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Peakhurst South Public School

'Strive to Excel' in an inclusive and caring learning environment



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TERM 2

WEEK 9

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "The world will not be destroyed by those who do evil, but by those who watch without doing anything." **Albert Einstein**

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

Student Reports

Congratulations to all of our students on their Semester 1 reports. Each student will receive his or her report from their classroom teacher tomorrow. Every student has individual strengths, whether that is in writing, reading, mathematics, creative arts, sport, science, ICT, history, geography, leadership skills, socially or in many other aspects. I was pleased to read each student's report and every student in our school has made progress in their own learning.

Just a quick reminder that Parent/Teacher bookings close tomorrow at 3:30pm and can only be booked online as per the attachment.

'Blinky' the Koala

Last week 1B were the first class to be given the privilege of looking after 'Blinky' in the classroom. Blinky is the Koala that the school has adopted through 'Wildlife Wednesday' and the 'Return and Earn' program. The students are learning from a young age that they can make a difference to society. We ask to keep returning bottles and cans to school. The bins are located near the Uniform shop.

"99% of identified koala habitat on private land can be bulldozed under new laws" Nature Conservation Council of NSW, 2018.



CALENDAR DATES

WEEK 10

Mon 2 July	Lunch: Dance 3.20pm - 4.20pm: Uniform Shop open
Tues 3 July	Athletics Carnival at The Ridge
Wed 4 July	8.45am - 9.15am: } Staff meeting 4.00pm - 6.00pm: } Staff Professional Development
Thur 5 July	Pyjama Day Fundraiser - SRC
Fri 6 July	8.00am: Robotics Years 4-6 Lunch: Debating PSSA Season 2 Round 5 K-6 Assembly Last day of Term 2

UPCOMING DATES

Mon 23 July	School Development Day - staff only
Tue 24 July	Students return for Term 3
Thurs 26 Jul	Stage 2 pre-camp talk
Mon 30 Jul	Chinese Students Visit
Tue 31 Jul	ICAS English Competition

'Straws No More'

Last night the Captains and Vice Captains presented at the P&C meeting in regards to 'straws no more' at Peakhurst South Public School. The students are leading the way in eliminating one use plastic due to the environmental impact.



The Basics – 10 Easy Tips for Living with Less Plastic

1. Avoid the worst common plastics, including straws
2. Refuse plastic bags and bring your own reusable bags wherever you go – while you're at it, REFUSE all single-use disposable plastics
3. Avoid bottled water and bring your own reusable water bottle or mug with you when you go out
4. Use non-plastic containers for food
5. Carry your own non-plastic cutlery and straw with you
6. Buy in bulk to minimize or eliminate packaging
7. Avoid over-packaged, processed, canned and frozen convenience foods
8. Look around your kitchen and see what plastics you can replace
9. Look around your bathroom and see what plastics you can replace
10. Have fun living with less plastic – don't let the enormity of the plastic problem get you down!

School Band

Congratulations to our Senior and Junior bands for performing last week at assembly. They did a fantastic job in showcasing their talent in the performing arts. The students thoroughly enjoyed bopping along to the variety of tunes as well! Thank you Mrs Paul and Mr Forrester for arranging for the band to perform.

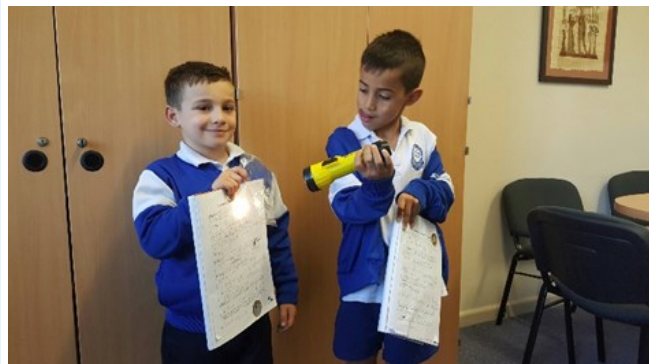


Star Students

I have been lucky enough to be visited by a number of super-star students showcasing their outstanding work to me!

I was very impressed by Year 1 students explaining the terms 'translucent' and 'opaque' through experimenting with light.

I was also very impressed by other Year 1 students written work with excellent use of spelling and sentence structure. I was amazed by Kindergarten students ability to write a recount of a book they read that demonstrated correct sentence structure and excellent 'sounding out' of their words. Well done to these students:



Johnny and Corbyn: 1B



Audrey
and
Hunter-
1JB



Liam and
Imogen-
KDS



Chinese School Visit

Thank you to the parents/carers that have agreed to host Chinese International Students between Sunday 29 July and Sunday 12 August. You will receive a letter outlining a few requirements for the visit. I believe this will be a great experience for the students from China but also for the students at Peakhurst South Public School.

