



Pelaw Main Public School NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 5th April
PSSA Cricket 8.30am
Friday 12 April
Last Day of Term 1
Easter Hat Parade
Monday 29 April
Staff Return Term 2
Tuesday 30 April
Students Return Term 2
Thursday 9th May
Mothers Day Breakfast
Tues 14th - Fri 17th May
Naplan

Partners in Learning

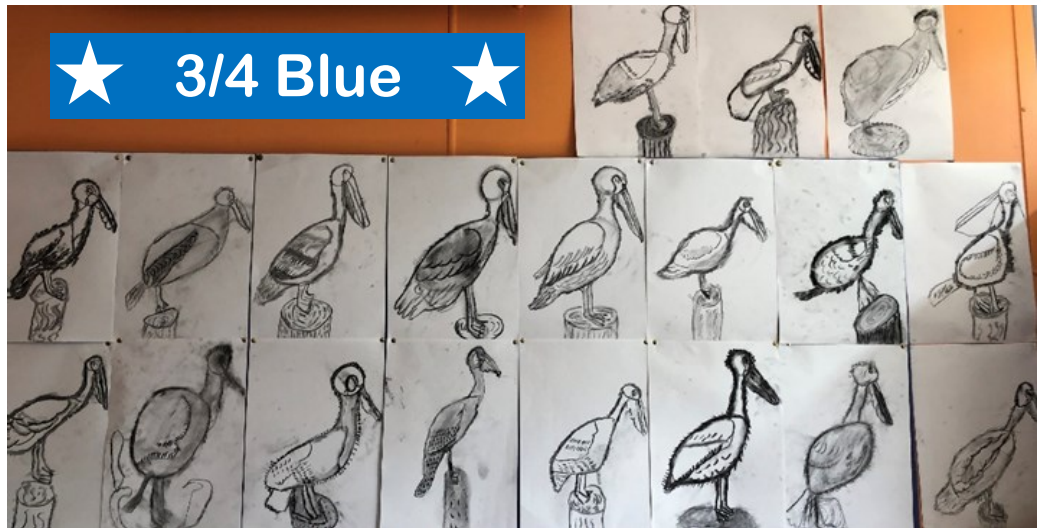
When	Class
Wk 10, 1 Apr	1 Orange
Wk 11, 8 Apr	K Red



REMINDER

Stewart House envelopes have been sent home.
Please support the valuable programs at Stewart House by returning your envelope with a \$2 donation by the end of term. You could win a holiday!

★ 3/4 Blue ★

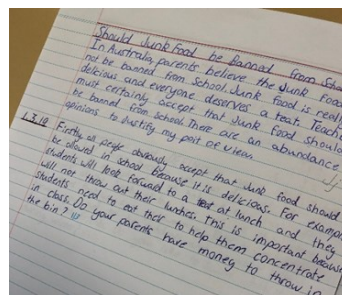
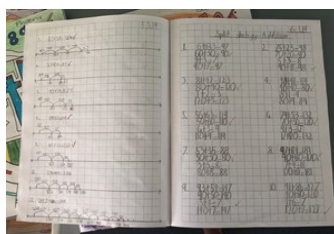


Hello From 3/4 Blue

We have been very busy this term, working hard on our writing warmups and new genre writing program. We are focusing on sophisticated language and immaculate book work in these topics.

In maths, we are practicing our 3 times tables. In our times table challenge, Nataya is the reigning champion, recently ousting Jed. Nataya recalled facts in 14 seconds. We love getting our name in the heart to collect stamps towards our Blue Merit cards.

We enjoy creating artworks and are very proud of our charcoal drawings of Mr Percival from Storm Boy.



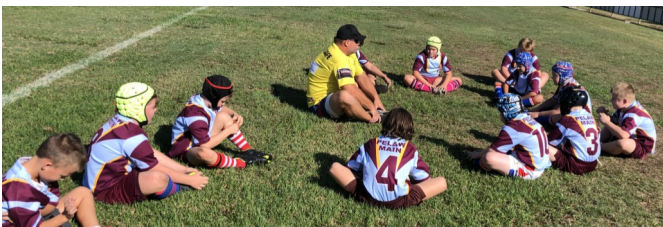
Cricket News

Congratulations to our PSSA Cricket Team who played against an experienced Scone Grammar team on Monday March 25. The match was 24 overs per side. Our team bowled out Scone in the 18th over which was a tremendous effort. Well done to all of our boys who performed very well on the day. Some highlights on the day included amazing catches by Jackson Alcorn in the deep and Alex H wicket keeping taking a brilliant catch. Our fielding and bowling overall was very pleasing. Our batting highlights included boundaries from Jackson M and Hunter B and also great running between wickets by Aaron D and Jackson A. Great work boys, I was really proud of you all. Our next game is next Friday April 5 at Ashtonfield against Hunter Valley Grammar School.



Knights Knockout Competition

On Wednesday the 20th March Mrs Beneke had the pleasure in taking students to represent Pelaw Main Public School at the Knights Knockout. All students played exceptionally well and did the school proud.



NAPLAN Online

This year, we will be participating in the online version of NAPLAN – the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy, for students in Years 3 and 5. All schools participating in NAPLAN Online in 2019 are expected to take part in a practice test over the next two week period.

