MISSION STATEMENT

Parkes Public School strives for excellence in the education of responsible and respectful students in a safe learning community.

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Congratulations to Jarrad Fletcher and Emily Neems on achieving School Merit Badges!

Congratulations to our 2015 Athletics Champions!

Junior Boy: Hunter Green
Junior Girl: Elizabeth MacGregor
Senior Boys: Austin MacGregor and Michael Riley
Senior Girls: Hannah Martyn and Jordan Moody

Winning House: Blaxland
Spirit Cup: Mitchell

INTERVIEWS

If you would like to have an interview with your child’s teacher to discuss the progress of your child, please contact the teacher directly or phone the office to organise an appointment. Interviews can be scheduled at any time of the year. Please remember that if you have major changes in your family life such as the death of a close family member or the separation of parents, class teachers need to be made aware in order to provide the necessary support for your child.

SCRIPTURE

As most of you would be aware our scripture classes are now non-denominational and all students use the same workbook which is approved by the Department of Education. To assist with the cost of these booklets we are asking each family to make a voluntary contribution of $1.00 per child. This week the children will bring home an envelope in which to place the contribution.

HPLC GARAGE SALE

The Henry Parkes Learning Community (HPLC) schools are holding garage sales on Saturday, 25 July commencing at 8.30am. All schools will sell wares in their own playgrounds. We will be jointly advertising our goods for sale.

Any family who would like to sell their own goods may do so with a donation of $10.00 to our school. However, those selling their own wares are expected to man their own stall and take any unsold goods with them at the end of the sale. We will also accept good quality donations of furniture/wares for our sale.

Our P&C will also be holding a cake stall at the garage sale.

All funds raised will go towards the upgrading of technology in our school.
P&C NEWS
- P&C Meeting - Next Monday, 20 July at 7.30pm.
- Market Day Meeting - There will be a working bee in the library at 10.00am this Thursday, 16 July to wrap goods for the tombola stall. Anyone able to assist will be warmly welcomed!

Lost Property
The infants’ lost property, located in the office foyer, is overflowing. If your child has misplaced or lost an item, please call in and check. All unclaimed items will be taken to the op shop at the end of Week 2.

Kid’s Ark East Timor
Money is collected on Mondays. This week we collected $10.00.

SpICE Program
As part of the Speech Pathology course at Charles Sturt University Albury, third year speech pathology students are required to complete the ‘SpICE’ placement. SpICE is a program, differing from traditional placements, that allows university students to experience practicing in rural communities. SpICE enables students to apply their knowledge and skills in communities around a focus point that has been identified as meaningful to that community. Students work in a partnership with the community to develop sustainable resources and educate others to promote community awareness for knowledge and access to health services.

The current SpICE students have been working on editing and revamping an existing website developed by previous SpICE students. The aim of this website is to educate, inform and connect the community members of Parkes, Forbes and surrounding areas with the health services and programs that are available around the community.

To access this website you can simply type into Google ‘Parkes, Forbes community hub’ and it’s the link with ‘Parkes & Forbes Community Hub - WIX.com’ in the title OR you can simply type in the link http://parkesforbeshub.wix.com/community-hub

Value of the Week
CARING
What is Caring?
Caring is giving love and attention to people and things that matter to you. When you care about people, you help them. When you do a careful job, you give it your very best effort. You treat people and things gently and respectfully.

Why Practise It?
Without caring, nothing and no-one matters. If someone is hurt or sick, no-one will help them. When people have an ‘I don’t care’ attitude, they do a sloppy or incomplete job. Things break and people are hurt.

Caring people help others feel less alone. Because they care, others trust them. Caring makes the world a better and safer place.
Welcome back to Term 3 everyone! I do hope you all had a lovely break!

My congratulations to our tennis team who took out the Western final during the last week of term. From all accounts the team played brilliantly!

This week I would like to share some thoughts that come from a reading in ‘Word for the Day’. As I was reading this text I was prompted to think of the importance of the message in relation to our students at school. A person’s sense of self-worth is often based on the reactions, positive or negative, of those around them. Words and attitudes can literally build adults and children up or tear them down. We as adults need to be very mindful of how we approach our children and what we say to them. We should also be mindful of the way we treat one another as adults and of the things we say to each other. We should be a mutual admiration society that builds others’ self-esteem and overlooks the flaws of imperfection. When disciplining children it is ok for them to be told that their behaviour is not acceptable, but they should always be told they are loved, even when they make wrong choices. It is easy to say,” I love you, I care for you but I don’t like your behaviour!”

On a different note, be mindful of the importance of your children getting to school on time. Students who are late often find it difficult to slot into the day because they have missed the early morning instructions and they are often embarrassed to walk into the room when the other students are already working. Not only that but they have already missed vital teaching. Of course we do realise that sometimes lateness is necessary to attend a medical appointment or an unexpected issue can arise, but students should not be late consistently because of poor management at home. Consistent lateness can have a serious impact on a student’s education. Thank you to the many parents who do support their children in arriving at school on time. I am very willing to assist any parent who is having issues getting their children to school. We can put some plans in place together to help you and your child. Phoning the office for an appointment is the best way to contact me.

