if found. Thank you.

ICAS Maths Competition 2017 Results

Last term, twenty-one students from Parkes Public School participated in the ICAS Mathematics competition. They have been awarded the following certificates:

Participation: Lucy MacGregor, Chloe Phillips, Anna Woodlands, Faith Clarke, Lucy Hall, Alexander MacGregor, Jack Nutley, Thomas Ball and Kane Nutley

Merit: Joseph Tanswell

Credit: Bonnie Hall, Angelique Bland, Liam Freeman Luka Parkin, Thomas Fredericks, Ethan Hunt, Kelsey Mann, Heidi Parkin and Brody Kennedy

Distinction: Genevieve Bland

Absent: Joshua Ball



Mr Smith's Message



Welcome to Week 3!

We have had a fantastic start to this final term of 2017. The students have returned after the break happy, relaxed and ready to get down to their work, making it a really settled week overall. The teachers and I are often reminded of how lucky we are to work in this community with such wonderful students.

Our cricket team is away today playing Cudgegong Valley Public School for the title of Western Region Champions! Best of luck to all involved! We are also competing against Cudgegong Valley Public in the regional debating tomorrow, to be held here in Parkes. Good luck to our debaters!

Congratulations to Ryan Dunford who represented Western Region at the NSW PSSA Athletics Championships which were held in Sydney last week. What a great experience for Ryan!

Our 2018 Kindergarten students have continued their quality transition program this term and it has been wonderful to again see so many happy, smiling faces and all children getting straight into the swing of 'big school'. Thank you to parents and families for their support of our program. We are still accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2018. Parents are asked to come in and fill in the appropriate forms so we can ensure appropriate planning for next year. Enrolments across all years are being accepted for 2018 as well and enquiries should be directed to the school office.

It is that time of the year when Year 5 students begin to consider their involvement in leadership positions, as either prefects or school captains for 2018. To assist students in their discussions and give them a clear understanding of good leadership qualities and what will be required of them, our staff teachers will be organising some leadership meetings over the coming weeks. Interested Year 5 students will receive further information and nomination forms during these sessions. I would very strongly encourage any interested students to give becoming a leader some serious thought as it is a really wonderful opportunity to become involved in school life.

Now that we are in Term 4 and the weather is heating up, school hats **MUST** be worn when the students are out in the playground. It must be a blue broad-brimmed hat with the school logo. Hats can be purchased for from the P&C Uniform Shop on Wednesday from 1.30-3.30pm and Friday from 2.30-3.30pm can be ordered online through flexi schools.

Don't forget our PBL celebration at the end of Week 5, a school-wide mufti-day!

Mr Smith

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 26, October	2018 Kindergarten Orientation 9.30-11.00am - Parent Information Session in hall
Friday 27, October	K-2 Sports Day at 11.30am
Wednesday 1, November	2018 Kindergarten Orientation 9.30-11.00am in KL room
Thursday 16, November	K-2 Social 4.00-5.30pm
Monday 20, November	Year 2 Learn to Swim Program starts
Thursday 30, November	Years 3 and 4 Social 6.00-7.30pm Years 5 and 6 Social 8.00-9.30pm

DON'T FORGET

Book Club - Issue 7

Closes tomorrow,
Wednesday, 25 October

K-2 Sports Day

Friday, 27 October at 11.30am in
the infants playground

PBL Mufti Day

Friday, 10 November

Student Achievements



Congratulations to Joseph Tanswell and Nicolas McMaugh who received School Merit Badges!

K-2 LITERACY AWARDS

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

Kindergarten	Chase Francis Zahlee Terrill Tiashayla Dawson Ryley Curtis
Year 1	Joshua Sutton Jeanie White
Year 2	Tallara Phelan Jensen Venaglia Sophie Tanks

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who gained a:

White Merit Certificate

Chloe Swindle	3S
Sophie Tanks	2R
Shaurya Patel	2E
Joshua Ball	4M
Chloe Chandler	4M
Zoe Anderson	5W
Lilia Howard	4R
Nicolas McMaugh	4R
Jade Miller	4M
Chelsey Norris	1K
Emily De Lacy	1K
Zachary Rich	2E
Madaline Rich	6W
Selwyn Podetti	6O
Joseph Tanswell	6O (2)
Faith Clarke	4R

Badge

Nicolas McMaugh	4R
Joseph Tanswell	6O



Students of the Week



Name: Harry Bligh

Age: 11

Class: 6O

Teacher: Mrs O'Neill

Teacher comments: Harry is a quiet achiever who is a responsible and respectful leader in our school. He thoroughly enjoys reading.

