



Parkes Public Panorama

Term 2, Week 2 Tuesday 7 May 2024

Mrs O'Neill's Message



Mothers' Day Stall

Thank you to the P&C volunteers who ran the Mother's Day stalls for the children today. Our students always value this opportunity to buy a gift for the special mother figure in their lives.

School Activities

There are twenty-two children are competing in the PSSA Lachlan Cross Country today in Forbes. The Debating team will travel to Dubbo for their first debate next week against Dubbo North Public School. The tennis team will be playing against Forbes Public School next week. We wish all of the students the best of luck in their respective competitions.

Please remember to sign and return the permission note for the field athletics trials on Friday 17 May. If students do not have permission to attend the event, they will remain at school and complete set work with a teacher.

Enjoy the week.

Coral O'Neill

Student of the Week

Name: Birdie White

Age: 8

Class: 3L

Teacher: Mrs Lemon

Teacher Comment: Birdie always displays a positive attitude to her learning. She comes into the classroom every day ready to learn. Birdie always perseveres with learning tasks and she uses feedback to improve. She is a kind friend and is always willing to help her peers. Birdie demonstrates respect in all areas of school life.

Favourite Activities: My favourite thing to do is play hide and seek with my friends.

When I grow up: I want to be a scientist because I like how they do experiments and explosions.



MISSION STATEMENT

Quality education for all

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For Your Information



Congratulations to the following students who gained a:

White Merit Certificate



- Willow Tanswell 1P
- Sonny Smith 1P
- Brooklyn Wirth 1P
- Genavieve Vella 2D
- Saxon Littlewood 2G
- Spencer Smith 2R
- Mason Hausler 2R
- Abbey Lovell 2R
- Milarni Holmes 4F
- Sophie Brennan 4F
- Koby Zagrovic 5G
- Eva Barnett 5W
- Jordan Todd 6J

School Badge

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Life Education Van

The Life Education Van will be visiting our school 9-17 May. Each class shall attend the van for a lesson which is linked with the PDHPE syllabus according to their stage.

There is no cost for students to attend the Life Education Van this year. We are most grateful for the generous support by Parkes QUE Club who are contributing \$7 per child and Northparkes who are contributing \$5 per child. This covers the total cost.

Permission is required urgently. If you have not already given permission please do this as soon as possible. We must site written permission for each child to attend.

Children who are not given permission will not attend the Life Education Van and shall be supervised in another classroom while their class attends their Life Education lesson.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Thursday 9 May Life Education Van
- Friday 17 May Athletics Trials
- Tuesday 21 May Musica Viva

Current PBL Focus

We respect ourselves.



Assembly Item Roster

Week	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2	Year 5	Week 3 - Education Week	
4	Special Ed; 5-6W, 3-6P and 3-6D	Choir	Special Ed; K-3C and K-3S
6	Cross Country Presentation	Year 1	KH, KMH
8	Year 3	Year 4	KW, KC
10	NAIDOC		

2025 Kindergarten Open Day

We would like to invite families of Kindergarten students for 2025 to attend our Open Day which will be held on Saturday 25 May, starting at 11.00am in the Kindergarten classrooms. The closest entry is via the Hill Street Kindergarten gate.

Come along for enrolment and Preps information, a tour of the school and a lovely morning tea. It will also be a great opportunity to meet other families and for your children to meet others starting school. Children are welcome to attend.

If you are unable to attend on the day, please phone the school office on 6862 1702 to organise a personalised appointment and tour with the Kindergarten assistant principal.

