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Peakhurst South Public School

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



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TERM 3

WEEK 1

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "When someone is going through a storm, your silent presence is more powerful than a million empty words." **Thema Davis**

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to Term 3! I hope that everyone has had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday break and are ready for another busy and productive term at Peakhurst South Public School.

Chinese Teacher and Student Visit

We are all looking forward to meeting the 14 students and teachers from Xinjiang Primary School next week.

The students fly into Sydney this Sunday 29 July where they will be greeted by their host families at school. They will then attend our school across Weeks 2 and 3 (except Wednesdays).

The Chinese students will join in with Stage 3 and will participate in the following:

- **Monday 30 July:** Harry Potter Incursion with Stage 3
- **Monday 6 August:** Mobile Taronga Zoo Incursion with Stage 3
- **Tuesday 7 August:** Excursion to the Australian Museum with Stage 2
- **Thursday 9 August:** Education Week Open Day

The remainder of the time the students will join 5/6P and 5/6M in normal teaching and learning programs. As you can see it will be a great experience for the students from China but also our Stage 3 students. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our families that have agreed to host students. It is greatly appreciated!

Education Week Open Day

Peakhurst South Public School will be celebrating public education on Thursday 9 August! Please see the attached flyer for further information in regards to times.

Open Day

Peakhurst South Public School will be hosting the Community Open Day on **Saturday 11 August from 10.00am – 12.00 noon**. The event is aimed at preschool aged students.

CALENDAR DATES

WEEK 2 - TERM 3

Mon 30 Jul	Chinese Students Visit 3.20pm - 4.20pm: Uniform Shop Open
Tues 31 Jul	Chinese Students Visit CPSMF Rehearsal Lifeskills commences
Wed 1 Aug	ICAS English Competition Lifeskills
Thurs 2 Aug	Chinese Students Visit Code Camp
Fri 3 Aug	Chinese Students Visit K-6 Assembly PSSA Season 2 Round 7

UPCOMING DATES

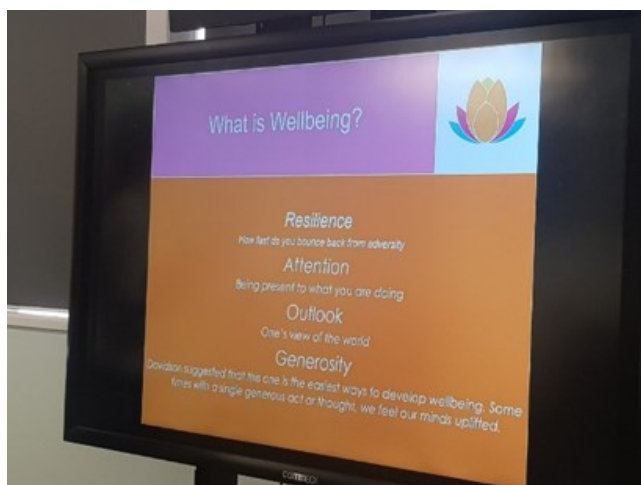
Mon 6 - Fri 10 Aug	Education Week
Mon 6 Aug	Stage 2 & 3 Spelling Bee Finals
Tues 7 Aug	Stage 2 + Chinese Students Australian Museum Excursion
Wed 8 Aug	Stage 3 Australian Museum Excursion
Thurs 9 Aug	Education Week Open Day
Fri 10 Aug	Chinese Students Visit concludes
Sat 11 Aug	Community Open Day
Tues 14 Aug	SPAF Choir ICAS Mathematics Competition
Wed 15 Aug	SPAF Dance

I would like to thank the parents, students and teachers in advance for supporting the event.

Lifeskills

Next Tuesday and Wednesday the students will start participating in Lifeskills lessons. The students will learn mindfulness strategies and tools in helping them learn to regulate their emotions, deal with stress and anxiety. Parents will be invited to attend a lesson later in the term so that you can learn processes in supporting yourself and your child/ren at home.