Favourite activities: Motor bike riding, building and reading.

What career interests you? When I grow up I would like to be an electrical engineer.



Name: Faith Green

Age: 11

Class: 6W

Teacher: Mrs Woolstencroft

Favourite activities: Horse riding, going to 'state and nationals', cooking and helping dad.

Teacher comments: Faith is a quiet student who always co-operates with others. She enjoys art.

What career interests you? When I grow up I would like to be a professional horse trainer and rider and to be a great truck driver.

Year 6 Charles Sturt University Visit

Last Tuesday, Year 6 travelled to Bathurst to visit Charles Sturt University. We were lucky enough to experience how a normal day at university felt. We got to participate in fun activities which showed us what two different degrees were like. For example, we had to create a parachute for a little, plastic, army soldier. While doing this activity we had to think about speed because if it went too fast the man would just drop. We also had to focus on accuracy so we had a little square on the ground and we had to try and land the man inside of it. For our second activity we went to the paramedics room and learnt that when you need to do CPR, you need to push down on the chest at the same beat as the song Staying Alive. We also had fun bandaging people's arms, heads, faces and so on. A paramedic student also explained to us the stages we should follow if we see someone that has fallen to the ground. For lunch, we had burgers and chips and got to sit in the building with all the other uni students. We met the publicity officer who took several photos of us. He also taught us some Italian. After lunch we went for a tour of CSU it was really cool. We got to see all the classrooms and we got to see the dormitories from a distance. At the end of the tour before we left we got the chance to graduate and sit inside the lecture hall. We learnt about the jobs for which our tour guides came to CSU. Just before we left we got to do the hat toss where everyone throws their graduation hats in the air. Everyone had a great day and we really enjoyed the experience of being a uni student for a day.

by Olivia Thompson



Community Noticeboard

Tips for adults at kids sport.

1. Keep it fun, don't take it too seriously.
2. Be enthusiastic but don't scream and shout instructions from the sideline.
3. Emphasise trying hard, not winning.
4. Cheer and knowledge good plays by all players on both teams.
5. Accept decisions by officials. They are human and can make mistakes.
6. Let coaches do the coaching.
7. Always remember volunteers run kids sport.
8. Understand, uphold and support your club's code of conduct.
9. Allow your child to play for themselves. Let kids make the decisions on and off the field.
10. Think before you speak. Your words may harm others.

Musical 9 to 5

Opens Friday, 13 October 2017

Closes Saturday, 28 October 2017

Tickets available online at www.parkesmandd.com.au or purchase at Parkes Stationary & Office Furniture, Clarinda Street or at the Little Theatre Box Office, Bogan Street, 10.00am - 12.00pm Saturday/Sunday



Celebrating Mental Health Month

6.30pm on Saturday, 28 October 2017
Parkes Bowling Club, Cecile Street

\$10 per table
Maximum 10 people per table

BYO Nibbles
Drinks available over the bar

For further information or to book a table ring the Flourish Australia office on 6863 5113.



Parkes Public School AFL After School Auskick

Monday, 23 October until Monday, 13 November from 3.30pm - 4.30pm (infants grass area)

What is after school AUSKICK?

- Safe, fun, action-packed program, four weeks of skills and games, ideal for boys and girls aged 5-12 for just \$45.00.
- Payments to be made online. Card payment will be available at program. No cash payments accepted.
- Every child receives an AUSKICK PACK including pencil case, football, footy pump, footy cards, GWS GIANTS cap and GWS GIANTS stickers, PLUS
- Four complimentary tickets to a GWS GIANTS home game at Spotless Stadium in 2018.

REGISTER NOW

Visit www.aflauskick.com.au - search 'Parkes Public AFL Auskick Centre After School' or enter your postcode.

For more information contact Matthew Johnson: matthew.johnson@afl.com.au or phone 0407 268 643.