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Forbes Eisteddfod

During the last week of Term 2, Parkes East’s Dance Ensemble and Choir competed at Forbes in their annual Eisteddfod.

The Dance Ensemble performed their “Greased Lightning” routine and were absolutely thrilled to be awarded first place in the Primary Dance Section. The group have been invited to take part in the Grand Concert which will be on Saturday 23 July.

The Parkes East Choir performed beautifully to take first place in the School Small Choir section. The children were delighted and the adjudicator was impressed with their discipline, choreography and ability to sing in two parts.

Parkes East BOOK FAIR

Thank you to the families who supported our Book Fair. We took $1543.85 in sales. We also spent Mrs Terrill’s Legacy of $580. The total $2123.90 meant that we earn $637.17 in commission! This money was also spent on books.

PARKES EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL PLAY GROUP

Playgroup will commence on Monday, 25 July, Week 2 Term 3. Playgroup will run every Monday from 9.30am-11.00am and every Thursday from 12 noon until 1.30pm.

Please contact the school to confirm that you and your child will be attending and on what day. Thank you.

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Merit Certificates for Week 10

KE: Thimansa Sarathchandra, Archie Rix

K/1H: Rachel Vaughan, Mason Bayliss-Cox

1/2J: Hannah Dickson, Harrison Bayliss

2/3L: Jolie Norman

3/4M: Casey Cavickas, Tatiana Mitchell Hoey

5/6F: Skye McGarrity, Larissa Chatman

Mrs Wright: Braith Murray, Cori Turner, Bradley Angrave

Mr Ranger: Skye McGarrity, Damian Thornton

Good Deed: Tatiana Lee

Maroon Pennants: Chase James, Luke Knowles, Sadeesha Saranthchandra, Mikaylah Sallows and James Ellery

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State Hockey Championships at Tamworth

During Week 10 of Term 2, William Cassell represented Western at the New South Wales P.S.S.A. Hockey Championships at Tamworth. William started the carnival well by scoring Western’s first goal of the Championship in their first game!

Western played 7 games over the 3 days, and the standard of hockey was extremely high. Western played very well as a team, showing great skills and sportsmanship, they finished 4th overall, which was a great result.

William was a fine ambassador for our school both on and off the field and will benefit greatly from this fantastic experience.

YEAR 6 STUDENTS

If you have not already done so, please bring a copy of your kindergarten photo to school, together with any photos of school events over the years.

Please bring them to the school office by this Friday. Thank you.

Our carers for our kids - become a carer

Aboriginal carers provide Aboriginal kids with a safe and caring home when they can’t live at home with their own family. This helps kids stay connected with their culture and community.

You don’t need to have lots of money or a flash house - but you do need to love kids and be able to give them a safe and loving home. There are different types of carers - kinship carers, foster carers, and respite carers who look after kids for a short time.

Local foster carers are needed to provide care for children and young people. Foster carers provide short (eg., one weekend a month) or longer term care.

Individuals, couples and families from varied cultural backgrounds, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, are encouraged to apply.

All carers receive training, support and financial assistance.

Can you help? To find out more call: Anne Stewart, Parkes Community Services Centre on 68612100.

Carers receive a fortnightly allowance to help with the cost of caring for kids. You need to be over 18 become a carer.

Aboriginal Carers needed!

PARKES P&H ASSOCIATION

Entries are now being accepted for Parkes Show (to be held at the end of August).

Categories include:

- Junior needlework
- Craft

More details are available from the school office or Parkes Show Office, Welcome Street, Parkes.

Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6) 2011 Excursion

Monday October 31 - Thursday November 3

Don’t forget our great camp to Lake Burrendong. We are on count down ............

only 15 weeks to go!

The deposit was $25. We are very happy for parents to pay for the remainder of the excursion weekly or in small amounts as final payment needs to be made by Monday, October 24.

We will be participating in the high ropes course, flying fox, rock climbing, bush walking, grass skiing, mountain biking, abseiling, also in water sports, including water polo, raft building, kayaking and canoeing and, if the weather permits we may camp out under the stars! Great things to do and share and a very exciting time for us all.