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Peakhurst South Public School

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TERM 3

WEEK 7

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "With the new day comes new strength and new thoughts." **Eleanor Roosevelt**

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

Kindy Orientation

We look forward to meeting all of the new families at the Kindergarten Orientation evening next **Wednesday 12 September at 7pm in the School Hall**. The Orientation Evening is for parents/carers only. The 2019 Kindergarten students will attend the three Kindy Start sessions in Term 4.

The Evening will be a valuable opportunity for parents/carers to find out important information on school readiness, what to expect at the Kindy Start sessions and school directions. You will have the opportunity to talk to the Principal, K-2 Assistant Principal and Kindergarten Teachers for 2019.



School Administration and Support Staff (SASS) Recognition Week

This week is SASS recognition week and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Karen, Jo and Nicole for all of their hard work in the office. The office staff at Peakhurst South Public School work at the highest level offering a professional and welcoming face to the school.

I would also like to thank Stephanie and Susan for their ongoing support of students in the classroom and playground. Lastly but not least thank you to Bruce for the ongoing maintenance of the school.

CALENDAR DATES

WEEK 8 - TERM 3

Mon 10 Sep	3.20pm - 4.20pm: Uniform Shop Open Stage 3 Camp
Tues 11 Sep	Stage 3 Camp
Wed 12 Sep	Stage 3 Camp 7.00pm: Kindy 2019 Orientation Evening
Thurs 13 Sep	
Fri 14 Sep	PSSA Trials K-6 Assembly

UPCOMING DATES

Wed 19 Sept	K-6 Public Speaking Finals
Thurs 20 Sept	Stage 1 Excursion - Museum of Applied Arts and Science
Friday 21 Sept	PSSA Season 3 commences
Wed 26 Sept	SRC Colour Explosion P&C Meeting
Fri 28 Sept	K-6 Assembly Last Day of Term 3
Mon 15 Oct	Term 3 commences: K-6



We are very lucky at Peakhurst South Public School to have a supportive and dedicated SAS team.

Also, thank you Miss Wells for taking over the position of Office Manager so that the office staff could enjoy their Thank You Morning Tea!



Congratulations to our Champion Spellers

Last week was the Regional Spelling Bee competition between schools across South-East Sydney. Samantha and Emilio represented Peakhurst South Public School in the Stage 2 competition and Sierra and Christopher competed in the Stage 3 competition. All students made it through numerous spelling rounds with Samantha finishing 6th overall and Sierra winning the Stage 3 competition. Sierra will represent Peakhurst South and our region and compete at the state level competition in Term 4!

We wish her all the best in the next round of competition!



Natasha Eaton

Ms Natasha Eaton
Principal

Friday Assembly

WEEKLY HOUSE GROUPS TALLY

Term 3 Week 6	Ruby	Topaz	Emerald
Total	23 - 2nd	29 - 1st	21 - 3rd

Peak Award Achievers

KINDER

Sara B	Level 1m
Hayley Q	Base Camp
Selena A	Base Camp

YEAR 1

Lily T	Level 3m
Emma T	Base Camp
Lily G	Level 1m

YEAR 2

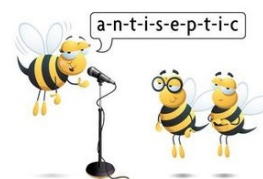
Eva V	Level 5m
Mitchell G	Level 4m & 5m
Isaac N	Level 5m

Regional Spelling Bee

On Monday 3 September 2018, Emilio (3/4M), Samantha (3/4B), Christopher (5/6M) and Sierra (5/6M) represented Peakhurst South PS at the Regional Spelling Bee competition, held at Peakhurst West Public School.

All four students represented our school well, making it through to some of the final rounds. In particular, Samantha came 6th place in the junior competition and Sierra finished 1st place in the senior competition. Sierra will now go on to compete in the State Spelling Bee later this year. Well done!

Congratulations to all four students on their efforts and achievements.



Mrs Bignell



PSSA Sport Season 3

Trials for Season 3 of PSSA Sport will be held over the next two Fridays (weather permitting), 7 and 14 September.

Sports on offer in Season 3 are:

- Boys Cricket
- Girls OzTag
- Mixed Hockey

There will be one Junior team (Years 3 and 4) and one Senior team (Years 5 and 6) selected for each sport.

Season 3 of PSSA Sport will commence on Friday 21 September.

Mr A Marshall

PSSA Sport Co-ordinator

District Athletics Carnival

The Georges River District Athletics Carnival was recently held over two days with the Field Events and 800m on Monday 20 August and the Track Events on Monday 27 August.

