



PEATS RIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES

TERM 1

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

2 April

Easter Monday

3 April

Beekeeper visit

4 April

Privilege Day –
Cooking with honey

6 April

Small Schools
Cross Country
@ Central Mangrove

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear students and families,

We've had a lot of celebrations lately and it was lovely to share two lots of birthday treats yesterday. Logan brought in a scrumptious tower of doughnuts with blue 'Frozen' decorations for everyone and I was surprised with a tray of delicious cupcakes. It's a wonder anyone had any tummy space left for Easter eggs!

Easter Celebrations

Every year, I'm amazed by the huge effort and enormous creativity that has gone into everyone's Easter hats. Each one was a work of art and judging is always a very difficult. Thank you to our hardworking CWA

ladies for helping us with this task- Margaret, Kaye and Lesley- and awarding the certificates and prizes. Our P&C President Lauren, emailed me this morning with the happy news that she totally underestimated the profit from the raffle- instead of \$250, we raised \$400!! A fantastic effort by our wonderful P&C. To top the day off, Lesley and Darren generously gave a big choc rabbit to every student after the Easter egg hunt and I've never seen such happy faces on the way home, arms laden with bonnets, bunnies and bounty!



SRE Easter Service

Last Tuesday, our super SRE volunteers organised a special Easter service for our students with songs, interesting props and a re-enactment of the Easter story. Special thanks to Mary, Frances, Marisa, Allan and Mel for all their hard work at such a busy time and we greatly appreciate their dedication to our school.

DART Connections Video Conferences



P1 and P2 enjoyed two more interactive video conferences in the library last week. The Australian Museum presentation on 'Minibeasts Magnified' explored the exciting and diverse world of invertebrates. Students learned how to identify common groups of invertebrates and why they are vitally important, comprising over 95% of all animals on Earth! Gardening Australia's Costa Georgiadis was definitely the most interesting and entertaining so far. He spoke on the important topic of 'Biosecurity: Goodies & Baddies'. He introduced biosecurity warriors who have exciting and interesting jobs using science, technology, research – and even dogs – to stop diseases that make our people, our crops, our native animals and insects sick.



PBL VALUE OF THE WEEK

*Excellence –
Keep hands and
feet to yourself*



The final VC for this term is next Tuesday and just for P2 on Parliament House, in preparation for Stage 3's excursion to Canberra.

School Facelift Update

With the painters busy in the office and drop sheets over everything, my desk has been temporarily moved into the library along with the fish. The ceilings are finished and looking very fresh, any marks on the walls have been patched and the green undercoat has been applied. Things are moving along quickly and the carpet layers will arrive next.

Bee-ing Bee-utiful P-BEE-L Learners

Next Tuesday, bee keeper Mr Guy Challis, will be our special guest speaker at 10am. Parents and younger siblings are welcome to join us. He is accredited with the Amateur Bee Keepers Assoc of Australia and very passionate about our fuzzy little friends. Afterwards, we'll sample different kinds of honey. Then on Wednesday, as our PBL Privilege Day activity, we're going to make 'Honey Bubble Crunch' to take home- yum!



School Plan 2018~20

More good news is that after a lot of consultation, thought and discussion our School Plan 2018~20 has been endorsed by the Director and Cooida AECG (Aboriginal Education Consultative Group). A copy will be available on our school website soon and available at our next P&C meeting early Term 2.

Vouchers Due Tue 3rd April!

Our collection boxes have been overflowing with vouchers and time is running out soon. Please bring them all in by April 3rd so we can send the bags off and claim our rewards!

Keep practicing for our Cross Country Carnival at Central Mangrove PS this Friday and so far, the weather is looking good- keep your fingers crossed!



Ms Austin Principal (rel)







SOMERSBY SCAMPER CROSS COUNTRY FUN RUN

SUNDAY 29TH APRIL 2018 – 8:30AM

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2019 SELECTIVE CLASS INFORMATION EVENING

WEDNESDAY APRIL 11, 6PM

A class for engaged, high performing students who thrive in a collaborative, high expectation learning environment that utilises best practice contemporary teaching strategies, staff trained in our "Ready to Fly" framework for gifted and talented students and offering enrichment and acceleration to optimise student success in both mandatory and self-chosen areas of study. Graduates from our first selective classes are now in the tertiary placements of their choice – a definite indicator of the early success of this program.

Information will be provided on how this class operates across Years 7-12, additional opportunities for students also talented in CAPA, Technology and Sport and the selective placement process for meeting the standard required for admittance into this class.

Please see our website to complete an expression of interest in our Selective Class 2019.

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