



The Sir Henry Parkes Memorial Public School

LEARNING SAFETY RESPECT

TERM 4 WEEK 6 NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 19th November, 2024

Principal Miss Anna Starcevic

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Assistant Principal Mrs Charmaine Johnston

Assistant Principals Curriculum & Instruction

Mr Dean Gillett (Tues), Mrs Liz Duff (Relieving—Wed)



School Fete

We are so excited that our school fete is happening THIS THURSDAY! Lots of stalls will be selling a range of items, alongside class stalls, which include games and lucky dips. We have lots of community members holding their own stalls also. It keeps getting bigger each day! Kids will also get to have a look at a local fire truck. Fingers crossed the weather holds out for the 3 hours, although a light shower at the end may wash off the slime after the slime run!! We can't wait to see you there! Please call the front office if you have any questions.

Kindergarten Orientation Graduation

Tomorrow is our final kindergarten orientation session for our incoming 2025 students. It has been a wonderful 6 weeks of activities and we say a huge thank you to Miss K and her current kindergarten students, who have done a wonderful job of leading the new students through their activities.

Swimming for School Sport/Swimming Scheme

Our K-6 students have started their school swimming for sport activities on Fridays. Swimming is a life skill and we want all of our kids to be safe around water.

Year 2 swimming scheme is being held in Week 8. It will be an intensive week of learning for these students. Notes and monies are due by November 27 for this.

School Uniforms

In 2025 we are phasing out our sports harlequin shirts. Our incoming design was shared with the P&C, AECG and all staff—with unanimous approval. The school will be providing each student with a new shirt at the start of next year, providing they are ready to go. We are super excited about this also! We shared the design on our FB page.

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Stage 2 Thalgarrah Excursion

A reminder to our families that all payments are due to the front office no later than Friday November 15. There is no need for any online registrations for this excursion. We will send home a reminder packing list next week.

Have an awesome week!

Miss Anna Starcevic

Principal

Orientation Day

3 DECEMBER 2024

8 am - 9:30 am
Purchase/Order Uniform & Book pack

9:30 am
Assembly in MPU

10 am - 1:20 pm
Lessons

1:20 pm - 2 pm
FREE BBQ lunch for Yr6 students

2 pm
Return to primary school

Christ Church Tenterfield Christmas Services

Christmas Carols and BBQ 1st December 6pm

Christmas Eve Family Service 7:00pm

Christmas Day Traditional Service 9:00am

Christ Church Tenterfield
388 Rouse Street
(02) 67 361 086

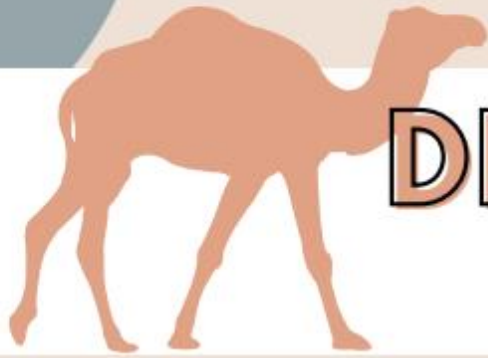
Oh Holy Night

PLEASE JOIN US FOR
CHRIST CHURCH CAROLS

DECEMBER 1 6PM

Christ Church Tenterfield
388 Rouse Street, Tenterfield, 2372
Free BBQ following the Service
Soft Drink Available for purchase
Donations kindly accepted

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DROMEDARIES

Term Four

So Far...

As we progress through Term 4, we reflect on the achievements of Term 3, marked by significant academic and personal growth. Our students shone during the Grandparent's Day performance, especially with their engaging boomwhacker rendition of 'Ode to Joy.' Currently, they are working hard to complete final assessments, showcasing their dedication as the year comes to a close. Stage 3 students enjoyed a memorable camp in Brisbane, filled with learning and team-building activities. Weekly swimming sessions at the local pool have added excitement and promoted water safety as part of our sports program.



What's Coming Up

The end of the year is quickly approaching. Our class is excited for the school fete and our fairy floss stall. We will be sharing our assembly item will be this Friday. Year 6 graduation and fun day are fast approaching and we are excited to finish up our school year.



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL REPORT

NAIDOC DAY

What a fantastic day we had last Thursday, All students got to visit the dome from 'Starr's Planetarium'. During the visit they learnt about how First Nations people used the stars and how to spot the different constellations in the sky. They completed other activities during the day including sand art, water painting, key rings and traditional games.



FETE

We are all very excited for the school fete which on this Thursday from 4 - 7pm There will be close to 30 different stalls and displays with a range of games, foods, crafts and activities. Stall sites are still available

Ride passes are still available up until Wednesday at a reduced rate of \$30. Ride passes will be \$40 at the fete or \$5 per ride. The slime run will take place at 7pm and this is \$5 per participant. Slime run tickets can be purchased at the fete.

The P&C will be serving some yummy treats with the BBQ starting when the fete starts. The P&C will also be running a wood raffle with tickets for sale at the fete.

There will be a lucky door prize with the prize being confirmed tomorrow. Everyone who writes their name down when entering the fete will go into the draw. We are hoping to have a large number of families and community members join us for the fete.

