NEWSLETTER
19th May 2014

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

**MAY**
- Mon 19<sup>th</sup> - Canteen Meeting 6.30pm
- P&C Meeting 7pm (Staffroom)
- Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> - LNPSSA Cross Country (Murrami)
- K-2 Assembly 12.25pm (Hall)

**JUNE**
- Fri 6<sup>th</sup> - LNPSSA Athletics (LHS Ovals)
- Tues 10<sup>th</sup> - Riverina PSSA Cross Country (Memorial Park, Deniliquin)
- Mon 16<sup>th</sup> - June P&C Meeting 7pm (Staffroom)
- Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> - Riverina PSSA Athletics (Alexandra Park, Albury)
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> - Semester 1 Reports distributed
- - Final Day of Term 2

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Please support the above sponsors who are supporting our school.
Welcome to Week 4 of a rapidly evaporating term. Firstly this week I would like to acknowledge the children in Years 3 & 5 who engaged in the challenge of NAPLAN last week. The children carried themselves very well and heartened staff with their application to the task. Results of the assessments will be returned to parents and the school late in Term 3. I thank all parents and carers for the support they provided their children during NAPLAN week, which can be a long period of time for the students and also acknowledge the staff members at school who were involved with supporting the children during the process.

Week 3 was an extremely busy week with a range of sporting and school based activities keeping all community members engaged. Monday’s X Country was another outstanding community event. As always it was great to see a large number of parents and family members in the school supporting children. Congratulations to all students who competed and to Freeman House for winning the House Championship. More information relating to the Cross Country is included in Talking Sport.

Friday saw 45 Parkview students travel to Griffith for the MIA AFL Gala Day and, as always, the children represented our community with distinction. Despite not being successful from a win and loss point of view on the day, our representatives were again outstanding ambassadors for our school, displaying tremendous application and sportsmanship throughout the day.

This week is timely to reflect upon the establishment of the Cherry Ave Wiradjuri Garden area. Last week all children had the opportunity to contribute to the regeneration of the area, planting trees, shrubs and plants and mulching the newly established flora. When completed the area will serve many purposes including: improved aesthetics on the Cherry Ave boundary, an exploration area for our children to engage in creative play and also a valuable education tool linked to native Wiradjuri plants and their traditional uses. We will have an official opening when completed, but we must acknowledge the vision of Ms Merilyn Blakeman and Mr William Ingram in the initial planning phase of the project and in more recent times a huge vote of thanks is extended to Ms Jo Roberts for her skill, dedication and enthusiasm not only for the project, but for engaging students in the process.

Week 4 marks the conclusion of most of our structured team sport activities for our Years 5 & 6 children and we now turn our attention to the Creative and Practical Arts with ‘Shine on Broadway’ and Leeton Eisteddfod preparations soon to be in full swing. These are both exciting and unique opportunities for the children of our community and we look forward to their engagement in these projects.

It is another extremely dynamic week at Parkview including our representative Cross Country runners travelling to Murrami for the LNPSSA Cross Country Carnival. We wish all children the best for this experience.

Please consider the following as you plan your week:

**Winter Uniform Transition**
Another mild week is predicted ahead of a cooler change for next week. With this in mind, students are requested to wear full Winter Uniform from the commencement of Week 5 of the term (Monday, 26th May). The Uniform Shop has now received the full range of winter uniform lines should you have any uniform requirements.

**P&C Meeting Tonight (Monday, 19th May)**
The May Meeting of the Parkview P&C Association will be held this evening in the Staffroom from 7pm. All interested community members are invited to attend.

**Reforms to P&C Federation**
The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at [http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php).
**Kinder 2015 Transition**
We have already received a positive response to the distribution of our Kindergarten 2015 Prospectus with a number of expressions of interest submitted last week. If you have a child who is commencing school in 2015 or know of someone who has a child who will be enrolling at Parkview PS in 2015, please return the orange Kindergarten Transition 2015 form to the School Administration Office as soon as possible.

