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Merit Certificate Criteria for this week
Being prepared for learning
Using lovely manners

Swimming Carnival this Friday, 10 February:
Cost: $2.00
Carnival Arrangements:
All buses will be dropping children to school as normal. Bus children will then be transported to the pool. Children who walk to school or are driven to school will need to make their own way to the pool and assemble by 9.00am. All children will return to school after the carnival and catch their normal bus home or usual travel arrangement.
Please pack cool drinks, sunscreen and hat for your child/ren.
Lunch Order - must be received by the Canteen on Thursday, 9 February. Please write your child’s name, house and order on the lunch order bag.
Helpers - We require additional helpers. If any parents are able to assist at the carnival, please notify the school office, thank you.

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School Fees: The school fees this year are $35.00. If you pay them before 25 February you will get a $5.00 discount, making the fees only $30.00.

The fees are made up of the following:
- Voluntary School Contribution $10.00
- Technology (including Mathletics access and Craft fee) $ 6.10
- Life Education Van $ 7.00
- Utter Nonsense (Term 2) $ 4.40
- Earth, Wind and Sea (Term 3) $ 7.50
- $35.00

Please pay fees at the school office.

No School Assembly this Friday due to the school swimming carnival.

Congratulations to the following children, pictured below, who were elected House Captains and received their badges at Friday’s Assembly.

Arunta - Samantha Marshall, Jarrod Hayes
Bundaburra - Jacinta Knowles, Adrian Bell
Maranoa - Emily Kearney, Adam Hetherington
Warramunga - Stacey Ross, Riley Ross

Swimming Stage 2 & 3 and Medley Race
08/02/11 P&C Meeting 7.30pm
10/02/11 Swimming Carnival Stage 2 & 3
15/02/11 50th Anniversary Meeting 7.30pm

Merit Certificates for Term 1 Week 2
Taking Pride in Work
Being respectful towards others

KE: Maisie Peebles Abigail Evans
K/1J: Madeline Blackstock Gemma Yeo
1/2F: Nia Boggs Tyler Yeo
2/30: Trudy Richardson Jacob Chambers
3/4M: Jolie Norman Lori Ross
3/4N: Jordon Fagan Kayla Sweetland
5/6F: Jolie O’Shannessy Adrian Bell

Mr Ranger: Jake Magill, Brooke Norman
Miss Wallace: Darren Moss, Seth Nixon-Turner
Rise Above Self Award: Caitlin Bell
Love of Reading: Dulcia Lee
FRUIT BREAK:
Parents please remember to put a piece of fresh fruit in your child’s bag each day as each class has fruit break every morning. Please remember no bananas or kiwi fruit at fruit break.

ROCKET READING HELPERS:
Our Rocket Reading Program is a very successful program but we are in desperate need of helpers so that it can continue to operate within the school. If you have any spare time and would like to help children who are having some reading difficulties please contact Mrs Massey on 6862 2021 as soon as possible. Even if it is only an hour a week it would be greatly appreciated. Don’t forget to invite Grandma and Grandpa to come along and help.

CANTEEN HELPERS:
Mrs Napier would love some help in the Canteen. If you can spare a moment and you love making sandwiches and pikelets or you can only help on the odd occasion, please send back the canteen helper note.

CLASS EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:
Class teachers from each Stage/Year will send notes home about class equipment requirements.
Please remember that the following items are NOT allowed at school:
- Metal Rulers
- Liquid Paper
- Cutting Blades
- Textas in K-2
Please do not allow these items to come to school.

HATS:
Please ensure that your child brings a hat (which has the students name written in it) to school every day. Children without hats will be asked to stop playing in the sun and move to a shaded area.

Kindy Photos:
Mrs Massey has taken some wonderful Kindergarten first day photos. If you would like to view them, please call by the school front office. Cost is $2.00 per photograph, orders will be taken until Friday, 17 February.

Kindergarten Finishing Times:
In order to help our new little starters adjust to the long school week, Kindergarten students will finish early on Wednesday, 8 and 15 February. Children can be picked up from their classroom at 1pm.

Volunteer required:
Any parent able to assist with collecting and depositing this money would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the office staff.

Student Banking
Students are reminded that Student Banking with the Central West Credit Union is available every Tuesday. Please bring your banking in your banking folder to the office at the beginning of the school day. Volunteer required: Any parent able to assist with collecting and depositing this money would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the office staff.

PARKES LIBRARY
Storytime
Starts again Wednesday, 8 February at 10.15am.
Rhyme Time
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“Parrot” is available at the Parkes East Public School website (along with other relevant school information and news). Please access the website at: www.parkeseast-p.schools.nsw.edu.au