



# Pelaw Main Public School NEWSLETTER

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## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### 15 December

Year 6 Farewell Dinner  
& Presentation

### 16 December

Class Party Day

### 17 December

Last Day of Term 4  
for Students

### 27 January 2015

Staff Return

### 28 January 2015

Students Return

### 29 January 2015

Kinder Students Start



## Principal's Report

As this is the last newsletter for the term, I would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of our students, parents and staff this year. It has been a year of many adjustments across the school, a year that has been challenging in many ways across our community, but prosperous as well. I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We are starting with new strategic directions in 2015, to focus on supporting students to develop 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning skills for their future. Keep an eye on the website for details about 2015 and look out for text messages from the school, informing you of upcoming events.

Thank you all for your support in 2014.

## School Leaders 2016

Congratulations to our new school leaders for 2015, after being announced at our school Presentation Day on Friday. Jemma Black and Marty Williams will be our School Captains for 2015 and Tony James and Kendall Alcorn will lead the school in Prefect roles. Well done!

## Ribbit's Holiday Adventure

Ribbit will be going on holidays with Mrs McLellan after spending this week in K/1. K/1 had the most outstanding attendance by a class all year.

Remember that, getting your children to school every day, and on time, leads to higher engagement and better outcomes in their schooling.

## Kurri Kurri Rotary Christmas Carols

Our school choir and dance group will be performing at the Kurri Kurri Rotary Christmas Carols at Kurri Kurri Public School this Sunday night, 14<sup>th</sup> December, from 6pm. Go along and support our school, and the Kurri Kurri Rotary organisation, for what should be a fun evening out.



## Stanford Merthyr Presentation Day

Stanford Merthyr Infants School will be hosting their Presentation Day assembly in our School Hall on Monday, 15th December, from 1pm.



## PBL Awards for This Week

**Be Safe** Blake 3/4K

**Be Respectful** Emma 5/6G

**Be an Active Learner** Taya 1K

**Best Class Attendance** K1P



## Year 6 Farewell

The Year 6 students will have their farewell on the night of Monday, 15th December. Students will be having dinner with the staff, and dancing the night away. Parents are invited to attend the presentation and dance part of the evening.

## Class Parties

Class Party Day will be on Tuesday, 16th December and Santa Claus will be making a special appearance on this day. This will be an **out-of-uniform day**, but students must wear closed-in shoes, sleeves on shirts/tops and a broad-brimmed hat. No Caps!

## Last Day of School

The last day of school, for students, is on Wednesday, 17th December. There will be a lot of movement between classes, in preparation for 2014. If you do need to collect your child through the day, it might be an idea to phone ahead to the school office, to avoid delays.

## 2016 Classes

Our classroom teacher organisation has been finalised for the beginning of 2015. Classes will be allocated as follows:

Kindergarten – Mrs Harris, K/1W – Mrs Wendt, Year 1 – Miss King, Year 2 – Mrs Lantry, 2/3 – Mrs Farrell (Term 1) – this class will be allocated for Terms 2 to 4, once staffing arrangements have been finalised, 3/4K – Mrs Knight, 3/4C – Mrs Corke, Year 5/6G – Mrs Grant, Year 5/6P – Miss Perry. Students will be allocated classes at the beginning of next year.

Mrs Burton will continue in her role, as Deputy Principal, class-free. We will have a new staff member beginning in 2015 in the Learning and Support Teacher role, Mrs Karen Milford, and Mrs Palmer will continue as a Learning and Support Teacher 3 days per week. Teacher RFF positions will be Mrs Scheinecker, Miss Latter, Miss Roach and Mr Burley. The school will also be receiving an Instructional Leader for 2015 and 2016, to work with K-2 classes and their teachers, to provide expert professional learning opportunities. This role will be shared between Stanford Merthyr Infants School and Pelaw Main Public School. This staffing appointment has not been finalised as of yet. SLSO staff for 2015 are as follows: Mrs Prior, Mrs Ford, Mrs Smith, Mrs McGowan, Mrs Dowden and Mrs Macbeth.

In Term 1, the office staff will consist of Mrs Robertson from Monday to Wednesday, Mrs Doyle on Thursday and Friday and Ms Whitelaw Bacon in the relieving role of School Administration Manager Monday to Friday.

