



Pelaw Main Public School NEWSLETTER

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TERM 3 WEEK 1

DATES FOR THE DIARY

22 July

P&C Meeting
6pm in the Staffroom

23 July

The Big Samba

25 July

Assembly
2.30pm In the Hall

1 August

Zone Athletics Carnival
Beanie Day Fundraiser

10 August

P&C Golf Day

18 October

P&C Shopping Trip

Playgroup Dates

Term 3

August 12th, 14th,
19th, 21st, 26th, 28th
September 2nd, 4th,
9th, 11th.

Term 4

October 21st, 23rd,
28th, 30th.
November 4th, 6th,
11th, 13th, 18th, 20th.
10am-11.30am
In the Hall.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 21 July

Judy Mayer
Sarah Blackmore
Tennelle Allaway

Wed 23 July

Judy Mayer
Kelly James
Sheryle Farley

Thur 24 July NAIDOC DAY

Judy Mayer
Sheryle Farley
Kelly James
Sarah Blackmore
Pam Webb

Fri 25 July

Judy Mayer
Kelly James
Leanne Arman

Principal's Report

Welcome back to all our students and families, and welcome to our new families. We hope you have all settled in well to the new term.

Once again, a busy term awaits us! Please ensure you are reading the newsletter every week, either the paper copy your child receives on Friday afternoon, or via our website, which is also available as a Smartphone app. You just need to find our website on your smartphone internet browser and download the app to your home screen.

It is with regret that I have to inform you that Ms Lorraine Beveridge will be on personal leave until the end of the year. Ms Beveridge has provided a lot of professional learning to the staff at our school and has worked very hard in ensuring the students of 5/6B have had the best opportunity to achieve the desired outcomes for their grade level.

Mrs Karen Farrell will be teaching 5/6B for the next two weeks, pending a decision by the school's executive team as to how to staff the Assistant Principal position, supervising the Stage 3 teachers and students.

Mrs Helen Grant will relieve as Assistant Principal for the first two weeks, when a staffing decision will be made as well.

Read on and enjoy the term!

Drumbeat

Well done to Damon and Nura, who were involved in the touring Kurri Kurri learning Community Drumbeat group both on Wednesday and Friday. They put on a wonderful performance for our school on Wednesday.



Staffing For Term 3

Miss Latter will be returning from maternity leave for one day a week. Miss Latter will be teaching in a Release from Face to Face role, on several classes, on Mondays.

Mrs McLellan will still be absent from the library until Week 7. Miss Roach and Mrs Simpson will be relieving in this role during the first 6 weeks of term. Mrs Lantry will be returning to 4L on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from Week 4. Mr Burley will be teaching the class five days in Weeks 1-3 and on a Monday and Tuesday from Week 4 on.

Mrs Ross will be returning in Week 5. Mrs Palmer will be relieving in the LAST role until then. Mrs Scheinecker, Miss Roach and Mrs Simpson will also continue their roles in the school.

Assembly

Our first school assembly for this term will be held next Friday, from 2:30pm in the school hall. This will be a prefect-led assembly. There will be plenty of awards to be handed out. Parents and family are most welcome to attend.

Student Teacher

We have a student-teacher from Avondale College with us for the next two weeks, who will be involved in a teaching practicum with 3W and Mrs Wendt. I would like to extend a welcome to Mikala Kellond, who will undertake the practicum from 21st July until 1st August.

GATS Camp

Georgia McTegg will be heading off to the Hunter Primary GATS Camp at the Active Education Experience Campus at Morisset next Tuesday. This is a residential camp for Gifted and Talented students. Georgia has been selected to participate in the Literacy elective while attending the camp. We wish Georgia all the best for a wonderful three-day experience.

Tree Planting Day

Cessnock City Council has donated about twenty small trees to our school in readiness for National Tree Day, next Friday, 1st August.

Students will have a chance at lunchtime and recess, to regenerate the gardens around the school with these native plant donations.

School Cleaner

The school has a new cleaner as of this week. Mrs Judy Claridge left us at the end of last term. We now have Jill Rambling working in our school in the mornings and afternoons. Please join me in supporting Jill to help keep our school environment clean and safe for our students and families.

NAIDOC Day

Each year, during the first full week of July, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures recognise the contributions that Indigenous Australians make to our country, and to society. This week is referred to as NAIDOC Week. NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Our school will be celebrating NAIDOC day, on Thursday the 24th July, 2014.

