



Pelaw Main Public School NEWSLETTER

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TERM 4 WEEK 3



DATES FOR THE DIARY

26 October

Dance Group & Choir
Performance at
Kurri Kurri Community
Festival

28 October

Songroom True
Colours Festival

30 Oct, 6 & 13 Nov

Kinder Orientation

31 Oct & 21 Nov

Stanford Merthyr
Year 3 Transition

31 October

Partners in Print KH
Assembly 2.30
in the Hall

6 November

School Disco

12 December

Presentation Day

Playgroup Dates

Term 4: October 28th
and 30th.

November 4th, 6th,
11th, 13th, 18th, 20th.
10am-11.30am
In the Hall.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 27 October

Judy Mayer
Tracy Osland
Kelly James

Wed 29 October

Judy Mayer
Deanne McTegg
Sheryle Farley

Fri 31 October

Judy Mayer
Sarah Blackmore
Melissa Robertson

Principal's Report

I would like to sincerely thank the school community for their respect and generosity in meeting the needs of school staff on Thursday. It has been a very difficult week to come to terms with the loss of a wonderful friend, colleague and mentor, in Kirreley Macbeth, and on behalf all of our staff, I would like to thank you for your support.

Great Aussie Bush Camp

Great Aussie Bush Camp. From all accounts, our students had a wonderful time at the Great Aussie Bush Camp this week. They were going to experience Mudworld today, so they might want an extra shower tonight! Thank you to Mrs Burton, Mrs Knight, Mr Burley and Miss Roach for organising and attending the camp. It will certainly be a memory to be cherished for our students.

Kindergarten & Year 3 Orientations

It was wonderful to meet some of our new families, and current families, who are enrolling their children in Kindergarten and Year 3 next year. We had two very good orientation parent sessions on Thursday and Friday. Thank you to the P&C for hosting the afternoon tea and sharing the great things that are happening in our school.

Our Second Kinder Orientation will be on Thursday, 30th October from 2:15pm. Parents are asked to meet outside the Kindergarten room, in the school Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA).

The second Year 2 Stanford Merthyr Infants School transition begins at 1:40pm, for students, on Friday, 31st October.

Careers Through Reading

Year 5 students will be participating in a five-week program, conducted by the University of Newcastle, called Careers through Reading, to gain a better understanding of career paths, both at University, and in the wider workforce. The students were given an introduction to the program last Monday and will participate in workshops on Wednesday mornings for the next 4 weeks. A great opportunity for our Year 5 students moving into their final year of primary school next year.

Watercatchers

I hope you caught the article in the Advertiser this week, about our students filming their Watercatchers script with a professional production company. Voting for the best film opens on the 2nd November. More information will be available next week.



PBL Awards for This Week

Be Safe Erika 3/4K

Be Respectful Keleigh 5/6B

Be an Active Learner Jade L K/1

Best Class Attendance K/1



Kurri Kurri Community Festival

Don't forget to go along to the Kurri Kurri Community Festival this weekend. There will be an outdoor screening of Frozen on Saturday night, and on Sunday, our students will be performing in the choir and dance groups from 9:30am on the mainstage. Our P&C will be hosting a stall, selling all sorts of goodies, as well as running the Chocolate Wheel. Come along for a good day out, in Rotary Park, Kurri Kurri.

Songroom - True Colours Festival

Next Tuesday, 28th October, our choir and dance groups will be performing at the True Colours Festival at Cessnock Performing Arts Centre, from about 10:30am. Students will be catching the bus to and from the CPAC. Students in Stage 2 have been invited to attend as an audience. Notes have been distributed for this, but may be available on the website, or from the front office.

Music Count Us In

The whole school will be participating in the Music Count Us In performance on Thursday, 30th October. This event brings teachers, parents, students and the music industry together in celebration, as more than half a million people unite to sing the same song at the same time, right across the country.

Partners in Print

During Term 4, our Partners in Print program is for students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 and their parents/carers. The program will focus on

reading development and empowering parents (who are a child's first teacher) to support students with their reading and language development at home and to become a strong, positive and caring force in their children's reading development.



