Education Week is here and what a busy week it is shaping up to be!!

On Thursday we would like to invite all of our parents to drop into school from 1pm and see what your child has been doing so far this year. We will be having a shared BBQ lunch and I’m sure your child would love to have you there.

After our shared lunch there will be a student versus parent handball challenge for those of you who would like to partake. The classrooms will be open during this time for your child to show you around and celebrate in their successes. There will be an art display in the library so you can see firsthand some of the creative talents of Peats Ridge students.

On Friday we will be having all of the Mountain schools visit for Naidoc Day during which time the students will be participating in a variety of activities that recognise and celebrate the contribution Aboriginal people both past and present have made to society.

Students will learn how to make traditional dampers over an open fire, create Naidoc Day school banners that recognise the importance and significance of the Aboriginal flag, engage in traditional Aboriginal sports and games, listen to dreamtime stories and make Aboriginal dot paintings.

The day will culminate in a 1 hour show being put on by the “Beatty Clan” that exposes our students to traditional ways of life that have a significant place in Aboriginal culture. There will be no cost for the day except for lunch orders and canteen.

On Sunday we had our first working bee for the term and achieved so much. During the day we spent our time creating an edible garden behind the canteen. Whilst we are not yet complete, it is expected that by the end of the week the recycled garden beds will be filled and hopefully planted out. We put our heads together during the week and decided that we could recycle the old water tank sitting beside the canteen and the result is nothing short of amazing. We also got stuck in and built a garden shed that will be open to students during lunch times and we cleaned out the garden beds at the end of the classrooms and in front of the canteen. That area around the canteen looks so much nicer and is more open. In the coming weeks we plan on moving the lunch tables over near the covered walkways to create a nicer area for the students to spend their eating times.

All of this would not have been possible without the help of the Hellyer family, the Hardie family, the Ainsworth family, Hayley Gatt, Mrs Wilson and her family and Mrs Beckenham and her son Henry. A big thank you to Ange Hellyer for cooking us all lunch.

Have a great week all!!

Kind regards
Shane Randall
Relieving Principal

COMING EVENTS:

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REMININDERS:

- Please label all your child’s belongings
- School Phone No: 4373 1149
- Email: peatsridge-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
BOOK CLUB REMINDER!!

Book Club is due back by this Wednesday 30th July.

Thank you
Alicia Beckenham

FROM THE OFFICE

Everyone should have received their School Photo payment envelopes last week. Sibling/Family envelopes are available from the office. Please read the ‘Say Cheese’ helpful points on the last page of this newsletter. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me in the school office on 4373 1149.

For all Year 6 parents, we will be placing an additional order for the Year 6 t-shirt & jumper. If you would like an extra one of either of these, could you please let me know by the end of this week. Please note that they will be more expensive than the original order as we will be ordering a smaller quantity.

Please make sure all Gymnastics permission notes and money have been returned to school before this Thursday or unfortunately your child will not be able to participate.

Thank you.
Kind regards,
Kate Wilson
School Admin Manager

MERIT AWARDS

RESPECT
Kindy: No Awards
Year 1: Sophia T
Year 2: No Awards
Year 3: Ellie S, Gabrielle V
Year 4: No Awards
Year 5: No Awards
Year 6: Emily C, Kaitlyn G

RESPONSIBILITY
Kindy: Zoe O
Year 1: Makayla V, George M
Year 2: Bianca V, Wyatt A, Max S
Year 3: No Awards
Year 4: No Awards
Year 5: No awards
Year 6: No awards

EXCELLENCE
Kindy: No Awards
Year 1: No Awards
Year 2: Brooke B, Amelia T, Danielle V
Year 3: Jade W, Thomas H
Year 4: Bianca B
Year 5: Sophie A, Tara S
Year 6: Lily H, Tristen A

NOTES &/OR MONEY DUE BACK
❖ FRIDAY 8TH AUGUST – Years 3-6 C.A.R.E.S note & money
❖ MONDAY 18TH AUGUST – KMHS Science Day note & lunch order
❖ MONDAY 25TH AUGUST – Yr 5/6 Canberra full payment
❖ OVERDUE – Gymnastics note & money
❖ OVERDUE – Student Medical Details form
say cheese

School Photo Day is
15 August 2014

Have your child’s school memories captured forever

Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP Photography payment envelopes and remember these helpful points:

- Don’t seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request
- Please enclose correct money as no change is given. Cash and money orders only (sorry no credit card accepted)

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SCRIPTURE - TURN ON THE TAP

Thank you for all the support and donations to Operation Christmas Child over the last few years. Many children in neighbouring countries have been blessed at Christmas with the presents you have all given.

This year we have decided to still help people in need, but are changing the focus to proving clean drinking water to children, families and communities in developing countries.

We as a nation are so blessed to have access to clean and plentiful water so our aim is to teach an understanding to our children what other injurer and how we can help.

Today your child/children have been given a full bottle of water to take home, drink and enjoy.

Once the bottle is empty it is asked to be filled with 5 cent pieces and returned to school at the end on Term 3.

Don’t feel pressured to completely fill to bottle - every small amount helps when we work together.

Thank you for your help and support and look forward to seeing how much can be raised.

If you have any questions please don’t hesitate to call
Mel SRE Peats Ridge 0408 701 144
or go to turnonthetap.org.au

Thank you
Melinda Keegan
SRE_Turn on the Tap

"...He will lead them to springs of living water."
REVELATION 7:17B

"I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. " Matthew 25 vs 35