We still require families to host the Chinese teachers. You will receive \$400 for agreeing to host a teacher. Please contact the front office if you are able to host a teacher.

Natasha Eaton

Ms Natasha Eaton
Principal

Friday Assembly

WEEKLY HOUSE GROUPS TALLY

Term 2	Ruby	Topaz	Emerald
Total	22 - 2nd	24 - 1st	21 - 3rd

CLASS ASSEMBLY AWARD

Term 2 Week 8

1B

Peak Award Achievers

KINDER

Imogen P	Base Camp
Niko J	Base Camp
Jack B	Base Camp

YEAR 2

Reece P	Base Camp, Level 1m
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YEAR 6

Daniel M	Level 60m
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SPORT RESULTS – Round 3 Date: 22/06/2018 - WASH OUT Girls Soccer

Round 4 - 29/6	PSPS vs Hurstville South @ Riverwood Park
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Boys Soccer

Round 4 - 29/6	PSPS vs Oatley @ Gannons Park
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Newcombe Ball

Round 4 - 29/6	PSPS vs Mortdale @ PSPS
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Payments Due

Year	Event	Payment Amount	Date Due
K-6	School Fees	Various	OVERDUE
Various	PSSA - Seasons 1 & 2	\$50.00	OVERDUE
Various	Got Game	\$35.00	OVERDUE
Various	Senior Band	\$170.00	OVERDUE
Various	Training Band	\$170.00	OVERDUE
K	Fairytale Fiasco Incursion	\$12.00	OVERDUE
Stage 3	Art Gallery Excursion	\$25.00	OVERDUE
Various	Engadine Music Festival	\$17.00	OVERDUE
Stage 2	Camp Deposit	\$35.00	OVERDUE
K-6	Athletics Carnival	\$11.00	OVERDUE

SOUND WAVES

Next week's Sound Waves Sounds are /p/ and /r/

Pronunciation

How to say the sound

Press your lips together.

Let air pressure build up behind your lips and let your lips pop open.

Tips for Kids

Let your lips pop open like popcorn.

/p/ is a quick, quiet sound.



Pronunciation

How to say the sound

Open your mouth.

Curl the tip of your tongue back, while the sides of your tongue are strongly pressed against your teeth.

Turn your voice on.

Tips for Kids

Your tongue should curl backwards like a wave.

/r/ is a long, noisy sound, so use your voice!



Last week's Word of the Week was **coach**, submitted by **Johnny C** in **1B**. Congratulations **Johnny**!

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

Submit entries of unusual words containing next week's Sound of the Week. Place entries in the Sound Waves box at the front office. The most unusual/interesting entry will be published in next week's newsletter. Please clearly write your child's name and class on their entry.

Entries close next Tuesday.

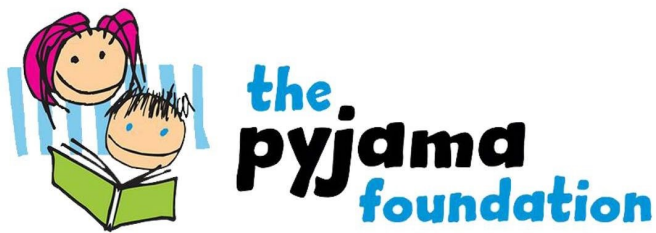
Pyjama Day

On Thursday 5 July the SRC are having a fundraising day to support The Pyjama Foundation.

The Pyjama Foundation runs a Love of Learning program where volunteers called 'Pyjama Angels' spend time with children in care once a week, focusing on learning-based activities. Pyjama Angels read books aloud with their child, play educational games and help children with their homework.

Peakhurst South students are asked to wear their pyjamas to school and bring a gold coin donation to support the Pyjama Foundation.

Please make sure students still wear their normal school shoes.



The SRC

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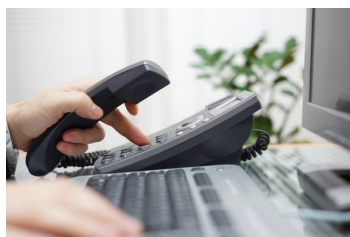
Twitter

<https://twitter.com/PeakhurstSouth>



OFFICE HOURS

The school office is open from 8.45am to 3.45pm.



Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge is well underway and some students have already finished! But don't panic, you have until August 31 so there is still time to read, read and read. Some students are participating as a class group and we encourage the others to participate also.

