

Term 4, Week 7 - Tuesday, 27 November 2018

Hot Shots Tennis

Last Sunday our Hot Shots Team consisting of Ella McColl, Grace MacGregor, Belle Batt, Liliani Latu, Phoebe Forbes, Jett Johnstone, Taj Lovett, Samuel Riley and Rhys Thompson all travelled to Homebush, Olympic Park to participate in the Todd Woodbridge Cup Red Ball NSW State Tennis Finals. This is the third year in a row that Parkes Public School has progressed through regional games to claim a spot in the finals.

The students and their families were lucky to be treated to a BBQ dinner at the Rod Laver Arena, Olympic Park along with all the other country school students who travelled for the event. Everyone was then treated to a personal tour of the grounds and stadium.

Play commenced early on Monday morning and we were placed in a particularly strong pool. We played against Telopea Public School and Illawarra Christian School. Unfortunately during the round games we were defeated by Telopea Public School, ACT who went on to place first on the day.

We are so proud of our students who have trained during their lunchtimes and after school each week for many months. They have all shown great commitment. Well done! *Mrs Dolbel*



Students last day for 2018 is Wednesday, 19 December Years 1-6 Students begin 2019 on Wednesday, 30 January





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 §



Parkes Christmas Street Parade

Please note change of time and meeting place.

The Parkes Christmas Street Parade will be held this Friday, 30 November at 6.00pm. Students wishing to walk in our school group will need to meet Mrs Whitchurch and other teachers in Cooke Park (near the corner of Clarinda St and Short St) at 5.30pm. Students must be collected promptly at the conclusion of the parade. We hope to see many children there in Christmas colours.

Volunteers Morning Tea

Our volunteers morning tea will be held on Monday, 3 December at 10.45am to 11.30am.

If you have supported the school in any way, we would love you to come and give us the opportunity to formally thank you for your help.

A Message from your School Banking **Co-ordinators**

vour child/children have collected Dollarmite tokens and would like to redeem them for a school banking reward item this term, please fill in your child's redemption slip and bring it along this Wednesday, 28 November 2018. This will ensure the reward item will arrive before the school holidays.

Any Dollarmite tokens that are not redeemed this year can be used in 2019.

Our final school banking day for 2018 will be Wednesday, 5 December 2018.

Thank you

Canteen News

Canteen Special - Ice cream sundaes with topping and special sprinkles for Recess and lunch on Thursday, 6 and Thursday, 13 December. No orders, just purchase at counter.

December Meal Deal - Meatball Roll

Warm meatballs with lettuce, cheese and your choice of BBQ or tomato sauce with a juice or water - \$6.00.

Monday, 10 December - Helpers are needed for preparing and serving food for the Year 3-6 Social. Please let Belinda know if you can assist.

Monday, 17 December - Canteen only open at recess due to class parties.

Tuesday, 18 December - Open with limited menu - TBA

Wednesday, 19 December - Closed

Library Books

No further borrowing will be available for the rest of this year. Please return all library books to the library by the end of this week.

Sporting Trophies

If your child received a sporting trophy sometime this year, please return it to the school office as soon as possible. Please do not send trophies to school with students as they can often be damaged in transit. It would be better if parents brought them in personally. Thank you.

PRESENTATION ASSEMBLIES **DATES AND TIMES**

Wednesday, 5 December Gold Certificate

K-2: 9.15am; 3-6: 11.15am

Monday, 10 December Whole School Assembly

9.15am

Thursday, 13 December Presentation Night 7.00pm

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who gained a:

White Merit Certificate

Riley Fernando 3 Red Kaleb Amor 4 Blue Rosie Parkin 1/2 White Nina Richardson-Bartley 5 Red Olivia Cotter 3-6 Yellow K Blue Jenson Howard Savannah Latu 2 Red

K-2 LITERACY AWARDS

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

Kindergarten Jayden Finn

Jaleah Dargan

Billie Edwards

Year 2 Melia Watt Lukcas Jones



Mr Smith's Message



Welcome to Week 7!

This week, the students and staff turn their attention to 2019 as they are asked to vote for our new school captains. This term, each Year 5 student has been given the opportunity to nominate themselves for school captain. Each student who nominated themselves delivered a prepared speech during the course of last week. From there, all the students and the staff will vote for their choice of captains and vice-captains. I'm often asked if the teachers' votes are worth more than the students' votes. The answer is categorically 'No'. My vote is equal in value to the students' vote; as are all the teachers' votes. Congratulations and good luck to all the nominees.

