

# Peats Ridge Weekly



Week 3 Term 3

AUGUST 1 2011

## COMING EVENTS

**Monday 1st August**

**Tuesday 2nd August**

**Wednesday 3rd August**

**Friday 5th August**

**Wednesday 10th August**

**Monday 15th August**

**Tuesday 16th August**

**Wednesday 17th August**

Premier's Spelling Bee (School Heats)

Combined Scripture Service 12:00 (Parents Welcome)

NSW Uni English Competition

Education Week 'Open Day' **(See timetable below)**

Senior Students DRAMA WORKSHOPS at Niagara Park

Kariong Mountains Learning Community Showcase 6pm for a 7pm start

Peats Ridge PS Athletics Carnival at Central Mangrove PS

School Photos

Jump Rope for Heart Launch

NSW Uni Mathematics Competition

5/6 Visit to Kariong Mountains High Science Day (Students not doing Uni Comp)

FINAL PAYMENT for 4/5/6 Jenolan Caves/Bathurst Excursion

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES

### EDUCATION WEEK 2011 August 1st to 5th

This year, Education Week is celebrated from 1 to 5 August. Public schools across NSW will be showcasing the wonderful programs and initiatives they offer. The official launch will occur via a multi school link-up at Sydney Central Railway Station at 12.30pm on 1 August. The theme for Education Week 2011 is 'NSW Public Schools - creating the future'.

More info: [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/events/eduweek/index.php](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/events/eduweek/index.php)

All parents, guardians and relatives are warmly invited to celebrate public education with us during Education Week 2011. Please note the following for your calendar:

**Monday 1st August 1pm**

**Tuesday 2nd August 12pm**

**Wednesday 3rd August**

**7:00am**

**7:30am**

**9:00am-10:30am**

**10:30am-11:00am**

**11:00am - 12:00**

Premiers Spelling Bee (Library)

Combined Education Week Scripture Service (Library)

STAR FM 104.5 Breakfast Broadcast

Live from PRPS (7:00am to 9:00am)

P&C Breakfast from 7:30 a.m.

Classroom Visits / MATHS Sessions

Recess with your children

K-6 Assembly

**It's Education Week**  
— join in the celebrations —  
**Visit your local public school**  
[www.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au)  
NSW Public Schools — creating the future

## MULTICULTURAL PUBLIC SPEAKING

Late in Term 3, four of our students represented Peats Ridge Public School at the zone heats in the Hunter Central Coast Multicultural Public Speaking Competition. Monique G. and Eedon M. represented Stage 2 and Tara L. and Kayla H. represented Stage 3. We are very proud of their fine effort on the day and congratulate them for their wonderful participation.

## P&C MEETING

Ms Ann Vine, Principal of Kariong Mountains High School will be attending the next P&C meeting at 3:15pm on Wednesday 10th August. This would be an ideal opportunity for parents of students of any grade to find out more about our partner high school.

## BATHURST/JENOLAN CAVES EXCURSION

The date for the combined mountain schools excursion to Jenolan Caves and Bathurst is fast approaching. This is already Week 3 and the excursion departs on Monday 19th September (Week 10). Final Payments are due for payment at the office by **17th August**. There are still students at other small schools on a waiting list. If final payment is not made by that date, our school positions may be offered to others who are still very anxious to attend.

## INFORMATION PROVIDED by the Department of Education and Communities

### NATIONAL TREE DAY

Planet Ark created National Tree Day (31 July) to help address important environmental issues such as habitat for native wildlife, biodiversity, salinity, erosion and long-term carbon offsetting. You can organise a tree-planting site in your local park or school, at a nearby creek, roadside or bushland area, even in your own backyard. More info: <http://treeday.planetark.org> freecall 1300 885 000.

Mr Randall has planned a garden upgrade behind the canteen and a tree planting activity for parents and students.

## JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

The Heart Foundation's Jump Rope for Heart teaches school children how to keep fit and healthy. Conducted by teachers, children learn physical activities like rope-jumping to improve their strength, while gaining confidence and stamina to extend their physical abilities elsewhere. At the same time, they are learning about helping to save Australian lives by asking family and friends to sponsor them for being a part of this program. Funds raised go towards research to help the fight against heart disease and stroke in Australia.

Peats Ridge Public School has registered for this event. Our launch for the Jump Rope For Heart is to be held on Monday 15th August with the actual Jump Off being held on Friday 9th September.

Garry Standen  
Principal

## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

As you are aware our school athletics carnival was postponed last week due to the weather. The carnival is now being held this **Friday 5th August** at Central Mangrove PS. All students will be travelling to the carnival by bus. Due to the cost of transport all students will be required to come to school first and then travel by bus together at 9.15am.

### reminders

- Payments due for KIDANSYS
- After School Sport has commenced on FRIDAYS
- School Phone Number: 4373 1149
- Email: [peatsridge-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:peatsridge-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)
- Newsletter available online at our website:
- <http://www.peatsridge-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/sws/view/home.node>

The carnival will begin at approximately 9.30am and all families are invited to attend throughout the day to watch the students compete. I will be contacting those fathers that have donated their time to help at the carnival to discuss roles and student permission notes will be sent home today 1st August 2011.

Shane Randall, Sports Coordinator

## HEADLICE

There have been some reported cases of headlice within the school. Could you please check your children's hair and treat with a medicated shampoo if necessary.

## LIBRARY

A reminder that all Book Club orders are due back by **Friday 5th August t.**

Julie Blair, Librarian

## ASSEMBLY AWARDS-WEEK 2, TERM 3

### Citizenship

Jasmine O., Venus W., Lilly W., Mia W., Angus G.

### Merit

Jayden V., Hiram P., Karl W., Eedon M., Rose K., Dusten L., Brendan H., Isabelle A., Austin P.

### Library

Anthony S., Ethan S.

## CANTEEN

### Roster

### Wednesday 3rd August - Star FM P&C Breakfast

Bacon and Egg Sandwiches **\$3.00** **Pre-ordered only. Please pay on the day.**

*Elise Kemp, P&C President*

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### INTERACTIVE SENSORY SENSITIVITY WORKSHOP - NELLE FRANCES Autism/Asperger's Syndrome Educational Resource

For health professionals, therapists, teachers and families

Workshop details: **NEWCASTLE**

Thursday 25th August 2011  
9:00 am– 2:30pm  
Cardiff RSL  
45 Macquarie Road  
CARDIFF NSW 2285  
**REGISTRATION FROM 8:30am**

Register online at:

<http://www.stickytickets.com.au/5897>

Phone: 0422 621 749

Fax: (07) 5351 1978



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**It's a great way to meet and get to know people in your area. To find out more and get a FREE copy of our social calendar. Call us today on: 1300 300 496**

Or check out our web site:

[www.singlewithchildren.com.au](http://www.singlewithchildren.com.au)

# SOMERSBY PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Hey Y'all, come on down, its  
Trivia Time!



On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2011 at 6.30pm we are holding our annual school fund-raiser in the Somersby Public School hall.

So mosey on down with your posse of 8 per table, don't worry if you can't get a whole table together, we can set you up with some others on the night. Bring some drinks and chow (although there will be some snacks and baked goods with tea and coffee) and all your trivia skills for a night of fun, games and fantastic prizes.

Tickets are just \$10 per head and are available from the school front office or by calling Nicky on 0417721435 or Sharon on 0417875726.

Dress in your best country gear, and sorry no children at this event.