I am very pleased to be able to report that Peakhurst South Public School competed admirably on both days and represented our school with pride.

Peakhurst South finished twelfth overall on 115 points and ninth on handicap (calculated by dividing the total point score by the primary enrolment).

I would also like to thank the many parents that supported their children and our school by coming along to cheer on Peakhurst South. Your support really is very much appreciated.

We had many excellent performances across the two days and all students should be proud of their efforts.

Congratulations to:

- Akira S for finishing 1st in the 11 Years Girls 800m
- Ryan N 2nd in 11 Years Boys Discus and
- Morgan R 2nd in Senior Boys Discus.

These three students have qualified for the Georges River District PSSA Athletics Team to compete at the Sydney East Athletics Championships to be held at SOPAC on Tuesday 18 September.

Well done to all of the following students for finishing in the top ten of their event.

Day 1 – Field Events and 800m

Name	Place	Event
Samuel H	5 th	Jnr Boys 800m
Morgan R	6 th	Snr Boys Long Jump
Alex L	6 th	11yr Boys Shot Put
Ryan N	2nd	11yr Boys Discus
Alex L	6 th	11yr Boys Discus
Morgan R	2nd	Snr Boys Discus
Akira S	1st	11yr Girls 800m
Talena S	6 th	Snr Girls 800m

Day 2 – Track Events

Name	Place	Event
Kye S	10 th	9yr Boys 100m
Samuel H	5 th	10yr Boys 100m
Christian D	10 th	12yr Boys 100m
Samuel H	5 th	Jnr Boys 200m
Annabel M	7 th	9yr Girls 100m
Jemma R	9 th	11yr Girls 20m
Tash S	6 th	Snr Girls 200m
Kye S Brodie S Samuel H Lachlan G	6 th	Jnr Boys Relay 4 x 100m
Riley B Christian D Hugo W Morgan R	8 th	Snr Boys Relay 4 x 100m
Annabel M Amelia W Gisele W Angelina J Yasmin Z	6 th	Jnr Girls Relay 4 x 100m

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Stage 2 Camp 2018

Congratulations to all of the students in Stage 2 for surviving camp! It was a memorable experience for all that many of us will never forget.

Our adventure began on Tuesday 22 August, after a late bus arrival and a long drive to the Great Aussie Bush Camp at Kincumber. We were greeted by the friendly staff and got settled into our cabins shortly after arriving. Then there was no time to spare as we headed straight off to our camp activities. The next two days were action packed full of activities, snow cones and camp fires. If you would like to see some of our adventures, please click on the YouTube clip below:

<https://youtu.be/cmYSVBzvAUA>

Here are some reports from our happy campers!

My favourite part was archery and the giant swing, even though it hurt a lot! *Ainsley P*

The Great Aussie Bush Camp was so much fun! We did: bushcraft, anti-bullying, archery and the GIANT SWING! *Tara Q*

My favourite activity was bushcraft because we got to collect heaps of bark and sticks to create shelters. But the bit was when we got to make and eat damper with maple syrup. *Marcus M*

The thing I liked most about camp was the giant swing. It was a three seater and we went 17 metres high. While we were waiting for our turn, we watched other students express their feelings of fear and excitement, as they were pulled to the top! Time went by so quickly, all of a sudden we were on the bus back to school. *Claudia D, Angelina J*

Camp was the best two days of my life! The giant swing was the best of all. The first two swings were horror but the rest was absolutely mind blowing!!!! *Byron*

The giant swing was insanely scary! They make the swing hoist the riders into the air, the other students pulled the rope away from the swing, lifting them higher and higher. One of the riders needs to pull an orange cord to drop them and start the ride. It is AWESOME! After the giant swing, we got to have some delicious snow cones. We had to bring big cups in order to get bigger snow cones. *Kendall and Lucas*





Nude Food Day - Term 3

Thank you to everyone that participated in Nude Food Day. It was fantastic to see so much less rubbish being put in the bins.

Below are the percentage of students in each class that brought nude food to school on Tuesday and a comparison to percentages in Term 2. Congratulations to our winning class for the second term in a row, **KT**! Fantastic effort with 76% of the class having nude food.

Congratulations to **2W** and **3/4B** who had more students bringing nude food this term.

We will be having another Nude Food Day in Term 4. We would love 100% participation.

