



Parkes Public Panorama

Term 4, Week 4 - Tuesday, 6 November 2018

Hot Shots Tennis Western Region Final



On Friday, 2 November our Stage 2 Hot Shots Tennis Team travelled to Canowindra to play in the Western Region finals of the Todd Woodbridge Tennis Cup. The students played well in extremely hot and particularly windy conditions. Eight teams participated during the day with Parkes Public School finishing the day with straight wins against each team. The team will now progress to play at Olympic Park, Homebush in three weeks for the state finals of the Todd Woodbridge Cup.

The team is made up of Year 4 students who have all shown great commitment to training for many weeks and we are very proud of their achievements. Holy Family School placed second and the Parkes Christian School placed third. It is great to see so much wonderful tennis competition in our town.

Congratulations and good luck in Sydney to the following players: Jett Johnstone, Rhys Thompson, Taj Lovett, Samuel Riley, Phoebe Forbes, Belle Batt, Grace MacGregor, Ella McColl and Liliani Latu.

State Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to Ellen Dolbel who competed at State Athletics Carnival at Homebush last week.

Ellen qualified at the Western carnival with a shot put distance of 8.59m breaking a western record. She finished 14th overall at the state carnival from a field of 40 athletes. Well done, Ellen!



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



Infants' and Primary Assemblies

During Term 4, we are trialling having just one assembly for the whole school every Wednesday afternoon at 2.00pm. Therefore, there will be no primary assembly on Friday afternoons.

Kindergarten Orientation

The second session of Kindergarten Orientation will be on this Wednesday, 7 November. Please drop your child off at the Kindergarten rooms at 9.30am and collect them at 11.00am. There will be no Preps this Wednesday afternoon. Preps will run as normal this Friday afternoon.

Thank you to our P&C!

We would like to say a big thank you to the P&C members who generously provided morning tea for the families attending our Kindergarten 2019 information session last week. It was delicious and very welcoming for new families. Thank you!

Canteen News

- ♦ **November Meal Deal** - Summer Nachos Salad with a drink and fruit stick. Corn chips with a fresh salsa of tomato, shallots, corn and pineapple topped with mild salsa sauce, cheese and if you choose, sour cream as well. **Only \$6.00!**
- ♦ **Change to recess hot food.** With the warmer weather here hot food **will not be sold** unless it is pre-ordered. So, if your child would like chicken sticks, toasties or party pies please place a recess order on flexischools or in the order bins. This change will take effect on Thursday, 8 November.

Lost . . . Lost . . . Lost

On Friday, 26 October an Envy Prodigy scooter went missing from the bike rack.

It is black with oil slick wheels and clamp. Please call 0435 872 967 if you have any information.

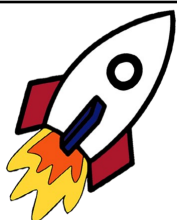
The scooter was a birthday present for an 11 year old boy who desperately wants his scooter returned!



CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who gained a:

White Merit Certificate

Kaitlyne McIntosh-Byrnes	3 Blue
Makhaveli Hornery	2 Red



Current PBL Focus
We follow staff
instructions!

K-2 LITERACY AWARDS

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

Kindergarten	Axle Dickerson Hayley Lynch
Year 1	Rhys Hutchins
Year 2	Alana Tillman Bryanna Moore James Broekhuizen



Mr Smith's Message



Welcome to Week 4!

We have had a fantastic start to this final term of 2018. The students have returned after the break happy, relaxed and ready to get down to their work, making it a quite settled time overall. The teachers and I are often reminded of how lucky we are to work in this community with such wonderful students.

Our 2019 Kindergarten students have continued their quality transition program this term and it has been wonderful to again see so many happy, smiling faces and all children getting straight into the swing of 'big school'. Thank you to parents and families for their support of our program. It was fantastic to see so many people at our Orientation morning last week. We are still accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2019. Parents are asked to come in and fill in the appropriate forms so we can ensure appropriate planning for next year. Enrolments across all years are being accepted for 2019 as well and enquiries should be directed to the school office.

It is that time of the year when Year 5 students begin to consider their involvement in leadership positions, as either prefects or school captains for 2019. To assist students in their discussions and give them a clear understanding of good leadership qualities and what will be required of them, our staff will be organising some leadership meetings over the coming weeks. Interested Year 5 students will receive further information and nomination forms during these sessions. I would very strongly encourage any interested students to give becoming a leader some serious thought as it is a really wonderful opportunity to become involved in school life.

Now that we are in Term 4 and the weather is heating up, school hats **must** be worn when the students are out in the playground. It must be a **blue broad-brimmed hat** with the school logo. Hats can be purchased for from the P&C Uniform Shop on Wednesday from 1.30-3.30pm and Friday from 8.30-9.30am or can be ordered online through flexi schools.

Don't forget our K-6 assembly is on this Wednesday!

Have a great week!

