



Parkes Public Panorama

Term 1, Week 8 - Tuesday, 14 March 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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Last week school captains, Harry and Genevieve along with vice captains, Gabe and Danielle presented a one hour radio broadcast on Lachlan Valley Radio.

The listening public were entertained with a selection of their favourite music, Parkes Public School news, current affairs and funny jokes!

Mrs Whitchurch commented on their enthusiasm, excellent behaviour and stated that they were great ambassadors for Parkes Public School!!



For Your Information



Week 8 Infants Assembly

KH will be presenting an item at the infants assembly tomorrow Wednesday, 14 March. Parents, relatives and caregivers are welcome to attend.

Thank you, Mrs Howard

School Photo Information

Dear Parents of Parkes Public School

Your photo days are: **Tuesday, 28 and Wednesday, 29 March.**

This year you will not receive an order envelope. All images will be uploaded to our online site for preview and purchase, approximately two weeks after photo day.

Not only can you view your child's photo before placing an order, you can also select from our range of backgrounds.

Each child will receive a card with their unique shoot key. The shoot keys will be **handed out prior to the activation on Tuesday, 11 April.** This allows us time to match and check all the photos before uploading commences.

How to order when shoot keys are activated:

- Go to our website: **www.cliffdykes.com.au**
- Select 'Order Online' and enter your shoot key
- Click on your child's image and select your preferred background
- Select your package
- If you wish to enter another child's code, just click 'Change Shoot' at the top left corner.
- Once you have completed your orders, go to the checkout.

All packages ordered before Friday, 5 May will be returned to Parkes Public School.

After this date a postage and handling fee of \$8.95 will be added to the purchase price and the package will be posted. Please note images will **only** stay online for a further month.

Photo packages range in price from \$25.00 to \$40.00.

Family photos packages:

Family photos packages are priced at \$35.00. Family order forms will be available from the school office later this week. Family images can only be of children at this school. Family forms must be returned with the money to the office or photographers by 10.00am on Tuesday, 28 March.

If you are unable to place your order online, please see your school office. Paper order forms are available and these will need to be filled out and money returned to the **photographers on photo day.**

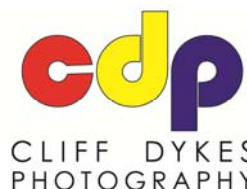
Please contact our Production Centre if you have any questions on 6342 3070 or email at cliff@cliffdykes.com.au

Thank you and please enjoy your photographs.

Regards,

Cliff and Kay Dykes

Cliff Dykes Photography, 72 River Road, Cowra



Mr Smith's Message



Welcome to Week 8!

What a welcome relief it was to have some rain over the last day or so! We are now into the second half of the term with only four weeks left until the Easter holidays. I have been out of the school a few times recently attending professional learning for principals and a number of colleague principals have asked me how the year has begun at Parkes Public School, to which I have responded "Excellent! Our students have settled into their new classes quickly, targeted teaching and learning is well underway and there have been minimal issues or incidents demanding my time." When other colleagues have shared some of the challenges they have faced in the start to their school year I have felt very, very fortunate to be here at Parkes Public School. There are three reasons that make a difference in a school like ours – amazing students, great teachers and staff and a wonderful, encouraging and supportive parent community. Thank you to everyone for a great start to 2017, may it continue throughout the year!

Just a reminder that if you are coming on to school grounds between 9.05am and 3.00pm you need to come through the office and sign in. The NSW Department of Education WHS policy does not allow you to pop into classrooms, other buildings or to drop something in your child's bag without signing in first.

Well done to all our students who competed at the Western Swimming Carnival last week. Your behaviour and sportsmanship is to be highly commended. Good luck to our boys' cricket team this week as they begin their PSSA competition against Middleton Public School, and also to those boys attending Lachlan District trials on Friday.

Finally, all parents of students in Years 3 and 5 should receive a letter this week with all the details about NAPLAN for 2017. Please take the time to read this. If there are any parents that are unsure about their child participating in NAPLAN, please make an appointment to go through your concerns with your child's teacher or with me before Friday, 31 March.

Have a great week!

Mr Smith

NO HAT, NO PLAY!

Students are required to wear a hat during recess and lunch playtimes. Teachers will be diligent in enforcing this important rule.

