



# Pelaw Main Public School NEWSLETTER

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## TERM 2 WEEK 2

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### 12 May

Year 6 Fundraising  
Meeting  
3.30pm in the Library

#### 13 May

P&C Meeting  
1.40pm in the Hall

#### 14 May

Entertainment Books  
due back

#### 13, 14, 15 May

NAPLAN

#### 16 May

Girls Soccer

#### 26 May

Socceroos Excursion

### Playgroup Dates Term 2

#### Tuesdays

13, 20 and 27 May

#### 3 June

#### Thursdays

15, 22 and 29 May

#### 5 June

10am-11.30am

In the Hall.

### CANTEEN ROSTER

#### Mon 12 May

Sarah Blackmore  
Kelly James  
Tennelle Allaway

#### Wed 14 May

Judy Mayer  
Tammy Whalan  
Sheryle Farley

#### Fri 16 May

Judy Mayer  
Kelly James  
Elena Peters

## Principal's Report

Happy Mother's Day to all those wonderful mothers in our school community. I heard this quote one day and will never forget it.

A young boy said to his mother, 'How old were you when I was born?'

His mother replied, '23.' He said, 'Wow, that's a lot of time we missed spending together.'

Very special, and I trust you have a wonderful day with your family.



## Attendance

Congratulations to the 48 students who received awards for 100% attendance in Term 1. This is a great achievement and one that your children need to be proud of. Wouldn't it be great to see this number even higher this term.

Congratulations to K/1P for receiving the term Attendance Trophy for having the best overall attendance in Term 1. They hosted Ribbit 5 times during Term 1, due to the best weekly attendance. Ribbit is being hosted by 1K this week, as they had the best attendance in Week 1 this term.

## NAPLAN

NAPLAN Assessment arrangements for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week are as follows:

3/4K – Year 3 will be supervised by Mrs Knight for the duration of the test.

Year 4 will be given regular classwork in alternate classrooms.

3W will be supervised by Mrs Wendt and Mrs Ross in their classroom.

5/6B – Year 5 will be supervised by Ms Beveridge and a School Learning Support Officer in their classroom.

5/6G – Year 5 students will be going to Ms Beveridge's room to be supervised during the assessment. Mrs Grant will host all Year 6 students with support from Mrs Burton.

The Assessment times are:

Tuesday – Language Conventions and Writing – 9:30-11:30am

Wednesday – Reading – 9:30-10:30am

Thursday – Numeracy – 9:30-10:30am.

Classes will operate as normal after these times.

## P&C Meeting

Our next P&C Meeting is next Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> May from 1:40pm in the school hall. It would be great to see you in attendance.

## Bus Zone Parking

The new bus service that operates to and from Heddon Greta stops quite frequently in our bus zone throughout the day. If your car is parked in that zone, Rover coaches are obligate to inform council of these discrepancies and council will, in turn, send a ranger out to monitor traffic in this area. Please ensure you are not parked in the school bus zone at any time.

## NRMA Science & Road Safety Day

We had a very informative day on Wednesday with the visiting NRMA Science and Road Safety workshop. Thank you to our parents who were in attendance at the Parent Workshop in the afternoon. I do hope our children and parents learned something new and, indeed, were reminded of the rules and regulations around road safety.



## Collecting Children From School

Please ensure you are picking your child up in the school grounds and walking across the road with them of an afternoon. It is far too busy a road to expect your child to walk across the road independently.

## Socceroos Excursion

Year 5 students have now joined our Year 6 students in being offered a place on our excursion to the Socceroos v South Africa match on Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> May. There are very few places left on the bus, please ensure money and notes are handed in promptly before the end of next week, Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> May.



## Girls Soccer

Our Girls' Soccer team will be playing against Abermain Public School on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May. The game will be held at Abermain Soccer Ground at 10am. Good luck girls!



## P&C News

Entertainment books have been sent home to all families for you to have a look through. If you DO NOT wish to keep yours please RETURN the book to the office by Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May. If you would like to purchase a copy please pay at the office or you can pay online. Thankyou to all families who bought raffle tickets your kind donations are very much appreciated. We have a P&C meeting next Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 1:40pm in the hall. Everyone is welcome.

## Eco Explorers Week 3

Angela K/1, Braydon K/1, Stella K/1 and Corey K/1.



**The simplest way**  
to improve the health of your family and save money

### Come to our FREE Fruit & Veg Sense Workshop

**Date:** Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2014  
**Time:** 9:15am until 10:45am  
**Venue:** Kurri Kurri Public School

Did you know that eating enough fruit and vegetables all their lives can help protect children against diseases, including some forms of cancer? This **free workshop** run by Cancer Council NSW will show you how you can easily:

- Save time and money making healthy meals
- Learn clever ways to entice fussy eaters
- Get a free recipe book simply by attending

**Don't miss out – registration is essential. To book your place please register no later than 16/05/14 by:**

emailing [eatittobeatit.com.au](mailto:eatittobeatit.com.au)  
 visiting [www.cancercouncil.org.au/eatittobeatit/register](http://www.cancercouncil.org.au/eatittobeatit/register)  
 or phoning (02) 4923 0704



**Eat It To Beat It**



## Year 6 Fundraising

We will be holding a fundraising meeting in the school Library next Monday 12 May at 3.30pm. The meeting is to plan our next fundraising effort which is Pancake and Pyjama Day. More details will be available following next Monday's fundraising meeting.

"Ice Cream Day" was highly successful so please come along and help us make this day a success too.

