Wow! What a marvellous Market Day/Fete was held last Saturday! Congratulations to our organiser, Helen Longhurst and the many other volunteers and students who made it such a great day!! Thank you all so much!!

PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE
Thank you and well done to Genevieve Bland, Joseph Tanswell, Mitchell Cox and Libby Hoyle who very proudly and capably represented Parkes Public School at the Western Region Premiers’ Spelling Bee Final. All progressed through the preliminary rounds but did not progress beyond this final.

YEAR 6 BROADCAST LIVE ON 2LVR NEXT TUESDAY!
Don’t forget to listen to Lachlan Valley Radio this afternoon at 5.00pm. Our very own Jai Thompson, Holly McColl, Bonnie Schubert and Abbey Kennedy will be broadcasting live from the studio. They will be delivering news items about happenings from our school and playing a selection of their chosen music.

DUBBO ZOO EXCURSION for Kinder is on TOMORROW. The buses will depart from school at 8.15am and arrive back at approximately 4.30pm.

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEYS
We would greatly appreciate parents completing the on-line surveys which will assist us in planning for 2016. Parents across the state are being asked to complete these surveys. If you do not have access to the internet at home, parents are able to complete the surveys at Parkes TAFE free of charge. We are very grateful to the TAFE for this support. Parents are also able to access computers at our school.

PBL RULE:
We show respect and responsibility by wearing our school uniform with pride.
We ask that parents ensure that children wear navy jumpers/sloppy joes to school. We request that coloured hoodies and Western Sporting clothing should not be worn.
Parents needing assistance to purchase the correct uniform should contact Mrs Breaden.

INFLUENZA OUTBREAK
We currently have a number of students in our school who have contracted the flu. There are a number of flu varieties going around. If your child has a high temperature, runny nose or body aches please take them to a doctor. Please do not send sick children to school.
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A huge thanks to the Year 5 and 6 students who did a tremendous job running the games and activities. You raised nearly one thousand dollars on your own!! I am very proud of your leadership and commitment to our school!

What a great past week it has been! I was very excited to attend the state hockey finals last Tuesday. Our boys did a great job to make it through to the finals. The majority of the team is made up of Years 3, 4 and 5 students so to get to the finals was testimony to their talent and the skills of coach, Mr Graeme Tanswell. Thank you for representing our school with such great sportsmanship boys and to all the parents for their continued support throughout the competition.

This week I am including the second part of the article from Michael Grose about Emotional Intelligence.

**Build a vocabulary around emotions**

Just as feelings have names, there are terms for the emotional intelligent parenting method. For instance, I-messages are a type of communication used by parents and adults who take an emotions first approach. For example, I am feeling disappointed about....................., how do you feel?

**Help your kids recognise, then regulate emotions.**

Ever told a child to calm down only to see their emotions escalate? Kids, like adults, need to recognise their feelings before they can regulate their emotional state, and that’s not easy. Emotional recognition is a complex process that takes practice. Even when we are good at it we don’t always get it right. Learning to recognise your feelings is a continuous process that’s best started when young, before the ups and downs of adolescence becomes a reality.

Emotional intelligence is best learned when it becomes part of your family’s culture, or way of doing things. When it becomes part of your family’s DNA then emotional intelligence will be passed down from generation to generation. You’ll know it’s had generational impact when your children identify you as the person who trained them in the skills of emotional intelligence. How cool is that!

Thank you to everyone who has assisted with school activities this term. I wish our students a very happy and safe holiday.

Have a great week!

Mrs Breaden

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THIRD IN STATE! CONGRATULATIONS BOYS’ HOCKEY TEAM!

Last Tuesday, 8 September the boys’ hockey team travelled to Narellan to compete in the final series of the state hockey knockout.

Our first game was against Taree West. Unfortunately they were just too good and we were defeated 4-1. Despite having many shots at goal we were only able to convert one, courtesy of Kane Nutley. We then went to the play off for third and fourth place. We were successful, winning 1-0 in the closing minutes of the game, again courtesy of Kane Nutley. Tamworth PS was eventually crowned winners for 2015.

