



Parkes Public Panorama

Term 4, Week 4 - Tuesday 5 November 2019

Cultural Dance Group

Our Cultural Dance Group was asked to perform at the official opening of Pacific National logistics terminal in Parkes on Wednesday. The students were excited to be part of the big day and performed a traditional Aboriginal Cleansing Dance. We would like to commend them all for their commitment over the year and their wonderful behaviour on the day.

Mr Lovett, Mrs Pearsall and Mrs Ruckley



MISSION STATEMENT



Quality education for all

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Parkes Public School

ORIENTATION TO SCHOOL

We are delighted to invite you and your child to attend our **Kindergarten Orientation Days**.

Orientation to school visits will run for two weeks on the days outlined below. **Parent information will be given in the hall on Thursday, 7 November while the children are in the classrooms.** During the other visit, parents can bring their children and leave them for the one and a half hour session.

Each session will be from 9.30 -11.00am on the following days:

- Thursday, 7 November - Information session for parents in the hall. Children are dropped off at the classroom.
- Wednesday, 13 November - Children are dropped off at the classroom. There will be no afternoon Preps on this day.

The days have been staggered due to Pre-school arrangements. It would be beneficial if your child were able to come along to both visits.

When visiting, the children don't need to bring anything with them.

At the parent meeting in the Assembly Hall on Thursday, 7 November you will be given a starter pack and the necessary information which will ensure a smooth beginning to Kindergarten for your child in 2020. **The school uniform will be on display and for sale at this session.**

Please note: There will be no Preps on Thursday 7 November due to the orientation session in the morning.



Current PBL Focus

We follow all instructions!

PRIMARY SWIMMING

FRIDAY



Choir News



A reminder to primary choir students that we will be having a special morning tea to thank Mrs Bland on Wednesday at 11.05am.

Thank you in advance for bringing along a plate of goodies to share. These can be left in the hall before school on Wednesday morning. There will be practice on Wednesday at lunchtime and Thursday morning at 8.00am.

Infants choir practice will be as usual on Tuesday at lunchtime.

Pink Up Your Town Campaign

We had a very successful 'pink day' last Wednesday, raising a total of \$420.35 for the McGrath Foundation.

Thank you to all the students who donated to this cause and to the staff for providing and attending the afternoon tea fundraiser.



Congratulations to the following students who gained a:

White Merit Certificate:

Harper Mulligan	1 Red
Harry Yelland	3 Blue
Alex Griffiths	1-3 White
Teo Cornelissen	K Blue
Logan Cope	1 Blue
Brock Whiley	1 Red
Retaj Atteeq	3 Red
Kaleb Amor x 2	5 Blue
Ella Hamood	1 Red
Cody Newman	3-6 Blue



Badge:

Kaleb Amor	5 Blue
Cody Newman	3-6 Blue

K-2 LITERACY AWARDS

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

Kindergarten	Sam Yelland Lachlan Orr
Special Ed	Logan Hamood Caleb Nicholson
Year 1/2	Cooper Maguire Chloe Warren-Davies



Mrs O'Neill's Message



2019 Wudhagaragarra Awards

We were notified last week that we have won an award for 'Outstanding School - Primary' in the 2019 Wudhagaragarra Awards. This award is '...presented to a school that has demonstrated a commitment to improving the educational outcomes of Aboriginal students. Nominees must demonstrate that their school has developed and maintained successful partnerships with their local community which have impacted positively on school planning practices. Nominees must also demonstrate an outstanding innovative approach to Aboriginal Education.' We are very proud and honoured to receive this award and thank all of our staff, students and community members for their part in making such an achievement possible.

2020 Kindergarten Orientation Days

We are looking forward to the first of the Kindergarten Orientation Days this week. We will be holding a parent information session in the hall on Thursday 7 November from 9.30 till 11.00am. While that is taking place, the 2020 Kindergarten children will be involved in various activities in one of our Kindergarten classrooms to assist them in preparing for next year. The next Orientation day will be on Wednesday 13 November.

Attendance

Regular attendance at school is essential for students to maximise their learning potential. While parents are legally responsible for the regular attendance of their children, school staff, as part of their duty of care, monitor part and whole day absences.

Parents are responsible for ensuring their children attend school regularly and if in the event of their child's nonattendance, even for part of the day, explain the absences of their children promptly to the school.

Please keep in mind that even one day a week off school equals one year off school by Year 6.

Have a lovely week, Mrs O'Neill

Staff Profile

Student of the Week

Name: Mrs Elliott

Hometown: Parkes

Role: Classroom Teacher
Kindergarten

If you were stuck on a desert island and you could only bring three things with you, what would they be? Family, water and food.

Favourite holiday destination: United Kingdom

What was your dream job when you were little? A teacher or a nurse.



Name: Zach Rich

Age: 9

Class: 4 Red

Teacher: Ms Cheney

Teacher Comment: Zach understands that in order to improve you must put in effort. He always tries hard and doesn't ever become discouraged or give up if things are hard.

Favourite Activities: Science, touch football, karate, playing with friends, spending time with pets.

What career interests you? I want to be a vet or a police officer.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 7 Nov	Kindergarten Orientation at 9.30am including a parent information session.
Friday 8 Nov	Primary swimming
Tuesday 12 Nov	Junior AECG at Middleton Public School
Wednesday 13 Nov	Kindergarten Orientation at 9.30am Senior AECG at Middleton Public School

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the recent ICAS competitions.



Not Returning In 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

To assist with the planning of classes and enrolments for 2020, could you please fill in the following *if your children **will not** be attending Parkes Public School in 2020*. This does not apply to Year 6 as they are all leaving.

It would be helpful if you could return it to school by **Friday 8 November**.

My child/children **will not** be attending Parkes Public School in 2020.

They will be attending _____ (name of school).

Name	Class in 2019

Thank you so much for your assistance.

Coral O'Neill
Principal