School concludes at 3.10pm this Friday for the holidays. Students return to school on **Monday, 10 October**

**What's Ahead . . .**

**21 Sept**
50th Anniversary Meeting 7.00pm
Staffroom

**22 Sept**
Yrs 1/2 Excursion, School Social — Stages 2 and 3

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**Regional Spelling Bee**

Our most worthy school representatives had mixed fortunes at Dubbo. Josephine Bayliss (Stage 2), Amy Jones (Stage 3) and Hayley Woods (Stage 3) were all eliminated in the Second Round. Jaycob Ruge made it through to the Fifth Round where he finished as the runner up for the entire region in Stage 2. We are so very proud of all of these students.

**Another Term Over!!!!!!**

Just where do the weeks go? It seems like yesterday that we just started the term yet here we are in Week 10! Next we’ll be complaining about it almost being Christmas.

Thanks to our many, many parent and community helpers and supporters. Particularly with transporting students to sport events. Your assistance is very much appreciated.

A **HUGE well done** to Jaycob Ruge on his fine effort to finish in second place at the Regional Spelling Bee.

Have a great week and a most enjoyable school holidays.

Michael Ostler

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**SCHOOL SOCIAL—STAGES 2 AND 3**

All children in Stages 2 and 3 are invited to the end of term social on Thursday, 22 September

Parkes East School Hall from 7-9pm

**Theme: Country Kids**

Come dressed in your jeans, put on a checked shirt, pop on a hat and come along. Even, if you don’t feel like dressing up, still come along!

Cost $3 (includes two hours of fun, dancing, games and a drink). **Students need to be signed in when they arrive and signed out when they leave.**

**CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM 3 and 4**

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**Merit Certificates for Term 3 Week 9**

**KE:** Mary Sladden, Archie Rix

**1/2J:** Marley O’Shannessy, Adelaide White

**2/3L:** Brayden Varcoe, Jayden Terrill, Chloe Stevenson

**3/4M:** Rebecca Austin-Linsley, Adam Vaughan

**3/4N:** Callum Peters

**5/6D:** Bradley Williams, Chloe Ingram

**5/6F:** Cody Morley, Greg Townsend

**Good Deed Award:** William Cassell

**Love of Reading:** Heidi McPherson

**Mrs Wright:** Ebony Hunter, Greg Townsend

**Mr Ranger:** Riley Ross

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**SRC Reports**

**Talent Quest**

Don’t forget to enter the 2011 Talent Quest. Entry forms are available from your classroom teacher.

**Thank you**

The children at Parkes East Public School would like to thank **Video Ezy** for donating the special Kids Cards. These cards entitle a child to one free G or PG kid’s weekly movie during the school holidays.
Thank you for your fabulous support.
To date we have received 14190 vouchers!

**SPRING**

Year 2/3L have been writing stories about what Spring makes them feel. Mrs Lindsay was so pleased with her students’ stories that we would like to showcase some in The Parrot, congratulations class 2/3L.

**Spring, by Jasmine Peters**

In Spring it feels like you are bouncing on clouds and flying like a bird through the sky. Spring can be so magical because it feels like you're a princess riding on her giant butterfly. In Spring new babies are born and animals are more playful. In Spring flower buds open into flowers.

**SPRING IS SPECTACULAR.**

**Spring, by Rachel Ostler**

I like Spring because it’s a time when flowers come out. Daisies, roses and bottle brush are all flowering. Spring is not too hot and not too cold. It’s a peaceful time. It’s when more animals have babies. Butterflies come out of their cocoons. It's a happy feeling. The grass is very soft. When it’s Spring I want to lay down and fall asleep. I feel like putting my arms out and spinning around. I like to sit down and make a daisy chain.

Spring is a great season.

**Spring, by Liam Tory**

A beautiful time when birds are pretty. I really wish it would last all year but I guess that might be the opposite for others. I love the flowers, and the leaves are coming back. All the animals come out from hibernation. I think I’d like a farm of animals. That’s why I like Spring.

**Spring, by Cooper Kearney**

Spring is awesome because you can go swimming some times. Spring is good because you can play sports. You can hear the wonderful birds singing. Spring is a good season to go fishing and camping. Spring is a great.

**Spring, by Hayley Nixon-Turner**

Spring is birds laying eggs, Spring is soft grass. Spring is a lovely breeze and lovely birds. Spring is perfect because it is not too hot and not too cold. Spring is perfect days to me.

**Looking for Sharks**

Parkes Swimming club will be holding their registration day for the 2011/12 season on Saturday 1 October at the Town Pool from 10am-2pm. If you are interested in your child becoming a more confident and capable swimmer, participating in regular swim training sessions, increasing their fitness and having lots of fun then come along and join the Parkes Swim Club. Cost: $90 per swimmer, including daily training and weekly trials. Please telephone Barbara on 68625282.

**JUNIOR TENNIS—TERM 4**

4-7 years PeeWee ($75 includes racquet and hat)
7-9 years ACE ($75 includes racquet and hat)

**Free trial lesson for PeeWee and ACE, Friday, 24 September and Friday, 14 October (from 5.00pm) and Saturday, 15 October from 9.30am). Bookings required.**

9-15 years Junior Comp—Tuesdays. Junior tennis is on every afternoon after school and Saturday mornings.

For more information contact Helen Magill on 6862 5262 or helenmagill@bigpond.com

**Summer Night (Monday-Thursday) Tennis**

Competitions start 10 October for 10 weeks 7.00-9.00pm (entries close 30 September)

For further information phone:
Di Scott: 0417 437 417
or Helen Magill: 0407 253 888 or 6862 5262

Our congratulations go to the following students for achieving Pennants:

**Silver:**

**Maroon:**
Georgia Hawken, Jorja Williams, Lochlan Dunn, Lachlan Porter, Rachel Vaughan, Emily Williams, Mason Bayliss-Cox, Grady Bourke, Zacharias Slavin, Marley O’Shanessy, Mac Rauchle, Lynda Baker, Caitlin Bell, Shaneal James, Hallie Ormsby, Paige Ormsby, Bronte O’Shanessy, Harry Dawson, Jordie Oraha, Jaycob Ruge, Madison Gray, Damian Thornton, Amy Jones and Liam Whytcross.