



Parkes Public Panorama

Term 1, Week 5 - Tuesday, 21 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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Congratulations to
Kelsey Mann on achieving a School
Merit Badge!

Congratulations to our Lachlan District Tennis Representatives!!



Congratulations to Molly, Brooke, Ellen, Lily, Joseph, Gabe and Cody who were all named as members of the 2017 Lachlan Tennis Team.

The players will represent Parkes Public School and Lachlan at the Western PSSA Tennis Trials in Bathurst on Tuesday, 28 March.

We are very proud of their achievement and wish them the best of luck for the upcoming trials.

For Your Information



Band News

It is great to see so many new members joining the school band. Please remember that as band members we need to be committed to practising and turning up to lessons on time. Students will need a blue plastic sleeved folder to put their music sheets in.

If your child is not returning to band I need the instruments returned as soon as possible otherwise the school will be sending an invoice to cover the payment of the instrument.

Mrs Watson

Week 5 Infants Assembly

1K will be presenting an item at the infants assembly tomorrow, Wednesday 22 February. Parents, relatives and caregivers are welcome to attend.

Thank you, Miss King

The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday, 20 March.

Uniform Shop

Don't forget our uniform shop is open on Wednesdays from 8.45am-9.30am and Fridays between 2.45pm-3.30pm.

P&C Fete meeting

A meeting will be held on Monday, 27 February at 6.00pm in the staff room to begin organising this year's fete. Any interested people are more than welcome to attend. Further information is available from P&C President Kerri MacGregor on 0422 181 029, or Secretary Helen Longhurst on 6864 1168.



Playgroup

Thursdays

during school terms

9.30am-11.00am

Parkes Public Hall
in Hill Street

Lots of fun and games

Great new equipment

Meet new families



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday, 3 March PBL Reward Afternoon
Tuesday, 7 March 2LVR student Broadcast at 5.00pm
Friday, 10 March Western Swimming Carnival
Thursday, 16 March Kindergarten 'Dads Day'
Monday, 20 March P&C Meeting
Tuesday, 28 March School Photos
Wednesday, 29 March School Photos
Friday, 31 March Fete

DON'T FORGET

Cricket Trials
Tomorrow, Wednesday 21 February
and Friday, 24 February

School Fete
Friday, 31 March

Canteen Open
Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and
Fridays

Mr Smith's Message



Welcome to Week 5!

We have had a flying start to this year! Teachers have commenced specific, well-constructed learning programs in classrooms, supporting the work with learning and language focusing on managing self and relationships with others. A variety of high quality programs, that ensure a well-rounded educational opportunity for every student are underway, with students slipping easily back into established routines and meeting expectations.

To mention a few:

- ♦ Aquatic sport is very big at this time of year, with a very successful swimming carnival conducted and primary swimming sessions for sport underway. PSSA representative trials have already been held for swimming and tennis and further trials are coming up this term for a variety of other sports. Our PSSA knockout competitions are also starting to kick off during this term.
- ♦ Early Action for Success is providing structured support in literacy and numeracy across Kindergarten to Year 2, while Years 3-6 are continuing with 'Focus on Reading'. Maths teaching is also a high priority area, with teachers examining best practice and engaging in current research, to identify the most effective teaching strategies.
- ♦ Transition to Parkes High School is underway as we prepare our Year 6 students to progress to high school in 2018.

Last night we had our first P&C meeting for the year and the AGM. The first major P&C project for 2017 will be the fete, which will be held on Friday, 31 March. Further details of this will be discussed at a fete meeting next Monday. During the AGM, the following positions were filled for this year:

President: Mrs Kerri MacGregor

Vice President: Mr Andrew McIntyre

Secretary: Mrs Helen Longhurst

Treasurer: Mrs Anna Pearce

School Council Representative: Mr Jason Kennedy

Congratulations to our P&C office bearers! If you are a new family to our school or an existing one that has been thinking about coming along to P&C for a while, this would be a great year to get involved. Our P&C play a significant role in helping to make our school the great place that it is. Their fundraising efforts contribute so much and they are a wonderful sounding board for us when we are considering new ideas or programs or possible adjustments to school systems. Being a member of the P&C does not mean that you have to take on a role, but it is a great way to stay informed about what is happening at school and a good way of meeting other families. Our current members are all terrific people who do a great job of ensuring that everyone feels welcome and included.

A huge thank you to all our families who were able to make it along to last week's Prefect Induction assembly. Our new school captains and vice-captains demonstrated great leadership with how quickly they engaged with the student body, and whilst they may have felt nervous, it certainly didn't come across in how they ran the assembly. Congratulations also to our new Prefects, House Captains and Vice-Captains as well as this year's AECG representatives! Well done, everyone, what a great start!

Parents and Carers are reminded that bus bays are not to be used as drop off or pick up points between 8.00-9.30am in the mornings and 2.30-4.00pm in the afternoon. We thank you for your support with this matter.

Mr Smith

NO HAT, NO PLAY!

