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TERM 2

WEEK 2

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** "A growth mindset is when students understand that their abilities can be developed." **Dweck**

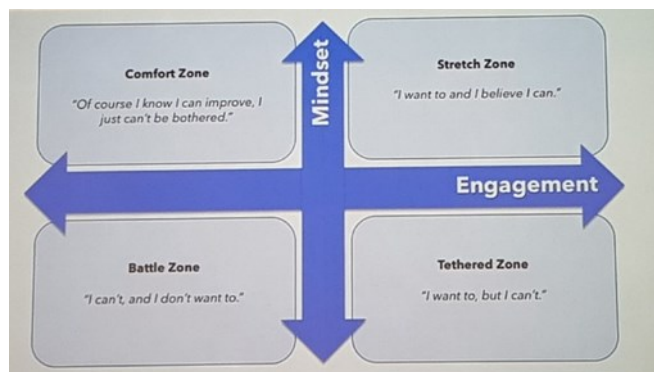
### Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Carers

#### Growth Mindset

Last night the staff attending session two on Growth Mindset. The staff revisited the importance of giving feedback to students in regards to effort rather than praise around intelligence. The premise is that knowledge and intelligence is not fixed, that it can grow and develop.

We want to see students in the stretch zone where they are engaged and they have a growth mindset.



#### Urban Landscape Design Project

On Monday the Student Representative Council (SRC) met with Urban Landscape Design to create a model for the playground. The students discussed areas of play, current activities and places they would like to see develop. This included reviewing the nature reserve area and how effective changes could be made in allowing this to become a usable space. The students voted on options for this area. This information is located in the school hall.



### CALENDAR DATES

#### WEEK 3

Mon 13 May	<b>3.20pm - 4.20pm: Uniform Shop Open</b> School Council <b>Got Game - Athletic Skills: Yrs 3-6</b>
Tues 14 May	<b>Yr 2 Excursion - Hazelhurst Gallery</b> <b>Nude Food Day</b> <b>Urban Landscape Design - SRC</b> <b>NAPLAN - Writing</b>
Wed 15 May	<b>8.45am - 9.15am: } Staff meeting</b> <b>4.00pm - 6.00pm: } Staff</b> Professional Development <b>NAPLAN - Reading</b>
Thur 16 May	<b>NAPLAN - Language (Yr 5) and Reading (Yr 3)</b>
Fri 17 May	2.30pm: Canteen Committee meeting

### UPCOMING DATES

Mon 20 May - Tue 21 May	NAPLAN
Tues 21 May	Yr 1 Excursion - Hazelhurst Gallery
Thur 23 May	District Cross Country
Fri 24 May	K-6 Assembly

#### NAPLAN

The Year 3 and Year 5 students will participate in NAPLAN next week. The students at Peakhurst South Public School will once again complete the assessments online with all NSW schools transitioning to online in 2020.

The students in Year 3 will complete Reading, Language Conventions and Numeracy online. The Writing will still be completed paper-based in Year 3.

The Year 5 students will complete all assessments online.

If you wish to find out more information please follow the link below:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/student-assessment/naplan-online>

I do ask as always not to place additional stress on Year 3 or Year 5 students. Just treat next week as a normal week. NAPLAN is a snapshot of one point in time and is a reflection on the students' performance on that day, not always a complete judgement of each child's ability. The best way to find out how your child is progressing in their learning is to have a conversation with your child's teacher.

NAPLAN will disrupt the Library this year. Mr Ellerington will continue to take classes for History and Geography lessons in the classrooms. The classes affected will be able to borrow at lunchtimes.

*Natasha Eaton*

Ms Natasha Eaton  
Principal

## SPORT RESULTS – Round 9 Date: 3/05/2019

### Touch Football

	PSPS	Hannans Road
Junior Boys	7	1
Senior Boys	7	2

### Cricket

	PSPS	Narwee
Junior Girls	76	49
Senior Girls	80	76

### AFL

	PSPS	Penshurst West
Girls	3.5.(23)	2.0.(12)
Boys	3.2.(20)	8.7.(42)

## Library Donation

A big thankyou to the Aley Family for their \$700 donation to our School Library. It has helped us buy many books for our library including a new complete set of Harry Potter Books. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mr Ellerington  
Librarian



## NSW PREMIER'S SPORTING CHALLENGE



This year our school has registered to participate in the **NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge**.

The purpose of the Challenge is to encourage students to participate in sport and physical activity to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Over a ten week period **13 May - 2 August**, our School will be monitoring physical activity levels during class time, at recess and lunch as well as during sport lessons. Physical activity outside school hours will also count towards the Challenge award. The aim is to work towards an average of at least 60 minutes of activity a day for ten weeks.

Our school will be working towards a **class-based award** at the conclusion of the Challenge.

We would like to invite families to support us in encouraging students' healthy use of leisure time and to experience the joy of being active together.

For primary students: Each student in years 3-6 will be issued with a logbook to record their daily physical activity. Whilst K-2 students will work towards a Gold class award level.

Students completing the Challenge will receive a personalised certificate (Diamond, Gold, Silver or Bronze), signed by the Premier of New South Wales.

