FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to all the students who entered races at the school swimming carnival in support of their houses. They all showed great sportsmanship and a number of new records were set.

Mr David Simes - Principal

Exemptions

There have been some changes to the rules for Principals providing exemptions to students. Families are no longer able to gain exemptions when taking children on holidays or to funerals. From now on, if your child is absent due to holidays or deaths in the family, he/she will be recorded as absent.

Volunteers Working with Children Check

Please note that all volunteers in our school now must sign a declaration to say they are not disqualified from working with children. This does not cost any money. The teachers will have forms in their classrooms for you to sign. Please note that this is a legal statute and is now mandatory in all organisations that work with children. Forms will also be available to sign at the main office. You only have to fill the form in once for the year and it covers all times you assist with school activities.

Head Lice

Head lice are on the prowl! Please be mindful to continually check your children’s heads. Most children end up with head lice at some point in time. Lice are not fussy about whose head they live on! If a staff member finds head lice on your child, you will receive a note or phone call to inform you. We also send a note home to all students in the class so that their heads can be checked and preventative measures put in place. Girls should wear their long hair up or braided as that does help to prevent the spread of lice.

Primary Sport

There will be no swimming for sport this week due to the Parkes High swimming carnival. Students will participate in class sport on Wednesday instead. Swimming will resume next week.

Ruth Murray - 3/4OR

- Ruth is a pleasant natured student who strives to achieve her personal best every day.
- She is a quiet and conscientious student
- Is helpful and responsible
- Ruth always wears correct school uniform and participates in a variety of school activities with enthusiasm.

Ruth is a pleasure to have in 3/4OR

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WEEK 4 TERM 1
16th February 2015
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PBL
Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)
Show Respect, Be Responsible, Have a Positive Attitude

Library News

What a fantastic start to the year with the majority of students borrowing.

Library Changes

3/4DW will have library on Tuesday this week instead of Thursday morning.

Congratulations to the 2015 Library Monitors:
Breeanna Lowe
Ella MacGregor
Sarah Field
Brayden Chappel
Malakai Folau
Molly Orr
Teagan Smede
Toby Field
Kelsey Hubbard
Jack McMaster
Liam Smyman
Ruth Murray

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Middleton Public School students will have the opportunity to be involved in the Premier’s Reading Challenge. This is a special initiative of the NSW Government, to foster a love of literature and encourage children to read widely for leisure and for pleasure. The Premier will send a signed certificate to all students who meet the Challenge.

The K-2 Challenge is to experience 30 books from a booklist. The books can be read to the child, read by the child or in a shared reading situation.

The 3-6 Challenge is to read 20 books, with at least 15 of these books chosen from the Premier’s reading booklist.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge starts in February and finishes in August. Come on take up the challenge! If your child is interested in taking up the challenge they can let me know in library lessons this week and I will send home the record sheet. If you would like more information please come and see me.

Premier’s Reading Challenge reading logs went home with Kindergarten last week.

Helen Standen - Librarian

Awards

Congratulations to the children who were presented with Student of the Week Ribbons for their effort last week:
Oliver Hill (KH), Leela Bradley (KP), Giaan Paletua (1M), Layla Quade (1/2SG), Mackenzie Pabis (2W), Breeanna Lowe (3/4DW), Lillianna Walton (3/4M), Iesa Smith (3/4OR), Sam Gregson (5/6E), Shelby Holmes (5/6H), Troy Paton (Mrs Dean), Hugh MacGregor (Mrs O’Donnell) and Bailey Hargraves (Mrs Standen). Well Done!!

Merit Certificates -
Swimming Carnival / K-2 Sport:

Primary Sports: Jackson Dolbel
Infants Sports: Bayley Callaghan

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3/4DW Helpers Needed
3/4DW are looking for parent/grandparent helpers to assist with Reading groups on Mondays and Tuesdays from 12.20pm to 1.10pm. If you could even help out on one of these days it would greatly assist us. Please let the office know.

