

# The Sir Henry Parkes Memorial



## PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

LEARNING SAFETY RESPECT

**Term 4 Week 1 October 2016**



### **We Are Excited to be Back**

What a fantastic start to Term 4 we have had! Staff and students are refreshed and ready to pack in as much learning as possible for the last 10 weeks of our school year. I know quite a few families and staff travelled interstate and overseas during their break. It has been great to hear of their safe and enjoyable travels.

Our new electronic school sign was installed at the beginning of the holidays and is now up and running. It will have rolling messages of what is happening in our school—and it looks awesome!

We have had lots of new students enrol at our school in the last few days! I am so proud of our students who have all welcomed new friends into their circles and have taken the time to look out for new students. Welcome to our new families!

### **School Evaluation and Planning**

This term the school executive will be working closely with the staff, students and community to evaluate our school year, and start planning for 2017.

Last term I communicated that we will be participating in the 'Tell Them From Me' student feedback survey, which focusses on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. The students in Years 4-6 will be completing these surveys by next Friday (October 21).

We are also asking our families to complete the 'Partners in Learning' parent feedback survey. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour.

This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential.

The link for parents/carer to complete the survey is:

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/henry>

I understand that some families do not have access to the internet. Therefore I have attached a paper copy of the survey for parents to complete. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated. Completed surveys can be placed in the survey box at the front office.

## Welcome New Staff

I am excited to welcome 2 new teachers to our staff for the remainder of our school year.

Mrs Melanie Connor will be teaching in the Learning and Support Teacher role on Mondays and Tuesdays. Miss Bianca Wicks will be teaching in the Learning and Support Teacher role on Wednesdays to Fridays. These two lovely ladies are replacing Miss Rivett—who is now on maternity leave for the next year. (Congratulations Miss Rivett on the birth of your daughter Madeline Joy Lawrence).

Congratulations also to Miss Jarvis, who will be married this Saturday. Miss Jarvis will return to school Monday Week 4 as Mrs Duff! While Miss Jarvis is away on leave, Miss Emma Hurtz will be teaching K/1 J.



Mrs Melanie Connor



Miss Bianca Wicks

## What's Coming Up This Week

DATE	Changes to Routine
Oct 11	L3: Mr Pryce, Miss Stevens, Miss Rowe and Mrs Makings
Oct 14	Primary Instructional Leader with Miss Coats and Mrs O'Brien: Miss Slobin, Miss Ware, Miss Green. Gifted and Talented: Mrs Caldwell.

### Mindfulness

I hope our families enjoy the mindful colouring pages attached to our newsletter this week—an easy way to calm the mind and occupy the hands

### Book Fair

Come along and check out our book fair in the Library!

**DATE:** Week 4, October 31-November 4

**TIME:** 11am-11:30am, 1:15pm-2:45pm

**There will be a special offer of “buy one get one free” so don't miss out!**

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR for LEARNING (PBL)



Henry has been super busy working on new signage for the school! Keep an eye out for our PBL expectations around our school:

RESPECT

LEARNING

SAFETY

Some new signage for the front of the school and flags displaying our values will soon be up!

We love seeing our students working hard to consistently demonstrate they are safe, respectful learners. Great stuff kids!

# TERM 4 School Planner

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY/SUNDAY
Oct	1	10	11 *P&C 5:30pm	12	13 *Kindy transition 9:30am-11:30am	14	15/16
Oct	2	17	18	19 *Science Fair 11:30am-2:30pm	20 *Kindy transition 9:30am-11:30am	21	22/23
Oct	3	24	25 *Stage 3 Camp	26	27 *Kindy transition 9:30am-11:30am *Crazy Day (BBQ)	28 *Pre School visiting	29/30
Oct/ Nov	4	31 *Armajun Hearing *BOOKFAIR	1	2 *Pre School visiting	3 *Kindy transition *Thalgarrah Inclusion	4	5/6

## Community notices

### Junior Cricket

Junior cricket will be starting on Thursday October 20 at  
The Sir Henry Parkes Primary School at 3:15pm.

For sign on call David or Rhonda Fowler on 0402 116 443

## Community notices

### AGM

Tenterfield local branch of Aboriginal Education Consultative  
Group Annual General meeting will be held on October 27 at  
11am. This will be held at the Tenterfield High School all invited  
morning tea supplied.

## DONATIONS This week

FOOD	NAME
Mince	Tanya Larkin
Tomato Sauce	Jenny Petrie, Leanne Hall
Tomatoes	Rhonda Fowler
Lettuce	Jodie Lieberman
Block Cheese	Tracy Caldwell, Vanessa Rolph

## CANTEEN ROSTER

DATE	NAME
Wednesday Oct 12	Tammy Morris, Vicky Hill
Thursday Oct 13	
Friday Oct 14	Charmaine Rankin, Sandi McCowen
Monday Oct 17	Charmaine Rankin
Tuesday Oct 18	
Wednesday Oct 19	Jenny Petrie, Sandi McCowen

## HOMEBAKE

DATE	NAME
Monday Oct 17	Tracy Caldwell
Wednesday Oct 19	Jenny Petrie
Friday Oct 21	Lou Holley

## ★ MEAL DEAL ★

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**"Hot diggity dog"**

Hot dog with tomato sauce and cheese  
plus a popper and a fruit flavoured zoopa doopa icy  
pole. **\$5.50**

**Other choices:** Sausage Roll \$2.50  
6 x chicken nuggets \$3.00

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