TERM 2 PLANNER 2024

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEKEND
APRIL/ MAY Week 1	29 Staff Development Day	30	1	2	3	4/5
MAY Week 2	6	7 Lachlan Cross Country	8 Whole School Assembly	9 Life Education Van	10 Life Education Van	11/12
MAY Week 3	13 Life Education Van	14 Life Education Van	15 Life Education Van Tennis Round 2	16 Life Education Van Boys Cricket	17 Life Education Van Athletics Trials	18/19
MAY Week 4	20	21 Musica Viva	22 National Simultaneous Storytime Whole School Assembly	23	24	25-26 25 - Kindergarten Open Day
MAY Week 5	27 Mobile Dentist	28 Mobile Dentist	29 Mobile Dentist	30 Mobile Dentist	31 Mobile Dentist	1/2
JUNE Week 6	3 Mobile Dentist School's Cup Netball	4 Mobile Dentist	5 Mobile Dentist Whole School Assembly	6 Mobile Dentist	7 Mobile Dentist	8-9
JUNE Week 7	10 Public Holiday	11	12	13 Netball Knockout Day	14 Athletics Carnival	15/16
JUNE Week 8	17	18	19 Whole School Assembly	20	21 Back-up Day for Athletics Carnival	22/23
JUNE Week 9	24	25	26	27	28	29/30
JULY Week 10	1 NAIDOC Week	2 NAIDOC Week	3 NAIDOC Week Whole School Assembly	4 NAIDOC Week	5 NAIDOC Week	6/7



Australian Early Development Census

School newsletter Parkes Public School

Building a national picture of child health

From May 2024, our school, along with thousands of others across the country, will participate in the Australian Early Development Census (AEDC).

The AEDC is a teacher-completed census (similar to a questionnaire) which provides a comprehensive picture of how children have developed by the time they start their first year of full-time school.

The AEDC is an Australian Government Initiative and is completed nationally every three years.

Children don't miss any class time while the AEDC is completed, and parents/carers don't need to supply schools with any new information. The data collected through the AEDC is used by schools, communities and governments to better understand children and families'

needs, and identify the services, resources and support they need.

AEDC data is reported at a school, community, state/territory and national level. AEDC results for individual children are not reported and the AEDC is not used as an individual diagnostic tool.

Some teachers have found that completing the AEDC made them more aware of the needs of individual children and their class, and that the data was useful for planning for transitions to Year 1 and developing programs.

Participation in the AEDC is voluntary, however the AEDC relies on all schools with children in their first year of full-time school participating in the collection. Parents/carers don't need to take any action unless they choose not to include their children in the census.

To find out more about the AEDC and how it is being used to help children and families visit:
www.aedc.gov.au.



Wellbeing Tip

Should I be worried about gaming addiction?

Are you worried that gaming is becoming a problem for your child?

For most kids gaming is not a problem and may never be one.

It can happen playing any game - online, offline, digital or video.

But for a very small number of kids, it may become a problem or an addiction.



When does gaming start to become a problem?

It's not really about how much they play; it's about how much distress it is causing them or how much it's impacting on daily routines.

If it's taking over any of these areas of their life, gaming might be a problem:

- Family
- Friendships
- School/study
- Eating habits
- Sleeping habits
- Mental health
- Physical health
- Personal hygiene

What are the warning signs?

Some signs to watch out for that indicate gaming might become a problem for your child are:

- Needing to spend more and more time playing to satisfy the urge
- Feeling unable to focus on other activities when they're not gaming
- Having problems or arguments with family or friends.
- Preoccupation with gaming, even when they're not playing
- Continuing to play even though it's causing them problems
- Playing even though they're no longer enjoying it
- Inability to reduce playing or unsuccessful attempts to quit
- Neglecting responsibilities and activities that are important or they enjoy
- Lying to people they're close to about how much time they spend playing
- Feeling sad, angry, moody, anxious or irritable when they can't play
- Craving more time to play to get game items, make progress or improve their status
- **Worried that your child has a problem with gaming?**

Contact <https://kidshelpline.com.au/parents/issues/should-i-be-worried-about-gaming-addiction>

TRUNDLE PLAYGROUP

Playgroup is about getting together with other parents, children, babies, caregivers and families to have positive parent/child interactions, share ideas, information and experiences in a casual environment that welcomes all community members.

WEEKLY DURING SCHOOL TERM
10.30AM-12.30PM

TRUNDLE CENTRAL SCHOOL LIBRARY

Croft St, Trundle

Thursdays

9th May
23rd May
6th June
20th June
4th July



ST PATRICKS SCHOOL LIBRARY

Austin St, Trundle

Thursdays

2nd May
16th May
30th May
13th June
27th June



CatholicCare
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To book a place or for more information contact us on

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