



Pelaw Main Public School Newsletter



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

28 February

SOS Program Year 5

1 March

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5 March

PSP Survey Week

Afternoon Tea 2.30pm

Meet the teachers

12 March

New Families BBQ

13 March

AGM P&C 1pm in hall

15 March

Science Show

16 March

School Photos

5 April

Easter Hat Parade

End of term

5,6,7 September

Canberra Excursion

24,25,26 October

Aussie Bush Camp

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 27 Feb

Judy Mayer

Jodi Goss

Rowena Boughton

Wednesday 29 Feb

Judy Mayer

John Manderson

Kelly James

Friday 2 Mar

Judy Mayer

Tracy Osland

Taniwai Frewin

Julie Williams

Principal's Report

Today we have ten primary students attending the Zone Swimming Carnival. The carnival is held at Cessnock Pool but each race is timed so that students might only have one swim if they are in one event. Times are then compared for each heat and the fastest swimmers then qualify to attend the Hunter Region swimming carnival in Maitland. Thank you to the parents who transported their children to the carnival and to Miss Latter who coordinated the events.

Classes have been having their library lessons in the new library. At this time the library is without computers but hopefully when the school receives their allocation for this year we will place some in there for students to use.

During term 1 the teachers will hold the

Meet the Teacher's afternoon and any new families will be invited to the *New Families BBQ*. Both of these activities are held each year at Pelaw Main.

Our primary students have the opportunity to attend two overnight excursions this year. Students in Years 5 and 6 will visit Canberra in September and students from Year 3 to Year 6 may attend the annual Aussie Bush Camp in October. Students who are interested in either or both excursions have taken an expression of interest home this week.

Active After School Program

The Active After School Program started this week. If your child is still interested in joining the program please see Miss Skelton or call at the office. The program runs from 3.15 until 4.15pm. Fruit is offered as part of the program. Students from Year 2 to Year 6

may stay for the activities.

Priority Schools Survey

On Monday March 5 parents are invited to an afternoon tea in the hall from 2.30pm. During this time the surveys may be completed and any questions you might have about the program can be answered. We will have lucky door prize of a **Family Movie pass** to win. If necessary you may bring younger siblings along too. Ms Dimmock, Mrs Burton and Mrs Pieper will be there to answer questions and help with the surveys. As the surveys are returned to school, the school will tear off the name strip and place the entries into a competition for a **\$100 voucher at Coles**. The lucky family will receive their prize on the Friday during the afternoon assembly.

When each families survey is returned, student members of the family will receive an ice block

General Information

Priority Schools Survey

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and blue merit card during the week. If the parents complete the survey at the afternoon tea their children will also be included in the prize draw and receive the ice block and merit card.

Meet the Teacher Afternoon

On March 5 after school parents may visit classrooms and teachers will discuss their programs and expectations. Next week a note and a time for each class visit will be sent home.

New Families BBQ

Each year we invite all our new Kindergarten parents and students, our new students and their parents from Stanford Merthyr and any new students and families this year to the school to a BBQ. An invitation will be sent home to these families.

Year 5 SOS Program

The two day program will be held on Tuesday and Thursday next week. Miss Skelton will work with the Year 5 students. Students in Year 5 took home a note today explaining the program. Year 5 students and a teacher from Mulbring Public School will attend the two days with our students.

Expression of Interest – Canberra and Aussie Bush Camp

Students who were interested in these excursions have taken notes home this week. At this time we have not been advised of the cost for either excursion but would assume costs will be similar or slightly higher than our previous excursions (\$240 Camp in 2011 and \$280 Canberra in 2010). The expression of interest allows the school to confirm costs with the organisers of the excursions by giving them approximate number of students attending.

The next stage after the expression of interest is to ask for a non refundable deposit. The school has in the past allowed parents to pay the excursions off over the coming months and reminders slips are sent home.

Staff News

Three teachers attended a three day course at Kurri Kurri TAFE this week. Mr Lindsell took 5/6L, Miss Williams took 5/6S and Miss Onslow had Kindergarten.

P&C Annual General Meeting

The AGM of Pelaw Main Public School P&C will be held on Tuesday March 13 in the hall at 1pm. After the AGM a regular meeting will be held.

Please pay your P&C levy if you assist in any way for the P&C as this covers your insurance

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Awards at this weeks assembly: Samara, Harry, Blake, Chelsea, Amy, Flynn, Nayte, Isabel, Tahlea, Amy, Riley, Shanay, Tiah, Zac, Sydney, Nura, Ebony, Paul, Liam, Chloe, Jaedyn, Matilda.

Congratulations also to Braydon Kiem, Ethan Evans, Sophie McCarthy, Jack Osland, Taia Emerton, Tahrlee Walker, Jarod Franks and Kiarni Hallett who received a Certificate of Merit.

Bears of hope Charity Event

Held: The Bradford at Rutherford (upstairs in the function room)

DATE: 11th March

TIME: 11am - 3pm

Major raffle on the day drawn at 1:30pm as well as Stall holders who have donated products for our raffle. ELMO will also be there for the kids.

Kirsty Hickson
Event Co-Ordinator
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Kurri Kurri Junior Football Club

Meet the Coach days at Biralee Park Kurri
Thursday 1st Mar 5pm U/6, 5.30pm U/7, 6pm U/8

Monday 5th Mar 5pm U/9, 5.30pm U/10, 6pm U/11

Tuesday 6th Mar 5pm U/12, 5.30pm U/13, 6pm U/14,15,&16

We are still accepting registrations for all the above and are in need of players for our U/16 team



Robyn Pieper
Principal