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## Peakhurst South Public School

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TERM 2

WEEK 3

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** "Change brings opportunity." **Nido Qubein**

### Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

#### NAPLAN

Congratulations to Year 3 and Year 5 this week during the NAPLAN testing period. The students have tried their best and that is all that you can ask for each and every day of school. The transition to the online platform has run smoothly and efficiently. I would like to thank Mrs Bignell for her hardwork in coordinating the change in approach.

The NAPLAN Language Conventions assessment was postponed today due to a minor gas leak in the location of the Library. The Language Convention Assessment will be held next Monday instead of today. The Numeracy Assessment will be held next Tuesday. This is well within ACARA guidelines of administering the NAPLAN online assessments. Schools are given a two week period to complete the NAPLAN tasks.

Library lessons will also be disrupted next Monday and Tuesday and will instead take place in classrooms. Students will be able to borrow books during lunchtime.

#### PSSA Finals Day

Good luck to our PSSA teams representing Peakhurst South Public School at the Georges River District Finals this Friday. All the best to our:

- Boys AFL Team
- Girls AFL Team
- Junior Boys Oztag Team
- Senior Boys Oztag Team

Well done to Mr Mee and Mr Marshall for their excellent coaching efforts throughout Season 1 in achieving the outstanding results.

#### Next Week

Next week Mr Marshall will be coordinating the state AFL Championships from Monday to Thursday. Miss Jemma Peters will be teaching 5/6M during this period. The teaching and learning programs will continue as normal.

### CALENDAR DATES

#### WEEK 3

Mon 21 May	<b>Lunch: Dance</b> <b>3.20pm - 4.20pm: Uniform Shop Open</b>
Tues 22 May	<b>Lunch: Coding Club</b>
Wed 23 May	<b>8.45am - 9.15am: } Staff meeting</b> <b>4.00pm - 6.00pm: } Staff</b> <b>Professional Development</b> <b>National Read Day</b> <b>Crazy Head and Sock Day</b>
Thur 24 May	<b>Code Camp</b> <b>District Cross Country Carnival</b>
Fri 25 May	<b>8am: Robotics Years 4-6</b> <b>Lunch: Debating</b>

### UPCOMING DATES

Tue 29 May	ICAS: Science <b>The Magic Words Incursion – Anti-Bullying Show</b>
Wed 30 May	SPAF Audition <b>7.30pm P&amp;C Meeting</b>
Thur 31 May	Code Camp
Mon 11 June	<b>Public Holiday - Queen's Birthday</b>
Wed 13 June	ICAS: Spelling

Next Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday I will be attending a conference on Future-Focused Learning. The conference will feature top international educational researchers and leaders. The conference aligns with our school plan and directions. On Wednesday and Thursday Miss Cole will be in charge of the school site. On Friday Mr Marshall will be in charge of the school.

#### Kindergarten 2019

If you have a younger sibling starting Kindergarten in 2019 it is important that you enrol him/her as soon as possible so that class structures and numbers can be reviewed by the enrolment panel in formulating classes for the following year and determining 2019 Kindergarten teachers.

### Good Luck Sara

Sara P (5/6P) has been participating in an extensive audition process in trying out for a featured artist's position in the School Spectacular this year. The audition process started with over 1000 students and is now down to approximately twenty students.



Sara has the final audition round next Monday! We wish her all the best!

*Natasha Eaton*

Ms Natasha Eaton  
Principal

## Friday Assembly

### WEEKLY HOUSE GROUPS TALLY

Term 2 Week 2	Ruby	Topaz	Emerald
Total	18 — 2nd	16 — 3rd	22 — 1st

### CLASS ASSEMBLY AWARD

Term 2 Week 2	3/4M
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## Kindergarten 2019

Kindergarten enrolment packs are now available from the school office.

If you have a child starting **Kindergarten in 2019** it is now time to lodge their application for enrolment.