All students who complete the challenge receive a certificate. For more information, please log into the Premier's Reading Challenge website to read the rules and check that your child's user name and log in work. If you are unsure of their user name and log in, please ask their teacher or myself. It is the same one that is used at school (but different to the one for Reading Eggs).

We have many books on the reading list in the library. All books are identifiable by a sticker and have been placed in easily identifiable boxes. Please ask Mr Ellerington for more information on finding books.

Mrs Hart

Premier's Reading Challenge Coordinator



www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au



Knives & Forks

Please only send **biodegradable** (see links below) knives and forks (NO metal) to school with your child's lunch:

<https://www.kentpaper.com.au/cutlery/enviro/>

<http://ecopartybox.com.au/cutlery-skewers/>



AFL Gala Day

On Tuesday 26 June a team of 21 Peakhurst South boys travelled to Olds Park, Penshurst to participate in the 'Tony Lockett Shield' NSW PSSA Australian Football competition.

The Gala Day was played as a round-robin of matches with each school playing two games, one each against the other competing schools in an attempt to earn the right to be the Sydney East/Sydney South West representatives in the Statewide Knockout phase of the competition.

Our first game was against Camden South PS. It was a very willing contest with both teams showing great determination. Camden South kicked away to a good lead at half-time, however the Peakhurst South boys came back in the third quarter to get back to within three points. However, Camden South kicked away again in the last quarter to run out winners, 5.5.(35) to 2.0.(12).



The Peakhurst South boys came up against Drummoyne PS in their second match. Once again there were some good passages of play from the Peakhurst South team. However, Drummoyne provided a tougher test for our team and proved too strong on the day, despite a courageous 3 goals to 1 last quarter in our favour – again demonstrating the resilience of our team and their 'never give in' attitude. The final score was Drummoyne 7.6.(48) to Peakhurst South 3.2.(20).

All of our players are to be commended for their determination and willingness to listen and learn. Well done to all team members:

Kendall V, Noah A, Luke R, Samuel K., Tyson S, Lachlan G, Christopher S, Aaron F, Jack G., Rohan S, Christian K, Hugo W, Samuel L, Eren P, Rory H, Tom W, Alex L, Riley B, Morgan R, Kalyn T and Matthew H.

Finally, a huge thank you to all the friends and families that helped with transport, assisted with setting up and packing up and for supporting our team throughout the day. Your ongoing assistance is, as always, very much appreciated.



Mr A Marshall
AFL Coach

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**COMMUNITY
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Saturday 11 August • 10am - 12pm
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P&C News and Information

Canteen

Term 2 Weeks 9 & 10

Canteen Roster	
Friday 29/6	9.30am-11.30am: Natasha B 11.00am - 2.30pm: Carol B and Jayne H
Monday 2/7	11.00am -2.00pm: Daryll B
Wednesday 4/7	11.00am -2.00pm: Idy W
Friday 6/7	Canteen Closed
MON: Half Day (HD) 11.30am – 2.30pm WED: All Day (AD) 9:30am – 2:30pm FRI: All Day (AD) 9:30am – 2:30pm	

Please note the canteen will not be opened the last day of term. This is our stock take and cleaning day and there will be no one in the canteen at recess or lunch time. Have a wonderful winter holiday break and see you all again in Term 3.

Jacinta Goodacre
Canteen Supervisor

P&C

P&C Meeting

Thank you to our inspirational SRC students who came and presented at the meeting last night. What a great effort! We look forward to working with you to make our school a straw free zone.

Thank you also to Carol a Year 1 parent who presented a unique fundraising idea for metal straws. We appreciate you bringing this great idea to the P&C. We hope many more parents will come along and share their ideas in the future.

Mega Raffle

It's that great time of year again when our resident super raffle prize co-ordinator Anita A, Sam and William's Mum, starts working on gathering all the prizes to make our raffle MEGA.

If you have a business and want to donate a prize please contact me on mardicarmine@yahoo.com.au and I'll put you in touch with Anita.

See you at school.

Warm wishes

Mardi Haworth
P&C President

Uniform Shop

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

The next opening day is the last before the term ends **Monday 2nd July.**

Please look out on CareMonkey for a Survey on girls trousers for your daughters. Please complete ASAP if you would like to order.

You can also purchase your order online which is available 24/7 via the MySchoolConnectapp at:

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

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

Please send any enquires by email to:
Stephanie.cook29@det.nsw.edu.au

Lost Property

The lost property cupboard is overflowing with unlabelled Sloppy Joes and Jackets. Any clothing left after the school holidays will be sold at the uniform shop. There are a number of lunch boxes and drink bottles that need to be collected by the end of term to avoid being thrown out or repurposed.

Stephanie Cook
Uniform Shop Coordinator

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