



Pelaw Main Public School NEWSLETTER

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TERM 4 WEEK 4

DATES FOR THE DIARY

6 & 13 November

Kinder Orientation

21 November

Stanford Merthyr

Year 3 Transition

3 November

Voting opens for
"Watercatchers"

6 November

School Disco

7 November

Partners in Print K/1

Assembly 2.30pm In
the Hall

13 November

School Leader
Speeches

12 December

Presentation Day

Playgroup Dates

Term 4: November

4th, 6th, 11th, 13th,
18th, 20th.

10am-11.30am

In the Hall.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 3 November

Sarah Blackmore

Deanne McTegg

Kelly James

Wed 5 November

Judy Mayer

Tammy Whalan

Sheryle Farley

Fri 7 November

Judy Mayer

Julie Williams

Lea Arman

Principal's Report

I was truly amazed at the performances of our students at the True Colours festival at the Cessnock Performing Arts centre on Tuesday. They absolutely shone on stage, during their choir performances and during their dance routine. This was a great experience for our talented singers and dancers and I would like to thank Mrs Knight and Miss Roach for their coordination of this event. I would also like to thank our parents for supporting this event.

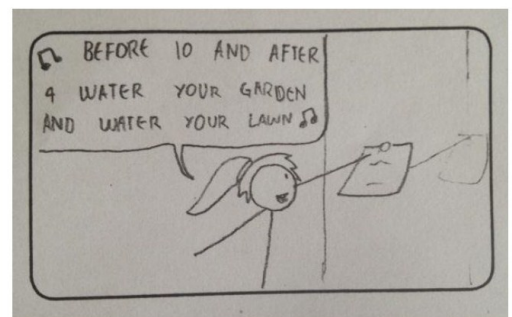
Watercatchers

Vote for Pelaw Main Public School's short film online!

Students from Pelaw Main Public School have been working hard to design their very own story board, to inform the community about the Water Wise rules. They were successful in being selected, as one of the nine finalists, and had a professional film crew at their school to film their story. The videos of all nine finalists will be showcased on the Water Catchers website

www.watercatchers.com.au from **Monday the 3rd of November**. It's here that you will be able to show your support and vote for Pelaw Main Public School's video. The public votes will be combined with the judges' scores to help decide the winner, to be announced on the 28th of November.

Pelaw Main Public School have a one in nine chance of winning \$10,000 for their school – so please make your vote count! Voting closes on Friday 21 November.



Kurri Kurri Community Festival

Thank you to the Parents and students who participated in the Kurri Kurri Community Festival celebrations on Sunday, 26th October, at Rotary Park. Our singers and dancers wowed the crowds and our P&C attempted to raise funds for our P&C kitty, on what was a scorching hot day!

Assembly

Next Friday, 7th November, will be KH's turn to host our awards assembly. I'm sure they will entertain us.



PBL Awards for This Week

Be Safe Tahlea 2C

Be Respectful Max S 3/4K

Be an Active Learner Daniella 1K

Best Class Attendance 1K



Music Count Us In

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

Photographic Competition

The Mayoral Photographic Competition entries are on display at both Kurri Kurri Library (Kindergarten to Year 2 entries) and Cessnock Library (students in Years 3 to 6) through this week and next. Winners of each category will be announced very soon, according to the Mayor!

Selective High Schools Placement

If your child is currently in Year 5 and you are interested in applying for your child to enrol at a selective High School for Year 7 2016, I have two paper copies of the enrolment procedures at school. You must, however, submit an application online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. You have until the 17th November to apply. Please contact the school if you wish to receive more information about this process

Fundraising Opportunity

The Station Hotel in Kurri Kurri is offering a fundraising opportunity for our school community. Titled "Eating out for Education", if you eat out at the Station Hotel throughout the week (Monday to Friday), \$1 from any main meal ordered will be

donated back to the school at the end of each month. All you need to do is nominate the school you wish to donate to. The Hotel is also offering a competition to design a logo for this initiative. If your child is interested in entering this competition, entry forms will be sent out with the newsletter.