**If you have already collected an enrolment pack please return the completed Enrolment Form as soon as possible.**

## Peak Award Achievers

### YEAR 1

William A	Level 1m
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### YEAR 2

Eva V	Level 4m
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### YEAR 3

Anaya K	Level 5m
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Emerson E	Level 7m
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### YEAR 5

Emma G	Base Camp
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### SPORT RESULTS – Round 8 Date: 11/05/2018

#### AFL

	PSPS	Narwee
Boys	9.6.(60)	0.3.(3)
Girls	8.4.(52)	2.1.(13)

**Finals 18/05** Olds Park from 10.00am

#### Basketball

	PSPS	Lugarno
Junior Girls	2	22
Senior Girls	4	24

#### Oz Tag

	PSPS	Penshurst West
Junior Boys	6	2
Senior Boys	8	5

**Finals 18/05** Peakhurst Park from 10.00am

## PSSA Sport Season 1 Finals

This Friday, 18 May sees the culmination of PSSA Season 1 for 2018. I am pleased to be able to announce that our Junior Oz-tag, Senior Oz-tag, Girls AFL and Boys AFL teams have qualified for the semi-finals.

Unfortunately, our Girls Basketball teams didn't qualify for the semi-finals this season. However, well done to all of our PSSA teams from Season 1 for the way they have played throughout the season and good luck to our Oz-tag and AFL on Friday.

It is important to note that Semi-Finals and Finals are an all day event. Our Oz-tag teams will play at Peakhurst Park. The Junior semi-final kicks-off at 10:00am, the Seniors approximately 11:00am. Our AFL teams will play at Olds Park. The Girls semi-final kicks-off at 10:00am, the Boys approximately 11:00am.

All students must wear their appropriate team uniform and school hat. They should apply sunscreen in the morning and reapply throughout the day. They will not be able to order lunch from the canteen and therefore will be required to bring their own recess, lunch and drinks.

Mr A Marshall  
PSSA Sport Coordinator

# SOUND WAVES

Next week's *Sound Waves* Sound is /l/

Pronunciation

**How to say the sound**

Open your mouth slightly.

Reach your tongue up to touch the roof of your mouth behind your top teeth.

Turn your voice on and let air escape out of your mouth around your raised tongue.

**Tips for Kids**

- Lift your long, lizard tongue up behind your top teeth.



Last week's Word of the Week was **paraphernalia**, submitted by **Samantha A** in **3/4B**.

Congratulations **Samantha!**

**Why not get involved with *Sound Waves* Sound of the Week?**

Submit entries of unusual words containing next week's Sound of the Week.

**An Entry Form is attached to the newsletter, please clearly write your child's name and class on their entry.**

Place entries in the *Sound Waves* box at the front office. The most unusual/interesting entry will be published in next week's newsletter.

**Entries close next Tuesday 22 May.**

## National Walk Safely to School Day



**Walk Safely to School Day**  
**Friday 18 May 2018**

Friday 18 May 2018 is National Walk Safely to School Day. Now in its 19th year, National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is an annual event when all Primary School children will be encouraged to walk and commute safely to school.

**The objectives of WSTSD are:**

- To encourage parents and carers to walk to school with primary school age children and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour.
- To promote the health benefits of walking and help create regular walking habits at an early age.
- To ensure that children up to 10 years old hold an adult's hand when crossing the road.
- To help children develop the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians.
- To reduce the car dependency habits that are being created at an early age and which will be difficult to change as children become adults.
- To reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles.
- To reduce the level of traffic congestion.





## Crazy Head and Sock Day

The SRC executive is participating in the Leadership by the River Project this year and as part of the project has chosen to focus on the playground. After consultation with the SRC it has been decided to fundraise for more playground equipment. Classes are currently choosing what they would like added to the playground before the SRC executive finalises the project plan.

Crazy Head and Sock Day on Wednesday 23 May is the first fundraising event to raise money for this project. Students need to wear school uniform but add a crazy hat, wig, hairstyle or socks. It is a gold coin donation to participate. It is the same day as the National Read so we would love parents to also participate and help us raise more money while enjoying the National Read and community read.



Mrs Bowden  
SRC Co-ordinator

## SkoolBag App V3 Upgrade

Our school's app, SkoolBag, is being updated with some improvements to give you more control over the content and notifications you receive.

You do not need to download an update, however, you will notice some changes when using the app.

Please see **SkoolBag V3 Upgrade Parent Information** which is attached to the Newsletter.