The staff participated in a two hour professional learning session on Monday 23 July as part of staff development. Here is an interesting photo below:



Code Camp

Year 2, Stage 2 and Stage 3 will once again participate in Code Camp lessons this term. The students will learn to build a website using online language such as javascript. I look forward to seeing the creation of the websites from students.

The teachers participated in professional learning on Monday where we learnt to build our own websites.

Straws No More

If you didn't get a chance to watch War on Waste on

Tuesday evening you can watch it through the ABC application. The episode discussed the tragic impact of single use plastic on our environment, including straws, the use of water bottles and plastic bags.

It is great to see the SRC and Stage 3 students leading the way in eliminating straws at our school.



Natasha Eaton

Ms Natasha Eaton
Principal

Friday Assembly

WEEKLY HOUSE GROUPS TALLY

Term 2 Week 10	Ruby	Topaz	Emerald
Total Points	28 - 2nd	30 - 1st	27 - 3rd

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/PeakhurstSouthPublicSchool/>

Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/peakhurstsouth/?hl=en>

Twitter

<https://twitter.com/PeakhurstSouth>



Peak Award Achievers

KINDER

Joshua R Base Camp

YEAR 1

Filip P Level 1m

Miles X Level 1m

Audrey V Level 2m

YEAR 2

Patrick R Level 6m

Philo M Level 5m

YEAR 3

Johnny T Level 4m

YEAR 4

Olivia S Level 5 and 6m

YEAR 5

Riley B Level 50m

Ryleigh E Level 70m

SPORT RESULTS – Round 5 Date: 6 July 2018

Girls Soccer

	PSPS	Beverly Hills
Junior Girls	0	0
Senior Girls	4	0
Round 6 - 27/7	PSPS v Hannans Road @ Riverwood Park	

Boys Soccer

	PSPS	Oatley West
Junior Boys	0	0
Senior Boys	2	0
Round 6 - 27/7	PSPS v Peakhurst @ Gannons Park	

Newcombeball

	PSPS	Oatley West
Junior Mixed	3	0
Senior Mixed	1	2
Round 7 - 27/7	PSPS v Oatley West @ Oatley West PS	

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/>



Stage 2 and 3 Spelling Bee Competition

The Stage 2 and 3 Spelling Bee is fast approaching! You can access the spelling lists by following the link below and entering the access code: **dazzle**

<https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/2018-premiers-spelling-bee>

Stage 2 use the junior lists and Stage 3 use the senior lists.

Words will be randomly selected from these lists during the class competition and stage finals. The words are levelled by difficulty, and each round will progress in accordance with the lists. Students are not expected to study and learn every single word on these lists.

Class competitions will be held in Week 2 and the top 5 students will progress to the stage final on Monday 6 August 2018.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to your class teacher.

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
K-6	Healthy Skills for Life	\$45.00	30/07/2018
Stage 2	Australian Museum Science Festival	\$24.00	03/08/2018
Stage 3	Australian Museum Science Festival	\$24.00	03/08/2018
3-6 Choir	St George Performing Arts Festival	\$8.50	13/08/2018
Yrs 3-4	Camp Final Payment	\$100.00	15/08/2018



Greater Sydney Outdoor Survey

The Department of Education is working with the [Department of Planning and Environment](#) to ensure that the unique communities of Greater Sydney have access to outdoor spaces and facilities that meet their needs. The Greater Sydney Outdoors Survey is now open to find out how we use our parks, playgrounds, waterways and other outdoor public spaces. The results of the survey will inform future planning and make sure that our community has access to the great outdoors.

Whether it's taking your dog for a walk each morning, studying under a tree in your local park or cycling to work, we want to know how you use outdoor spaces so we can better plan for Greater Sydney.



You can help shape the future of our community by completing the short 5-minute survey [here](#). You could also win an iPad or one of ten \$50 EFTPOS gift cards!

The survey will close on 4 August 2018.