Mr Smith

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday, 7 November	Kindergarten Orientation 9.30-11.00
Monday, 19 November	P&C Meeting at 6.30pm
Wednesday, 28 November ...	Year 6 Whole Day transition to Parkes High School
Thursday, 29 November	K-2 Socials
Friday, 30 November	Christmas Street Parade
Monday, 3 December	Year 2 Intensive Swimming begins
Wednesday, 5 December	Gold Certificate Assemblies
Monday, 10 December	Whole School Assembly at 9.15am Year 3-6 Socials
Thursday, 13 December	Presentation Night at 6.30pm
Friday, 14 December	PBL Fun Fair
Monday, 17 December	Class Parties Talent Show at 1.30pm

DON'T FORGET

K-2 Social

Thursday, 29 November

Year 2 Intensive Swimming

Begins Monday, 3 December
\$18.00 for bus now due

Gold Certificate Assemblies

Wednesday, 5 December

Years 3-6 Socials

Monday 10 December

Presentation Night

Thursday, 13 December

PBL Fun Fair

Friday, 14 December

Tea towel orders close next Monday, 12 November!

Don't miss out on this unique memento!

Tea towels will also make a delightful and lasting present for grandparents or other family members.

We are running a...

Tea Towel Fundraiser

Your children's own image will be arranged into a unique design and reproduced to a practical tea towel everyone will LOVE and USE!



FUN

UNIQUE

USEFUL



100% Cotton TEA TOWEL

1 for \$ **15.00**

2 for \$ **25.00**

3 for \$ **30.00**

Example tea towel



Complete and return ONE form PER FAMILY:

FAMILY NAME: _____

No. TEA TOWEL K-2 PRINT: _____

No. TEA TOWELS 3-6 PRINT: _____

TOTAL No. TEA TOWELS: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT OWING: \$ _____

PLEASE NOTE, IF ORDERING 3 OR MORE PRICE IS \$10/TEA TOWEL

Please return this order form with cash payment to your child's class teacher; alternatively, money can be direct deposited into the P&C account:

DIRECT DEPOSIT - BSB:062 588 ACC: 0090 0235

PLEASE USE YOUR CHILD'S FULL NAME AS REFERENCE

ORDERS AND PAYMENTS DUE BY MONDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2018

****NOTE** ORDERS CANNOT TO BE PAID VIA THE SCHOOL WEBSITE**

Extras

CHANGE OF ROUTINE

Parents, if your child is going to have a change in the way he/she goes home in the afternoon, please notify the class teacher in writing. Children will not be allowed to go home with other children or adults without a note from their parent.

BIKE SAFETY

It is illegal for children or adults to ride a pushbike on the streets without wearing a helmet.

It has been noticed that some students are riding to school without wearing helmets. This is extremely dangerous and **illegal!** Parents, please ensure your children are **safe and responsible** when they are riding to and from school.

IMPORTANT SAFETY ISSUES

We would like to ask that parents do not call their children across the road, as this can be quite dangerous for the children.

Please do not park in the areas reserved for taxis and buses for special education students.

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.

ROAD SAFETY REMINDER

Please do not park in the bus bays of a morning or afternoon. These areas are only for buses. The safety of our children is at risk if buses have to negotiate through parked cars. Police will be monitoring these areas for any illegal parking.

If you park on the upper side of Hill St when picking up or dropping off your child, please escort your child across the road. This street is extremely dangerous for pedestrians when so many cars and buses are coming and going.

MUFTI DAY

When you are awarded a Mufti Day, please ensure that mufti is only worn on a Monday (Infants) or Tuesday (Primary) and that suitable footwear (no thongs) is worn, as children do PE or fitness every day.

PRESCRIBED MEDICATION

Parents, please be aware that only prescribed medication can be administered by school staff trained in, and holding a certificate for, Administration of Prescribed Medications and Asthma Treatments.

All paper work must be filled out and be accompanied by a letter from the doctor who prescribed the medication. The letter must state what the medication is, what dose is required and the times the medication is to be administered.

If medicine has not been prescribed by a doctor, staff (this includes teaching staff) will not administer it.

A note from mum or dad is not OK. Paracetamol/analgesics and other 'across the counter' products including cough syrups, creams and ointments are not prescribed medications.

Parents are most welcome to come to school to give their child non-prescribed medication when it is needed.

NO HAT, NO PLAY

- Teachers will be diligent in enforcing this important rule.
- Broad-brimmed hats are the only acceptable hats to be worn at school.

Please Close Gates

Please be mindful of closing gates behind you when you enter and leave our school grounds. This helps us to keep dogs out of our playground and helps to keep children in the playground. Thank you for assisting us to keep our children safe.

Absences and Exemptions

Parents please do not allow your children to stay home unless they are ill. If your child is going to be away for a number of days please phone the school. A phone call does not need to be followed up by a letter.

If your child is going on a holiday please contact me as I can apply to have the leave approved as special circumstances. This type of leave is not calculated in a school's attendance record.