



# Parkes Public Panorama

Term 1, Week 6 - Tuesday, 28 February 2017

Congratulations to our newly inducted Junior AECG representatives for 2017: Kye Herft, Jazlyn Greenwood, Harmih Turnbull and Izaac Handcock!

The students hosted their first Junior AECG meeting today.



*2017 Junior AECG members Kye Herft, Jazlyn Greenwood, Harmih Turnbull and Izaac Handcock pictured with Mr Lionel Lovett.*



## 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



## Week 6 Infants Assembly

1L will be presenting an item at the infants assembly tomorrow, Wednesday 28 February. Parents, relatives and caregivers are welcome to attend.

*Thank you, Miss Lee*

## Clean up Australia Day

This Friday, 3 March any interested students can participate in a tidy up of the school grounds as part of 'Clean up Australia Day Schools'. We are a registered school and the organisation has sent us a pack which includes gloves and rubbish bags. This is a great opportunity to teach students why it's so important to always look out for rubbish and clean up after themselves. This year Clean up Australia Day is celebrating 26 years of Schools Clean Up. We are looking forward to being a part of this.



## Staff Professional Learning

At Parkes Public School, we always endeavour to keep our staff up to date in current professional learning and training opportunities. Over the last week Mrs Howard and Mrs Earsman attended PBL training, our whole staff attended an extra three hour staff meeting on Thursday afternoon which covered information and training in the NDIS rollout and new Learning Pathway plans for Aboriginal students. Mr Smith attended a principal's conference for three days and Mrs Lickess and Mrs Elliott attended an Early Action for Success day in Dubbo. This week we again have some of our teaching and leadership staff participating training opportunities, Mrs Lickess attended an L3 Masterclass yesterday and Mrs Elliott and Mrs Mill are spending the week in Orange undertaking the Stronger, Smarter Leadership Program. On Thursday, Mrs Masters (our School Administration Manager) and Mr Smith are attending training in Dubbo on the new LMBR (Learning Management and Business Reform).

Wonderful opportunities like these allow our staff to remain at the forefront of current, best practice professional learning, enabling us to provide highly qualified and skilled teachers and to stay on top of the many current reforms across the Department of Education.

## Newsletter e-mailed

We currently e-mail the newsletter each week to many of our families and members of the community.

If you would like the newsletter e-mailed each week please notify the office of your e-mail address and watch your 'in box'.

## Late Arrival/Early Departure

Parents, please remember that you **must** attend the front office to sign your child into school (and obtain a pass to give to the child's teacher) if they arrive late to school.

Students leaving school early or to attend appointments must also be signed out at the front office.

**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 to 9.30am and Fridays between 2.45pm to 3.30pm. We also have socks available for purchase for students to wear when representing our school in sporting teams, \$12.00 per pair.

## THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Parkes Public School would like to acknowledge and thank Woolworths Supermarket for their continued support of our Breakfast Club and other programs run at our school.

These programs are only possible due to these generous contributions.



# Mr Smith's Message



Welcome to Week 6!

What a difference a couple of weeks can make! It's amazing how chilly the temperature can feel after a period of extremely hot weather. We are seeing some of our students wearing school jumpers in the mornings, only to make their way to lost property by lunchtime along with many hats. Please ensure all clothing is clearly labelled with family names so we can return clothing to the rightful owners.

Good luck to our tennis players competing at the Western Region PSSA trials today! We know you will do your best and represent Parkes Public School with distinction.

Teachers and students are currently working on creating learning intentions or goals in their classes and focusing on areas to help guide improvement in learning and teaching such as how we work collaboratively, how we can use feedback to improve and how it is okay to make a mistake sometimes in our learning. Well done to our students on their efforts in being proactive learners - keep up the great work!

Many of our teachers have been making contact with parents and families over the past few weeks. When the relationship between teachers and parents is ongoing with open lines of communication research proves students achieve more positive outcomes from their schooling. In 2017 this is something we will continue to focus on throughout the year. Don't forget that there will be progress interviews held towards the end of Term 1 so you can catch up on your child's development so far this year.

