



# Parkes Public Panorama

Term 1, Week 8 - Tuesday, 20 March 2018

## For Your Information



**DON'T FORGET  
THIS WEDNESDAY, 21 MARCH**



### Dads in School Day for Kindergarten

We are having a special day just for the dads, stepdads, grandfathers or uncles in your child's life. It will be held next **Monday, 26 March, commencing at 11.30am until 1.30pm** with lunch included. The students and their dads, or significant males, will make a handprint together as a keepsake. We look forward to seeing you there.

### Choir News

**Primary** - Our year is off to a great start with over forty members attending. Now that we have our Choral Festival Repertoire, we will begin morning practices this Thursday, 22 March at 8.00am.



Our Choral Festival Conductor, Ian Jefferson, will conduct a workshop with us on Friday, 6 July and the Choral Festival will be held on Sunday, 23 September. *Mrs Bland and Mrs Leonard*

**Book Club** Issue 2 closes Friday, 23 March.

### Hat Parade

One of the great traditions of Parkes Public School is our 'Parade of Hats' that will be held on Wednesday, 28 March. On Monday, 26 March, all K-2 will be making their hats with the assistance of some of our Year 6 students.

Thank you to those families who have already sent in donations of scrap craft items. If every child brings in a little, we will have enough.

Parents and family members are invited to watch the K-2 hat parade in the school hall commencing at 2pm. Each K-2 class will show their creations, so bring your cameras as it is always quite a spectacle.



### Performance

The Sydney International School Concert Band will perform in our school hall on Sunday, 8 April at 11.00am. All welcome to attend.

### Uniform Shop

Due to the Colour Run being held tomorrow, Wednesday, 21 March, the uniform shop will open from 8.30am-9.30am instead of the afternoon.



#### 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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# Mr Smith's Message Sport News:



Welcome to Week 8!

We are now well into the second half of the term with only one week left until the Easter break and three weeks until the 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 "It's been fantastic! 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 2018!

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 Work, Health and Safety 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 our girls' cricket team which had a resounding win over Lake Cargelligo last week! What a great effort!

Finally, all parents of students in Years 3 and 5 will receive a note this week with all the details about NAPLAN for 2018. 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.

As always, it has been a pleasure over the last fortnight to be a part of such a great school which is focused on continual improvement in providing an education for our students which prepares them for the future.

*Mr Smith*

## Girls' Cricket Team

Congratulations to the girls' cricket team, Ms Leonard and Mr Lovett for the great win against Lake Cargelligo last week. It was a great team effort to win 132 runs - 77. The next game is Round 2 against Forbes Public School.



**Boys' hockey tryouts** will be held shortly. Mr Glenn Johnstone will be coaching again with assistance from others, however, he is presently coaching a State side at the Australian Championships in Tasmania so I am unable to confirm a day or date. Please be on the lookout for a day and date on Facebook in case we decide to begin next week. I will endeavour to let interested students know via a note if tryouts are before our next newsletter. All students are eligible to tryout even if you missed the Gala Day last week. Please address any queries to Mrs Elliott.

**Parkes Shire Council Colouring Competition**  
Please ensure entries are returned to the Parkes Visitor Information Centre by Tuesday, 27 March. There will be a winner and runner up for each age group with winners being announced on Thursday, 29 March. All entries will be displayed in the Centre over the Easter long weekend.

## Supporting Our Students (SOS)

This year Mrs Whitchurch has taken on a new role at Parkes Public School as Educational Leader 3-6 (Literacy). This involves supporting Years 3-6 teachers and students in all aspects of literacy, particularly reading and writing.

She is also now offering an SOS service to our Years 3-6 parents and carers who would like support, ideas or advice in helping their children with literacy at home. This could involve meetings, phone calls or emails.

Please contact Mrs Whitchurch via your child's teacher or through the school office if you would like some support and she will contact you.

# P&C Association News

The new P&C Executive would like to thank the outgoing Executive, all the P&C members and volunteers for all their hard work and achievements in 2017. Sometimes the work of the P&C is not immediately visible, therefore, we would particularly like to highlight the 2017 accomplishment of delivering a well-functioning canteen and uniform shop that supports our students and families.

In 2017, the P&C:

- had 22 members
- held a fete in March raising \$15,300
- made a donation to choir of \$165 to purchase new sound system
- made presentations – GONSKI (Mitch Roberts) and NAPLAN (Ben Smith)
- made a donation of \$500 to help with bus hire to transport children to Forbes Eisteddfod
- made a donation of \$4300 to assist with the purchase of Virtual Reality Headsets
- held a Picture Products Plate fundraiser - \$2064
- held a Cupcake Stall fundraiser - \$651
- did a complete business review of uniform shop
- employed Mel Ashcroft to run uniform shop two days per week
- gave a donation to Ryan Dunford, State Hockey Representative - \$150
- run the school canteen – net profit of \$4277 – first profit since 2014. Sales of \$72,976.
- planned the 2018 Colour Run – major fundraiser for March.

