Park Avenue State School
Newsletter
29th October 2015
OUR BEST ALWAYS

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From the Principal’s Desk

WORLD TEACHERS’ DAY
This year’s theme for the day
‘Empowering teachers, building sustainable societies.’
Take a moment this Friday to thank a teacher ☺☺

Working Bee
Thank you to students, staff and parents that helped out at this term’s working bee. It was only a skeleton crew on the day but the work completed really added to that of our volunteer gardeners who have worked tirelessly throughout this year to establish colour and greenery in the school’s many garden beds. I’ve even heard some talk about entering next year’s gardening competitions!

Spelling Bee
Two of our Year Six students, Ezra and James, made good their last opportunity to beautify the school. Working bee regulars they planted basil, coriander and rocket around the border of the school’s central raised garden on Saturday. At the Term Three working bee these great PA leaders were part of the team that planted the lettuce, parsley, rosemary, mint and strawberries that are now well established. The boys would love to see parents and their children come along and pick some lettuce leaves and herbs from the scented garden for a summer salad. Make sure you pop in for a nibble.

How Fascinating is Your Fascinator?
Next Tuesday students are invited to wear a homemade hat / fascinator.
Student of the Week Award Winners

These students have been working exceptionally well in their classrooms. Congratulations to each and every one on being respectful, responsible and a learner.

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<td>Sensei Akiko (LOTE)</td>
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All this month’s birthday stars were in last fortnight’s newsletter!

**Rosalie Features in Cheer Leading Competition**

Recently Rosalie participated in The Oceania World Cup Cheer and Dance finals. The event was held in the Jupiter’s Casino Theatre at the Gold Coast during the September school break.

In the Asia Pacific team cheer Rosie’s team was awarded a Highly Commended against a large international field.

Roscie usually takes the front spot in the cheers and is even sometimes one of those courageous flyers soaring above her team mates.

Rosies’ team, CQ Thunder, qualified for the 2016 World Cheerleading Grand finals in Hawaii!

Congratulations Rosie!

**BOOK FAIR**

The November School Book Fair is on again

Books can be purchased:-

- **Tuesday 17th** 8:30 – 9:00am & 3:00 – 3:30pm
- **Wednesday 18th** 8:30 – 9:00am & 3:00 – 3:30pm
- **Thursday 19th** 8:30 – 9:00am & 3:00 – 3:30pm
- **Friday 20th** 8:30am – 9:00 am only.

Books always make a great Christmas Gift

**Chocolate Money**

Chocolate $$$$$ must be returned now! Please 😊
**Holiday Packs**

Did you know that if your child engages in reading and maths activities during the long Christmas break that it will benefit them **HUGELY** in their next year of school. Because of this Park Avenue State School, in partnership with the Rockhampton Rotary Clubs, offer educational holiday packs for sale at the end of every year. Due to Rotary’s wonderful sponsorship we are able to provide you with these packs at a nominal price of $5.

Not only are these packs educational they are FUN time fillers for your child 😊!

Holiday Packs are available again this year for Preps to Year Four students. Packs include a brand new reading book, colouring in pencils and a number of educational activity booklets that will keep them entertained.

Please ensure your orders are in and with payment to the office by the end of Week Five, Friday 6th November. **Packs will be distributed in the last week of the school year.** Sorry, no late orders. Forms are available at the office if required.

**SENIORS’ CAMP**

Park Avenue’s Year 5 and Year 6 students are looking forward to their camp at the Cooee Bay Recreational Centre!

**Are you up to date?**

- Returned permission and medical notes □ Check!
- Paid 2x $50 deposit □ Check!
- Read the information note and checked you have the clothing & equipment that will be needed on camp □ Check!
- Ready to pay the next instalment of $50 next week □ Check!
- Ready for a great time!!! □ Check!!!

**IF YOUR CHILD TURNS FIVE BY JUNE 2016, ENROL NOW. Information and enrolment packs are now available from the office.**

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ECDP from Jan’s Group

Developing group social skills is an important part of our programme at the ECDP. These skills include sharing, turn-taking, following someone’s lead or idea, planning and problem solving together to achieve a common goal. We develop and practice these skills through co-operative play. The photos below show the wonderful progress the children in my groups have made in this area. This play has occurred without adult initiation or intervention.

A runway built together

A Cooking Competition

Working together on a rail track for their trains

Being grey elephants balancing on a piece of string. Totally child instigated!!!
Early Childhood Development Program

Pauline’s Thursday and Fridays groups

This term we are reading and making our own books about ‘The Very Hungry Caterpillar’. The children love to read along with this delightful story and predict what is going to happen next. The story also allows the children to count the food, taste and talk about healthy foods, compare big and small caterpillars, and learn about metamorphosis. This week we have been busy making our own Very Hungry Caterpillar headbands.
Parents and Citizens Association Newsletter Update

P & C Meeting – Please make sure you have contacted one of the committee members with any agenda items you would like discussed at the P&C Meeting. See you there!!

Chocolate Drive - Don’t forget that all Chocolate Drive money is required by the end of this month. We do have some left over boxes that we are selling at a discounted rate at the Office. Grab a bargain!

Working Bee – A huge thank you to everyone who turned up to the Working Bee last Saturday. Many hands make light work and the joint effort has made a huge improvement to the school grounds especially the marathon whipper snip of the footpaths, the application of the woodchip to many of the garden beds as well as a few more plants added to the central garden. Well done team!

New Tuckshop times!

Tuesday – First Break

Thursday – Second Break

ONLY!

Due to limited volunteers we have had to close the Tuckshop for the first break until such times we have more volunteers who can offer their time of a Thursday morning. We will be open from 8:30am Thursday morning for Breakfast Club and will be taking orders. The Tuckshop will be staffed from 11am where drinks and Icy Poles will be on sale and orders can be made for Second Break.

We do apologise for the closure for the first break but without more volunteers, it is too much for one person.

Thank you for the continued efforts of our volunteers.

Without your assistance the Tuckshop would be completely closed!

Disco – There is a Gold Coin Entry Fee to the Disco on the 6 November 2015. This entitles you to entry and a Glow Stick. Hot Food and Cold Drinks will be on sale. Doors open from 5:30pm and we will be set to Rock n Roll the night away until 7:30pm. Come in your favourite Rock n Roll outfit!!

Batteries – We are still collecting all types of batteries but we now need you to contact Tess on 0416 606 669 to arrange pick up or drop off times.