Parents are reminded that our students must not arrive at school earlier than 8.35am at which time there is teacher supervision. Similarly, students must be collected at 3.00pm unless they are catching a bus. If for family or work reasons, you need your children to stay longer in the afternoon, then you are welcome to organise after school care through the Parkes Outside School Hours Care centre which operates out of our hall on 0428 770 760.

A P&C fete meeting was held yesterday afternoon to go over organisation of this year's fete. If you are interested in lending a hand please come along to the next meeting on Wednesday, 8 March at 6.30pm in the staffroom.

Have a great week!

*Mr Smith*



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday, 3 March	PBL Reward Afternoon Clean Up Australia Day Schools
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

### Fete Meeting

Wednesday, 8 March at 6.30pm

### Kindergarten 'Dads Day'

Thursday, 16 March

### School Fete

Friday, 31 March

### Canteen Open

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and  
Fridays



# Student Achievements



**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following students who gained a:

## White Merit Certificate

Emma Hando	1K
Liam Ross	2R
Cameron Dunn	5D



## K-2 LITERACY AWARDS

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

Kindergarten	Timmy Longhurst
	Peggy Swift
Year 1	Macey-Jane Hohnberg
	Emily De Lacy
	Isaac Lennox
	Molly Clohessy



# Student of the Week



**Name:** Jazlyn Greenwood

**Age:** 11

**Class:** 6W

**Teacher:** Mrs Woolstencroft

**Teacher comments:** Jazlyn is an enthusiastic member of our class. She always tries her hardest and is a wonderful role model for younger students.

**Favourite activities:** Dancing, touch football and playing hockey.

**What career interests you?**  
I want to play Hockey for Australia. I would like to be a zoo keeper and I would also like to be a part of the RSPCA (Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals).

## 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.



# Kindergarten Bus Safety Visit

Last Wednesday Kindergarten students were lucky enough to have a visit from the NRMA and Western Road Liners to talk to them about bus safety. Students sat quietly as the presenters discussed things such as how far away from the curb children need to stand, and what you must do once you are on the bus.

Here are a few things students were taught:

- stand two big steps away from the kerb when waiting for a bus
- always wait for the bus to come to a complete stop before moving forward
- remember to have your bus pass with you
- when you get on the bus go straight to your seat
- remain seated once on the bus
- put your bag on the floor under your feet
- don't distract the driver when he is driving
- tell the driver if you have a problem, but wait until he stops the bus before getting out of your seat.

After the presentation students had the opportunity to practise what they learnt and take a special ride on a bus.

Kindergarten loved the special visit and learnt a lot from the 'On the Bus Safety Program'.





# Sport News

## Boys Hockey Trials

Hockey trials will take place at the Parkes hockey turf over two weeks.

**Dates:** Monday, 13 March and Monday, 20 March.

**Requirements:** hockey stick, shin pads, mouth guard and drink bottle.

**No** player will be allowed to participate if they do not have a mouth guard or shin pads. This is a NSW Hockey, and Department of Education ruling.

Players trialling **must** be available to train each week as this is our school representative team. Previous membership of the team does not necessarily ensure your selection in this year's team.

## PSSA Tennis

### Round 1 - Victor Kelly Cup Knockout Competition

Yesterday, Monday 27 February the school tennis team played against Parkes East Public School. There were very good rallies and great sportsmanship.

The Parkes Public team consists of the following students Molly, Ellen, Cody, Joseph and Gabe. Everyone tried their hardest and played to the best of their abilities. The Parkes Public school team walked away with a convincing win, 8-0 sets. In the next round Parkes Public School will be playing Forbes Public School at Forbes.

GO PARKES PUBLIC SCHOOL!!!

*by Molly Kennedy and Ellen Dolbel*



# Uniform Shop Volunteers

## 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
- stocking shelves.

Volunteers are currently needed for Wednesdays 8.45am-9.30am. Although operating hours need to maintain consistency, the opening time is negotiable.

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 as soon as possible.



