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The Sir Henry Parkes Memorial Public School

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Dear Parents and Community Members.....

Welcome back to what promises to be another great year at our fantastic school. There are many excited teachers who are jumping up and down at the prospect of starting another year.

So here are some updates:

Staffing

We still have one staffing position that has not been confirmed by the staffing unit so one of our classes will start off with a casual (Miss Hottes).

We have Miss Rivett starting with us as a permanent teacher and Mrs Gallagher will be on class 2 days per week sharing with Miss Coats.

Mrs Thomas will be completing release within the school and of course Mrs O'Brien is on maternity leave.

Mrs Pryce rejoins us to complete Reading Recovery for half a day every day.

Classes

Please note these are not permanent at the moment.

We have attempted to formulate classes with the future in mind and possible incoming enrolments. We will be closely monitoring our numbers in the next week and a half to ensure the best possible structure for all concerned.

The school is very "girl heavy" and as such at this point the year 3/4 class taught by Miss Hottes is an all girl class.

0KC - Kindergarten-Mrs Caldwell

0KJ - Kindergarten-Miss Jarvis

1/2B - Miss Bridge

1/2J - Miss James

1/2P - Mrs Petrie

2/3M - Mr Manser

3/4R - Miss Rivett

3/4H - Miss Hottes

4/5G - Mrs Gallagher/Miss Coats

5/6M - Mr Maher

5/6E - Miss Eakin

RFF- Release from Face to Face - Mrs Thomas

Reading Recovery - Mrs Pryce

Library - Mrs Mulchay

LaST- Learning and Support Teacher - Mrs Maddocks

School Swimming Carnival

The swimming carnival is set down for **Thursday, February 7th with the back-up day being Monday, February 11th**. LOTS of time to train! If you can assist with time keeping (even if just for part of the day) please contact Miss Eakin. Hopefully the rain will be all gone by then!!



Uniforms

Please try to ensure that your child is dressed in the appropriate summer uniform and has their name on all clothing and equipment. The canteen has some second

hand clothing available and you are welcome to approach Mrs Petrie to view any stock.

If you have second hand clothing in decent condition it can be handed into Mrs Petrie at the canteen.

Bookpacks

These are available from the canteen for all years and it is important for all students to have the appropriate bookpacks for their year. These can be purchased from the canteen.

Costs: **Kindergarten \$15**

Yr 1-2 \$16

Yr 3-6 \$20



Crunch and Sip

Crunch and Sip is a set break to eat fruit or vegetables and drink water in the classroom.

Students re-fuel with fruit or vegetables during the morning assisting physical and mental performance and concentration in the classroom.

Each student brings fruit or vegetables to school to eat in the classroom at a set time (10am). Each child also has time to drink water to prevent dehydration.

Through Crunch and Sip, our school demonstrates our commitment to nutrition education in the classroom, by making links with the curriculum and creating a supportive school environment.

The objectives of the Crunch and Sip break are to:

- * increase awareness of the importance of eating fruit and vegetables and drinking water every day;
- * encourage students and staff to make healthy food choices.



Knock-Out Sport Trials

Over the next few weeks, teachers will be holding trials for various P.S.S.A. Knock-out Sports. The sports include boys' and girls' soccer, hockey, basketball, girls' netball, boys' touch football and rugby league.

Students in years 3-6 are eligible to trial. These sports often require travelling which will involve a cost for transport (e.g. petrol).

Please discuss with your child whether they are able to trial for the sport/s. Also explain to them that it is a big commitment as they are part of a team – they will probably have to give up many lunch times for training.

Tenterfield Physical Culture

Lessons start **Tuesday, February 5th** at the Sir Henry Parkes Memorial Public School.

Class Times:

Monday's - Ladies 7pm-8pm

Tuesday's - Tinkerbells (preschoolers) 3.30-4pm

Years 5-8 4pm-5pm

Years 9-12 5pm-6pm

Years 13-15 6pm-7pm

A lesson that incorporates, Ballet, Gymnastics, Pilates, Jazz and Hip Hop all in one.

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