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



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

Friday, 7 April Last Day of Term 1

Wednesday, 26 April First Day of Term 2

DON'T FORGET

Kindergarten 'Dads Day'
Thursday, 16 March

Book Club - Issue 2
Closes Tuesday, 21 March

School Photos
Tuesday, 28 March and
Wednesday, 29 March

School Fete
Friday, 31 March from 3.00pm

Student Achievements



CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who gained a:

White Merit Certificate

Kane Dickerson	1/2W
Bryanna Moore	1L
Ciaran Smirolido	2E
Haylee Chambers-Lewis	2R
Eamon Moody	2E
Seana Venaglia	2E



K-2 LITERACY AWARDS

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

Kindergarten	Nysha Amin
	Tyler Griffith
Year 2	Ashton Lacey
	Kyarah Egan



ICAS Competitions

2017 AUSTRALASIAN SCHOOLS COMPETITIONS

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is an independent, skills-based assessment program which recognises and rewards student achievement. ICAS is unique, being the most comprehensive generally available suite of academic assessments for primary and secondary school students.

A new ICAS test is developed annually for each subject in each year level by a team of subject matter experts. All ICAS tests are reviewed by experienced teachers to ensure that they accurately assess students' skills and are relevant to what they are learning at school. Administration Guidelines are provided to the schools with the ICAS papers to ensure that the same conditions are afforded to all students sitting ICAS.

These competitions are for students in Years 3-6.

The closing date for entry in the following competitions is **Wednesday, 29 March.**

The competitions will be held on the following dates:

- ♦ Digital Technologies (Computer) - Tuesday, 23 May
- ♦ Science - Tuesday, 30 May

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DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES COMPETITION

I give permission for my child/ren:

_____ Class _____
 _____ Class _____
 _____ Class _____

to participate in the **2017 Australasian Schools Digital Technologies Competition.**

Please find enclosed **\$9.00** entry fee for each child.

Parent/carer _____

Date _____

SCIENCE COMPETITION

I give permission for my child/ren:

_____ Class _____
 _____ Class _____
 _____ Class _____

to participate in the **2017 Australasian Schools Science Competition.**

Please find enclosed **\$9.00** entry fee for each child.

Parent/carer _____

Date _____

Student of the Week



Name: Dominic Brown

Age: 11

Class: 6N

Teacher: Miss Newbigging

Favourite activities: I like to help my dad, cut down trees and cooking.

Teacher comments: Dominic displays a positive attitude towards learning. He always completes tasks to the best of his ability. Dominic is a kind and caring student. He is always organised and enjoys talking about things he has done at home.

What career interests you?
I want to work at Woolworths in the bakery.

VALUE OF THE WEEK - Trust

How Do You Practise Trust?

Trust brings a positive attitude toward life. By having confidence that things will go right, you help to make it true. When you trust, you relax and let go of worries. Even when difficult things happen, they can help you grow stronger and learn new things. Trust People to keep their promises unless they keep breaking them. It is foolish to trust people who keep breaking promises. Start trusting them only when they choose to be trustworthy.

Affirmation

I trust that there is some good in everything that happens. I have no need to control others. All fear and worry are released. I feel at peace and know I am not alone.



Sport News

Boys' Hockey Team Trials

Trials for the boys' hockey team are currently being conducted. The trials will take place at the Parkes hockey turf on Monday, 20 March from 4.30pm.

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.

Girls' Hockey Team Trials

Tryouts for the girls' hockey team will be held on Monday, 27 March.

The trials will be held at the Stephen Davies Hockey Field from 4.00pm to 5.00pm. Any student aged 8 years and up is eligible to try out for the team.

You will need:

- ♦ hockey stick
- ♦ mouth guard
- ♦ shin pads
- ♦ socks.

Any further questions, please speak with Miss McWhirter.

Fete News

Plans are well underway for our fete being held on Friday, 31 March 2017, from 3.00pm onwards.

We have a fabulous collection of prizes that have been donated from local businesses which will make up the major raffle and chocolate wheel. Thank you to those very kind and generous people!

The 'Rabbit' . . . Many people have been wondering what this is. The rabbit is your ticket to the pop-up cinema, starting at 7.00pm. It also includes a sausage sandwich, a can of soft drink, a small bag of popcorn and a ticket in the lucky door raffle prize (announced on the night). Rabbits will be available to buy from the school office for \$10.00 at the end of this week - you will need one for each member of your family attending the movie. They will be on sale until Wednesday, 29 March. Make sure you get in early!