Over the next few weeks we have our end of year formal events happening. These will include our Years 3-6 gold certificate assembly, our K-2 presentation assembly, presentation night and our final whole school assembly. Please check dates and times in the 'Dates for your Diary' section of the newsletter. It is an extremely busy time of year, yet it is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our students! As has been our normal practice, if your child has been selected to receive an award at presentation night, you will receive a note informing you as a courtesy to assist families to plan around their commitments, including work.

Our annual swimming carnival is scheduled for Friday, 1 February, 2019 which is the first week in Term 1 next year. Students in Years 2-5 will receive a swimming carnival note outlining the details for the day in the coming weeks. Students currently in Year 1 who will be turning 8 in Year 2 (next year) will also receive a swimming note – eligibility to attend for these students will be explained in the note.

I would like to remind all parents and carers that a teacher is not on duty until 8.35am each morning. While we understand that some buses arrive earlier than this, we do have a number of students arriving, who live close to the school, from about 8.10am each day. Not only is this a long morning for students, they are also unsupervised. If your child/ren live close to the school, please ensure they are not here before 8.30am to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all students. Thank you for your help and understanding.

Don't forget our school will be participating in the Christmas street parade again this Friday!

Have a great week, everyone!

Mr Smith

Students of the Week

Name: Hunter Green

Age: 12 Class: 6 Blue

Teacher: Miss Wallace

Teacher Comments: Hunter is a cheerful student in class. He likes chatting with his friends, working hard and

being surprised by his positive results.

Favourite activities: Playing footy, motorbike riding, playing the PlayStation and spending time with friends and family.

What career interests you? I would like to be a pro motorbike rider.

Name: Harry Jones

Age: 12 Class: 6 Red

Teacher: Mrs Woolstencroft **Teacher comments:** Harry is a sociable member of our class. He enjoys playing

cricket.

Favourite activities: Scooter riding, playing Xbox, cricket, handball, yabbying, watching YouTube and playing fortnite.

What career interests you? I would like to be a youtuber or cricketer.

PBL FUN FAIR - Friday, 14 December 2018 - 1.30-3.00pm

Why? This is the celebration that allows our students to turn their PBL rockets into PBL 'money'. They can use their 'money' to purchase items or participate in a variety of activities. Once they have spent their PBL 'money', students will go to the hall to watch a movie.

If your child has taken home any rockets, please encourage them to bring them back to school so they can be counted towards their 'money'.

What a fun celebration we will have to acknowledge our students for their safe, respectful and responsible behaviour!

Would you like to help?

There are a lot of stalls and we would appreciate some help! If you are able to assist with a stall, or would be willing to run a stall, please fill out the slip below and return it to school with your child, by Wednesday, 5 December. If you need more information regarding helping at one of the stalls, contact your child's teacher at school on 6862 1702.

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Student's Name:	Class:
Parent/Carer Name:	
Contact Number:	
I am willing to help with a stall.	
☐ I am willing to run a stall. I would like to do	

Please come to our K-2 Christmas Social

Where: Parkes Public School hall

When: Thursday, 29 November 2018

Time: 5.00-6.30pm

Cost: \$2.00 (includes chips and drink at the

social and lollies to take home)

Theme: Christmas



Current PBL Focus

I am respectful.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday, 28 November ... Year 6 Whole Day Transition to Parkes High School

Thursday, 29 November...... K-2 Socials at 5.00-6.30pm

Friday, 30 November Christmas Street Parade

Monday, 3 December...... Year 2 Intensive Swimming begins

Helper's Morning Tea 10.45-11.00

Wednesday, 5 December Gold Certificate Assemblies

K-2: 9.15am; 3-6: 11.15am

Monday, 10 December Whole School Assembly at 9.15am

Year 3-6 Socials

Thursday, 13 December Presentation Night at 7.00pm

Friday, 14 December..... PBL Fun Fair

Monday, 17 December Class Parties

Talent Show at 1.30pm

Wednesday, 19 December.... Last day of school

2019

Wednesday, 30 JanuaryFirst day of school Friday, 1 FebruarySwimming Carnival

Parkes Public's



Dec 17 at 1:30

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

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PBL Fun Fair

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