



# Parkes Public Panorama

Term 1, Week 3 - Tuesday, 7 February 2017



## 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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## Introducing our School Captains for 2017

Congratulations to you all, we hope you have a great year leading our student body!



Vice captains Danielle and Gabe Goodrick and captains Genevieve Bland and Harry Bligh.

## Welcome to Kindergarten 2017!

After completing their Best Start assessments, Kindergarten officially commenced school last Friday! We are so pleased to welcome the following Kindergarten children to Parkes Public School: Alyssa, Katie, Ruby, Tanaya, Tempi, Janayah, Peggy, Lila, Chloe, Logan, Taj, Timmy, Jai, Heath, Cody, Tyler, Cody, Isabella, Charlee, Anabelle, Shayla, Chelsea, Ava, Nevaeh, Shaye, Alana, Cooper, James, Kaiden, Ryley, Eathon, Tyson, Charlie, Kobey, Nysha, May, Brooklyn, Aleeya, Macquenzie, Shaylah, Abigail, Zahlee, Isabella, Bradley, Liam, Chase, Asher, Tyler, Ethan, Billy, Ryan, Jonathon, Alex, Kaiden, Jon and Alisha.

## Welcome to our new students in Years 1-6!!

Last week we had a number of new students join our school. We hope you are all very happy at Parkes Public School! We are very glad to welcome you: Cody, Eligh, Kallum, Sara, Ellen, Marcus, Lilyanne and Brayden.

It is also a delight to welcome the mums and dads of our new students. It is lovely to have our new families and we look forward to working in partnership with you to best meet the needs of your children.

## New Staff Member

This year we also welcome Miss Bianca McPhee to our school. Miss McPhee is teaching Year 4 and comes to us from Forbes Public School.

# For Your Information



## **Prefect Induction**

Our Prefect Induction will be held at 9.30am on Thursday, 16 February in the assembly hall. Prefects, sporting house captains and AECG representatives will be inducted during this formal event. Our special guest will be Parkes High School captains and former students Ross Collins and Yasmin Potts.

Parents and friends of inductees are invited to attend.

## **Uniform Shop**

The uniform shop is open on Wednesday morning from 8.45-9.30am and Friday afternoons from 2.45-3.30pm.

## **Crossing Supervisor**

Mr Tony Sansome is our crossing supervisor and he will be in attendance on our crossing every school day from 8.15am until 9.30am each morning and 2.30pm to 3.30pm every afternoon. Please remind your children that they must pay attention to the directions given by the crossing supervisor.

## **Week 3 Infants Assembly**

2R will be presenting an item at the infants assembly tomorrow, Wednesday 7 February. Parents, relatives and caregivers are welcome to attend. The assembly will commence at 2.00pm.

*Thank you, Mrs Ruckley*

## **Choir News**

Choir will begin for Years 3-6 tomorrow, Wednesday 8 February. Please meet at the primary gate at 1.15pm.

We are delighted that our audition for the Choral Festival was successful again this year and twenty students will have the opportunity to attend this event at the Sydney Opera House in November.

Choir will begin for interested students in Year 1 and Year 2 this Friday, 10 February at 1.15pm.

We are looking forward to welcoming former choir members as well as new members for a wonderful year of singing.

*Mrs Leonard and Mrs Bland*

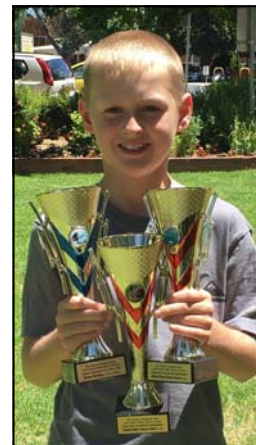
# Australia Day Awards

Congratulations to both Parkes Public School Boys' Cricket and Hockey teams on winning special commendation awards for Parkes Sporting Team of the Year at the Australia Day awards at Cooke Park. We would like to thank coaches Graeme Tanswell (hockey) and Clinton Hawke (cricket) for all their efforts. Also thank you to the parents for their continued support in ensuring players attended training games. Well done to all!



## **Parkes Junior Sportsperson of the Year**

Congratulations to Parkes Public School student Kane Nutley for his achievements in sport. Kane was recognised at the Australia Day awards for his accomplishments in the field of water-skiing. He was also part of the Parkes Public School teams which received special commendation awards.



# Mr Smith's Message



What a great start to the 2017 school year! We have welcomed new students and families to our school and our Kindergarten children completed their Best Start assessments and they have been very settled. I am certain our very comprehensive transition process has enabled an easier start for our students. I am looking forward to getting to know our new families and to rekindle relationships with our existing families.