## Professional Learning

Staff will be participating in Professional Learning on Thursday, 18th December. School will be closed after that day.

## School Resumes

School resumes on Tuesday, 27th January, for staff. Students in Years 1-6 will return on Wednesday, 28th January and Kindergarten will start school on Thursday, 29th January.

## K-2 Home reading achievements

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

**100 nights- 2C** – Nayte.

**150 nights- 2C** – Tahlea, Eviee.

**190 nights- 2C** – Hamish, Kaleb.

**200 nights- 1K** – Kobi, Toby, Trixta.

**250 nights- 2C** – Cade, Jordan, Trinity, Braydan.

## Live Life Well at School

Kids in the Kitchen

Pear and Banana Muffins



### Ingredients

olive or canola oil spray	150ml low-fat natural yoghurt
2 cups wholemeal self-raising flour	1/2 cup orange juice
2 cups white self-raising flour	1 large banana, peeled and chopped
1 cup brown sugar	1 pear, cored and diced
2 eggs	1/2 cup buttermilk or low-fat milk

### Method

Preheat oven to 170°C. Lightly spray muffin trays with oil. Sift flours, returning husk from wholemeal flour to the bowl, add brown sugar. In a separate bowl mix eggs, yoghurt and juice. Combine with the flour mix and fold through fruit and milk (you may need less milk depending on moisture in fruit). Do not over-mix. Spoon mixture into trays. Bake near the top of the oven for 18-20 minutes. Turn onto a wire rack to cool. Makes 24 muffins.

### Hint

Wrap muffins individually and freeze for a lunch box snack.

### Variation

Any unsweetened fruit juice maybe used. Use apples, blueberries or other firm fruit to vary the flavour. Make 12 muffins and 1 loaf, by spooning half the mixture into a greased loaf tin. Bake the loaf in the middle of the oven for 35 minutes, or until firm and golden brown. Bake near the top of the oven for 18-20 minutes.

## Eureka Taekwondo

### Traditional Martial Art For Self Defence

Just Turn Up Or Phone For Info, all ages welcome.

Starting At Pelaw Main School on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2015 4.30pm to 5.30pm. 6<sup>th</sup> Dan Master Instructor Steve Turner

Ph: 0400 002951 or email: [eurekataekwondo@gmail.com](mailto:eurekataekwondo@gmail.com)

Mondays 4.30pm to 4.30pm, 1 Free lesson



Kurri Kurri Girl Guides invite you to "Fun in February" with Guides!



Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 6.00pm-7.30pm

For girls aged 6-9 years

& Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 6.30-8.30pm

For girls aged 10-12 years

At Fun in February we will be cooking, playing games and learning skills

Kurri Kurri Guide Hall, 116 Lang Street, Kurri Kurri

**To register for this free event, please call D. Bailey on 4936 1903 or 0414 361903 (email [eac@bigpond.com](mailto:eac@bigpond.com))**

Or to find out more visit our website [www.girlguides-nswact.org.au](http://www.girlguides-nswact.org.au)



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## JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC

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**When: 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> JANUARY**

( Mon, Tues, Wed)

Where: Maitland Tennis Centre

Cnr Page & Lawes St East Maitland

Time: 9.00am to 10.30am per day

Price: \$50.00 for 3 days per child (Family Discounts Available)

Age: 4 years to 16 years

Standard: Beginner to intermediate

Name (1)..... D.O.B.....

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# THE BEST HOLIDAYS HAPPEN AT CAMP

- ✓ Relaxing      ✓ Fun
- ✓ Great value    ✓ Safe

Tick every box this school holidays with a Sport and Recreation Camp. Our popular Kids' and Family Camps offer a range of exciting activities to keep even the biggest kid entertained. Try your hand at over 40 different activities, including fishing, mountain biking, surfing, abseiling, crafts, kayaking, cooking and more, and relax knowing you're in good hands. Kids' Day Camps start from \$47; Family Camp weekends start from \$168 for kids and \$238 for adults. Kids under five years attend free of charge. Cost includes accommodation, meals and activities.

## Bonus! Residential Kids' Camps include supervised transport from:

- Central Station, Sydney
- Penrith
- Lithgow
- Bathurst
- Orange
- Wellington
- Brooklyn
- Mooney Mooney.



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