Nude Food Day Comparison Term 2 & Term 3			
KDS		KW	
T2 70%	T3 69%	T2 65%	T3 50%
KT		1B	
T2 81%	T3 76%	T2 61%	T3 50%
1JB		1/2M	
T2 64%	T3 52%	T2 43%	T3 34%
2W		3/4B	
T2 67%	T3 71%	T2 54%	T3 65%
3/4H		3/4M	
T2 67%	T3 57%	T2 74%	T3 50%
5/6M		5/6P	
T2 37%	T3 20%	T2 48%	T3 48%



Run4Fun Colour Explosion

Thank you for your support so far with our School Run4Fun Colour Explosion. Fundraising is full steam ahead!

How are you tracking towards your fundraising goal?

If you haven't already, create a Profile Page at:

www.myprofilepage.com.au

There are some awesome features like setting your fundraising goal by choosing your favourite prizes.

You can also register for online fundraising – it's the key to your success! Share your Profile Page to family and friends anywhere around the world and request support!

Don't forget to see if you've won FREE sponsorship donations by using your unique code on page five (5) of the Sponsorship Form. Once logged in, view the school's leaderboard and see where your child ranks. The highest fundraising student at the completion of the fundraiser will go into a draw to win a HUGE Apple Prize Pack.

There are only 3 weeks to go to raise money to help the SRC improve our playground.



Happy fundraising!

Mrs Bowden and the SRC

Combined Public Schools Music Festival

This week, eight students from Peakhurst South Public School Band had the opportunity to participate in the Combined Public Schools Festival band, which consisted of a total of sixty students from other Public Schools across Sydney. They performed at this event on Monday 3 September and Wednesday 5 September. They performed well and it was an invaluable experience for these students as they do not get to perform with such a large band usually. The band sounded amazing and our students performed beautifully demonstrating impeccable behaviour.

Mrs Paul
Band Coordinator

Here are some photos from the two nights:



Payments Due

Year	Event	Payment Amount	Date Due
K-6	School Fees	Various	OVERDUE
Various	PSSA	\$50.00	OVERDUE
Various	Got Game	\$35.00	OVERDUE
Stage 3	Art Gallery Excursion	\$25.00	OVERDUE
Various	Engadine Music Festival	\$17.00	OVERDUE
K-6	Athletics Carnival	\$11.00	OVERDUE
K-6	Healthy Skills for Life	\$45.00	OVERDUE
Stage 2	Australian Museum Science Festival	\$24.00	OVERDUE
Stage 2	Camp	\$235.00	OVERDUE
Stage 3	Camp	\$320.00	31/08/2018
Kinder	Symbio Wildlife Park	\$34.00	31/08/2018
Stage 1	Sydney Observatory	\$30	13/09/2018
Various	Semester 2 Dance Fees	Various to Miss Larissa	14/09/2018

OFFICE HOURS



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

When kids ask "the" questions... Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 90 years' experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skillful presenters.

The topic of sexuality is handled with sensitivity, openness and humour. The program offers an interactive approach to learning, with a variety of audio-visual materials, discussions and games.

Session 1: Where did I come from?

1-hour session: Years 3-6

Session 2: Preparing for puberty

1-hour session: Years 5-6

Years 3-4 can attend at parent's discretion

Date: Tuesday 18 September 2018

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night.

**Permission Notes were sent home via CareMonkey
to Years 3 - 6 this week.**



Canteen

Term 3 Weeks 7 & 8

Canteen Roster	
Friday 7/9	9.30am - 11.00am - Natasha B 11.00am - 2.30pm: Anita K and Kylie R
Monday 10/9	12.00pm- 2.30pm: Daryll B
Wednesday 12/9	11.00am - 2.30pm: Charlene
Friday 14/9	9.30am - 11.00am: Jodie H 11.00am - 2.30pm: Karen B & Helene C
MON: Half Day (HD) 11.30am – 2.30pm WED: All Day (AD) 9:30am – 2:30pm FRI: All Day (AD) 9:30am – 2:30pm	

We have a vacancy on Friday 21/09 between 11.00 am - 2.30pm, if you can help out please drop by and see Jacinta

Thanks

Jacinta Goodacre
Canteen Supervisor

Mega Raffle

Prize collection

Congratulations to all the winners of the Mega Raffle last Friday. If you are a winner the notice has been posted to the P & C Facebook page:

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

A heartfelt thank you to Anita Aley and Eleni Calavrias who worked so hard to source, collect, wrap and store all the fabulous prizes. The raffle has raised over \$3,300 for PSPS an amazing community effort.

The P&C would like to thank all the businesses who have generously supported the Mega Raffle, by donating prizes and vouchers.

Check out the PSPS P&C Facebook Page to view the fantastic range of prizes.

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