Please remember that I am very happy to meet with you to discuss any concerns or ideas you may have. I may be contacted through the school office. I am not always available for 'drop-in' chats but I am very happy to schedule appointments or return phone calls. I cannot emphasise enough that if you are worried about something, please don't sit at home and hope the problem will go away. If we don't know about an issue we can't fix it. If you have concerns about your child's progress, social problems etc. the first port of call should be the class teacher. The class teacher will have up-to-date knowledge about your child and our staff are always more than happy to speak with our families.

Communication with school is an important factor in ensuring your child has a happy and successful year. If stressful events are happening in your home or child's life please notify your child's teacher so that they can support your child as best they can. If parents are ill or there has been a death in the family (pet or person), if parents have separated, or a parent has lost a job, these are very important factors that can create a lot of anxiety for children. If we at school know about the issues we can help support your child.

Teachers are best contacted through the school office staff or by sending a letter to your child's teacher.

If your child has any ongoing issues please ensure you meet with the child's teacher in the near future. Please don't assume because you told last year's teacher some information that this year's teacher will know. Teachers are expected to be confidential in their role and unless a situation is imperative for the whole staff to know only the person you told will have the information. Teachers do pass on academic and health information but not always the very personal details. Any information you would like your child's current teacher to have please contact them!

We hope you have a wonderful school year working in partnership with our staff to bring out the best in your child.

What a fantastic day we all had at our Swimming Carnival last Friday! Thank you to Mrs Dolbel and her team for the excellent organisation of the day!

Have a great week, everyone!

*Mr Smith*



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday, 8 February ..... Kindergarten Parent Information  
afternoon - 3.15pm

Monday, 13 February ..... Lachlan Tennis Trials

Thursday, 16 February ..... Prefect Induction

Friday, 17 February ..... Lachlan Swimming Carnival

Monday, 20 February ..... P&C AGM at 6.30pm

Thursday, 9 March ..... Kindergarten 'Dads Day'

## DON'T FORGET

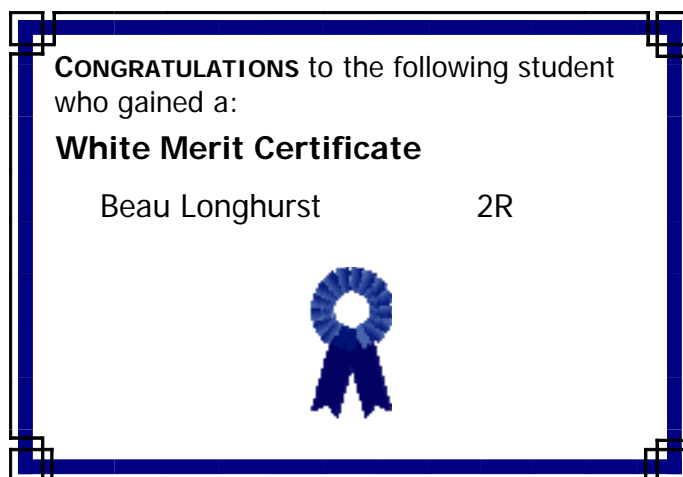
**Kindergarten Parent  
Information Afternoon**  
Tomorrow, Wednesday 8 February at  
3.15pm

**Prefect Induction**  
Thursday, 16 February at 9.30am

**Book Club Issue 1**  
Closes Tuesday, 14 February



# Student Achievements



## Library News

### Scholastic Book Club

Eight times a year (twice a term) Book Club pamphlets from Scholastic Book Club will be given out to students. Issue 1 order forms were sent home last week and orders will close on **Tuesday, 14 February**.

To purchase books or software, complete the form on the back of the sheet and return with the correct money in a well-sealed envelope. ***If paying by cheque, please make payable to 'Parkes Public School'.*** Students place their envelopes in the collection box that goes around in the morning to each class.

The school has joined the **'LOOP'** system for credit card payments. You can now order and pay online! No order form is needed to be filled out or returned to the school. Your order will be delivered to the school and we will forward on to you child.

When Book Club forms are handed out the date for closing orders will be published in the following newsletter. It will take approximately two weeks for the orders to arrive after the closing date. If you do not wish your children to see the books ordered, please make a note on your order form along with a contact phone number. You will be contacted when the books arrive and they can be picked up from the school office. This is a service offered by the school to allow you to purchase books. There is no obligation to buy.

