



Pelaw Main Public School Newsletter



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

27 June

Strike day

28 June

Special Assembly
2.30pm in Hall

29 June

Last Day Term 2

20 July

MEGs Visit

3 August

Zone Athletics
Carnival

14 Sept

Spring Fair

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday 25 June

Judy Mayer

Kelly James

Tenelle Allaway

Wednesday 27 June

NO CANTEEN

Strike Day

Friday 29 June

CANTEEN CLOSED

Principal's Report

Dr David Cullen our School Education Director visited the school on Tuesday. Dr Cullen visited classroom and spoke with the students. The School Education Directors' visit each school in their group every term and look at school programs and the general operations of a school.

On Wednesday Mr Shaun Graham who will be the new Principal came to the school. He met the students and some parents before the start of school. Mr Graham is currently Deputy Principal at Cessnock Public School. He will begin at Pelaw Main next term.

Today is our last newsletter for the term. The last day of the term is next Friday June 29. Students resume on Tuesday July 17. Teachers will resume at the school on the Monday for a professional learning day.

Reports were sent home today with all students. The report is detailing student progress for semester 1. The absences reflect your child's attendance up until last Friday.

Next week will be my last week as part of the staff of Pelaw Main. I am retiring after 39 years of teaching. I have had many wonderful experiences in a number of schools. I have had the opportunity to meet many parents, celebrate successes of students and work with absolutely dedicated teachers over my many years of teaching but a special spot must be the staff, students and the community of Pelaw Main.

Over the past four years I have had the opportunity to see so many exciting things happen in the school and the changes that have taken place in education generally from blackboards and chalk to electronic Smartboards and computers. Learning in the class room is an evolving process and

many things continue to change at an increasingly rapid rate. I have to thank the hard working and dedicated staff of Pelaw Main who, every day, make a difference to the students that they teach. I am proud to be a part of the staff and the school community of Pelaw Main. I will miss the school and the people who are part of this wonderful community very much!

Strike Action Wednesday June 27

Next week the NSW Teachers Federation has called for a 24 hour strike in all schools in NSW. Teachers at Pelaw Main will not be at school on Wednesday. There will be no classes for any students. A note will be sent home next Monday as a reminder about the strike.

General Information

Parent Interviews

Next week parents have been invited to meet with class teachers to discuss their child's report. Parents who have asked for interviews will be advised by the teacher of the time that fits with the timetable. If you cannot come on your allocated time please call the office. Each interview time is for 15 minutes. This time then allows for the teacher to see many parents during their session.

Due to the strike day next Wednesday the 2/3 interviews will be held on Thursday morning. Mrs Grant has notified her parents who requested interviews with another note.

Special Assembly 2.30pm

The school assembly that was to be held next Wednesday afternoon will now be held on the Thursday afternoon because of the strike.

Partners in Print

Our last Partners in Print afternoon was held yesterday. Parents and students of 2/3 worked with Mrs Harris, Mr Lindsell, Mrs Ross and Mrs Grant. Next term the program will continue with the primary classes.

Exemplary Student

The student's special lunch draw will be held next week and the lunch with the Principal will be held on Thursday. Due to the strike day and par-

ent interviews the usual activities will not be held but students who are exemplary students will still receive their special certificates.

NAIDOC Day

Early next term students from Pelaw Main, Mulbring and Stanford Merthyr will again celebrate NAIDOC week at our school on Tuesday July 24. Students from Kurri Kurri High School will lead the games and the Stanford dance group will perform for the schools. The P&C will cater as we did last year by having a special menu that will need to be pre-ordered from the canteen. Judy will send home the information and prices next week and the orders and money will need to be back at school by the Friday of next term.

Special Retirement Assembly & Afternoon Tea

Due to the Industrial Action on Wednesday, we have had to change the Special Assembly for Mrs Pieper to Thursday 28th June. The assembly will be in the hall and will start at 2.30pm and will be followed by an afternoon tea for the parents and school community. The P&C have organised a big cake for the students to share and tea and coffee will be available for parents. We would like to ask parents to bring along a small plate of afternoon tea to share among the parents.

All parents and members of our school community are invited to attend the assembly and afternoon tea. I know Mrs Pieper would like the opportunity to say goodbye to as many of you as possible. We look forward to seeing you there for what I am sure will be a very special, yet emotional occasion for Mrs Pieper.

Merilyn Burton AP

Crazy Hair Day

Cystic Fibrosis is the most common life threatening genetic disease affecting young Australians. Research is essential if we are to find a cure for this disease. Pelaw Main Public School is running a Crazy Hair Day on Friday 29th June – the last day of term. All you have to do is come to school with Crazy Hair. For a gold coin donation, you can gel, colour, tease, tie, spike or twist your hair for Cystic Fibrosis NSW.

Year 6 Visit to Kurri Kurri High School

Students from year 6 attended their first transition day last Wednesday. The students enjoyed the chance to attend different lessons in the high school setting.

Scripture

The last scripture lesson was held yesterday. Scripture will resume next term.

General Information

Staff News

Mrs Burton and Ms Dimmock attended Focus on Reading training this week. Miss Perry worked with a teacher from Erina High School on Tuesday to improve the school Moodle and link it to our school web page. Miss King had 1/2 for the day.

Next term Mrs Ross who organises many of our special learning programs will be at the school for five days instead of two days. This increased time is part of the Every Student Every School program that has been implemented across NSW schools.

Sport News

The boys played their knock-out soccer game today against Kurri Kurri Public School. The team lost but they played very well. Thank you to Mr Lindsell for his organisation and training and to the Pelaw Main Soccer Club for assisting with ground preparation.

P&C News

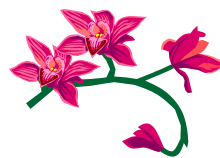
The P&C have sent out a Pie Drive order form. The form should be returned by Friday July 30 which is next term and the pies will be delivered on August 7



FAREWELL

Mrs Pieper

We wish you well in your retirement and you will be missed.



Robyn Pieper
Principal