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Term 3 Week 3

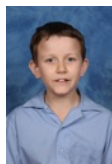
Thursday 30th July 2015

Poetry by 4C

Acrostic Poems

Kind, caring and respectful
On the go to do their best
On their best behaviour
Teacher's helping children
Independent working
No negative choices
Great learning
Aboriginal culture
Learning well.

by James Grant



Happy with friends
Amazing and awesome
Natural and nice
Nothing can get in my way
Afraid of snakes and spiders
Hopes and dreams come true
By Hannah Turner-Bourke



Diamante Poems

Gems
Colourful, Rare
Finding, Panning, Searching
Cave, Crack, Mountain, Cliff
Digging, Breaking, Lifting,
Dull, Plain,
Rock.
by Zachary Parkes



Day
Awake, Sun,
Shinning, Rising, Playing
Blue Sky, White Clouds, Stars, Moon,
Sleeping, Eating, Yawning,
Bed, Dark,
Night.
by Chloe Burch



Limericks

I'm good at cracking riddles
Especially on my fiddle
If it doesn't crack
I say "Ooh, my back!"
and that's why I don't go in the
middle
by Brendan Jarrett



The cat sat on the mat
The milk it made him fat
Could not climb a tree
Poor old me
I have to carry that cat
by Jack Merrick



Formula poem

If I had a shiny red Lamborghini
I'd feel like a million bucks!
I would drive it everywhere
I wouldn't ever loose it.
Fortunately I'll be a good driver
Unfortunately, I don't have a license yet.
by Luke Goodhand



Haiku Poems

A tree with branches
strong wide let me climb up high
branches wrapped around me
by Toby Keven-Faulkner



Bright and twinkly
in the night sky very high
Shooting star I see
by Bella Vernon



Gold Awards

Byron Lees



Silver Awards

Emmielle Kingdom,
Crystal Van Maanen,
Maverick Ramage,
Kobi Murray, Molly Smith,
Sophie Hobden,
Luke Sydenham,
Byron Lees,
Ashley Simmonds,
Darcy Harris,
Angela Baker,
Courtney Baker



Uniform Awards

Deakan Keven-Faulkner,
Addyson Vernon,
Maverick Ramage,
Jaeda Symons,
Tianna Urquhart,
Chloe Burch,
Jordana Winter and
Ryan Hobden



Important Dates to Remember Term 2 2015

Friday 31st July - Book Club due
Friday 31st July - National Tree Day
Friday 31st July - Athletics Carnival
Thursday 6th August - P & C Movie Night
Friday 7th August - SRC Jeans for Genes Day
Thursday 13th August - Kootingal Spelling Bee
Thursday 13th August - Pet Day K - 2
Friday 14th August - Tamworth Zone Athletics

Executive Team - Principal - Cara Cracknell
Assistant Principal - (Kinder to Year 2) - Nicole Chegwyn (Mon - Wed)
and Kirsty Lawrence (Thur - Fri)
Assistant Principal (Yr 3 to 6) - Anne Doak

P & C Executive

President: Lauren Witten
Secretary: Vanessa Johnson
Treasurer: Scott Cracknell and Jelka Schurink (Canteen)
Vice President - Cath Bubb

