Principal’s Report

We have a slight rest this weekend, with a public holiday for the Queen’s Birthday on Monday. Students will return to school on Tuesday, 10th June. I would, again, like to acknowledge the outstanding behaviour from our students while on an excursion outside school. Some of our Stage 2 students visited the Shark and Ray Centre at Port Stephens on Wednesday. The three staff members who participated were highly impressed with the way our students conducted themselves. Fortunately, all students, and staff, came back with their digits intact! Well done to Zane Stone for winning the Colouring-in competition that allowed our students a visit to the centre.
Multi-Sports Day
Mrs Harris and Mrs Prior attended a Multi-Sports Day for students with a disability on Tuesday, at the University of Newcastle Forum, with several of our students and parents. Our students had the opportunity to learn skills in a variety of sports including Basketball with the Hunters Coach and Rugby League with the Newcastle Knights. From all reports, these students conducted themselves very well and had a great day of learning.

Camp Quality Puppet Show
Camp Quality Puppets have been invited to perform at our school next Wednesday. The show is an educational program using puppets to deliver a fun and positive message about supporting children with cancer and other serious illnesses. The information shared aims to help children heighten their awareness of the need to care for and support others who may look a little “different”, particularly because of physical problems, such as hair loss, because of cancer treatment. The contents relate very much to our children’s contribution to a more caring society. There is no charge for this show.

Partners in Print
Partners in Print will take a break next Friday and return to 2C on Friday, 20th June from 9:30am. A note for parents of children in 2C will go out shortly, requesting your attendance at this productive learning opportunity.

P&C Meeting
We have a P&C Meeting on Tuesday, 10th June from 1:40pm in the school hall. All welcome to attend to discuss fundraising ideas for the future, as well as school events coming up!

Breakfast Club
There will be no Breakfast Club this Tuesday morning due to the long weekend.

Girls’ Netball
Our girls’ netball team will play Mulbring at Mulbring School next Friday the 13th of June. Good luck girls!
Kurri Kurri High School Orientation

Year 6 Kurri Kurri High School Orientation will be held on Wednesday, 18th June from 12pm. We will be leaving Pelaw Main Public School at 11.30am by bus and will return by 3.15pm. Students are to wear full school uniform, including their tri colour polo shirt, grey shorts or navy track pants.

A range of activities have been planned for the visit, including lessons in music, CAPA, PDHPE, science, maths, English and technology. This will familiarise students with the layout of the school and help them to get to know the staff, as well as give students a taste of high school routines in preparation for Year 7.

Please return the permission note as soon as possible. Students will be informed of their groups prior to the visit.

School Dance Group & Choir

Our school Dance Group and Choir will be participating in a first rehearsal on Friday, 13th June, from 10:30am, in relation to a Songroom Concert Festival being held at Cessnock Performing Arts Centre on Tuesday, 28th October. This will be a great chance to shine for all students who are interested in joining one of our performing arts groups. Mrs Simpson and Mrs Knight will be coordinating these groups. The rehearsal will be under the watchful eye of Songroom Concert coordinator, Capree Gaul.

Semester One Reports

Just a reminder that student Semester One Reports will be handed out on Wednesday, 25th June. If you have any questions in relation to your child’s report, once they are distributed, please make an appointment with your child’s classroom teacher.

Smoking Near the School

I would like to note a recent letter I received from NSW Health in regards to the Smoke-free Environment Act 2000. It states that smoking has been banned within 4 metres of a pedestrian access point of a public building (including schools). For the sake of our student’s health, and the health of others in our community, it would be appreciated that any smoking that has to occur around the school be done across the road from the school’s front fence. Penalties for smoking in areas that have been banned can be up to $550.

Payments at the Office

When making payments at the office, please ensure money is in an envelope or clip-lock bag. It would also be appreciated if the correct money could be given as we don’t have change.

Live Life Well at School

Boosting the fibre in your child’s diet:

- Toss small white or kidney beans into tuna or chicken salad.
- Add extra vegetables to soup. Often, kids forget they’re eating "vegetables" when it's part of a soup or stew.
- Toss some of the following ingredients into salads: kidney or garbanzo beans; chunks of artichoke hearts, cherry or grape tomatoes, grated fresh carrot, summer squash and broccoli floweret’s.
- Substitute whole wheat flour in baked goods like muffins, scones or pikelets. Start with partial substitution and gradually add a larger percentage each time.
- Try using wholemeal pasta; generally children cannot taste the difference.

Playgroup

Playgroup has finished for the Term & will return on Tuesday, August 12th, Week 5 of Term 3. Playgroup dates are on the front page of the newsletter.
Discover Uni Day

Eco Explorers Week 7
Amy B 3/4, Imogen 3/4, Kayla M K/1 & Taize K/1.

Assembly Awards
Congratulations to the following students who received an award at this weeks assembly.

Principal’s Awards: Joshua H and Isabel.
Citizenship Awards: Jordyn and Jordan H.

Shaun Graham - Principal

PELAW MAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C ASSOCIATION

NEXT MEETING

WHEN: TUESDAY 10th June 2014
WHERE: SCHOOL HALL
TIME: 1:40PM

ALL WELCOME, HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!