



Parkes Public Update

Term 1 Week 7 - Tuesday, 13 March 2018

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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 this day, children display their creative talents as they show a wide array of hats, bonnets and headwear that have been made during creative arts classes.

On Monday, 26 March, K-2 will be making their hats with the assistance of some of our Year 6 students. Senior students will be helping our junior students with cutting, gluing, stapling and decorating.

We are seeking donations of scrap craft items; ribbons, feathers, sparkly materials, stickers, anything bright that will add colour and sparkle to the hats. We stress that all materials your child brings to school will be shared with his/her class.

Parents and family members are invited to watch the K-2 hat parade in the school hall commencing at 2.00pm on Wednesday, 28 March. Each K-2 class will show their creations, so bring your cameras as it is always quite a spectacle.

Healthy Harold Swim Relay - Sunday, 18 March

Due to a lack of available swimmers on the day, our school will no longer be able to participate in the swim relay on Sunday, 18 March.

Mufti Day

Last Tuesday the students enjoyed a mufti day and raised \$640.20 which has been donated to Ovarian Cancer Research. Great effort everyone!

ICAS Competition

Closing date for this competition is next Monday, 19 March. Return forms and money to office.

Book Club

Book Club Issue 2 closes Friday, 23 March 2018.

Lost Items

*Broad brimmed hat with 'Todd' embroidered on side. If found, please return to K Red.

*Two school hats embroidered with 'Venaglia'.

*Blue Tupperware drink bottle labelled 'Venaglia'.

PSSA Tennis Knockout

Last week we played the first round of PSSA Knockout Tennis against Parkes East Public School.

We played four games of singles tennis, coming away with three wins to start the day. Ellen, Lily and Ethan all had good solid wins but Nic unfortunately, lost his first game. Doubles saw our team win one and lose one. We came home strong in the mixed doubles, convincingly winning both games 6-0 and 6-2. The match ended with a 6 to 2 total games win for the day.

We now progress to Round 2 and play against Forbes Public School.
Ellen Dolbel

PSSA Western Tennis Trials

Last week five students; Ethan Hunt, Faith Clarke, Zoe Anderson, Lily McCormick and Ellen Dolbel travelled to Bathurst to trial for a place in the Western Tennis Team. Lily and Ellen finished top of their respective pools, Zoe finished second with Ethan and Faith only just narrowly missing out on moving through to semis.

With the top two in every pool moving forward, Ellen went on to win the day and claim the No. 1 ranked position in the team. Lily played solid ground strokes all day and was awarded with a 3rd place ranking. Zoe had some strong wins early in the day but unfortunately was over powered in the last round to narrowly miss out on a place.

The Western Team will travel to Albury for a week early next term for the NSW State Carnival.

Best of luck to our players.

Girls' Hockey Trials

The girls' hockey trials will be held on Monday, 19 March and Monday, 26 March at the Parkes hockey fields from 3.30-4.30pm. Please bring own sticks, shin pads and mouth guards. For any further information, please contact Miss McPhee.

Colour Run - Wednesday, 21 March

Don't forget to do your online fundraising. Only one week to go!!

P&C News

The P&C plays a vital role at Parkes Public School. The P&C is run by a dedicated team of parent volunteers. The P&C raise funds for the school and organise events to bring our school community together. By doing this everybody in the school community benefits from having more – **especially our children.**

The P&C also help in the following ways:

- Operate the school canteen with the help of parent volunteers.
- Operate the uniform shop also with the help of parent volunteers.
- Perform fundraising activities to raise funds for our school.
- Bringing parents and the school together to share information about our school.

What does joining the P&C involve?

Being a P&C member does not have to take up much of your time. There's no need to attend every meeting or be involved in every activity. It's up to you – you can give as much of your time or as little as you like. All help is welcome and valued – more hands means light work!! Without our parent volunteers, the P&C ceases to exist - that means the school and its students miss out on much needed resources.

As part of the school community you can:

- Volunteer in the canteen or uniform shop (with shifts to suit you).
- Support special events like colour runs.
- Add your voice to decision making which affects our school.
- Hold a position on the P&C committee, such as treasurer or president.
- Or just come along to meetings to listen and be updated what's going on at your child's school. You meet some fantastic people as well!!

What are the benefits for my family and I?

By being involved you will get a **CLOSER CONNECTION WITH YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION** through:

- Direct access to the Principal and other members of staff.
- Information and explanations about what's happening in the school and what's coming up in the future.
- The chance to vote on how fundraising money is spent, how the canteen operates and what the school uniform looks like.
- Having your say about issues of concern and school policies.

With more input from parents, we receive better and varied ideas coming through to benefit the school and your child! Plus, children just love seeing Mum or Dad getting involved at their school! It makes them feel more secure and excited about school.

So how can I get involved?

Just come along to any meeting. Meeting dates are advertised in the school newsletter, on our facebook page (Parkes Public School P&C) or join our email list (send email to **pandc_parkespublicschool@outlook.com**). The meetings are friendly and relaxed and you will get the opportunity to ask questions and discuss issues of interest to you.

Connect with us:



Parkes Public School P&C



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PARKES RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Sessions 15 & 22 March, 5.30-6.30pm at Northparkes Oval
U11's, U9's U7's welcome - Cost: Free
Contact Michelle 0439 498 033



Current PBL Focus

**We are responsible at
Parkes Public School**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday, 14 March Hockey Gala Day
Friday, 16 March Western Swimming
Carnival in Dubbo
Monday, 19 March Girls' Hockey Trials
P&C Meeting 6.30pm
Wednesday, 21 March Colour Run

DON'T FORGET

K-2 Infants Assembly Wednesdays

14 March - 1 Blue presenting

3-6 Primary Assembly - Fridays (odd weeks)

16 March - 5 Red presenting

ICAS Competition entry closes Monday, 19 March

Colour Run next Wednesday, 21 March