



Pelaw Main Public School Newsletter



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

10 December

Parent Thank you
Morning Tea

14 December

Presentation Day

18 December

Party Day

19 December

Last Day of Term

2013

29 January

Teachers Return

30 January

Students Return

31 January

Kindergarten 2013
Start

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 10 December

Judy Mayer

Pam Webb

Taniwai Frewin

Wed 12 December

Last Day of Canteen

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Principal's Report

Our students will be receiving their End of Year Reports on Monday. Please contact the school to arrange an appointment to see your child's teacher if you have any questions regarding your child's report. Tables will be available to you, upon request, which reflect the amount of students in each Year group that receive each grade. Year 6 have now informally graduated from Primary School, after they were presented with their farewell gifts on Friday. We wish them all the best in their High School endeavours in 2013. They will have a celebration day on Wednesday, bowling and laser tagging to their hearts content. When they arrive back at school, they will be presenting a small art show with their special art projects. Breakfast Club will be hosting a BBQ on Tuesday morning, as a thank you for the children's custom this year.

We are hoping a grant that the school has applied for, will be able to cover the cost of running this wonderful program in 2013.

I would like to thank Miss Williams and the students who volunteer every Thursday to be our Eco Explorers for the day and clean up our school environment. It is certainly a great learning experience for the students and a great work ethic for this worthwhile cause.

Voluntary School Contributions for 2013 are \$43 per family. In conjunction with P&C members, the school has made the decision to introduce a new uniform item in 2013. This item is a polo shirt designed with the three main school uniform colours of sky blue, maroon and lemon. The shirt will only have to be purchased as an item to wear on outside school business, when children are presenting in public domains. This includes school excursions, choir performances, formal visits to other schools but

does not include representative sport, as they would be wearing their sport uniform for these occasions. You are not required to purchase this item, it will be your decision whether you would like your child to own one in 2013. However, from 2014 onwards we are encouraging our community to adopt this polo shirt as the school uniform, essentially replacing the plain sky blue. The school will supply spare shirts in this design if your child needs one and has not purchased one for outside school business. Please contact the school or attend our next P&C meeting if you would like more information about this new school uniform item. The shirts will be arriving in the school in February. More information will be provided at the beginning of next year.

School Presentation Day – Friday 14th December from 10am. A very exciting day coming up!

General Information

Worming Your Child

Just be aware that as summer arrives, you may need to think about worming your child, particularly if symptoms such as weight loss, increased appetite, anal itching, abdominal pains or fatigue arise in your child. Practising good hygiene and visiting your doctor or or chemist will further support your family in the prevention of worms.

Breakfast Club News

Please join us next Tuesday morning for the last breakfast club of the year.

Starting from 8.45am we are having a FREE BBQ breakfast so we would love students to come to school early and join us. All children will receive a sausage sandwich, some fruit and drink.

I would like to send out a big thank to our volunteers who help each week - Dana, Jodie, Glenda and Lorraine and also thank you to Bakers Delight who kindly donate our bread each week. Have a safe and Merry Christmas everyone.

P & C News

A quick reminder- Christmas Raffle tickets should be returned ASAP with the money in an envelope.

If you have not received any, tickets are available from the office or the canteen.

Our last P&C meeting for the year will be on Tuesday 11th December.

Canteen News

Notes were recently sent home regarding volunteers for next year, if you have not yet returned this note and you would like to help out please see Judy in the canteen ASAP. Some menu items may not be available as stock is depleted for the Christmas break.

The canteen's last day is Wednesday 12th December.

Eco Explorers Week 10

Trinity Hawkins K
Shakira Mason 3/4
Kynan Dudley K
Tenesha Cullen 3/4

Merit Awards

Congratulations to Makira Kiem, Joshua Harris, Isaac Merrick-Farley, Jayden Smith, Kiarni Hallett, Isabel Crawford, Conner Alcorn, Alexis Russell, Makayla Patterson, Kyra Walker, Zane Stone, Lilly Stone and Jordan Holt who received a Certificate of Merit this week.

Shaun Graham
Principal

Untangle Some Tales at the Library this Summer

Want to win prizes just by reading books? Join this year's Summer Reading Program at Cessnock City Library! The Summer Reading Program is a literacy project run by libraries all over Australia over the summer months to keep up the momentum built up during the school year. Its main focus is child literacy, but adults are also welcome to take on the challenge!

We're kicking off this year on December 10th, so come into Cessnock or Kurri Kurri Library anytime on or after that date, register at the front counter, pick up your summer reading kit, grab a pile of books, and you're on your way! The theme for this year is "Untangled Tales", so keep your eye out for some magic and mayhem at the library during the holidays, particularly at the Summer Reading Party at the end of the holidays! There'll be some great prizes this year, thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, who include Rover Motors, Austar Mine and Millbrook Estate. So come on in to the library and be a part of this Australia-wide celebration of reading - how many tales can you "untangle" this summer?



Everyone is invited to join us for our

Christmas Messy Church

Christmas craft • Short, fun, casual service • Sausage sizzle

Young families, newcomers and all denominations welcome!

St. Paul's Anglican Church (Church of England),
Lang St, opposite Kurri Fire Station
11:30am Sunday 23rd December