Located in the Parkes Public School Hall  
Operating from 3pm – 6pm daily

Are you looking for care after school?

Why not try our After School Care program, we offer:

- a healthy afternoon snack
- qualified educators
- activities based on your child's interest such as cooking, arts/crafts, group games, construction play and more!

Cost is \$25 per session, with CCB and CCR subsidies available.

Call to secure your spot today on:

**0428 770 760**



# Community Noticeboard

## Reconciliation (First Confession)

Any children in Year 2 and above who would like to make the sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession) are invited to attend a meeting, with their parents, on Sunday, 5 March after the 9.30am Mass, in the Father Pat Centre.

For more information please contact the Parish Office on 6862 2469.

## Futsal Open Night

Come and check out the new Futsal fields and have a kick around. A meeting will be held this Wednesday, 1 March at 6.00pm at Parkes Bowling and Sports Club in Cecile Street. We will discuss and confirm nights to be played, rules and refereeing. If you have any questions please contact Parkes Bowling and Sports Club on 6862 1446, 0407 306 660 or email: pbscfutsal@gmail.com

## Footpath Astronomy at the Sir Henry Parkes Monument

Saturday, 4 March from 7.00pm

Central West Astronomical Society Incorporated invite you to join them for a look through telescopes.



Get an up close look at the Moon, Orion and Sirius.

We might even get a look at Mars.

**This is a free event!**



**Saturday 25th March 2017**

9am start followed by BBQ lunch at 1230

**5 to 17 year old**

Inexperienced and experienced players welcome  
Golf equipment available if required

### Junior Coaching day

**With Ken Trimble - Certified PGA Member and his team of:**  
Norm Buckley, Vince Curran, Ron Copper, John Clifford, Sharon Nott  
Rob Hey - Parkes Golf Club  
Justin Sutton - Current Parkes Club Champion

NB: THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR KIDS WHO DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO A CLUB WITH A GOLF PROFESSIONAL

Enquiries to Justin Sutton 0421 834 149  
RSVP by 15<sup>th</sup> March to [pksgolf@bigpond.com](mailto:pksgolf@bigpond.com)

Please complete Registration Details and forward to Parkes Golf Club,  
Via email, in person or phone 0268 622044

Juniors Name	
Junior Golfers Age	
Parents Contact Name	
Phone / Mobile	
Email	
Food Allergies (please list)	

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## Autism/Asperger's Training Sensory Detective® Workshop

For Teachers, Health Professionals & Families

**Nelle Frances** - author, consultant, parent, educator, sensory guru...

Provides a detailed description of individuals with Autism/Asperger's Syndrome, including profiles on the neurology, biology, cognitive processing, perception differences and learning styles of those with ASD.

You will learn specific techniques for dealing with challenging behaviours and meltdown how to de-escalate situations with students/clients with ASD.

The training includes Nelle's high-impact *Sensory Detective Workshop*® - an interactive exercise that allows you to look at ASD from the inside out! You will learn first hand that the response to sensory stimuli influences all behaviour, emotional development and academic progress of those with AS.

### OUTCOMES

- deep understanding of Autism/Asperger's
- in-depth knowledge of characteristics
- knowledge of biological traits of ASD
- in-depth knowledge of physiology of meltdowns
- recognize sensory agitation
- link sensory issues + all behaviour
- ability to establish accommodations/differentiations

You'll learn how to become a 'Sensory Detective' to decode behaviour.

The day concludes with a look at iPad Apps across the Curriculum

**\*\*EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION AVAILABLE\*\***

Continuing Professional Development 6 hours  
Australian Curriculum  
General Capabilities | Organising Elements | Personal & Social Capabilities  
Critical & Creative Thinking | Ethical Behaviour



### Dubbo NSW

**When** 16 March 2017  
**Time** 9:00am - 4:00pm  
**Where** Dubbo RSL  
178 Brisbane Street  
DUBBO NSW 2830  
**Cost** \$155- \$175-

Morning tea & light lunch  
**REGISTRATION FROM 8:30AM**