PEAKHURST SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL



COMMUNITY OPEN DAY

Saturday 11 August • 10am - 12pm
Pindari Road, Peakhurst Heights

Farm Animals • School Tours • Performances • Food Stalls
Face-painting • Meet the Principal and Staff



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From the Office

Incursion, Excursion & Sport Payments

Please keep an eye on the orange payments due box that appears in every newsletter for due dates for incursions and excursions. All payments are due **on or before the due date**. If payments are not made on time your child/ren may not be able to attend the event.

Please note:

- We do not carry change in the office, please make sure you provide the correct money in your child/ren's payment envelope.
- Payments to the P&C must be in cash, the office cannot take EFTPOS or credit card payments for the P&C.

Lost Property

If your child has lost any uniform or other items such as lunchboxes or drink bottles please see the yellow lost property cupboard which is located outside the Uniform Shop.

Staff Carparks

The two school staff car parks on Pindari Road and Monterra Avenue are **STRICTLY** for staff parking **ONLY**. Parents are **NOT** to use the car parks for any purpose, especially not for dropping off or picking up children.

These rules are to ensure the safety of your children. Please help us to keep them safe.

School Safety & Enforcement Program

The safety of students and other road users around schools is a priority within the Georges River Council area and driver education plays an important part in reducing the incidences of illegal parking.

To assist in promoting safer parking around schools,

Council has developed School Zone safety below that outlines options to help minimise parking issues. It includes a list of offences that are more commonly encountered as well as the associated penalties.

Council officers will be undertaking both on foot and vehicle based rostered patrols of schools to support this initiative. Where drivers choose to ignore parking rules, creating safety risks or traffic issues, the issue of penalty notices to these drivers remains a strong deterrent.

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Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact **Aaron AhTong, Team Leader Parking, Georges River Council** at: aahtong@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au

School zone safety

Council is committed to promoting safe parking practices around schools, particularly during school zone times, on school days between 8.00am-9.30am and 2.30pm-4.00pm

Illegal parking at these times contributes to traffic congestion and may create unsafe conditions for children and other road users.

To help deter drivers from choosing to park illegally, Council officers regularly patrol school zones and may issue penalty notices. Officers are also a valuable source of information on how to park safely and avoid receiving a penalty notice.

You can help to promote safety and reduce congestion around schools

- Avoid waiting in 'No Parking' zones. A two minute limit applies for most vehicles and a five minute limit applies for Mobility Parking Scheme permit holders when picking up and dropping off
- Never double park
- Park away from the school and walk to pick up your child
- Stagger arrival times to avoid pick-up/drop-off 'peak time' traffic

Child safety is the responsibility of all road users. Drive safely and park legally.



Penalties and demerit points for offences in school zones

SCHOOL ZONE parking offences	Fine	Demerit Points
Stop on/near pedestrian crossing	\$448	2
Disobey 'No Stopping' sign	\$337	2
Double park	\$337	2
Stop in Bus Zone	\$337	2
Stop on/across driveway	\$337	2
Stopping on footpath/nature strip	\$337	2
Disobey 'No Parking' sign	\$187	2



Parking restrictions apply uniformly state wide to deter illegal parking. For further information, please go to www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au/Services/Parking-and-Traffic and <http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe/schools/index.html>

This list of offences is not exhaustive and only indicates some of the penalties for school zones under Road Rules 2014. The information contained in this leaflet is correct as of 1 July 2018, however is subject to change without notice.

Canteen

Welcome back to Term 3, half way through the year already!

The canteen urgently needs more volunteers especially on Fridays. If you can help out please contact Jacinta. We rely on volunteers to keep the canteen running for your children. It's three hours once a term and your children will love seeing you at school. Please drop by and see Jacinta at the canteen and organise a day.

The **Canteen Committee will meet on Friday 10 August at 2.45pm** in the canteen. All welcome

Jacinta Goodacre
Canteen Supervisor

P&C

P&C Meeting

Thank you to all who attended our P&C meeting on Wednesday 25 July. In the coming weeks we will be calling for volunteers for two great events:

- **Outdoor Movie Night**
- **Open Day**

Volunteers help make our school community strong as we work together for a common goal and we love working with both new and returning parents.