Last year our library received many free resources as a result of the support from students and families. This was greatly appreciated!

### Library Days

Library borrowing days are as follows:

Monday	- 5W, 1L, 1/2W and 4M
Tuesday	- 6W, 5D, 3M and KH
Wednesday	- 6O, 2R, KE and 3S
Thursday	- 4R and 3-6N
Friday	- 1K, 2E, and KL.

Children who would like to borrow will need to either have a library bag or pillow case to protect the books being transported from home to school.

Unfortunately there are a few students who still have outstanding loans from 2016, and these books will need to be returned or paid for before these students can borrow in 2017.

***Mrs Dolbel, Librarian***

# P&C News

## Uniform Shop Expressions of Interest

A voluntary opportunity exists for a point of sale service position in our school uniform shop. The successful person will need to be honest and reliable.

The job will require/involve:

- computer skills to operate the POS software (training provided)
- use of eftpos facilities (training will be provided)
- selling of uniforms. Current operating hours are Wednesday 8.45am-9.30am and Friday 2.45pm-3.30pm. Although operating hours need to maintain consistency, these opening times are negotiable
- stocking shelves.

This position is **not** responsible for stock purchasing, however this is negotiable.

For additional information or to lodge your interest please contact Tanya MacGregor on 0427 372 231 or Ben Smith 6862 1702 by Friday, 17 February 2017.

# Canteen News

- ♦ The new summer menu commences this term. These were sent home with each student last week. If you did not receive one please call in to the front office and collect one.
- ♦ The canteen Facebook page is regularly updated with news and information. Search 'Parkes Public School Canteen' and like our page.
- ♦ Helpers are always welcome at the canteen. You might like to go on the 'on call' list for when a regular volunteer cannot make it. Or, you might want to be on the contact list for when we require baked cakes/slices for catering. Or perhaps you could be a helper in the canteen. Here are some times and days that might suit you . . .

Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
10.15-11.30am Primary Side	10.15-11.30am Primary side	11.00-11.30am Primary side	11.00-11.30am Primary side
10.30am-2.00pm Infants side	10.30am-2.00pm Infants side	1.25-2.00pm Primary side	1.25-2.00pm Primary side
11.00-11.30am Primary side	11.00-11.30am Primary side	10.30am-2.00pm Infants side	10.30am-2.00pm Infants side
		12.30-2.00pm Infants side	12.30-2.00pm Infants side
		9.30-11.00am Infants side	9.30-11.00am Infants side

**Please note:** All times can be weekly or fortnightly and are flexible. The above times are a guide only.

Please fill in this slip and return to the front office or see Belinda, the canteen manager at the canteen.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact phone number : \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Helper in canteen

☐ Catering

☐ 'On call' list

# Sport News

## Swimming Carnival 2017

Around 120 students participated in our school swimming carnival last Friday. It was great to see students cheering on swimmers in their respective houses. It was a delight to see the students encouraging each other to do their best. Thank you to all the wonderful parents who helped time-keep during the day. Congratulations to all the students who swam and tried their best all day. We are so proud of our students' behaviour and great sportsmanship shown throughout the day.

Children who came first and second and received blue or red ribbons at the carnival will be attending the Lachlan Carnival in Condobolin on Friday, 17 February.

**Trophies and medallions will be handed out at the primary assembly this Friday, 10 February at 2.00pm** to age, senior and junior champions. Bennett and Burch cups will also be presented to the fastest female and male swimmer in the school.

## Lachlan Swimming

Congratulations to the following 26 students who will be swimming at Condobolin on Friday, 17 February at the Lachlan Swimming carnival: Ellen Dolbel, Zoe Anderson, Liam Moody, Harmih Turnbull, Olive Cope, Hannah McIntyre, Lucy Hall, Zachery Guy, Joshua Riley, Matayah Guy, Phoebe Forbes, Ewan Moody, Sonny MacGregor, Faith Clarke, Joel MacGregor, Hunter Hawke, Luka Parkin, Gabriel Goodrick, Kane Nutley, Maely MacGregor, Angelique Bland, Kelsey Mann, Sterling Green, Genevieve Bland, Ava Hayes and Rhys James.

Permission notes and information about the carnival will be sent home this week.

*Mrs Dolbel*

## 2017 Sporting House Captains

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected sporting house captains and vice captains for 2017!