Key dates for the commencement of Kindergarten 2015 activities are as follows:
- **Wednesday, 11th June:** Kindergarten 2015 Information Evening
- **Friday, 27th June:** Requested final date for Expressions of Interest for Kindergarten 2015 Transition
- **Wednesday, 13th August:** Commencement of Kindergarten 2015 Transition
- **Wednesday, 10th December:** Kindergarten 2015 Transition Graduation Day

We look forward to welcoming the newest members of our community into our school!

**K-2 Gymnastics Sport**
For the second week running the provider of our K-2 Infants Gymnastics Program failed to adequately staff the program, causing the session to be postponed. Further information relating to the program for the coming weeks will be distributed this week.

**School App Updates**
We have over 200 users of our School App on Android and Apple devices and many of you have favourite aspects of this communication medium and also from time to time share some frustrations around some of the functionality of the App. Below are some of the upgrades that will be rolled out on our App between now and June 10:

- **Message icon on home screen** - Quick and easily notifies users of the number of unread messages
- **Revamped Message Centre** – We have made more cosmetic changes to the message centre to make room for more improvements in the future. Users will now be able to delete messages off their own phone.
- **Landscape Orientation** - This is will be most beneficial for better viewing of PDF files.
- **Events tab** – Has been upgraded to incorporate iOS7 functionality, however after some poor feedback on this feature we will be transitioning back to the old Events format. The most IMPORTANT news is the calendar function is corrected and now working properly.
- **Timezone/Date Format** - This long standing and annoying issue has now finally been resolved and will display date formats based on the app users phone settings so they see it just how they like it.
- **Faster run speed** – Improvements to the overall software of your app now means a faster running speed for the app user.
- **Offline Caching** – Download the contents of your app while online and have the information available when they go offline or don’t have Internet access, such as when on a plane.
- **Geofencing Push Notifications** – Our App can be set to send a pop up message to users of our app as they enter or exit a predetermined area. Could be used to notify parents of a closed venue at late notice, should they still turn up there.

**How to Install Our School App**
**On Apple**
- On your iPhone open the app store
- Search for our school name
- Press Install
- Enter your iTunes password
- It will commence downloading immediately
Android/Google Play
- On your SmartPhone open the Android/Google Play market
- Search for our school name
- Press install
- Your app will start installing instantly

To Open Our School App
- Look for our schools app icon on your phone screen
- Press the icon once
- It will open automatically

When prompted select yes to receive notifications and use your location (this will make sure the google maps and pop-up alerts work for you)

Following us on Facebook
Are you on Facebook? To get all of the latest breaking news and previews of the coming school day ahead, like our school Facebook page and join over 370 followers who stay up to date with our school happenings via social media.

School App Photos of the Week
As many of you in the School Community know, our School App provides you with the chance to interact with the school by sending us the best school related photos that you have taken via the Share Photos feature. This week’s Community Photo of the Week comes from Robyn Locke who took this snap of daughter Zoe whilst enjoying her time at the State Dance Camp at the Sydney Dance Company in the final week of last term!

If you have a photo you would like to share with us through the School App please do so and we’ll do our best to publish as many images as possible each week!

Winhangara Playgroup
Winhangara Playgroup resumed today and will continue weekly on a Tuesday. Winhangara Playgroup is hosted in the OOSC Building running on **Tuesday mornings from 9.15am-10.45am.** A complimentary healthy morning tea is provided for all participants. We encourage all interested families to attend.

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop opening times are **Thursday 9am-10am and Friday 2.15pm-3.15pm.** If you require access to the Uniform Shop outside of these times please contact the school to organise a mutually convenient time to access your uniform needs.

Parkview Public School Website
Don’t forget to log on to www.parkview-p.schools.nsw.edu.au for all of the latest news, pictures and calendar updates for your school and links to educational information that is relevant to your child!

Golden Apple Docket Fundraiser
Please keep your Golden Apple shopping dockets and place them in the container at the front office. This is a great way to raise funds for our students. Parkview Public School receives 5c from every ten dollars collected.