The boys were all accompanied to the finals by their families who have been a great support throughout the season. Our coach, Graeme Tanswell has worked hard and the boys were very pleased to have learnt a great deal from Mr Tanswell. Thank you, Graeme.

At the carnival the boys were introduced to Hockey NSW Pathways Development Officer, Mr Richard Willis who spoke to them about hockey and players they knew from their town. Former Parkes Public student and player Jack Elliott surprised the boys with a visit. Mr Willis talked to the boys about Jack and asked him to speak to the boys about why he enjoys hockey. He also told the boys that Jack had been selected for the NSW Waratahs team which will complete in the Australian Hockey League Championships in Darwin later the month. Jack was in the team who took the state title in 2005 for Parkes Public. Jack then assisted them in their warm up for their play off game and had a photo with the team.

I asked the boys what they thought of their experience this year playing hockey for the school. Here are their responses.

It was really fun playing hockey for the school because I got to play with my friends.

Kane Nutley

It was fun getting to play with my mates and getting to go places with them.

Thomas Barnes

It was a good experience to make state. It was fun playing against other people and with my team.

Austin MacGregor

I enjoyed being in the school team because I had a good experience and I got to go to western and state. I also got to miss school and make better friendships and play with new boys.

Joseph Tanswell

I enjoyed playing with all the new boys. It was a great experience and really fun making the state finals.

Mitch Cox

I love playing hockey because I got to play with my friends. I love hockey because it is fun and it’s cool.

Zander Johnstone

I love hockey because I got to see my friends and have fun.

Kaid Lydford

Being in the school team was a big experience, having fun with your friends and going all over the state. You have to try out.

Tobey Thorne

It was fun because it was a great experience to share with your mates.

Liam Moody

I like hockey because I get to play with my team mates and for the experience for when I play when I’m older.

Ryan Dunford

It was exciting to play in the state finals and a great experience.

Wilson Duffy

It was really fun playing hockey for the school this year because we got to travel to lots of places.

Kye Herft

It was fun to hang with friends and it was good to learn new skills.

Harmih Turnbull
State Rugby (Western Region)
In Week 6 I travelled to Manly Warringah to play for the Western PSSA Rugby Union Team in the State PSSA Championships. Our first game was against Polding on Tuesday and we lost 48-0. We also lost to Sydney Southwest, Hunter and South Coast. We beat Riverina and Northwest. We had a team dinner on Tuesday night and I met some people I didn’t know. It was a privilege to represent the Western Region for Rugby.

Henry Johns 5/6W

Parkes Public School Girls’ Netball Team
Thank you to Cate Douglas for sending in this lovely photo of our 2015 Parkes Public School Girls’ Netball team. This photo was taken at the NSW Schools’ Cup in Orange that was held early this term. Congratulations girls for your efforts this year!

Hockey Gala Day
The Rex Smith/Lois Brown Cups will be played tomorrow Wednesday, 16 September at the Parkes Hockey Turf.

Kids Teaching Kids
On Thursday, 10, September, nine students from Parkes Public School presented at the Kids Teaching Kids Seminar which was held at Dubbo South Public School and sponsored by Target. On the day, nine other schools presented on a range of environmental topics including ‘Paddock to Plate’, 'It Wasn’t Me’ and ‘Where Does Your Food Come From?’

Our students presented two 20 minute workshops on the topic of ‘Permaculture’. These consisted of a play followed by 4 interactive stations which allowed students to make wind turbines, compost and plant seeds.

Our students represented Parkes Public School with pride and were very respectful when watching the other schools present. They were given lots of positive feedback from other students and staff and were asked to present again the following year. Congratulations Elizabeth MacGregor, Charlotte Smith, Ethan Hunt, Mikayla Swain, Jorja Henderson, Resharna Seymour, Thomas Fredericks, Brock Charlton and Daniel Chambers-Hando.