Other exciting things happening at this year's fete include; a jumping castle, coffee shop, barbeque, face painting, white elephant stall, tombola, lucky dips, gift pots, egg hunt, games and activities, cake, plant and craft stalls and entertainment provided by local children.

Please keep your donations coming in for the food hamper and tombola to the box in the front foyer (remember to return the cards too!). Gift pots can be picked up at the library, filled, wrapped and returned to the library once again. White Elephant items: books, toys, puzzles, bric-a-brac, etc. (clean and in excellent condition) can be dropped off to the AV room.

Shortly we will be calling for volunteers to man the above listed stalls. Keep an eye out for this important note. Many hands make light work!

Thank you to everyone involved in organising the fete so far and to those that have dropped off their donations, they are greatly appreciated.

Cake Stall



We are asking for contributions of cakes, biscuits, slices, toffees, chocolate crackles, honey joys, fudge and any other delicious sweet treats you can think of for our cake stall at the fete on Friday, 31 March.

All cooking needs to be labelled with a list of ingredients and can be dropped off at KH on Thursday afternoon or left at the cake stall in the hall on Friday. Thank you in advance for your help.

Canteen News

The canteen will be holding a pop-up coffee shop during the fete on Friday, 31 March from 3.00-7.00pm. A professional coffee machine with delicious coffee and a scrumptious menu. The canteen will also be open for take away items such as cold drinks, chips, ice creams and lollies!

Volunteers to help in the canteen on the fete day will be needed. General serving helpers plus coffee making helpers will be required. We will also require donations of scones and mini quiches. If you can help please see Belinda, call the canteen or fill in the slip below.

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Canteen helpers for fete on Friday, 31 March

Name _____

Phone _____

- ☐ I can help in the canteen during the following times _____
- ☐ I can help with making coffee during the following times _____
- ☐ I can help by donating scones or mini quiches (please specify) _____










Community Noticeboard



Parkes Outside School Hours Care Program

Location: Parkes Public School Hall

Date: Monday, 10 April to Friday, 21 April

	Monday 10 th April	Tuesday 11 th April	Wednesday 12 th April	Thursday 13 th April	Friday 14 th April
	Easter spectacular				
MORNING	Geometric Easter Egg Art  Outdoors: Obstacle Course	Baking - Easter egg shortbread cookies  Easter Bingo	Yarn Easter Eggs  Go noodle - zumba	Easter Hat decorating  Hopscotch and giant chalk obstacle 	Good Friday Public Holiday
AFTERNOON	Rock Painting  Just Dance songs	Icing Biscuits  Outdoor games - Hi 5 tips - Coloured corners	Felt bunny Bookmarks  Outdoors - Soccer	Easter Hat Parade & Treasure Hunt 	Good Friday Public Holiday

Parkes Hockey 2017 Junior Registration Information

Parkes Hockey Incorporated Junior Committee invites all children aged 4-18 years to register to play hockey in the 2017 hockey season. Hockey is a terrific sport for all ages and encourages children to be active and learn new skills, socialise with their peers, as well as be part of a team. But most importantly, it's **fun!!!**

Registration Dates:

- Saturday, 18 March 10.00am-1.00pm at Northparkes Oval (registrations only)
- Sunday, 19 March 12.30-2.30pm at Stephen Davies Hockey Field, Cheney Park Sports Complex. Gala day including registrations, coaching clinics and sausage sizzle.

To Register: Please complete the registration form (available online or at the school office) and submit at any of the registration days above. Payment of fees must be made online at www.parkeshockey.org.au Click on 'REGISTRATION', then 'REGISTER'. All fees include individual registration and affiliation with Hockey NSW, insurance and all turf and umpire fees.

Fees: Based on age as at 01/01/2017
 Under 7 = \$85.00
 Under 11 = \$95.00
 Aged 12-18 = \$105.00

Mouth guards and shin pads are compulsory for all players under 18 years of age.

If you are unable to attend either of the registration events, or for further information, please contact Junior Directors, Glenn Johnstone on 0429 600 596 or Cherie Johnstone on 0428 843 601.

Come along and enjoy an old fashioned school fete



EASTER FETE & POP UP CINEMA

JUMPING CASTLE - CAFE - EGG HUNT - CAKE STALL
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31.03.17 FRIDAY 3PM
PARKES PUBLIC SCHOOL
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CHOCOLATE WHEEL - TOMBOLA - BBQ - FACE PAINTING
POP UP CINEMA FROM 7PM. EARLY BIRD 'RABBITS'
ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE UNTIL 29.03.17



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