Finally, as always, if you have an issue or concern please contact the classroom teacher, the appropriate Assistant Principal or myself. From time to time issues arise at school. This is perfectly normal for any school setting so if you have any questions, issues, enquiries or you want feedback on any aspect of your child’s schooling please ring to make a mutually convenient appointment time with your child’s teacher, Assistant Principal or myself.

Have a great week!

Travis Irvin
Principal
**Canteen Roster 2014**

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**SCHOOL BANKING**

Term 2 The Sunken Treasure

Make just **3 deposits in term 2** and you will automatically be in the running to win.

**Major student prize.**

One student will win an underwater family adventure holiday including:

- 5 nights’ accommodation at the Sea World Resort on the Gold Coast;
- VIP Passes to Sea World, Warner Bros. Movie World, and Wet’n’Wild Gold Coast;
- A Dolphin Family Aqua Adventure; and
- A $3,000 travel voucher to get them there.

**Runner-up student prizes.**

130 Toys“R”Us Gift Cards to the value of $250 each.

**Sunken treasure for schools and you.**

There will be a separate draw of $1,000 cash for a school in each State/Territory of Australia.

Happy Banking

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**BOOK FAIR**

**WEEK 5 (Next Week)**

In the School Library

**Tuesday 27th May** – after school 3:30 til 5:30


**Friday 30th May** – open 9am-9.20, recess and lunchtime 1:40-2:15.
This term we are exploring the children’s ability to take risks, create and explore. We will be working with clay, using a variety of natural materials, developing our skills with tools like hammers and screwdrivers and creating with a variety of everyday materials. Many of the materials the children engage with are recycled or commonly found around the home. We would appreciate the donation of any of the following items:

- newspapers
- boxes for construction
- egg cartons
- plastic lids
- containers
- wood offcuts
- nuts, bolts & washers
- long nails
- corks

*Please note that we are unable to use toilet paper rolls or bottles that have contained cleaning products or chemicals.

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The Leeton Community of Public Schools are again putting together a performing arts showcase for Term 3. Many students will be involved with the event, not only performing but with preparations, stage and prop design, backstage assistance etc. This will involve a significant commitment by them, including the final performance in 2 evening shows at Leeton High School on the 27th and 28th August.

Many students have begun their preparations. You would have received communication if your child has been identified to participate.
NEWS FROM K – 6
19th May 2014

**Year 3 GIANTS – Miss Townsend**

Chelsea Berne-Paterson a well structured persuasive text on why writing is important
Zac Hall being an enthusiastic and engaged learner during Maths tasks
Libby Aliendi applying herself towards NAPLAN tasks
Riley McClure a well crafted persuasive introduction on why we should exercise everyday
Luke McKellar using efficient strategies to solve Maths problems

**Year3/4 TITANS – Mrs Hislop**

Tyler O’Connell continuing to be ‘on fire’ in classroom activities
Scott Draper amazing concentration in Literacy and Numeracy tests
Phoenix Jones-Grieve working hard in comprehension activities
Moe Lloyd for being a determined Maths problem solver
Maddison Smith for being a ‘persuasive’ author
Kade Godden for using neat, thoughtful writing to allow his clever ideas to shine through
Levi Block for quick mental maths ability
Thomas Heins for taking care and thought when answering questions

**Year 4 FIREDRAKES – Mrs Hillyer**

Madison Bischard working hard in all areas.
Jaylen Milvain coming up with great ideas in persuasive writing.
Codery Schmetzer an excellent effort in our Art lesson on flowers.
Beth Hookway continually trying her best in all classroom activities.
Clair Godfrey being more focused in Literacy groups.

**Year 5 ARGONAUTS – Mrs Motion and Mrs Spina**

Brielle Johnson- Nolan demonstrating a focused approach to learning
Marni Elliott being a flexible and adaptable learner
Portia Marks providing thoughtful contributions to classroom discussion
Emily Wright demonstrating proficiency in grammar
Brodie Lashbrook being resilient during NAPLAN testing week
Malic Doyle being resilient during NAPLAN testing week
Lachlan Holden contributing actively to classroom discussion
Lewis Cain- McAlice noticing and observing important and often hidden clues in illustrations