Mega Raffle

Tickets were distributed this week and we look forward to lots of sales over the coming weeks. Please collect extra ticket books at the office if you would like to sell them at your outside of school activities.

Prize list is available on the P&C Facebook page and the notice board at the front office.

See you at school.

Mardi Haworth
P&C President

PS: Advertising

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EXPLORE YOUR CAREER POTENTIAL

Career Pathways & Employability Skills Courses

Vacancies still exist

St George College
Semester 2 2018



Career Pathways, Aboriginal Languages & Employability Skills Team
CS05555-01V01 TAFE Statement in Education and Employment Pathways

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Free entry level courses for men and women in a range of industry areas.

Break through the barriers that stand between you and the training and education needed for employment, by enrolling in one of the courses on offer

We currently have vacancies in the following courses:

- Introduction to Computing
- Jewellery Making for Beginners
- Introduction to Beauty
- Introduction to Hospitality
- iPhones and Devices
- MS Word
- Working with Technology

COURSE OUTCOMES INCLUDING:

- Pathways to further study and/or employment

FEE FREE COURSE*

Phone: 9598 6208
Phone: 9710 5004

COURSE SNAPSHOT

Location: TAFE NSW St George College

Course: CS05555-01V01 TAFE Statement in Education and Employment Pathway

Cost: FREE *Fully Government Subsidised Student training programs

Note: Phone either campus for an appointment or further information

Classes start
Semester 2 2018

CONTACT US TODAY!

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST
or for more information

Phone: 9598 6208 St George
Phone: 9710 5004 Sutherland
Website: www.tafensw.edu.au



Spring-Summer 2018-2019 Competition

Tuesday Nights (First Round 28th August)

Venues: Hurstville Aquatic Centre (HALC) & Morris Iemma Indoor Sports Centre (MIISC)

- Under 18 Women
- Under 18 Men
- Under 22 Men
- Men's League

Wednesday Nights (First Round 29th August)

Venues: Hurstville Aquatic Centre (HALC) & Morris Iemma Indoor Sports Centre (MIISC)

- Under 14 Boys
- Under 14 Girls
- Under 16 Girls

Thursday Nights (First Round 30th August)

Venues: Hurstville Aquatic Centre (HALC)

- Under 10 Unisex
- Under 12 Unisex
- Under 16 Boys
- Open Women

Register your team at Hurstville Aquatic Centre (HALC) on:

Tuesdays 6:00pm to 10:00pm
Wednesdays 5:00pm to 8:30pm
Thursdays 5:00pm to 10:00pm

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THURSDAY 17th August 2018

Save time and download your forms from:

www.stgeorge.basketball.net.au

Any enquiries please email stgeorgeball@bigpond.com

or call Anna on 0418 287 386

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**Caringbah
High School
Open Day**

For Year 5 Students & Parents
Thursday 30th August
9:30 – 11:30am
85 Willarong Road, Caringbah

Become a Part of Our Learning Community Today

www.caringbah-h.schools.nsw.edu.au



Casual Work

School Crossing Supervisors – Work with your community
1 x Casual position – Hurstville Local Government Area (0006CHZ)

An important person in a child's school life is the School Crossing Supervisor, who ensures they cross the road safely. The role requires minimal hours out of your day and gives something worthwhile back to the community.

The hours are usually 8:00am to 9:30am and/or 2:30pm to 4:00pm Monday to Friday during school terms.
The base rate is \$23.02 - \$27.62 per hour.

All the qualifications you need are community spirit, good communication skills, an alert and professional attitude to work and a reliable personality. The casual hours and school holidays would suit a parent or grandparent, a retiree or anyone wanting meaningful work – but not full-time.

Training for your key responsibilities of directing traffic to stop at the designated crossing and giving clear instructions to infants and primary school students to cross the road safely will be provided. You may be required to attend a health assessment. Appointment is subject to a Working with Children Check clearance.

Roads and Maritime Services is an equal opportunity employer.

For further information on this exciting opportunity please call 1300 305 855 or go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au

Applications close Sunday, 12 August 2018



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Services