

Peats Ridge Weekly



Week 8 Term 3

SEPTEMBER 05 2011

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday 6th September

Friday 9th September

Monday 12th September

Thursday 15th September

Monday 19th September

Friday 23rd September

MILO Cricket Session - No cost
Jump Rope for Heart JUMP OFF
Responsible Pet Education Session
Schools Environmental Judging
3 day Jenolan Caves/Bathurst
4/5/6 Excursion
End of Term 3



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES

NSW PUBLIC SECTOR STOP WORK MEETING - THURSDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER

Parents and guardians are informed that the NSW Teachers Federation is urging all members to support this stop work action and attend the rally in Sydney. Further information will follow.

CANCER COUNCIL-DAFFODIL DAY-THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone for wearing something yellow and supporting this worthy cause of Friday 26th August. Once again a great amount was raised by a small number of students. We have forwarded \$70.80 to the Cancer Council.



FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST - THANK YOU

Last Thursday morning we had a fantastic turn out of dads and grandpas for our Father's Day Breakfast put on by our hard working P&C. A very big thank you to everyone involved in the organisation of the event. Very special thanks to our very own Mr Randall for arriving at school extra early to set up the BBQ and for cooking an amazing amount of bacon and eggs. Thanks to Elise, Simone, Annameika and all the other wonderful parents for assisting in making the breakfast a success. The bacon was

so generously donated by Central Coast Smallgoods and the eggs were donated by our very own Tracey L. Thanks Tracey!!!! THANK YOU ONE AND ALL!!!! Please accept my apologies if I have left anyone off my thank you list. HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all our dads for yesterday.

reminders

- **ENROL NOW for KINDERGARTEN 2012**
- **School Phone Number: 4373 1149**
- **Email: 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>**

JUMP ROPE - JUMP OFF

The children have been having a marvellous time practising their rope jumping and increasing their fitness levels. Please complete the Jump Rope for Heart Sponsor Forms in readiness for Friday's BIG Jump Off. Please see Mr Randall's separate item below.

PRINCIPAL TRAINING - LEGAL MATTERS - Preschool age children and younger

Two weeks ago I attended a session outlining certain legalities and obligations we have to uphold in the Department of Education and Communities. I am reminding parents that they are responsible for supervising younger, non-school age children whilst on school premises. Please keep a vigilant eye on your children whilst you may be assisting in the classroom or canteen. For safety and health reasons, children should not be inside the canteen, on the play equipment or roaming the school without close parent supervision.

Please make sure you know exactly where your younger children are when you are visiting the school. Thanks for your support with this matter.

I 2 3 MAGIC - PARENT TRAINING

An opportunity is available for no more than 5 parents who may be interested in attending the I 2 3 Magic Parenting Program to be held at Central Mangrove Public School on **THURSDAYS 13 October, 20 October, 27 October from 9.15am until 11am**. Please return the registration form at the bottom of the flyer attached to this newsletter by Friday 9th September.

RESPONSIBLE PET EDUCATION SESSIONS for K-2 STUDENTS

The NSW Government is providing a service to educate children on appropriate and safe behaviours when around pets, in particular dogs. How many of our children would excitedly run up to any unknown dog as if it were their own family pet???? The sessions are free and include a talk by a trained educator who brings along a fully approved pet for the session. Our sessions will be held on Monday 12th September and we have been fortunate enough to include the Year 3 students as well so all of Kindergarten and all of 1/2/3 can attend. The children will be guided to adopt and use safe practices when around their own dog as well as stray and unknown dogs. A formal permission note will be issued closer to the session date.

TIME CAPSULE - GOSFORD LIBRARY - KARIONG BRANCH

Please refer to the 15th August newsletter if you wish your child to enter the competition. Entry forms and information are available from the library. All entries are due at the library by 16th September. The children are asked to write and draw about their life here on the mountain in 2011. Our 4/5/6 students have completed this at school already and their entries will be submitted as a class group.

CANTEEN LUNCHES

Once again thanks to our great canteen mums!!!! Annamieka's pies, Elise and Mandy's mini pizzas with carrot and celery sides and Kate's chicken and corn soup and toasted ham and cheese sandwiches. Remember to check the newsletter each week for what's on the menu and when it is available. There has been a greater demand over the last two weeks with an increase of lunch orders on canteen days. Thanks for supporting our school canteen.

AUSGRID UPGRADES

Ausgrid have notified the school that there will be electrical works opposite the school for several weeks as power cables are placed underground for an upgrading of electricity to BORAL and surrounding streets. You may encounter some works outside the school as you drop off or pick up your children. Hopefully, any inconveniences will be kept to a minimum.

AFTERNOON COLLECTION OF STUDENTS

If for any reason, you will be running late in the afternoon, please contact the office as early as possible to inform us and make every endeavour to arrange for your child to be collected by a neighbour, relative or friend. Being in a small school, all three teaching staff often need to be at Professional Learning venues by a certain time and their departure time can be significantly delayed if they are waiting for a parent to collect their child. Hopefully you are never put in this situation. Thanks for your understanding and support in this matter.