Lastly, I would like to wish Jordan Moody all the best as she participates in the State Cross Country Carnival on Friday! Our school is very proud of you, Jordan!

I look forward to working with you and your children this term!

Kind regards

Mrs Breaden

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**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- Monday, 20 July .................. P&C Meeting at 7.30pm
- Tuesday, 21 July ................. Musica Viva
- Wednesday, 22 July ............ Placement Test for Year 4 Students applying for an Opportunity Class
- Thursday, 23 July ............... One Day Book Fair
- Saturday, 25 July ............... HPLC Garage Sale
- Tuesday, 28 July ............... ICAS English Competition
- Tuesday, 21 July ............... Year 6 Canberra Excursion Departs
- Tuesday, 21 July ............... Canberra Excursion Returns
- Tuesday, 21 July ............... Market Day
- Tuesday, 21 July ............... Last Day of Term 3

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**DON’T FORGET**

**Musica Viva**

Tomorrow, Wednesday, 15 July is the last day to pay!

**Winter Sport**

$9.00 payment for buses due! Please pay as soon as possible if you have not yet done so.

**P&C Meeting**

Monday, 20 July at 7.30pm

**HPLC Garage Sale**

Saturday, 25 July
CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who have been awarded a mufti day:

**Gracie-Mae Cummings**  |  **Liam Ross**  |  **Rebekah Smiroldo**
**Kyarah Egan**         |  **Ciaran Smiroldo**  |  **Linc James**
**Shae-Lee Lord**       |  **Noah Tillman**     |  **Samuel Quince**
**Zoe Manks**           |  **Annah Alkhalayleh**|  **Charlie Lacey**
**Olivia McMaugh**      |  **Bridie Weaver**    |  **Joshua Ball**
**Chloe Mudiman**       |  **Kaleb Amor**       |  **Brendan Dunn**
**Sophie Tanks**        |  **Cody Newman**      |  **Alicia Cullen**
**Angel-Lee Reid**      |  **Ava Hamood**       |  **Annabelle Barnes**
**Lucas Edwards**       |  **Isabelle Lennox**  |  **Jack Nutley**
**Nash Moore**          |  **Samuel Westcott**  |  **Thomas Ball**
**Finlay Quince**       |  **Xander Greef**     |  

**K-2 LITERACY AWARDS**

The children who received the literacy awards and capes at the Infants Assembly were:

- **Kindergarten**
  - Lionel Manurung
  - Lila Gascoigne

- **Year 1**
  - Samuel Riley
  - Olive Cope

- **Year 2**
  - Camron Prior
  - Shay-Lee Anderson

CONGRATULATIONS to the following infants students who have been awarded a mufti day:

**Gracie-Mae Cummings**  |  **Liam Ross**  |  **Rebekah Smiroldo**
**Kyarah Egan**         |  **Ciaran Smiroldo**  |  **Linc James**
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CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who have gone up a level on the PBL Commendation System:

**Connor Batt**         |  **Joseph Tanswell**  |  **Henry Johns**
**William Tanks**       |  **Paige Hanson**     |  **Ethan Maxwell**
**Bradley Chhon**       |  **Genevieve Bland**  |  **Hannah Allen**
**Olivia Thompson**     |  **Maddison McCormick**|  **Declan Cornelissen**
**Lillian King**        |  **Heidi Parkin**     |  **Koby Wirth**
**Rhys James**          |  **Crystal Seiler**   |  

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following infants students who have been awarded a mufti day:

**Jarrad Fletcher**  |  **6S**
**Emily Neems**       |  **4R**
Eat fewer snacks and select healthier alternatives!

Did you know?
- Around 1 in 5 young people in NSW report eating potato crisps or other salty snacks at least four times per week.
- Over a quarter of young people in NSW eat confectionary at least four times per week.
- Most young children eat enough fruit every day, but only about half of children aged 9-15 years have the recommended daily amount.

Healthy snacks help kids and teens refuel
Healthy snacks in between main meals help kids and teens meet their daily nutritional needs.

Young children have smaller stomachs than adults, so they need to eat every few hours to keep up their energy levels and get the right amount of nutrients. Teens get particularly hungry during periods of fast development and snacks are important.

Snacks based on fruit and veggies, reduced fat dairy products and whole grains are the healthiest choices. It is important to limit snacks that are high in sugar, salt or saturated fats – such as chips, cakes and chocolate – which can cause children to put on excess weight. These ‘extra foods’ should only be offered occasionally.

Name: Alex James Richardson-Bartley
Age: 11
Class: 6B
Teacher: Mrs Buchanan
Teacher comments: Alex is a keen student who displays enthusiasm for all school activities. While he especially enjoys playing lots of sport, Alex strives to achieve in the classroom. He makes very thoughtful contributions to discussions.