**Year 6 GARGOYLES – Mr Collins**

Georgia Weymouth taking the time to explore texts in depth
Daniel Higgins working well with others during shared writing tasks
Braydon Coghill beginning to demonstrate understanding of advanced place value
Bree McKellar the capacity to work with numbers expressed in decimal notation
Dylan Browne the capacity to work with numbers expressed in decimal notation
Tayah Preston completing independent reading tasks to a high standard

The coveted **Primary Shield** - went to

**Year 3 Giants & Year 3/4 Titans**

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**Reader of the Week**

| KB | Jayah O’Connell |
| KD | Kayden Tatt |
| KF | Deegan O’Connell |
| 1M | Jeremy Fisher |
| 1W | Jayden Sinclair |
| 1/2C | Shaniqua Pawa |
| 2M | Jayda Sutton-Travers |
| 2T | Rosa Salerno |
| 3T | Simon Cain-McAlicie |
| 3/4H | Angelina Santos |
| 4H | Clair Godfrey |
| 5M | Portia Marks |
| 6C | Callie Godden |

**TERM 2, WEEK 4 ASSEMBLY @ 12.25pm in Parkview Hall**

Item – KF
Stories – 2M

Mr Matt Collins
Relieving Assistant Principal
TONY LOCKETT SHIELD AFL GALA DAY

Parkview’s AFL players have performed creditably at the 2014 Tony Lockett Shield AFL Gala Day held at the Griffith Exies Oval last Friday.

Our Boys team played three competitive matches and despite not winning a match can be justifiably proud of their efforts against considerably bigger opposition. Throughout the day Tyson Tyrrell and Jack McClure proved a threat in the forward line, while excellent play in the midfield from Nick Santos, Tyler O’Connell and Brandon Crowe was a highlight throughout the day. Taller players Dylan Browne, Brock Halls and Riley Bradshaw were a constant presence for the Parkview squad while Jai Patten, Cooper Holmes and Reece Keeth proved invaluable for the green machine in a number of roles.

Scores
Round 1
Parkview 2.0 2.1.13
Griffith Small Schools 3.2 7.8.50
Goals: Jack McClure, Tyson Tyrrell
Best: Nick Santos, Tyler O’Connell, Cooper Holmes, Brock Halls, Reece Keeth, Dylan Browne

Round 2
Parkview 2.1 3.2.20
Narrandera 4.3 6.4.40
Goals: Tyler O’Connell, Tyson Tyrrell, Brandon Crowe
Best: Riley Bradshaw, Tyler O’Connell, Brock Halls, Reece Keeth, Cooper Holmes, Nick Santos

Round 3
Parkview 0.2 0.3.3
Griffith East 2.5 9.7.61
Goals: Brock Halls, Riley Bradshaw, Tyler O’Connell, Cooper Holmes, Brodie Lashbrook

Our girls teams also played some excellent football against talented opposition. It was terrific to see so many girls enjoying playing a new sport! There were many highlights from the girls section of the draw, none better than Shakira O’Connell’s effort of registering 5 goals for the day! The pace of Marni Elliott and Kiana Wortley was also a highlight while the endeavour and determination of Shikiah Byrnes and Hannah Pianca was noted by many spectators:

Scores
Round 1
Parkview Panthers 0.0.0
Leeton PS 15.6.96
Parkview Penguins 2.1.13
Beelbangera 8.4.52
Goals: Marni Elliott, Shakira O’Connell

