Calendar Term 2

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Dates to Remember:

9th June  Queen’s Birthday (Public Holiday)
10th June Primary Assembly (Hosted by 3 Red from 12:30pm)
11th June Sydney West Cross Country
12th June Discover-a-thon ‘Fun Run’ Event
13th June PSSA & SiSA (as per usual)
17th June ICAS Spelling Test
18th June ICAS Writing Test
19th June Parklea Perfection Assembly (Hosted by 2 Red, Item by 1 Green)
20th June PSSA & SiSA (as per usual)
24th June Parklea Perfection Primary Assembly
25th June Athletics Carnival
26th June Stage 2 Excursion Payment Due
27th June Term 3 Band Payments Due Today
28th June Happy Holidays!
14th July Staff Development Day – Pupil Free Day
15th July School resumes for all PPS students (Term 3)

**Principal’s Report:**

**Our New Permanent Deputy Principal:**

Over the past few weeks we have conducted a process to appoint a permanent Deputy Principal for our school to replace Ms Denham. This position was advertised and we received many high quality applications. We are very pleased to confirm that the successful applicant has been selected from our current staff and has been in the role of Relieving Deputy Principal for the last two terms.

We take pleasure in confirming the appointment of Fiona Gracie to the role of Deputy Principal of Parklea Public School and know she will continue to lead the school and community with all of the integrity that she has already brought to the school. Mrs Gracie is extremely passionate about Parklea and over the past 17 years has made a significant contribution to the students, staff and community of Parklea.

**Payments for School Events and Excursions:**

Thank you for everyone’s assistance with getting notes and money in on time for recent school events and excursions. We would like to kindly remind you to ensure that you send all notes and money in a sealed envelope with your child’s name and class clearly labelled to help reduce the risk of money getting lost and assist with processing.

**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 that 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.

LONG WEEKEND:
Don't forget that this weekend is a long weekend – children come back to school Tuesday. I encourage you to take the opportunity to get out and have some fun as a family and read a good book.

Kind regards,
Mrs Mlinaric & Mrs Gracie
(Reieving Principals)

FROM THE DESK OF THE LONE DEPUTY:

NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA ON STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY:
In Term 3, the Federal Government is undertaking a survey to assist with planning and support for students requiring adjustments in their learning programs. Parklea Public School will be part of the survey known as the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on Students with Disability. The survey includes all students requiring any form of adjustment in their regular learning programs such as access to a teacher's aides, working in small support groups, modified or individualised lessons, or withdrawal with the Learning and Support Teacher. The survey will seek to capture information about a range of students including children with diagnosed medical disabilities, academic support needs and children requiring social or behavioural adjustments. More information can be found in the Letter to Parents that will be sent home today to the eldest student in the family. You can also access the links made available to you via the same note. If you do not want your child to be part of the survey, please write a letter addressed to the school indicating that you wish for your child to be excluded from this data collection by no later than 27th June, 2014 (the final day of Term 2).

NUT ALLERGIES - ANAPHYLAXIS RISK:
Parklea Public School is a school with a strong tradition of excellent student welfare practices. Though we are not a ‘Nut Free’ school, we are very conscious of looking out for students who are at risk of an anaphylactic reaction due to their allergy to nuts. Therefore, I would like to remind parents to be conscious of this when preparing lunch boxes for children and ask parents to discuss the reasons for not sharing food at school with friends, especially foods that may contain nuts. The communities support with this important matter is greatly appreciated.

AFTER SCHOOL USE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT:
The fixed playground equipment is a wonderful resource for helping students’ develop their gross motor skills whilst having a lot of fun at school. I would like to remind students that once they are released from class in the afternoon, they are to go straight home, to OOSH or to their bus lines. They are not to go and play on the fixed equipment. If parents are with their children in the afternoon and they allow their children to use the fixed equipment after school, the responsibility for supervision rests with the parents. In the interests of safety, please supervise your children whenever they are using the equipment outside of regular school hours.

Kind regards,
Mr Fisk
(Reieving Deputy Principal)
SPECIAL NEWS:

SUPPORT MRS HAGAR & TEAM ELI:

For those that may not be aware, our lovely Mrs Hagar gave birth to a beautiful baby boy named Eli. Although a joyful time for Mrs Hagar and her family, Eli has been rather sick and as a result has spent a large chunk of his early life in and out of the Intensive Care Unit at the Children’s Hospital at Westmead.

This year, Mrs Hagar will be participating in the City2Surf to raise money for Heartkids who have been very supportive and generous to her family. Heartkids is an organisation that provides support to families of children with heart disease while raising awareness and vital funding for research. By participating in the C2S, Mrs Hagar aims to give back to an organisation that does such amazing things to support young children.

How can you help? By donating to the cause of course! Follow the link below to donate to Team Eli


Thank you!
Mr Fisk
(On behalf of Mrs Hagar)

EAL/D NEWS:

We have received a photo and letter from the Salvation Army in response to our donation to their Tuition program in Myanmar (Burma). Below is a copy of their letter for everyone to read to see how much our donation will help these children.