Favourite activities: I like to play sport.
What career interests you? I would like to be a builder because I like to build things.

Name: Gracie Jones
Age: 12
Class: 6B
Teacher: Mrs Buchanan
Teacher comments: As a school leader, Gracie is an exemplary role model. She is a very enthusiastic and talented student who participates fully in all school activities. Gracie takes great pride in producing quality work and has outstanding bookwork.

Favourite activities: sport, playing with friends, listening to music and reading.
What career interests you? When I grow up I would love to be in the Australian netball team the Opals because I have played netball for many years and I love it.
Parkes Public School Boys’ Touch Football
Parkes Public School played Parkes East Public School in their opening game of the 2015 PSSA knockout touch football season on Tuesday, 23 June.

Parkes Public were keen to get a win but Parkes East sent out an early message that a win would not be an easy task. Parkes Public captain, Zayne Ehsman, led the team in an impressive manner.

The first half went try for try. Parkes Public showed determination and perseverance to answer each Parkes East try and took a half time lead of 5-4.

The second half saw Parkes Public take a lead that they took to the final siren. Parkes Public ran out winners 10-5 and proceed to their next game at a time to be confirmed. Parkes East were great competitors and the final score did not express the intensity of the game.

Congratulations to the team for their behaviour and display of sportsmanship during the game. It was a great team effort that saw tries scored by Austin MacGregor, Zayne Ehsman, Wilson Duffy, Michael Riley, Hunter Hawke and Kaid Lydford.

Thank you to Michael McGrath from Parkes High School for refereeing the game. Thank you to the parents who transported players and also to those who spectated and cheered the players towards a win.

Change of day for training - training will now be held on Wednesdays.

Training will begin on Wednesday, 22 July (Week 2) from 3.15pm - 4.00pm on the infants grassed area. If this time is unsuitable for you please let me know.

Please bring a change of clothes to training to ensure school clothes remain clean.

Mrs Wright

PSSA Girls’ Netball
Netball training will be on Thursday, 16 (this week) from 3.30 - 4.45 at the McGlynn Courts. Please see me if you’re unable to attend!

The girls will play in Orange for the NSW Schools’ Cup on Tuesday, 28 July (Week 3). A permission note will be sent home as soon as details for the day are received.

Thank you, Miss Bowkett

PSSA Boys’ Hockey
Congratulations to the Parkes Public School Boys’ Hockey Team who won the Western Region Final on Thursday, 25 June. They now progress to the state quarter finals against a Riverina/South Coast school team.

There will be a full match report in next week’s newsletter.
Rugby League - Russell Richardson Cup

On Thursday, 4 June our 3/4 league team headed to Orange to play in the Russell Richardson Cup.

We played four games. Our first game was against Small Schools which we won 7-3 with try scorers for this game being Kaid with 3, Hunter 2, Dylan and Ashton with 1 each.

The second game was against Orange. We won 8-2. Try scorers were Kaid with 5, Hunter, Liam and Dylan with 1 each.

Our third game was against St Marys and this game was hard as this was the team with a player about the size of Mr Roberts! It was 6-6 draw but due to us scoring the first try we were the winners. Tries were scored by Kaid, Harmih 2 and Ashton 1.

The fourth game, against Calare, we won 6-5 with the try scorers being Kaid 3, Dylan 2 and Harmih 1.

The semi-final was against Holy Family Parkes. We won 6-3 with tries to Ashton 2, Kaid 2, Harmih and Hunter 1 each. This was a fun game playing against another Parkes school.

The final game saw us play St Marys again. This was a tough game as our boys were getting tired. They played a great game but unfortunately went down 6-4. Try scorers were Harmih, Sterling, Kaid and Harry.

Being runners up on the day means we get to play in the area final which is in Dubbo. We wish the boys the best of luck as they will be coming up against some good teams.

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Books! Books!! Books!!!

Our school library will be holding a one day only book fair in the library next week on Thursday, 23 July.

Every brand new book at the fair will be on sale for the bargain price of only $5.00!! As every book will be on sale for just $5.00, we will not be able to re-order any books. Only books available on the day will be for sale.

Families can also choose from a selection of brand new books to donate to the library, also for $5.00. A book plate will be fixed inside the book acknowledging the student/family who made the donation. Students will also be the first to borrow their donated book. This is a great way for students to leave a lasting memento of their time at Parkes Public School.

Please come and support the library as all money raised will go towards purchasing resources for the library and classrooms.

More information will be available next week regarding the opening hours for the sale. For further information and all enquires, please see Mrs Dolbel.

There will be no Book Club orders this month due to the book fair. The next Book Club will be sent home in August.
As part of the Parkes Shire Council’s 20 Million Trees funding, National Tree Day is being held at Akuna Road.

We would love you to join us!

Planting will start at 10am (please drop in any time after 10am) and conclude at 1pm with a BBQ.

Go online to register at www.treeday.planetark.org
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