Ms Davies
### Canteen Roster

- **18.02.15** Wednesday  
  J Milne, K Westcott

- **20.02.15** Friday  
  J Onley, E Quade

- **23.02.15** Monday  
  E Mrak, S Taylor

- **25.02.15** Wednesday  
  N Edwards, L Johnson

### Tracksuit Jackets

An order will be placed very soon for school tracksuits. The tracksuit has the school logo on it. If you wish to purchase one for your child to wear this winter you must order now. A $20 deposit is required with the order. Jackets are $50 and Pants $25.

Mrs B Osborne - Canteen Manager

### Waste To Art

Needed for our waste to art creation for 2015:

- **small soft coloured balls**
- **Plastic swords**
- **dowel**
- **round silver lids of all sizes ie Milo tins**
- Collecting all year - small coloured tops/lids for our “Fantastic Plastic Garden”!

### Infants Sport

Congratulations to the following students who received sportsmanship awards for Week 3: Domonic Meers, Logan Roberts, Maddison Doering, Emma Walton, Hayden Lamond, Lilly Gosper, Cooper Fliedner, Tarlei Glastonbury, Ebbie Parker, Lachlan Lowe, Mackenzie Pabis and Ryan Snyman.

It is wonderful to see students participating in weekly sport with respect, responsibility and demonstrating a positive attitude.

Well done to all infants students.  
Mrs Mackenzie

### Boys Cricket Team

*Training Dates are as follows at school:*  
Wednesday 11th Feb 3.20pm - 4.30pm,  
Tuesday 17th February lunch times at school  
Wednesday 18th February—game against Parkes Public School at Keast Park.  
Mrs D Grady

### Lachlan Tennis Trials

Today Jay Arrow, Alex Williams, Anna Westcott, Joshua Winter and Breanna Weekes attended the Lachlan Tennis trials.  
Congratulations to Jay Arrow for his selection to attend the Western Tennis trials in a couple of weeks. All students showed great skill and sportsmanship. Well done

### Canteen News

#### Canteen Roster

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### Year 4 2LVR Radio Program

Last chance this week for Stage 2 students to be included in the 2LVR Radio Program. Students become radio announce at a real radio station. Please see Mrs Orr if you are interested or need more information.

### WANTED

**Name:** YOU!!  
**When:** Fridays 12.20pm to 1.50pm  
**Crime:** Assisting in Mosaics with Stage 2

**REWARD:** satisfaction in helping make Middleton Public School an even better place to learn and achieve!

**Also wanted in relation to above:** Any donated materials that the children could use to make their mosaics that will be used in the school grounds to help make it a more beautiful place to attend!
Parkes PCYC after school care program is back in operation for 2015. Our new Kidzcare co-ordinator Susan Starr has lots of new exciting activities for the children to enjoy. Activities include craft, IKI/Fitness, games, science and discovery and cooking. A new activity will be available each day and will cycle to a different day each week over a 5 week period. KidzCare is a Child Care Benefit subsidized After School & Vacation Care program for children from Kindergarten to Yr6. It runs from 3pm to 6pm during school terms & 8.30am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday in school holiday periods. Children are supervised by PCYC staff & volunteers, all of whom have had Working with Children Checks completed. KidzCare is registered under the National Quality Standard & applies the National Quality Framework.

Enquiries: Amanda Sutton  
KidzCare Co-ordinator  
Phone: 6862 3825

The Girl Guides will be holding a Registration evening for all girls aged 5-18 years who are interested in finding out about joining Girl Guides.

Time: 6.00pm onwards until end of unit meeting.  
Date: Monday 16th February  
Place: Parkes Girl Guides Hall - 4 Cecile St Parkes (just down from the Council building)

All three Leaders will be present to discuss Guiding with interested parents/caregivers and the girls, as well as a representative of the Guides Support Group.

A BBQ will be held to welcome all who come along on the evening.

Further details will be in Monday's issue of the Champion Post.

Sue Stibbon  
President- Parkes Girl Guides Support Group.

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**Parkes Junior Rugby Union Club Inc**

Invites interested players for the 2015 season

ALL WELCOME - no matter your size, skill or ability

Under 7s – Under 17s

Registration: Tuesday 10th & 17th February @ Spicer Oval from 5.30pm

Juniors (13-17 years) $100, Walla (9-11 years) $75, (under 7s) $65

Get active, Get into it – Rugby Union!

Enquiries: Dan Wright 0407 013 691

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