We are able to write to the centres and send some photos which we will hopefully do in the next few months.

NATIONAL REFUGEE WEEK:

15-21 June is National Refugee Week. This is a time when attention is drawn to the needs of refugees both here and around the world. It also alters us to how Australia and Australians can contribute to ensuring their protection. During this week there is also World Refugee Day on 20 June.

Regards,
Mrs Temby & Mrs Pena
(EAL/D Specialist Teachers)
Discover-a-thon 2014:
Well done to all the students who have returned their notes and money for the Discover-a-thon!

Students are eagerly looking forward to the Discover-a-thon and the fun activities that we have planned for the day. We will be making paint, learning the Dharug names of animals, visiting the duck pond and much more. The Discover-a-thon is being held in conjunction with National Sorry Day, so students are encouraged to wear red, yellow or black clothing on the day.

Parents are invited to come and join us for some of the activities. Below are the times that parents are invited to attend. Students in cross stage classes will be joining the rest of their stage for these activities.

When: Thursday, 12th June
Where: Parklea Public School
Times:
Early Stage 1: 9:00am – 10:50am
Stage 1: 9:00am – 10:50am
Stage 2: 11:30am – 1:15pm
Stage 3: 11:35am – 1:15pm

See you all there!
Mrs McGregor
(Discuss an-a-thon Coordinator)

Week 1 Tally 'Shop For Your School' Competition Update:
The receipts are in, the points have been tallied and the results for Week 1 are:

- Mary Immaculate Primary School – 13.8 points
- Barnier Public School – 5.0 points
- **Parklea Public School – 3.4 points**
- John Palmer Public School – 3.4 points
- Schofields Primary School – 2.6 points
- Kellyville Ridge Public School 1.9 points
- Hambledon Primary School – 1.3 points
Don’t forget! Thursday nights between 6pm and 9pm is **Triple Point Thursday Night**. This is a great opportunity to get shopping and earn extra points.

As we all know, Lleyton Hewitt is famous for saying, “Come on!” so “Come on Parklea! Let’s win this!”

Thanks!  
*Mrs Cardwell, Mrs Mutch & Mrs Marshall*  
(On behalf of the Student Government)

**CAMP QUALITY PUPPET SHOW:**  
This week, Camp Quality was invited to visit Parklea. They provided an educational show using puppets to deliver a fun and positive message about supporting children with childhood cancer. The children thoroughly enjoyed the show and it provided rich discussion in classrooms. The positive message **“It’s uncool to be cruel”** relates to all children in all school settings. The information was shared in a fun and engaging way to help children heighten their awareness of the need to care for and support others.

**WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YEAR 3 & 4**

**ENGLISH:**  
Talking and Listening- The Talking and Listening task will be centred on our Integrated Studies Sustainability unit. Each group will present feedback on the waste system they have researched and provide recommendations to their class on how the established school waste management system can be improved.

Guidelines and a thorough explanation of the task will be distributed to students closer to the due date.

Writing – This term, Years 3 and 4 will be learning about and composing persuasive texts. Some of the texts we will be learning about are:

- Posters
- Advertisements
- Expositions
- Persuasive Letters
- Discussions

Reading- Our students are continuing to use the program ‘Springboard into Comprehension’. This term students will be focusing on the following comprehension strategies:

- Bias and Prejudice
- Figurative Language

**MATHMATICS:**  
This term in Mathematics we will be learning about:

- **Multiplication and Division** - Using mental and informal written strategies for multiplying and dividing. Finding multiples, factors and squares of numbers.
- **Chance** - Conducting simple chance experiments, collecting data and comparing likelihood of events in different contexts
✓ **Area** - Estimating, measuring, comparing and recording areas in square centimetres and square metres
✓ **Time** - Reading and recording both digital and analogue time and interpreting simple timetables, timelines and calendars
✓ **Volume and Capacity** - Estimating, measuring, comparing and recording volumes and capacities using litres and millilitres
✓ **Decimals** - Models, compares, adds and subtracts decimals to 2 decimal places. Recognises percentages in everyday situations and relate common percentages to a fraction or decimal.

**INTEGRATED STUDIES:**
This term our students have been working together in groups to create an iMovie. The purpose of their iMovie was to demonstrate conflict resolution skills to their peers and the wider school community.

The next unit of work Stage 2 will be undertaking will be focusing on sustainability. As part of this unit our students will be taking part in a Reverse Garbage excursion where they will be learning about sustainability.

Thankyou!

**The Year Three & Four Teachers**
(Discover-a-thon Coordinator)

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**FISKY'S DREAM DESTINATION:**
I have absolutely no idea where this place is located but all I know is, get me there now!!! 😊😊😊
Meet Eli
He is a HeartKid

HeartKids is an organisation that provides support to families of children with heart disease while raising awareness and vital funding for research.

Team Eli

Team Eli is participating in this year’s City2Surf to raise funds for HeartKids. Please give generously to help reach our goal!