Students from Stanford Merthyr and Mulbring will come to our school to participate in Indigenous games, performances, and listen to dream time stories.

Students may pre-order their lunch from the canteen, using the orange order form that was sent home on Tuesday. If you would like your child to have an ordered lunch on the day, please ensure the order form is returned to the canteen or office, no later than Tuesday the 22nd of July, as the canteen will only be open for prepaid lunches.



Playground Maintenance

There will be some disruptions to the school playground environment in the near future as our Properties Maintenance team erect temporary fencing around several areas of the school environment in preparation for the trimming, lopping and removing of several trees around our school. This is a department initiative, in light of recent tragic events in schools around trees. I wish to apologise in advance for the disruptions that may occur, particularly with the students' playground areas.

Author Visit

On Thursday, 31st July, Cessnock City Library has arranged to visit our school with a guest author/illustrator to read stories with the children, to celebrate Education Week. From 2:15pm, students in Years 3-6 will have the opportunity to listen to Gus Gordon talk about his books. Attached to this newsletter is a PRE-ORDER FORM for children in Years 3-6 to purchase a book or two from Gus Gordon's range. If you would like to pre-order, please complete the order form and return it to school by Monday, 21st July. NO MONEY is required until the day of the event.

Year 6 Gats Visit

As part of the Kurri Kurri Learning Community GATS program, Year 6 students will be working collaboratively with the Hunter Region Business Enterprise Centre and students from local schools to design a new suburb for Kurri Kurri.

The project will take place on the Thursday 24th, Friday 25th and Tuesday 29th of July and will involve an excursion to Kurri Kurri High School, Hunter Region BEC, Hunter Economic Zone and guest speakers. Travel will be by bus & there will be no cost for this excursion.

Further details are included on the permission notes that have been sent home.

This excursion is a fantastic opportunity for students to work closely to solve problems, engage in a real world scenario and create a presentation.

The Big Samba

Performance : The Big Samba, Wednesday 23rd July

In Week 2 next term, our school will be hosting a performance, "The Big Samba", which is a hands-on musical teamwork show based on Brazilian Carnival street music. This show is open to all students from Kindergarten to Year Six. Reviews from other schools have been very positive.

A permission note went home with each child during the week with further details. If you would like your child to participate, please return the permission note and payment to the office as soon as possible.

Attendance

Ribbit was able to spend the week in 1K due to their wonderful attendance. Well done 1K!

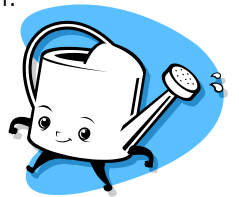


Canberra Excursion Reminder

Just a reminder that final payments for the Canberra excursion are due at the office by the 8th of August. Thank you to all the families who are making regular payments or have already paid in full.

Eco Explorers Week 2

Isaac C K/1, Alex H 1K, Koby M K/1 and Kye K/1.



Live Life Well at School

Breakfast provides brain food

Eating breakfast each morning improves children's learning, concentration, behaviour, overall nutrient intake, and establishes healthy eating patterns for life. Some quick breakfast options include:

- wholegrain cereals and reduced-fat milk
- baked beans on wholegrain toast and a glass of reduced-fat milk
- fruit smoothie and toast
- toast topped with cheese and sliced tomatoes
- egg on toast with a glass of reduced-fat milk
- wholemeal or wholegrain toast or fresh bread, with margarine spread plus a topping, such as tomato, reduced-fat cheese or baked beans
- reduced-fat yoghurt, fruit and raisin bread, fruit salad and yoghurt



New Enrolments

We are now taking names for kindergarten for 2015. If you have a child or know of a child wishing to enrol please complete the form on the back of the Newsletter and return it to the office.



Special Olympics *New South Wales* *Hunter Valley*



CESSNOCK FOOTBALL – (SOCCER)

SUPPORTED BY CESSNOCK UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

The Special Olympics Cessnock Football Club is an opportunity for those with special needs, of all abilities to have some fun and make some new friends in a relaxed environment.

Enjoy the opportunity to develop fitness, skills and friendship within a friendly, patient and accepting environment.

Where: Baddeley Park Soccer Field, Evans Street Cessnock

When: Friday Afternoons 4PM–5PM

Contact: Troy Crosdale 0413411766 or Ann Skinner 0416 001 979



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New Enrolments for 2015/2016

Child's Name: _____

DOB: _____

Address: _____

Enrolment Year: _____

Contact Number: _____