Round 2
Parkview Panthers 1.2.8
GEPS Giants 5.4.34
Goals: Jade Jennings

Parkview Penguins 2.1.13
GEPS Gallopers 5.2.32
Goals: Shakira O’Connell 2

Parkview Panthers 0.0.0
GEPS Goats 4.7.31
Parkview Penguins 2.4.16
GEPS Giraffes 3.6.24
Goals: Shakira O’Connell 2
Parkview PS ran its annual Cross Country Carnival on Monday May 12th in favourable weather conditions. Events which featured all students K-6 were again keenly contested across various distances. Students aged 5-7 years ran the 1 000m course which encompassed the perimeter of the school grounds while students aged 8 years and above ran the school ground and adjacent Central Park precinct to eventually clock up either 2 000m (8-10 Years) or 3 000m (11-13 Years). All students competed to a high standard and completed the course to their best of their ability. Place getters were awarded age championship trophies and ribbons to mark their achievement at the conclusion of the carnival. Freeman House again proved dominant in the overall point score edging out Thorpe House to claim their 2nd consecutive carnival honor and win their first Cross Country Carnival for many years. The top 5 places of each event (8/9 Years up) will represent Parkview PS at the LNPSSA Cross Country Carnival held this Friday, May 23 at Murrami PS. Students were handed permission notes today which should be returned with payment at the earliest convenience.

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**House Championship**

1. Freeman House 319 points
2. Thorpe House 264 points
3. Bradman House 258 points

**LNSPSSA Athletics Qualifiers**

Students who have qualified to represent Parkview PS at the upcoming LNPSSA Athletics carnival have been notified tomorrow and will receive their permission notes early next week. Please keep in mind that in all track events the 4 fastest times (overall in the respective event) qualify and in field events the top 2 distances/lengths/heights qualify. Parkview relay teams will be selected based on the results attained by the respective age group in 100m events.

The LNPSSA Athletics Carnival will be held Friday, June 6th 2014.
Premier’s Reading Challenge Update – 2014

Just a reminder that the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge has begun.

K-2 class teachers will keep a log of books read to the students, which will be uploaded to their individual file at a later date.

3-6 students will be responsible for keeping their own reading log. They have all been issued with a reading log sheet.

Class teachers and Mrs Dando have book lists and many of our titles in the library are labelled with a PRC sticker.

All information about the challenge can be found on the challenge website at www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au

“The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.”

Please speak to your child’s class teacher, Mrs Dando or myself if you have any questions.

Happy Reading!

Merilyn Blakeman
PRC coordinator
An opportunity exists for interested students to attend visual arts workshops in Griffith late this term. Below is some information that may assist you in making a decision about your child’s attendance. There is a possibility of a rural and remote subsidy to assist with the cost. You will need to contact me as soon as possible if you wish to be considered for this subsidy. You will need to arrange transport to and from the venue for your child. If you have any further questions please touch base with me.

Merilyn Blakeman (School Coordinator)

**STUDENT VISUAL ARTS WORKSHOPS**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**DATES:**
- Stage 1 – (Year 1 & 2) – Tuesday 24 June 2014
- Stage 2 – (Year 3 & 4) – Wednesday 25 June 2014
- Stage 3 – (Year 5 & 6) – Thursday 26 June 2014

Workshops are for one day. Students select one of the days for their stage.

**VENUE:** Griffith Regional Gallery
167 Banna Ave, Griffith

**TIME:** 9:00am - 3:00pm

**COST:** $44.00 + GST PER STUDENT PER DAY

**SUPERVISION:** Students are supervised by Operation Art tutors from the Department of Education and Communities. Teachers are not required to attend workshops.

**SCHEDULE:**
- 9:00 am Arrival/ Registration
- 9:30 am Welcome & Warm Up drawings
- Students will participate in 3 workshops including mixed media, printmaking and sculpture.
- 2:30 pm parents/ visitors arrive for exhibition and presentation of certificates
- 3:00 pm Finish

Please note: There will be an exhibition of the student’s work and presentation of certificates at the end of the workshop. Parents and teachers are invited attend the exhibition and presentation at 2.30pm- 3.00pm in the Gallery.
PHOTO GALLERY

Parkview Cross Country...
PHOTO GALLERY
LNPSSA AFL Gala Day...
**T-shirt Order Form**

The Leeton Community of Public Schools are again putting together a performing arts showcase for Term 3. Many students will be involved with the event, not only with performing but with preparations, stage and prop design, backstage assistance etc. As a way of promoting the event to the Leeton community and helping students to take pride in their involvement, we are having t-shirts made up.

T-shirts will be black with a large coloured ‘Shine’ design on the front and a small design on the back.

T-shirts will cost $25. Please make cheques payable to Parkview Public School.

Orders must be returned by Friday 23rd May.

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