This Friday the students will present part of their performance at the Primary assembly.
Imagination Sessions
Parkes School of Dance Inc invite you to come along for 90 minutes of imagination fun!
Held at the Parkes School of Dance Studios, 17 May Street, and open to the general public, these sessions will incorporate craft, dance and games, run by our team of trained dance teachers.

Cinderella
9:00am – 10:30 am
Age: 7-9yrs old
Age 4-6yrs old

Frozen
10:45am – 12:15pm
No dance experience necessary.
Since places are limited, bookings will be essential, email parkeschoolofdance@hotmail.com to book or for further enquiries. Please provide your child’s DOB when booking.

Parkes Swimming Club Registrations
Renewing registrations now open online.
New members registrations 4.00pm
Monday, 28 September at Parkes Pool
Learn to Swim registrations 10.00am
Monday, 21 September at Parkes Pool
Contact Barbara Weaver on 6862 5285 or barbaracharolee@hotmail.com

Parkes Library Fun Palace
You are invited to attend the biggest party of the year
Kids’ Party Confidential!
Saturday October 3, 9.00am – 3.00pm
Sean Murphy’s throwing the ultimate party for the whole family!
You’ll laugh, you’ll cringe, you’ll learn how to tie an incredible balloon sword.
Performance + Workshop
Suitable for adults and kids ages 5 to 13.
Bookings preferred, 6861 2309, but you can just drop in.

ANZ HotShots tennis is the fastest growing sport in Australia with more than 400,000 kids aged 4-12 years registered. If you would like to be part of Hot Shots Tennis in Parkes it runs after school on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the town courts.
The 8 week program costs $85 and includes a FREE racquet and t-shirt for all new registrations.
Ratio of coach to player is 1:4 so plenty of personalised attention is assured.
Next program starts on Monday, 12 October. Register today by phoning Helen Magill on 0407 253 888 or email helenmagill@bigpond.com

Library Holiday Activities!
Drawing with Marcelo - Monday, 21 September 21 and Thursday, 24 September.
Manga with Matt - Monday, 21 September and Thursday, 24 September.
Draw Off! (between Marcelo and Matt) - Wednesday, 23 September 23.
Science Hot Pot - Tuesday, 29 September and Wednesday, 30 September
Bookings required on 6861 2309!
Wow! What a fantastic day we had on Saturday. The weather was just perfect for a wander through the 41 market stalls, purchase tickets in the raffles and the popular chocolate wheel, bid on items in the silent auction, buy a cake, slice or something delicious at the cake stall and play games with the Year 5/6’s. The home baked lasagne and chicken salads from the canteen were a great success too.

We had some lucky raffle winners:

**Major Raffle** – 1st prize Billy Cox, 2nd prize Ciara Hornery, 3rd prize Will Longhurst

**Kids Raffle** – Ellie Littlewood, Rhys Kennedy and Joyce Mann

**SCU football passing competition** – A. Young (prize - HP Tablet)

**AECG raffles** – Dave MacGregor, Riley Cronin, Lucy Harris, Donna Creith, Noni Greenwood

Silent auction winners will have been called. Please pay for and collect your prizes by Wednesday.

On behalf of P&C many thanks must go to:

- The Market Day Committee - Denis and Jane Howard, Keri MacGregor, Nicole Guy, Kirsty Van Ryn, Vivienne King, Tanya MacGregor, Kate Smith, Katrina Peter, Leanne Breaden, Felicity Reginato and TeAnau Dolbel. Without your help and hard work behind the scenes, we would not have had such a successful day!

- The parents that helped with donations of tombola, food hamper items, baking for the cake stall and trash and treasure.

- The fabulous staff, parents and grandparents that gave up their Saturday morning to help set up, man the stalls and pack away at the end of the day.

- The awesome Years 5 and 6 students that organised and supervised the games. You are all to be commended for your willing attitude, great behaviour and school spirit. There were lots positive comments made by many of our market stallholders and visitors. Well done!

- The wonderful office ladies - Shona, Di, Kaye and Kellie for redirecting inquiries, collecting raffle money, photocopying, handing out notes, keeping returned notes and having a chat when I’ve popped in.