Weekly Bronze Awards



Liam Jarrett - Fantastic diary writing
 Riley Robinson - Improved effort in story writing
 William Jones - Being a cooperative class member
 Tyler Johnson - A big effort in reading groups and story writing
 Jessie Johnson and Naomi Maybury - Impressive writing using adjectives
 Sienna Butorac - Being a great friend and knowing 3D shapes
 Elloise Sharpham - Always being a good friend to everyone
 Jordan Byrne - Working with money in Mathematics
 Ayisha Mason-Fernando and Zoe Reid - Trying hard when working with money in Mathematics
 Georgia Ford - Great work in spelling when writing words into alphabetical order
 Jaeda Symons and Damikah Barwick-Taylor - Great work subtracting using algorithms
 William Morris - Impressive use of paragraphs when writing a chapter summary
 Jade Nicholls - Positive attitude to learning
 Keira Madden - Improved reading skills
 Reba Ramage - Improved work in Mathematics
 William Siemsen - Demonstrating our school values
 Zachary Parkes - Effort and great improvement in dance
 Brendan Jarrett - Being a wonderful worker in class and being willing to assist others
 James Grant - Terrific information report writing using paragraphs
 Macey Holden - Improvement and effort in Mathematics
 Harrison Loftus - Showing independent work habits
 Jack Witten - Improved talking and listening skills
 Sophie Burrell - Demonstrating whole body listening, follows directions well
 Chloe Bayes - Being organised and using her initiative
 Chenoa Siemsen - Showing persistence and focus in all learning tasks
 Courtney Baker - Excellent handwriting and setting out of bookwork
 Georgia Madden - Improved quality and quantity of work in class

Mrs Cracknell's Message

What a week it has been already! I discussed with another Principal at a professional learning course this week that I couldn't believe that we are in week 3. The holiday period seems such a distant memory now. Our school is in full swing and our students are pleased and proud of their achievements thus far. Ms Ross' class, 5R, is earning their Dojo points and finalising their individual projects. I will share the next instalment of those projects next week.

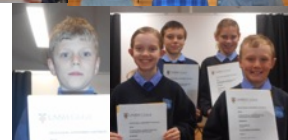
Congratulations to our ICAS participants! This week, I distributed our certificates of participation, Merit, Credit and High Distinction for Digital Technologies and Science. Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding efforts. It takes a lot of courage to participate in an international competition and you have performed splendidly.

Digital Technologies

Alexander Cracknell – Participation
 William Morris – Participation
 Chloe Burch – Participation
 Luke Goodhand – Participation
 Sophie Hobden – Participation
 Ryan Hobden – Participation
 Mitchell Worth – Participation
 Lachlan Young – Participation
 Finely Wallace - Credit

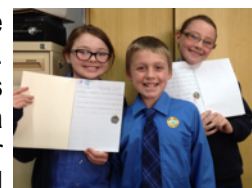
Science

Alexander Cracknell – Participation
 Sophie Hobden – Participation
 Emmielle Kingdom – Participation
 Ryan Hobden – Participation
 Luke Goodhand - Merit
 Megan Johnson – Credit
 Brendan Jarrett – Credit
 Finley Wallace – High Distinction



A special mention of Finely Wallace of Year 4 as he achieved a High Distinction in Science with a mark of 29 from 30 questions. An exceptional effort and one that was applauded with a Kootingal Public School clap at our assembly.

I have had the pleasure this past week to have many students through my office proudly showing me their achievements. One such group of students came from Mrs Morrish's class 3M. Isabelle Price and Reba Ramage proudly demonstrated their handwriting prowess and Tyson Beard had been working hard with Mrs Kelly. As you can see, beaming smiles rained in my office. Well done children!



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Mrs Cracknell's Message

Unfortunately last Friday, we had to cancel our Athletics Carnival due to inclement weather. Not only were our students and staff disappointed, but we had several students and Mr Darren Desmid from Tamworth High School coming to assist and they were equally as disappointed. The good news is that this Friday, 31st July, we will conduct our annual Athletics Carnival in fine weather. In a change to previous years, we are conducting our carnival on our school grounds. This has been a stroke of good fortune for our school, as I know other schools are finding it difficult to gain access to the Athletics track in Tamworth due to other cancellations. By having it at school, it will allow our families to experience a whole athletics carnival and watch their children throughout the day across the full range of events at their local school. It is hoped that by conducting the carnival at our school we will have a truly local affair with the ease of access to our school's amenities. Our scheduled program will run as normal, with the exception of ball games as it was conducted this Monday afternoon, and our P&C will operate a canteen on the day. Proceeds raised by P&C from the day will be invested in a ramp for the double doors leading towards the hall from the canteen. This will create an easy exit pathway for students when accessing the canteen. On the off chance of inclement weather, I will notify our community as soon as practicable via text message.