INFORMATION PROVIDED by the Department of Education and Communities

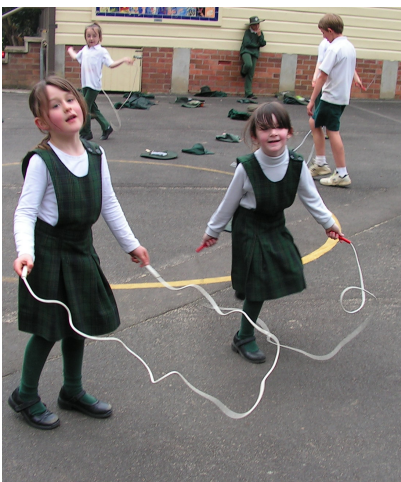
Local schools, local decisions

The Department of Education and Communities is starting a process of consultation and empowering local public schools. "The current rules and processes can make it hard for principals and teachers to respond quickly to these issues. It can be very frustrating when a decision that is made in the best interests of a student is hindered by a process that doesn't quite fit. Parents can find this difficult to understand as well," said Education Minister, Adrian Piccoli. To find out more and to have your say go to: <http://bit.ly/nyzxX8>.

Safe sparks

Electricity Safety Week (5-9 September) aims to teach children how to stay safe around electricity both at home and outdoors. Through the special Electricity Safety Week curriculum, developed by the department and NSW Science and Technology K-6 syllabus, students learn about a wide range of electrical equipment, from substations that power whole suburbs to everyday household appliances. For more information visit: www.electrickids.com.au

Garry Standen
Principal



SPORT REPORT

Jump Rope for Heart

Friday 9.15 am students are to wear sports uniform and all parents are welcome to join in for a morning of fun.

Milo Cricket Mega Clinic

On **Tuesday 6th September** at 9.00 am students of PRPS will be participating in a cricket mega clinic supplied free of charge by Milo and NSW Cricket. Students are to wear their sports uniform for a morning of fun.

Shane Randall
Sports Coordinator

LIBRARY

Book Week Performance

All students thoroughly enjoyed the "Totally Amazing" Book Week performance at Central Mangrove Public School last Tuesday.

Scholastic Book Club

All Book Club orders are due back by **Thursday 8th September**.

Julie Blair, Librarian



ASSEMBLY AWARDS-WEEK 7, TERM 3

Citizenship

Katina S., Jazz O., Thomas H., Daniel A., Marcus S., Jade W., Brendan H., Tara S.

Merit

Calib C., Connor H., Steven T., Rose K., Lily H., Kaitlyn G., Mia W., Thomas H., Isabelle A.



Bronze

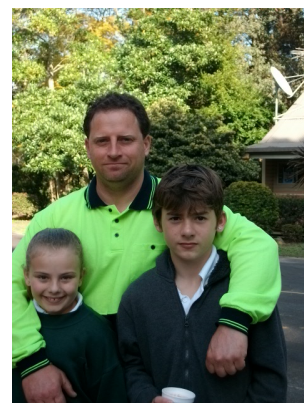
Jacob P., Gabrielle V., Sophie A.

Silver

Monique G., Tessa H.

Gold

Kayla H.



CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen days for the remainder of Term 3 are as follows:

Wednesday 7th September

Sausage in a roll **\$2.50**

Prepared by: *Annameika*

Wednesday 14th September

Chicken and corn soup with bread or
Toasted Ham & Cheese Sandwiches **\$3.00**

Prepared by: *Kate P.*

Monday 19th September

Recess - Banana Smoothies **\$2.00**

Prepared by: *Toni and Tina*

Wednesday 21st September

Meat Pies **\$3.00**

Prepared by: *Annameika*



P&C REPORT

We hope all our fathers and grandfathers had a Happy Fathers Day on Sunday. It was great to see so many of you join us for breakfast last week. Thank you to the Lawler family for the kind donation of eggs, they were delicious! A big thank you to Mr Randall, Simone, Annameika and Leanne for all your help on the day.

Our last P & C meeting for this term will be held on Wednesday 14th September at 3.15pm. Please feel free to come along and join us for a cup of tea and catch up on school news.

Elise Kemp, P & C President

SCRIPTURE NEWS - OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Week 3: *Something for School* e.g. exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, activity book, etc

All items must be new. Remember the items can't be too big as they have to fit into a shoe box with everything else.



For more information you can visit: www.operationchristmaschild.org.au or call Melinda on: 0408 701 144

COMMUNITY NEWS

Steiner School Spring Fair - Sunday, 11th September 2011

Roll up! Roll up! This year's Central Coast Steiner School Spring Fair promises more fun than ever with an old fashioned Sideshow Alley to keep the kids happy all day long!

There's also all-day live music, delicious home-made treats from the Big Top Café, a Handmade Market, the Immortal Bookshop and the younger ones can venture into the rainbow garden for bread making and live puppet shows.

Join us from 10am – 3pm at Catamaran Rd (off Enterprise Dr) Fountaindale.

Foster carer information session


Fostering isn't always easy, but if you have what it takes to make a difference to a child's life come along to a NSW Community Services information session.

To learn more

FOSTERING NSW

When: **Tuesday 13 September 2011**
Time: **7pm to 8:30pm**
Where: **Peninsula Community Centre
93 McMasters Road, Woy Woy**

To register your interest call Tanya Button or Ruth Drennan on **4321 7500**.



Family & Community Services
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www.fosteringnsw.com.au