We wish to do even better with this venture, and provide a fun activity for the students as well!



## Live Life Well at School

### Is dried fruit OK for Crunch&Sip®?

Although fresh fruit is the best choice, a small amount of dried fruit (eg sultanas or apricots) is an acceptable Crunch&Sip® option.

Dried fruit tends to cling to the teeth, so is best eaten with a meal or when a toothbrush is handy.

**NOTE** fruit straps, bars or rolls are NOT permitted as they contain large amounts of sugar.



## Assembly Awards

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

**Principal's Awards:** Daniella and Paul.

**Citizenship Awards:** Kayla M and Keleigh.

**Class Achievement Awards:** Paul, Zane, Savanah, Saxon, Issack, Corey, Jazmine, William H, Kyra, Kaleb M, Elliya, Cooper F, Koby C, Brock A, Jannali, William B, Ebony, Keleigh and Kendall.

**Certificate of Merit:** Jorja M, Rhys, Lilly S, Max J, Hunter, Reegan M, Jayden M, Halle S and Brady.

## PELAW MAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C ASSOCIATION



### NEXT MEETING

**WHEN: TUESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

**WHERE: SCHOOL HALL**

**TIME: 1:40PM**

**ALL WELCOME, HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!** 😊

## Creative Writing Workshop

with Julie Simpson @ Kurri Kurri Library



- When:** Four Friday mornings 16th, 23rd, 30th May and 6th June 2014  
10am to 11.30am
- Where:** Kurri Kurri Public Library, cnr Lang and Allworth Street, Kurri Kurri
- Cost:** \$40 per person for four 90 minute sessions payable at the time of booking (non-refundable) Morning tea is provided.
- How:** Booking and payment (non-refundable) must be made at Kurri Kurri Library before the event. We will need a minimum of six paid bookings before Friday 9th May in order to proceed.  
Numbers are strictly limited. Please bring paper and pen.

This fast-paced Creative Writing Course offers a variety of outside stimuli to kick-start the senses, self-trigger ideas and to write in surprising new ways. It combines on-the-spot exercises and writing tips with the opportunity to ask questions, share group work, receive considered feedback and have fun along the way.

Expressions of interest will be taken for an evening session at Cessnock Library later in the year.

Local author Julie Simpson is a former program maker for ABC Radio. She started writing fiction after moving to the Hunter Valley in 1998. Julie has won a number of writing awards including an ASA Mentorship, a Marian Eldridge Award, a Commonwealth Broadcasting Short Story Award, and a number of national short fiction prizes. Julie has conducted workshops for Central Community College, Central Coast Writers, the Hunter FAW, Cessnock Library and other writing groups.



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**Cessnock City Library**







# Charity Golf Day

10am Registration for 11am Shot Gun start

**GOLF: Non Member \$75 Member: \$35**

**GOLF and DINNER: \$115, includes green fees, light lunch, some drinks during the round, Dinner, and great prizes.**

**DINNER ONLY: \$45**

Presentation, Prizes and Dinner from 5.30pm

MC - Australian Olympic Gold Medallist, Sarah Ryan.

Entertainment by local music talent-Taylor Eyeington

## Four Person Ambrose

### Attractive Prizes for:

- Best Team
- Longest Drive
- Nearest to the pin
- Putting Comp

### Auction Items include:

- Signed & framed 2013 NSW State of Origin Jersey
- Honda CRF 50
- Signed Chad Reid jersey
- Framed & Signed Knights and Mariners Jerseys
- Signed Jets Shirt and Ball

and many more

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Chase has a rare genetic condition-Phelan McDermid Syndrome and needs your help!

## PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, CARERS

Come along to a free **EAT MOVE LIVE** Parent workshop

BRING A FRIEND ☺



**Where:** Kurri Kurri Public School

Lang St, Kurri Kurri

**When:** Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2014 **Time:** 10.45am-12pm

**Please RSVP:** Phone the school on: 49371235 or

**Email:** [kurrikurri-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:kurrikurri-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) by Monday May 12 2014



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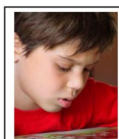


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## STANFORD MERTHYR INFANTS SCHOOL

### Free Parent Information Session about your child's eyes.



Parents are invited to listen to **Dr Kevin O'Brien**, Behavioural Optometrist who is coming to Stanford Merthyr Infants School on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at 2:00pm**. A general eye check does not pick up on how our eyes function with our brain. **Please phone the school on 49371192 if you would like to attend.**

The function of our eyes is to collect information. In order to do this efficiently we need to be able to see well in the distance and at near. We must be able to change focus efficiently from distance to near and back again.

We also must have good eye movements so we can get our eyes pointed at what we are obtaining information from and then be able to track this object. **One in three children has problems in one or more of these areas that could impact on their learning.**

### Visual Processing:

Once our eyes have collected visual information this information is processed in our brain and we then send this information to multiple sites.

We call this visual processing.

- To copy information from a blackboard we require good visual motor integration – sending information from our eyes to our hands.
- To understand what we see we require good **visual perception**
- To remember what we read we need good **visual memory**
- To sound out words we require information to be sent from our eyes to our ears. We call this **visual auditory integration**. These are but a few of the skills required to process visual information. These perceptual skills can influence a child's reading and learning abilities.

If your child is having problems coping in the classroom an assessment of their visual processing may be of assistance.

Kevin will answer any questions you may have.

Please ring the school if you have any questions.

Anne Carr Principal