- Parkes Public School Drum Beat Group, Twinkle Toes Dance Studio, Physical Culture and Pam Parkin for their entertainment.

- To all the businesses of Parkes that were very generous in donating items to the major raffle, silent auction, chocolate wheel and volunteer draw.

A special thank you to: Colin Britt for his huge effort in making the school grounds look spectacular for Market Day, Craig and Sonia Bland for their great job at painting the little faces (and arms) of our visitors, Matt Ross who manned the Photo Booth for the day (and gave us a discount), Rob and Rem for setting up the jumping castle and slide (and their discount too), Rotary for cooking the BBQ and Parkes Action Club for the use of their chocolate wheel, Mitch Roberts for his brilliant job as MC and Master of the Wheel, Michael Oakley and the SCU team for being part of our fete festivities, Northparkes Mines for the use of their marquees and Viv King and Kristen Neems for being tucked away all day, looking after the finances. Finally a personal thank you to my husband Paul and boys - Zac, Will, Max and Beau for being patient and understanding and coping with ‘the mess’.

*Helen Longhurst, Market Day Coordinator*
CHANGE OF ROUTINE
Parents, if your child is going to have a change in the way he/she goes home in the afternoon, please notify the class teacher in writing. Children will not be allowed to go home with other children or adults without a note from their parent.

BIKE SAFETY
It is illegal for children or adults to ride a pushbike on the streets without wearing a helmet.

It has been noticed that some students are riding to school without wearing helmets. This is extremely dangerous and illegal! Parents, please ensure your children are safe and responsible when they are riding to and from school.

IMPORTANT SAFETY ISSUES
We would like to ask that parents do not call their children across the road, as this can be quite dangerous for the children.

Please do not park in the areas reserved for taxis and buses for special education students.

LATE ARRIVAL/EARLY DEPARTURE
Parents, please remember that you must attend the front office to sign your child into school (and obtain a pass to give to the child’s teacher) if they arrive late to school.

Students leaving school early or to attend appointments must also be signed out at the front office.

ROAD SAFETY REMINDER
Please do not park in the bus bays of a morning or afternoon. These areas are only for buses. The safety of our children is at risk if buses have to negotiate through parked cars. Police will be monitoring these areas for any illegal parking.

If you park on the upper side of Hill St when picking up or dropping off your child, please escort your child across the road. This street is extremely dangerous for pedestrians when so many cars and buses are coming and going.

MUFTI DAY
When you are awarded a Mufti Day, please ensure that mufti is only worn on a Monday (Infants) or Tuesday (Primary) and that suitable footwear (no thongs) is worn, as children do PE or fitness every day.

PRESCRIBED MEDICATION
Parents, please be aware that only prescribed medication can be administered by school staff trained in, and holding a certificate for, Administration of Prescribed Medications and Asthma Treatments.

All paper work must be filled out and be accompanied by a letter from the doctor who prescribed the medication. The letter must state what the medication is, what dose is required and the times the medication is to be administered.

If medicine has not been prescribed by a doctor, staff (this includes teaching staff) will not administer it.

A note from mum or dad is not OK. Paracetamol/analgesics and other ‘across the counter’ products including cough syrups, creams and ointments are not prescribed medications.

Parents are most welcome to come to school to give their child non-prescribed medication when it is needed.

NO HAT, NO PLAY
- Teachers will be diligent in enforcing this important rule.
- Broad-brimmed hats are the only acceptable hats to be worn at school.

Please Close Gates
Please be mindful of closing gates behind you when you enter and leave our school grounds. This helps us to keep dogs out of our playground and helps to keep children in the playground. Thank you for assisting us to keep our children safe.

Absences and Exemptions
Parents please do not allow your children to stay home unless they are ill. If your child is going to be away for a number of days please phone the school. A phone call does not need to be followed up by a letter.

Payments
- On the closing date of monies to be paid, money needs to be paid to the office by 1.00pm. This allows time to process payments. This includes money for excursions, musica viva, book club, special lunch orders etc.
- When sending payments to school please do not staple the envelopes.