School Leader Nominees for 2015

I am delighted to announce the following candidates who have nominated for a School Leader position in 2015; Samantha Falko, Kendall Alcorn, Makayla Rose, Makayla Patterson, Keleigh Stewart, Jordyn Atkinson, Jemma Black, Taia Emerton, Tiah Cornell-Taggart, Emma Caulson, William Beverly, Dylan Fox, Marty Williams and Tony James.

Each candidate will present a speech to potential voters on Thursday 13th November and voting will take place that day. Students in Years 2 – 5 will each vote for one girl and one boy.

School Leaders for 2015 will be announced on Presentation Day! A formal assembly will take place very early in 2015 for the successful candidates to receive their badges & sign a code of conduct with their parents. We all wish every candidate the very best of luck and look forward to hearing their speeches in Week 6!

Careers through Reading

Year 5 students will continue to participate in Careers through Reading, on Wednesdays, to gain a better understanding of career paths, both at University, & in the wider workforce. The students worked very well with their groups this week & hope they continue to gain some knowledgeable insights into careers after school.

School Disco

Year 6 parents and teachers will be hosting a disco on Thursday, 6th November. Students in K-2 will be entertained by a disco DJ from 4:30-6pm and Years 3-6 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.

Kindergarten Orientation

Our third Kinder Orientation will be on Thursday, 6th November from 2:15pm. Parents are asked to meet outside the Kindergarten room, in the school Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA). Parents will be able to listen to a presentation from trained Speech Pathologists, in relation to starting school.

Running Club

This Saturday 1st November 2014, students from the schools Running Club will be participating in Park Run at Walka Water Works, Oakhampton. All students are asked to be there by 7.30am, to ensure we are ready at the starting line to begin running at 8am. All students, friends and family members are welcome to attend and encourage us as we take on the 5km course. Please make sure all runners have appropriate footwear, running attire, hat and a water bottle. You may also like to bring a healthy snack as the day celebrates the 1st anniversary of Park Run Maitland. See you there, Mrs Lantry.

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 Friday

Week 5 – 7 th November	K/1
Week 6 – 14 th November	Yr 1
Week 7 – 21 st November	Yr 2

P&C Shopping Trip

The P&C Shopping trip on 18th October raised approximately \$700 dollars for our school. The company was friendly, the bus driver was welcoming and accommodating and the lunch wraps were delicious. Thankyou to the 23 ladies, who went on the shopping trip and especially the ladies from Morisset and the local community because without their involvement the trip could not have proceeded. Everybody on the bus said how much they enjoyed the day and are looking forward to the shopping trip next year.

Live Life Well at School

Why reduce television time?

- Studies have shown we use less energy watching TV than sitting still
- TV influences the food choice of kids – Australia has a high rate of food advertising during children's viewing hours
- TV replaces time a child can be active and enjoy physical activity
- There is an association between TV watching and being overweight
- 40% of children 5 –12 years report watching an average of two hours or more of television or videos a day.



Eco Explorers Week 5

Kynan 2C, Jordan 2C, Graham 4L, Kyren 2C, Tayah K1.



K-2 Home Reading

Congratulations to the following K-2 students who have made the following achievement in Home Reading.

75 nights KH – Savannah K/1P – Lara, Jade

100 nights K/1P - Braydon

125 nights KH – Olivia W 2C – Eviee

150 nights 2C – Kaleb, Issac, Hamish

175 nights 1K – Sophie, Toby, Bailey 2C – Braydon

200 nights 1K – Trixta 2C – Trinity, Cade, Jordan

Great Aussie Bush Camp



Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received an award at this weeks assembly.

Principal's Awards: Hamish K/1 and Shelby.

Citizenship Awards: Mia W and Emily G.

Library Awards: Isaac T and Bailey.

Class Achievement Awards: Jack J, Aaron, Eve, Corey, Jorja M, Kobi D, Kayla S, Trinity, Madison, Isaac B, Bridie, Max S, Chloe R, Rani, Makayla R, Lachlan, Tahlia and Daniel C.

Certificate of Merit: Zane S, Georgia M, Max J, Morrissey, Chelsea C, Kendall, Koby C, Bridie, Sarah, Anna, Hamish K/1, James, Jack O, Hunter, Samantha F, Chelsea W, Makayla P, Jarod F, Jade R, Taia & Erika.

Certificate of Excellence: Jarod F and Isaac T.

Shaun Graham - Principal