### Payments Due

Year	Event	Payment Amount	Date Due
K-6	School Fees	Various	<b>OVERDUE</b>
Various	PSSA	\$50.00	<b>OVERDUE</b>
Various	Got Game	\$35.00	<b>OVERDUE</b>
K-6	The Magic Words Incursion	\$6.00	23/05/2018
Various	Senior Band	\$170.00	31/05/2018
Various	Training Band	\$170.00	31/05/2018

## Facebook

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## National Simultaneous Storytime

WEDNESDAY 23 MAY 2018

#NSS2018

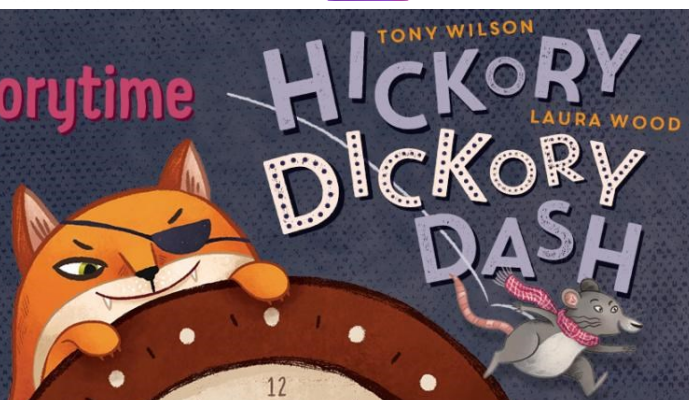
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## Canteen

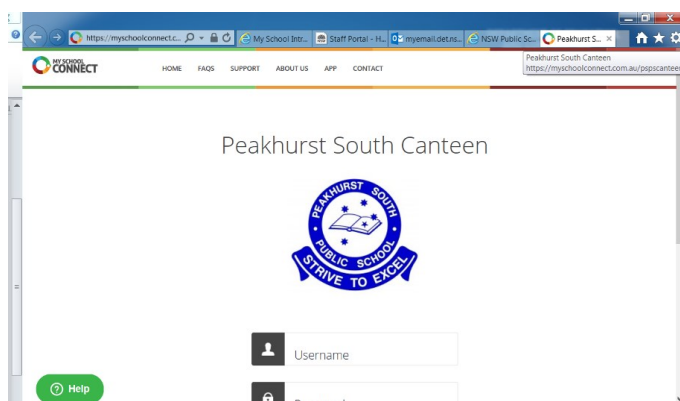
### Term 2 Weeks 3 & 4

Canteen Roster	
Friday 18/5	9.30am - 11.30am: Natasha B 11.00am - 2.30pm: Shelley M and Belinda T
Monday 21/5	12.00pm - 2.30pm: Sophie P
Wednesday 23/5	11.00am - 2.30pm: Daryll B
Friday 25/5	9.30am - 11.30am: Jodie H 11.00am - 2.30pm: Richelle B and Mel S
MON & WED: AD = All Day 9:30am-2:00pm AM = 9:30am-11:45am; PM = 11:15am-2:00pm FRI: AD = All Day 9:20am-12:30pm	

If you haven't already tried our online ordering system, via the myschoolconnect app at:

<http://www.myschoolconnect.com.au/pspscanteen>

Why not give it a go. It's quick, easy and no need to find change or bags.



The canteen meeting is on this Friday, come along and have your say. At the silver seats (or in the canteen if its cold) 2.45pm.

Jacinta Goodacre  
**Canteen Supervisor**

## Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open every second Monday afternoon from 3.20pm - 4.20pm.

The next opening days are as follows:

- Monday 4 June
- Monday 18 June

You can also place your order online which is available 24/7 via the myschoolconnect app at:

<http://www.myschoolconnect.com.au/pspsuniform>

All online orders will be delivered Friday to your child's classroom teacher.

Please send any enquiries by email to:  
[stephanie.cook29@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:stephanie.cook29@det.nsw.edu.au)

Please be aware there are a number of drink bottles and containers, if not collected after one week, the drink bottles will be thrown out and containers without names will be repurposed.



Stephanie Cook  
**Uniform Coordinator**

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## Peakhurst South PS (After School) Auskick Centre

TUESDAYS 3.30-4.30PM

22<sup>nd</sup> May – 12<sup>th</sup> June (4 Week Program) COST - \$51 Online

### WHAT IS BEFORE-SCHOOL AUSKICK?

- 4 Week AFL Introductory Program for boys and girls run by Auskick qualified coaches
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Peakhurst South PS (After School) Auskick Centre

Contact Aimee: [aimee.rainbird@afl.com.au](mailto:aimee.rainbird@afl.com.au) or phone 0447 455 185



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