NEWSLETTER
25th July 2016
Week 1 Term 3 (Week B)
Office Hours 8:45am - 3:30pm

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honourable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable.
Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. Philippians 4:8 NLT

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 3!
The Professional Learning week for staff covered a number of very important areas. One of the key opportunities that we had during this time was to be able to recognise the professional achievements of some of our staff. This was an opportunity to acknowledge two of our staff members who have achieved Proficient Teacher qualifications from the Board of Studies Teaching and Educational Standards (NSW).
Miss Hollie Oates and Mrs Elizabeth White have spent the best part of eighteen months working towards this particular qualification. This qualification will be a requirement of all teachers in NSW by the beginning of 2018. It is so good to see so many of our teachers who have already completed this requirement.
One of the other topics covered with our staff was Youth Mental Health. Statistics show that one-in-five people will suffer from a mental health issue at any given time. And one-in-two will experience mental health issues in their lifetime.
We had the pleasure of Dianne Gill from the Rural Adversity Mental Health Program present an extremely timely and professional experience for us. One of the most important parts of this session was making our staff aware of the resources available in our local area. It is very easy for everyone to overlook the aspects of mental or emotional health. We can be so focused on physical or spiritual health we ignore this very important dimension of who we are.
I define being “healthy” as being able to make good decisions about ourselves. So being mentally healthy is about being able to make good decisions for our lives. Someone who is mentally unhealthy, are unable to or struggle to make those decisions necessary for good health. Proverbs 17:22 tells us that “a joyful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.” I am sure that we have all had times when we feel that our spirit has been crushed. Many with a mental illness will feel like that all the time.
Philippians 4:7 tells where we can find peace. “And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

Enrolments
2017 Enrolments are now open. Please email administration@parkescs.nsw.edu.au if you have any questions or require an application to enrol.
Enrolments for 2017 Kindergarten are filling up; if you know someone wanting to enrol, please encourage them to do so as soon as possible.

2017 Pre-Kinder Information Night
Thursday 4th August 2016
7:00pm

Back Trundle Road, Parkes
Ph: 6862 4164 administration@parkescs.nsw.edu.au

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Term 3 ends Friday 23rd September  
Term 4 begins Monday 10th October

PARKES COMMUNITY CHURCH

ALL WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR OUR WORSHIP SERVICE
Every Sunday - 10:00 am @ the School Hall
31st July Preacher - Mr Jeffrey Evans
7th August Preacher - Mr Paul Heavers
**Children’s Book Week**

*Children’s Book Week*

*Australia: Story Country*

Week 5 is Children’s Book Week and to celebrate K-6 students and teachers will be dressing up as an **Australian book character** on Wednesday 24th August. This can be anything from a well-known animal character such as Grandma Poss in Possum Magic, or a person in Australian History books such as Captain Cook or a fiction book character.

We will be celebrating with a special primary assembly at 10am. All parents are welcome to join us.

**PCS Welcomes Mrs Leah O’Rourke**

Parkes Christian School is excited to welcome Mrs Leah O’Rourke to our teaching team for Term 3. Leah will be teaching Visual and Creative Arts from Kindergarten to Year 4. We cannot wait to see her creativity inspire our students.

**Red Shield Appeal**

Once again students from Years 7-10 participated in the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal. Students had a great time door knocking and were able to collect $293 for the Salvation Army.

Thanks to the support of the community in the area we covered, and to Rosemary from the Salvation Army who came out to our school to share with us about the great work of the Salvos! We look forward to next year!

Miss Harris

**2017 Parkes Show**

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Is open to Parkes & District competitors.

Entrants are judged on presentation, dress in smart casual or in a show theme.

Nominations must be entered with the Show Secretary by 1pm on Tuesday 30 August.

Judging will take place on Tuesday at 2.10pm on the stage in front of the Grandstand.

An adult must accompany all entrants to the stage area in preparation for judging.

Prizes: All entrants receive a McDonalds’ voucher and a Parkes Show ribbon.

1st Prize is a book donated by Parkes Cellars.

Please contact Chief Steward Lisa Bicket on 0427652262 for further information.

**Primary Assemblies** are now **Friday Afternoon at 2.20pm** in the school hall.

Please feel welcome to bring Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles and Friends.
P&F Committee of Parkes Christian School

Spring Fair 2016

Saturday 10 September
9:00am - 2:00pm
Back Trundle Road, Parkes

ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL AGES

Market Stalls
Arts + Crafts
Refreshments
Plants
Games
Cake Stall
Face Painting
Trash + Treasure
and loads more

All interested stallholders please download the stall application from our website www.parkescs.nsw.edu.au
Parkes Christian School - 243 Back Trundle Road, Parkes NSW 2870
Phone: (02) 6862 4164  Email: administration@parkescs.nsw.edu.au
SPRING FAIR
Parke's Christian School
Parents & Friends Committee

Back Trundle Road, Parkes
From 9am
Saturday, 10 September 2016

For further information, please contact Jacqui on 0407 373 733

I'm willing to help, so I don't forget. I'm volunteering.

The PCS Parents & Friends would love your help!

PCS CAR SPRING FAIR 2016
HALEY FAIR | HAVE FUN

| Contract Number: |
| Name: |

☐ Time - with pack down from 2pm
☐ between 9am/pm x 2am/pm

Volunteer Time on a Stand

☐ Pens, in a zip lock bag - by 1/9/2016
☐ Small toys, hair accessories, stickers,
☐ Goodies for Tombola (wrapped lollies,
☐ Quality Second Hand Goods,
☐ Memorabilia etc.
☐ Tissues, Dinner for Two, Sporting
☐ Donation of Action Items (fuel,
☐ Lemonade for Lemonade
☐ Baking (cake, slice or sweets)
☐ Plants for the Plant Stand
☐ Funds ($)
☐ Time - with set up from 7.30am

I can contribute:

Note: this section and send back to the school office by

Friday 13 August 2016.
LEMONS FOR OUR SPRING FAIR

One of our most popular stalls at our last Spring Fair was the refreshing lemonade stall.

We are planning to make this year’s bigger and better BUT we need your help.

As this is the time lemons are ready for harvest, and in abundance, can I encourage donations of any extra lemons, to our school’s lemonade stall.

You can either drop these into the office or if you have time, please juice and put in zip lock bags already frozen.

Any questions please see or ring the school office.

Miss Hollie Oates

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SPARKS kids club

.... returns Thursday 21st July

**Who?** Primary Age Kids in Years 3 to 6

**When?** Thursdays from 4.30pm to 6.30pm during School Terms

**What?** Games, Bible teaching, Singing, Craft Activity Sheets, Small group chats, more Games AND Dinner is included !!!

**Where?** Parkes Baptist Church Hall Corner Currajong & Church Streets

**Cost?** $3 per child or $5 for a family

**Term fees also available**

**Contact?** Julie Layton 0427 606 818 or Jenna Field 0447 250 738

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Central West Autism & Special Needs Awareness Group

*Our aim is to create awareness, provide information, and offer support to families of children with special needs, in the Central West of NSW.*

**Awareness – Understanding – Acceptance**

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**All are welcome to attend our meetings!**

**When** – Monday mornings, 9:30-11:30am

**Venue** – Generosity Church (located in Bogan street next to the library)

For more information, please contact the facilitators of the group –

* Deb Collier and Angela Wilson

Email: cwaautismspecialneeds@gmail.com

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**Dates for 2016 Meetings**

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**CREATIVE ARTS & DESIGN**

**YEAR TWELVE | 2016**

A showcase of major works and performances

OPENING NIGHT: 7:00pm, Thursday 28th July 2016

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