**Blaxland** Kane Nutley - Vice Captain  
Dylan Wood - Captain  
Emily Neems - Captain  
Jazmen Terrill - Vice Captain  
Madaline Rich - Vice Captain



**Lawson** Brook Pinkstone - Vice Captain  
Maely MacGregor - Captain  
Kaid Lydford - Captain  
Brody Kennedy - Vice Captain



**Mitchell** Ava Hayes - Vice Captain  
Olivia Murray - Captain  
Joseph Tanswell - Captain  
Ryan Dunford - Vice Captain



**Wentworth** Sasha Reid - Vice Captain  
Molly Kennedy - Captain  
Liam Moody - Captain  
Harmih Turnbull - Vice Captain





# Community Noticeboard

 **COME ALONG  
AND JOIN US FOR** 

**Kids Club**  
Craft, fellowship, fun and more!


**St George's  
Anglican Church**

**Friday, 4:00 to 5:30pm**  
**\$2 (includes afternoon tea)**

**Commencing  
Friday, 4th February, 2017** 

**Who?** Primary Age Kids in Years 3 to 6  
**When?** Thursdays from 4.30pm to 6.30pm during school term  
**Where?** Parkes Baptist Church Hall  
Cnr Currajong & Church Streets  
**Cost?** \$3 per child or \$15 for a family  
Term fees also available

**Contacts:** Julie Layton 0427 606 818 or  
Jenna Field 0447 250 738  
SPARKS is a Kids Club run by Parkes Baptist Church

 **sparks**  
kids club

*Returns Thursday 9th February*

## Junior Squash

Junior Squash starts on Friday, 10 February, 6.00pm at the squash courts in Short Street.

New players welcome. Enquiries: 6862 4555



# Community Noticeboard

THIS EVENT IS TO RAISE AWARENESS AND FUNDS FOR THE CHILDREN TUMOUR FOUNDATION

## Parkes NF Colour for a Cure

Family friendly fun run with a splash of Colour... 5 km run or walk for the whole family  
EVERYONE ENCOURAGED TO WEAR WHITE!!!

**CHARITY EVENT—FAMILY FUN RUN**

### Sunday 19th March 2017

**NORTHPARKES OVAL 8:30<sup>am</sup> START**



**Early Bird Ticket Pricing**  
Adult \$30 | Child \$20 | Family \$90  
(18 & Over) (Children Under 18yrs) (2 Adults & Up to 4 Children)  
\*CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 13 YEARS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT  
\*\*CHILDREN UNDER 5YRS FREE

**Register Now!!!**

**EARLY BIRD SPECIAL**

## FUN RUN

**ENDS 14th FEBRUARY 2017**

**Regular Ticket Pricing (after 14 Feb)**  
Adult \$50 | Child \$30 | Family \$145  
(18 & Over) (Children Under 18yrs) (2 Adults & Up to 4 Children)

**Proudly supporting**  
Children's Tumour Foundation  
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Register On [Eventbrite](#)  
M: 0417 478 079

[Find us on: facebook](#)



## Parkes High School

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# OPEN DAY

**Tuesday, 21st February 2017**




Years 5-6 Information session 6.00pm – 6.30pm in LP Johnston Hall  
Tours of the School 6.30pm – 8.00pm from LP Johnston Hall, Albert St  
P&C BBQ, savoury & sweet finger food, ice cold mocktails.  
Everyone is Welcome !  
Visit [www.parkes-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.parkes-h.schools.nsw.edu.au) or call (02) 68621844 for more information

## Under 11's Development Netball Squad

Tryouts will be held on Tuesday, 14 February from 5.30-6.30pm at the town netball courts.

Contact Christine Watson on 0400 408 882 for further information.

## Music Lessons

Mitchell Conservatorium of Music is now taking enrolments for our Forbes and Parkes studios.

We have classes available for piano, guitar, singing, woodwind and brass.

Music lessons are also available through some of our local schools. Video conferencing lessons are available at both our studios.

Please contact our office on 6852 3766 for further details.

Our office hours are 12.30 to 4.30pm Monday to Friday.

## Do you require quality outside of school hours care in Parkes?

**Before School : After School : Vacation Care**



Contact us NOW to discuss your outside school hours care needs for 2017

**Our programs are fun, educational and are run by qualified staff.**

Testimonials

"My children attend vacation care and love it"

"On arrival there is always a professional educator who communicates what is planned for the day"

"On pick up I'm always greeted with lots of great stories from what has happened during the day and a reflective diary that explains their experiences..."

"What an amazing service!"



For more information call: **0428 770 760**  
or Email us: [lachlanoshc@gmail.com](mailto:lachlanoshc@gmail.com)