We would like to acknowledge and thank all of the local business and organisations who have provided donations, are running stalls and volunteered to help with the success of the fete. We are grateful for all of the support offered and look forward to a successful afternoon and evening.



STAGE 3 CAMP

Stage 3 students had a great week on camp. The aim of the camp was to provide students with a range of educational activities across a range of areas.

The first stop was Amberley Airforce Base where students visited the museum and saw a large collection of air force memorabilia including planes and helicopters. We then went into the city, had lunch at Southbank and visited the Maritime Museum. Here the students were able to enter a naval ship and see what the conditions were like. They also saw Jessica Watson's boat.

Day 2 saw us visit the Planetarium. Here we watched a movie projected in 3D onto the dome of the planetarium about the history of collisions in space. The afternoon activity was a swim back at camp and this was very much enjoyed by all.

Our third day started with a visit to the Port of Brisbane where we visited the information center and had a bird's eye view of the port. We then had a guided tour of the port, getting close to the boats being unloaded and some of the 1.6 million containers that arrive there each year. We visited the bird sanctuary included in the port and had a go at identifying different birds. The afternoon was a highlight for many with a visit to Suncorp Stadium. The behind-the-scenes tour concluded with students running out of the tunnel and almost onto the field (visitors are not allowed on the turf).

Thursday saw us going to St Helena Island. After a catamaran ride across Moreton Bay, the students visited the former convict settlement and learnt about the harsh conditions and punishment used on the island. After our return to the mainland, the students enjoyed some time in the park

Our final day included a visit to Parliament House. While we were there the new government were being sworn in, but this was happening outside of the tour area. Students learnt about parliament and participated in a mock bill. We then returned home.



While we were away, the students received several compliments on their behaviour with one member of the public saying that they are a credit to us. Even though it was a big week, there were lots of laughs and memories created.







WE HAD FUN AT STAGE 3 CAMP





Term 4 Week 6




The following students will be awarded their Brag Tags at *this week's assembly*

Alpacas

Isabella S
Ivy W

Llamas

Lilah T
Hayley O'C
Robert D



Dromedaries

Walter S
Kenny D
Charlotte P
Jacob W
Jordan M
Willow L
Hollie L
Deanna-Rae B
Arthur W
Bentley S
Tammin T
Ethan D
Havannah J
Bailey B
Kayden C
Jaearnah C

Bactrians

Audrina C
Leah M



GETTING TO KNOW OUR STAFF



Name: Steph Evans

Title: Teacher

Favourite Food?

Mangoes

Favourite holiday destination?

Camping

Birthday Month?

June

Favourite TV Show?

Kath and Kim

Do you have any pets?

2 dogs, Bohdi and Arlo

Favourite Song?

Carry You Home
Alex Warren

Best ways to relax or pamper yourself?

Crocheting

Favourite Sport?

Netball

Favourite Colour?

Yellow

Something people don't know about you?

I played the clarinet in my school band for 4 years

Favourite Movie?

Hercules

Favourite Quote?

Be yourself; everyone else is already taken.
Oscar Wilde

Most influential person?

My Dad

Kindergarten Transition Graduation.



The Sir Henry Parkes Memorial Public
School invites you to celebrate our
incoming Kindergarten students
completing their transition to school.

Wednesday 20th

November

2:30pm

BRUXNER HALL



TSHPMPS FETE

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 21 4-7PM

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE

SLIME RUN \$5 A PERSON
STARTING AT 7PM

RIDES - JUMPING CASTLE, GIANT SLIDE,
MINI GOLF

FOOD AND DRINKS AVAILABLE



STALLS INCLUDE

FAIRY FLOSS - CAKES & TOFFEES - SHOWBAGS - BOOKS - BALLOONS -
BISCUIT DECORATING - HAIRSPAY - PLANTS - LUCKY DIPS - SOC
AUCTION - SILENT AUCTION - BOTTLE STALL - GAMES - GUESS THE
WEIGHT OF THE COW - PICTURE PLATES

OUTSIDE VENDORS INCLUDE CRAFT - HOMEMADE PRODUCTS - FIDGET
TOYS - FACE PAINTING - GAMES - PHOTO BOOTH



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Term 4 2024 & Term 1 2025

Wk/Month	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 6 November	18 Dental Health Van	19	20 Kinder Orientation #6 9:00-3:00pm	21 <u>SCHOOL FETE 4-7pm</u>	22 Assembly 2:00pm
Week 7 November	25	26	27	28	29
Week 8 Nov/Dec	2	3 Year 6-7 Orientation Day	4 Stage 2 Thalgarrah Excursion	5 ➔	6
Week 9 December	9	10	11	12 Presentation Day 10:00am start	13 Year 6 FUN DAY
Week 10 December	16	17	18 FINAL DAY FOR STAFF AND STUDENTS	19	20
Week 1 January	27 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	28	29	30	31 Teachers return to school—SDD #1
Week 2 February	3 Teachers return to school—SDD #2	4 Teachers return to school—SDD #3	5 Teachers return to school—SDD #4	6 Students return K-6	7
Week 3 February	10	11	12 Annual Swimming Carnival	13	14 Assembly 2:00pm
Week 4 February	17	18	19	20	21
Week 5	24	25	26	27	28

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