Partners in Print will be held on allocated Friday mornings, with a different class involved each week. Teachers will lead small group activities based around reading with parents/caregivers and their child. In small groups, teachers will work with the students and model a strategy that parents and caregivers can use at home to support children's reading and language development. Parents and carers will watch how the teacher works with the students and then work with their own child one-on-one to practise the strategy they observed the teacher implement. The process is child centred, relaxed and enjoyable. Please find below a timetable for classes to participate in Partners in Print for Term 4. Parents from each class will receive a letter home the week before the class participates in the program.

Partners in Print – 9.30am to 10.30am Fridays.

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| Week 4 – 31 st October | Kindergarten |
| Week 5 – 7 th November | K/1 |
| Week 6 – 14 th November | Yr 1 |
| Week 7 – 21 st November | Yr 2 |

Assembly

Our Awards Assembly, that was postponed last Friday, will be held next Friday, 31st October from 2:30pm in the school hall. Our Stanford Merthyr Year 2 students will be visiting on the day to experience the school assembly format. All awards that had previously been published in the newsletter, will be given out, including the 100% attendance awards. The week after, Friday, 7th November, will be the Kindergarten performance and assembly. Then, on Friday, 14th November, K/1P will be hosting their performance assembly. WOW!

Staff Movement

Mrs Scheinecker returns to work on Monday, 27th October, from her long service leave. Thank you to Miss Roach and Mrs Janetski for filling in her role while she was absent.

Miss King will be attending L3 training on Thursday, 30th October, from 12:30-3:30pm. Miss Latter will be teaching 1K in her absence.

School Disco

Year 6 parents and teachers will be hosting a disco on Thursday, 6th November. Students in K-2 will have their disco from 4:30-6pm and Years 3-6 will get to experience a disco DJ from 6:30-8pm. Snacks, drinks and glow sticks will be available for purchase on the night. Entry will be \$2 per student. This is to raise funds for the Year 6 farewell and gift to the school.



Live Life Well at School

Iodine and learning

Iodine is needed for the thyroid gland, growth and brain development.

Sources of iodine include:

- cow's milk, yoghurt and cheese
- seafood
- seaweed – as used in sushi or nori rolls



Bookclub

This week Issue 7 of Bookclub was sent home with students. We had a great response last time, with many children very excited to receive their new books when they arrived!



It is easy to order. Just look over the flyer with your child, select the books you want, mark them on the order form on the back of the flyer, and return the order form to the office with payment by the due date. Please make sure your order is in a secure envelope.

Families can place multiple orders in the same envelope if needed. The books will arrive around two weeks after I send the class order to Scholastic.

You can also pay for your order online if that is an easier option for you. The website is on the order form. You pay by credit card, after nominating the school from a drop down box. You do not order the books online. You return the order to school, with the payment receipt number included. I then have to send this off with the order, as a record of your payment. Each flyer always has a 'Red Label Book' for \$2. These books are highly recommended and also make great presents (especially with Christmas just around the corner!).

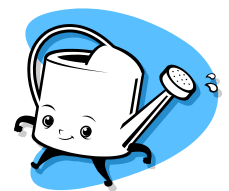
The orders for this issue of Bookclub are due to the office, no later than **Monday, 27th October.**

Unfortunately, no late orders can be accepted.

If you have any questions about any of this information, please see me. Mrs Burton

Eco Explorers Week 4

Lexis KH, Jasper KH, Jack J KH, Jayden D 2C & Lachlan C 3/4K.





Would \$500 help you pay for school uniforms, books or a laptop?

Match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, through Saver Plus.

The Smith Family is looking for new participants in your local area.

You may be eligible if you or your partner have:

- a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession Card
- a child at school or starting next year
- some regular income from work.

Contact Cynthia, your local Saver Plus Worker :
4927 8385 cynthia.culhane@thesmithfamily.com.au.

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.



Friday Night Family Tennis

at the
Kurri Kurri Tennis Courts
Coronation St Kurri Kurri

Starting 6.30 pm

8 courts available

Cost \$4.00 per person

Beginners Very Welcome

Contact: Paul Campbell

Phone: 0419 430 825

Monster Charity Raffle

Trivia Sat 25th October 2014
Starts 3:30pm
Great Prizes
Face Painting Raffle Drawn 6:30pm
Guess How Many Jelly Beans
Weston Workers Club, Weston

All Money Raised Goes To:
The Weekend to End Women's Cancers




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