This requires the participation of the entire cohort of NAPLAN year students from the school and will involve a 45 minute Omnibus test that includes Reading, Conventions of Language and Numeracy test items. Writing will not be included in the Omnibus test.

The practice test will provide students with an opportunity to become familiar with the types of questions they will experience in NAPLAN Online. It will also provide staff involved with an opportunity to ensure there are no issues before the actual process.

We will be holding our NAPLAN Online practice test on Thursday, 4th April.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this information, please arrange to speak to Mrs Brathwaite.

2019 Annual Easter Hat Parade

The Annual Easter Hat Parade will occur on Friday 12th April, from 10am in our School Hall. Students are asked to create their own hats, bonnets, masks or posters at home, to wear throughout the parade. School uniform is expected to be worn.

Early Arrivals

Just a reminder that staff supervision is not provided until 8.45am. Unless you have made arrangements about the need for your children to be at school during this unsupervised time, please keep them at home until the playground is supervised by staff.

Music Bus

The Music Bus are now taking new student enrolments for Term 2! The program is open for all students from Kindergarten to Year 6. The Music Bus have limited availability in Singing, Keyboard, Guitar, Drums and Ukulele lessons so it is advised to enrol asap. From now until the end of term, The Music Bus are giving all new students 1 Free Trial Lesson in an instrument of choice so be sure to take this opportunity to try out the service if you haven't already.

Keep in mind The Music Bus is now a registered Creative Kids provider, a government initiative where every family in NSW with school aged children is eligible for a \$100 voucher towards lessons in 2019. This is the perfect opportunity to enrol and save almost an entire term's worth of fees. To download your voucher, simply visit www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-creative-kids-voucher then call 1300 168 742 or email creativekids@themusicbus.com.au to enrol.

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P&C AGM

Thank you to the P&C for a successful AGM and meeting on Tuesday 19th March. Congratulations to the following community members, who were elected to their respective positions: Karen Hansen – President, Sarah Blackmore – Vice President, Rowena Boughton – Treasurer, Kristy Conrad – Secretary, Karen Hansen – Uniform coordinator, Canteen Manager, Kelly James.

On behalf of the school, I would also like to recognise and thank our outgoing P&C Executive, Kim Snedden and Donna Dryden for their efforts and contributions, particularly last year.

Mobile phones

Mobile phones are not encouraged at our school for a variety of reasons. The school takes no responsibility for their loss or damage.

Whilst we understand there may be circumstances they come to school, our policy states that they be handed in to the office at the beginning of the day by the student and collected at the end of the day. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

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FREE ADMISSION

BELLBIRD WORKERS CLUB &
NEWCASTLE SOCIETY OF MAGICIANS PRESENTS

*Magic At
Bellbird!*



**A FAMILY MAGIC SHOW
FOR ALL AGES!**

SAT 18TH OF MAY

BELLBIRD WORKERS CLUB 6.30PM

School Holiday Fun @ Your Library

Make Your Own Podcast

Ages 12-17 **Cost: Free**

Learn to write, record and upload your own podcast with experienced music producer Carlin McLellan. Laptops and headphones are supplied, but you're welcome to bring your own.

Cessnock Library
Mon April 15 12-2pm

Easter Craft

All ages **Cost: Free**

The whole family is invited along to an eggcellent hour of Easter crafting—make an Easter chook and a jumping bunny!

Cessnock Library
Mon April 15 3-4pm
Kurri Kurri Library
Thurs April 18 3-4pm

Seams Legit Sewing Workshop

Ages 10+ **Cost: FREE**

Beginners machine sewing workshop—learn the basics of sewing to produce your own take-home tote bag.

Cessnock Library
Tues April 16 2-3pm
Kurri Kurri Library
Tues April 16 10-11am

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's iPad

Ages 12+ **Cost: Free**

We're setting the library robots loose in Hogwarts—what will they find? Harry Potter's wand? Magic meets technology at this kids tech meetup

Cessnock Library
Thurs April 18 10-11am
Kurri Kurri Library
Wed April 17 2-3pm

Gift Making Workshop

Ages 5+ **Cost: FREE**

Make a beautiful handmade gift to give to someone special—maybe for Mothers Day?

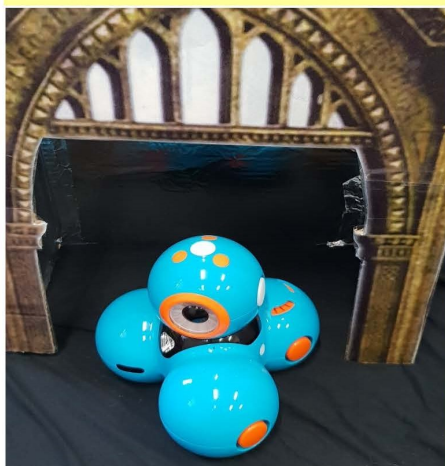
Cessnock Library
Fri April 26 10-11am
Kurri Kurri Library
Fri April 26 2-3pm

Film & Craft

Ages 5+ **Cost: FREE**

Come and enjoy an afternoon at the movies, followed by craft

Cessnock Library
Tues April 23 2-4pm
Kurri Kurri Library
Wed April 24 2-4pm



Bookings Essential. Book online under 'Events & Bookings'

at libraries.cessnock.nsw.gov.au

or by phoning Cessnock or Kurri Kurri Library.