We look forward to working with this years P&C members and the wider school community to build on last years success.

*Spike Orr, President*

## P&C EASTER EGG RAFFLE

There will be THREE DELICIOUS prizes up for grabs which have been kindly donated by Woolworths.



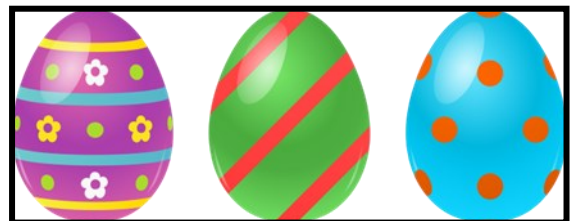
Tickets are **\$2 each** or **3 for \$5**

Tickets will be available:

- During the day of the **Colour Run 21 March**.
- At the **school office** - send an envelope in with your name, class, number of tickets and the total cost and tickets will be allocated to you.
- Under the **infants' cola from 3.00pm** each afternoon during school pick-up from Tuesday, 20 March until Tuesday, 27 March.
- During lunch time prior to the **Easter Hat Parade**.

**The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on Wednesday, 28 March.**

Get in quick for your chance to win and Good Luck!



### Reminders:

1. Colour Run - Wednesday, 21 March.
2. Parents please like our FB page - Parkes Public School P&C.
3. Volunteers to help in the canteen. If you are interested, even if only for a few hours a month, it would be greatly appreciated. Please see our Facebook page or speak to Belinda Fredericks .



# Student Achievements

## CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who gained a White Merit Certificate:

Chase Francis	1/2 White
Shaykharn Hornery	5 Blue
Peggy Swift	1 Blue
Timmy Longhurst	1 Red
Matilda Haensch	3 Red
Tanaya Haensch	1 Blue
Belle Batt	4 Red
Heath Mulligan	1 Blue
Josie Lynch	5 Red
Nate Henry	3 Red
Tyler Zagrovic	1 Blue
Alana Tillman	1/2 White
Riley Fernando	3 Red



**Current PBL Focus**  
We are responsible at  
Parkes Public School

## K-2 LITERACY AWARDS

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

Kindergarten	Sofia Trott Ben Woolstencroft Charli Messiter Brock Whiley
Year 1	Billy Symington Eliza Davis Tristan Barlow Nevaeh Pritchard Ali Moin-Ud-Din
Year 2	Megan Baker Harry Yelland Charlotte Orr Joshua Sutton Djarwyn Fraser Retaj Atteeq



# Students of the Week

**Name:** Rhys James  
**Age:** 12  
**Class:** 6 Red  
**Teacher:** Mrs Woolstencroft  
**Teacher comments:**

Rhys is a good role model and takes his role as an AECG member very seriously.

He particularly enjoys playing sport.

**Favourite activities:** Sports.

**What career interests you?** I would like to be a famous football player.



**Name:** Savannah Ross  
**Age:** 10  
**Class:** 6 Red  
**Teacher:** Mrs Woolstencroft  
**Teacher comments:**

Savannah is a quiet, conscientious class member. She is always helpful and a wonderful role model.

**Favourite activities:** Dancing and acting.

**What career interests you?** I would like to be an actress.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday, 21 March .....	Colour Run
.....	Boys'/Girls' Lachlan Soccer Trials
Thursday, 22 March.....	Lachlan Open Boys' League Trials
.....	Girls' Soccer training 4.00pm
Friday, 23 March .....	Tennis vs Forbes Public
Monday, 26 March.....	Dads in School Day
.....	Lachlan Boys'/Girls' Touch Trials
.....	Girls' Hockey Trials
.....	Girls' cricket training 3.30pm
Tuesday, 27 March.....	2LVR Radio Broadcast 5.00pm
Wednesday, 28 March .....	K-2 Hat Parade

## DON'T FORGET

### K-2 Infants Assembly Wednesdays

Week 8, no assembly - colour run  
Week 9, no assembly - hat parade  
Week 10, 4 April - K Blue  
Week 11 - K White and K Red

### 3-6 Primary Assembly Fridays (odd weeks)

Week 9, no assembly - Good Friday  
Week 11, 13 April - 6 Red

**Canteen closed Wednesdays**