Now that the weather is warming up teachers will be diligent in enforcing this important rule.

Broad-brimmed hats are the only acceptable hats to be worn at school.

Student Achievements



CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who gained a:

White Merit Certificate

Kelsey Mann	5D
Phoebe Longhurst (2)	2E
Kendra Dunn	6W
Chloe Mudiman	2R

Badge

Kelsey Mann	5D
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K-2 LITERACY AWARDS

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

Kindergarten	Alex Griffiths Jonathon Wilkinson Isabella Trott Charlie McColl Nevaeh Pritchard
Year 1	Vanessa Dun
Year 2	Noah Tillman Sophie Glasson Joshua Riley Shannon Reeves



Student of the Week



Name: Aidan Lynch

Age: 12

Class: 6O

Teacher: Mrs O'Neill

Teacher comments: Aidan is an enthusiastic member of our class. He has great ideas and is always happy to share them with others.

Favourite activities: Playing soccer with my cousins, swimming, art, going on holiday, reading, writing and cooking.

What career interests you? Someone who invents a device that can help people living in poverty, a missionary or a geologist.

VALUE OF THE WEEK - Confidence

What is Confidence?

Confidence is having faith in something or someone. It is a kind of trust. When you have self-confidence, you trust that you have what it takes to handle whatever happens. You feel sure of yourself and enjoy trying new things. When you are confident in others, you rely on them and confide in them.

Why Practise Confidence?

Without confidence, fears and doubts hold us back. We feel worried and uncertain, and afraid of making a mistake. With confidence, we try new things and learn all the time.

How Do You Practise Confidence?

Practising confidence is knowing you are worthwhile whether you win or lose, succeed or fail. You feel sure of yourself and gladly learn from your mistakes. You don't allow doubt or fear to stop you. You try lots of new things and discover what you are best at. You think positively. You have confidence in life, trusting that all things work together for good.



Sport News

Lachlan Swimming Carnival

In hot conditions our champion little squad of 22 swimmers hit the pool in Condobolin last Friday. Fabulous results and personal bests were set by many swimmers across all strokes during the day. A huge shout out to Liam Moody and Ellen Dolbel who will be heading off to the Western Carnival to represent Parkes Public School and Lachlan in all strokes across seven events!!

Most impressive were our relay teams. All relay teams, junior boys, junior girls, senior boys and senior girls all placed in the top three and will be heading to contest the waters in Dubbo. Our youngest swimmers, Olive Cope, Zachery Guy and Hannah McIntyre all took significant seconds off their entry times and looks like they will be back for more competition next year.

A huge squad of 16 Parkes Public School swimmers will be part of the Lachlan team that heads to Dubbo to compete at the Western Carnival on Friday, 10 March.

The following students will be members of the Lachlan Swimming Team for 2017 competing at the Western Carnival in Dubbo on Friday, 10 March:

- **Individual and Relay Swimmers:** Liam Moody, Ellen Dolbel, Matayah Guy, Ewan Moody, Lucy Hall, Joel MacGregor, Gabe Goodrick, Harmih Turnbull and Zoe Anderson
- **Relay Swimmers** - Faith Clark, Phoebe Forbes, Danielle Goodrick, Luka Parkin, Sonny MacGregor, Ava Hayes and Hunter Hawke.

We wish them the best of luck to swim fast!

Thank you, Mrs Dolbel



Sport News

PSSA Cricket Team Trials

Trials for the school cricket team will be held tomorrow, Wednesday 22 February and Friday, 24 February.

If you would like to try out for the school team you need to attend on at least one of the above dates.

Trials will be held at the Woodward Oval cricket nets starting at 3.30pm.

Please bring the following:

- hat
- water
- cricket gear - bat, gloves, pads and batting helmet.

Mr Clinton Hawke will be coaching the team and Mrs Cathy Pearsall will be managing.



School Netball Team

The school netball team will be participating in the PSSA knockout competition as well as the Netball NSW Schools Cup this year.

Trials will be held at lunchtime over the next two Fridays. If your child has not yet given their name to Mrs Dolbel for trials please do so before Friday. To be selected students must be available for at least one of the trial dates. If this is not possible please see Mrs Dolbel.

Thank you, Mrs Dolbel

Parkes Public School Tennis Team 2017

Congratulations to the following players who have been selected in the school tennis team this year:

Molly Kennedy, Ellen Dolbel, Cody Kirk and Joseph Tanswell.
Reserves: Gabe Goodrick and Lily McCormick.

Our first round will be played against Parkes East Public School on Monday in Parkes.

Mrs Dolbel



Canteen News

Infants Canteen Roster		Primary Canteen Roster	
Thursday, 23 February	Friday, 24 February	Thursday, 23 February	Friday, 24 February
Tracey B and Amanda C	Fiona B and Zoe	Lunch: Kate S	Lunch: Richard H
Please note: The primary canteen will be closed at recess on Fridays due to swimming for sport.			