



PEATS RIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES

TERM 2

Every Monday: Newsletter
Every Tuesday: Scripture
Every Friday: Sport

Tuesday, 6th June

PDHPE Day @
Kulnura Public School

8th June

Debating Round 3

9th June

Start Smart Workshop

12th June

Queen's Birthday
Public Holiday

13th June

Book Mobile visit
Soccer Knockout vs
Laguna PS @
Bloodtree Oval

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear students and families,

It looks like the school will be hosting the inaugural Harvest Festival markets this Saturday and I'm meeting with Sue today to nut out the final details. I encourage everyone to attend and support their local community, growers and artisans. It certainly sounds like a lot of fun!

<https://www.wyong.nsw.gov.au/getattachment/discover-wyong-shire/Harvest-Festival-Central-Coast/2017-Harvest-Festival-program.pdf.aspx>

I visited the Gosford City Farmers' Market for the first time last weekend and met quite a few mountain producers, leaving with bags full of delicious fresh fruit and vegies. I also popped into the CWA Expo at Mingara to be awed by the beautiful handicrafts and cookery made by our branch members. No wonder our students are so talented!

GRIP Student Leadership Conference

Last Monday, our Year 6 school leaders attended the GRIP Leadership Conference at Central Coast Leagues Club. Special thanks to Ange for assisting with transportation. During the practical workshops, students generated new and exciting ideas that had to meet the necessary balance of being both creative and realistic. Here is a preview of their proposals...

Leader	For students	For staff	For the community
Isabelle & Josh	Lemonade stall		\$ for charity
Angel	Make soft toys		For trauma kids
Jade	Recycle day	A teachers' lounge	
Brendan	Pet parade day		\$ for Somersby RSPCA
Thomas	Lunchtime music lessons Buddy benches	Replace playground duty with a staffroom TV and security camera monitor	Family movie night
Harry	Hall sleep-over		PJ / Jeans / Crazy Hair Day
Austin & Ryan	Colour Day	Teachers' Day Staff buffet	

Staff particularly liked the one about replacing playground duty with technology!

PBL VALUE OF THE WEEK

Respect – say 'please' and 'thank you'



Debating

Our debating team won Round 2 at Niagara Park PS last Wednesday on the topic: 'Should year 5 and above be able to use social media eg Facebook?' Peats Ridge was the Opposition or Negative team and I heard it on good authority that it was Thomas' excellent arguments that tipped the scales in our favour. We wish our team all the best for Round 3 this Thursday and community members are most welcome to join the audience in our hall at 9am (8th June).

Amazing Ants!

Last Friday, P1 and P2 classes participated in a Video Conference lesson hosted by Botany Bay Environmental Education Centre with students from Conargo PS, outside of Deniliquin. We were amazed to hear the school is even smaller than Peats with a total enrolment of just 12 students! In the one-hour session, we explored the amazing world of ants together and scientifically labelled a freehand diagram of an ant. They were delighted to see 'Antzilla'- an impressive sculpture created by the Page triplets out of recycled materials. Christina also wowed us with her page of home research on fire ants.

Start Smart Financial Literacy

This Friday, P1 and P2 will take part in the Commonwealth Bank's Start Smart program. It's never too early to teach children the value of money and research indicates that it is crucial to develop financial literacy skills from an early age. The program teaches these skills in a way that students can understand and enjoy. It was developed with a panel of leading specialists in primary education, cognitive development, instructional design and financial literacy. Read more about it at:

<http://www.startsmart.com.au/primary/program-overview/>

Small Schools' PD/H/PE Day

Tomorrow, Kariong PS is hosting a PD/H/PE Day for the four mountains schools with 12 different activities for students to enjoy. Participating special guests and services include: Surf Ed, NSW Rugby League, St Johns First Aid, NSW PCYC, Fire Brigade, Living Safely with Dogs, NRMA Science and Road Safety and Rumbalara EEC. It's shaping up to be a fantastic day and Google weather is displaying a big, yellow sun. Please wear full sports uniform and remember hats, sunscreen, water, lunch and recess (if not ordering). The bus is free.

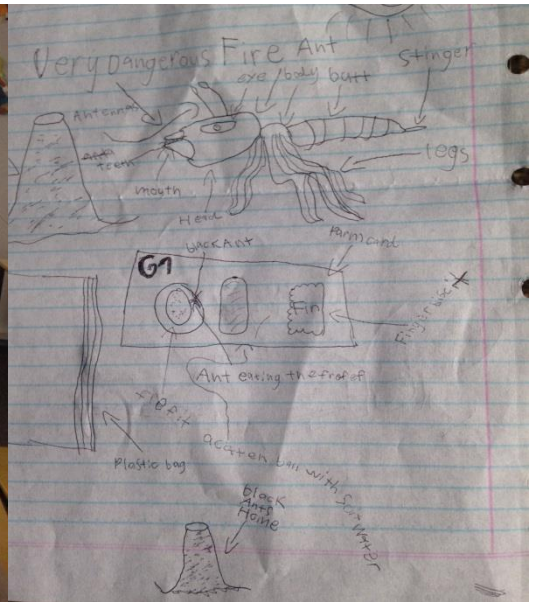
Next week, we wish our soccer team success in the knockout against Laguna PS on Tuesday and I hope all Year 5 and 6 students have returned their notes for the Kariong Mountains Sport Gala Day next Friday. ICAS Writing will also be held Tuesday morning and ICAS Spelling on Wednesday.

Welcome to our new Year 3 student Beau and we're glad you've settled in so well!

Have a wonderful long weekend everyone!

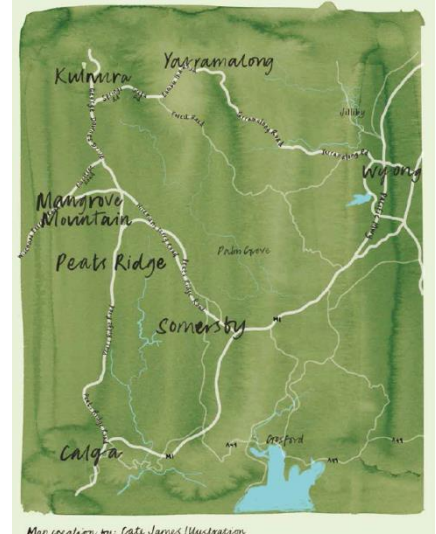
Ms Austin

Relieving Principal



THERE WILL BE NO **KIDS IN THE KITCHEN THIS** **WEEK**





Want to learn how to cook something unique?

Come and sample some delicious indigenous cooking with a modern twist.

Emu and Egg mini breaky roll – Crocodile Coconut Curry – Lemon Myrtle Iced Tea – Kangaroo Tartlet.

All demonstrations will be at the farmers markets.

10 JUNE 8am – 1pm



Come along and enjoy the music and festivities! 🎵🎵🎵🎵 open mic 🎤 for those whom like to perform 🎭

With delicious food, a little wine, and great coffee. There will be camel rides, craftsmen demonstrations, face painting and cooking and composting workshops. And, of course the freshest, local produce to take home.