Throughout the year, our school conducts Staff Development Days. These days are probably better known as pupil free days in our community. For many, what occurs during these days is relatively unknown. For this reason, I thought I would share what our staff completed during the Term 3 Staff Development Day. Our first session commenced early with Mr Gary Johnson delivering a CPR refresher. As teachers, we require CPR certification for overnight excursions and aquatic activities. In preparation for the summer months, our CPR training is scheduled during Term 3. Mr Johnson always makes learning accessible for all, adding a touch of humour along the way. Our staff are appreciative of the effort in Mr Johnson's content delivery. Although trained, it is hoped that we never have to put it into action.

Also on this day, our staff examined our progress with the new Mathematics syllabus implementation and the impending implementation of the History syllabus in 2016. Over the course of four years, schools in NSW will implement four new syllabuses – English, Mathematics, History and Geography. As a part of our new School Plan (located on our website), we have established a History team. Mrs Kirsty Lawrence leads this team. Unfortunately, Mrs Lawrence was snowed-in at Walcha for our Staff Development Day, but Mr Griffiths stepped up to the challenge. Currently, our team is looking at the implementation of the History and Geography syllabuses together in 2016. This would create an easy transition in the

development of a scope and sequence for learning across our school in the area of social sciences.

Due to the upgrade in our asphalt surface under our COLA in 2014, we have a surplus of pavers available for sale. We have 1000 pavers in total for sale and their dimensions are 200 x 200 x 40mm. They are reddish brown in colour, darker than a usual terracotta paver. If you are interested they are for sale at \$1 per paver. Please contact the front office on 67603332.

See you at the carnival!



Ball Games



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PEEL HIGH SCHOOL

YEAR 7 SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION EVENING

Parents and Guardians of students currently in Year 5 and Year 6 (2015) who are interested in our Year 7 Selective Class for 2016/17 are invited to attend an information evening to share our vision for the future.

This evening is for Year 6 students who have accepted a position in the 2016 Year 7 class and also Year 5 students interested in sitting the examination to gain a place in the 2017 Selective Class.

Peel High School is the only co-educational school within a 100 km radius of Tamworth to be part of the state Selective School's Network.

The evening will include a tour of the school facilities, information about class size and structure, curriculum, scholarships and you will also learn about the unique opportunities available to the selective class. There will also be the opportunity to get to know the other students who have accepted a place in the 2016 class.

Please come along - 6pm Tuesday, August 25th 2015



For further information please contact Tamara Hatton or Kristen Miller on 67657 088 or email Kristen on kristen.miller1@det.nsw.edu.au



The Star Café

Term 3 Menu, 2015

1st Break ONLY (11:30am to 12:10pm)

HOT Food

Meatball, pasta sauce	\$3.00
Chicken Burger (small bun)	\$3.40 (Mayo / BBQ or Tomato Sauce)
Yummy Drummy	\$1.40
Chicken Nuggets	50c each
Ham and Pineapple Pizza	\$2.60
Cheese and Bacon Pizza	\$2.60
Large Pie (Lite)	\$3.80
Mini Pies (Lite)	\$1.30
Sausage Rolls (Lite)	\$2.80
Fish cocktails	50c each
Sauce (tom,bbq)	30c



Icecream

Ice Cream Cups	\$1.50
Moosies (Choc or Strawberry)	\$1.20
Monys (T n Ts)	50c

Drinks:

Moove Milk - (Straw, Choc, Banana)	\$2.00
Water	\$2.00
Juice (Apple or Orange or Apple & Blackcurrant) 200ml	\$2.00



Red Rock	\$1.40
Jelly Fruits	25c each

Volunteer Roster for Term 3

Friday 31st July - Lauren Witten
 Friday 7th August - Marta Shiels
 Friday 14th August - Yvette Dow
 Friday 21st August - Natasha Jacobson
 Friday 28th August - Lizzy Steadman
 Friday 4th September - Jayne Lees
 Friday 11th September - Lauren Witten
 Friday 18th September - Yvette Dow

Canteen Coordinator
 Noni Kasch

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