Physical activity is valued for its physical, social and emotional benefits. It also helps young people to develop communication skills, confidence and resilience.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of the Challenge, please contact Mr Ellerington who will be pleased to talk further with you.



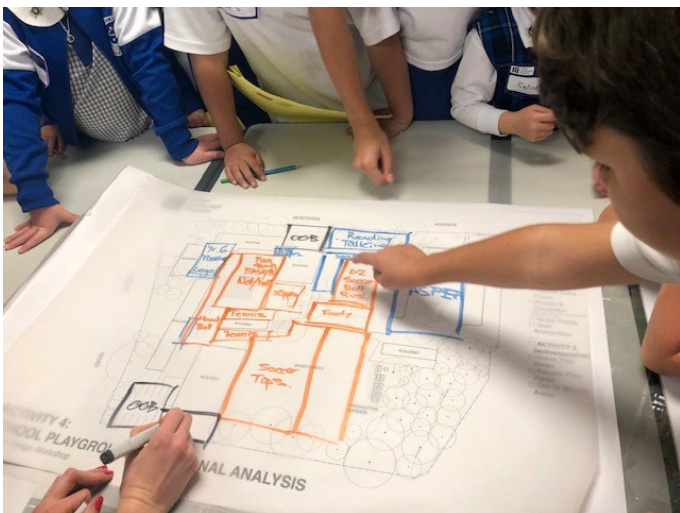
Mr J Ellerington  
Librarian



## SRC Urban Landscape Projects

The SRC participated in a workshop with Urban Landscape Projects to improve our playground and make it a better, more enjoyable place to play. We learnt about what a designer and landscaper does. We had to identify the uses of land in the area around our school and within our school. We identified active and passive play activities and where they occur in the playground. We viewed and voted on photos of playground possibilities that could be included in our plans. Finally we worked in groups to discuss and design our ultimate playground and presented these to the rest of the group.

It was a great workshop which we all thoroughly enjoyed and feel it was a great experience. We look forward to the plans generated from this workshop.



The SRC

## Stewart House

Last term students received an envelope for the Stewart House Donation Drive 2019.

**Donate at least \$2.00 for a chance to win a \$4,000 FAMILY HOLIDAY.**

**Envelopes must be returned for Stewart House by Wednesday 22 May 2019.**

### Important Information

The winning entry for the \$4,000 family holiday to a destination of choice will be drawn on Friday 31 May 2019 at 12.00pm. The winner will be contacted by phone and email.

Full terms and conditions for the competition are available on the Stewart House website:

[www.stewarthouse.org.au](http://www.stewarthouse.org.au)



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# Woolworths Earn & Learn

Let's get collecting!



When you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator, via team members at the self service checkout or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet.

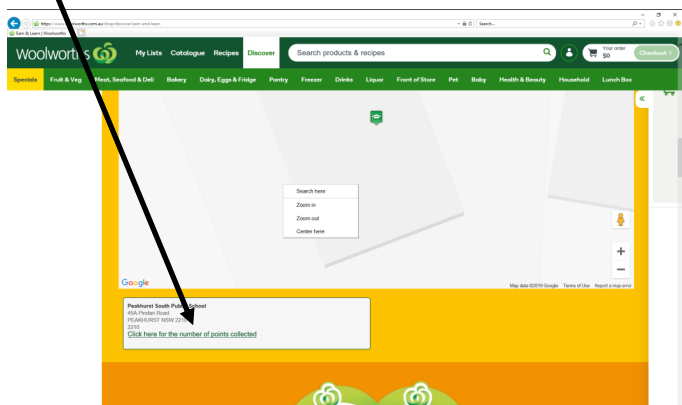
Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet or Stickers into the **Peakhurst South Public School Collection Box**.

These collection boxes are located at:

- **Peakhurst South Public School front office**
- **Woolworths Mortdale Plaza**
- **Woolworths Riverwood (near the checkouts)**

Spare sticker sheets, can be obtained at your local Woolworths store or the office. Thank you to the following parents; Ms McQueen, Ms Langham, Mrs McCole, Mrs McMechan and Mrs Rezitis for helping to collect the stickers/sticker sheets from stores, place the stickers on the sticker sheets and keep our tally updated.

PSPS parents/carers and friends can access our **barometer** to see how many points we have collected so far at: [woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](https://www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn)



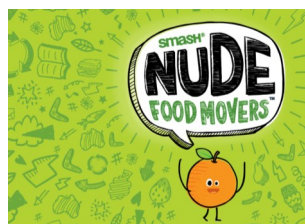
## Nude Food Tuesday

Every Tuesday students are asked to bring nude food to school. At the end of the term the class with the highest cumulative total will receive a prize. Congratulations to 5/6C who have improved their percentage significantly.

This week's results:

Class	Week Percentage	Total
KW	85%	15
KT	<b>95%</b>	<b>16.3</b>
KDS	73%	13.8
1R	60%	12.5
1JB	40%	8
1/2M	65%	13
2R	67%	11.2
2B	77%	12.7
3M	55%	11.1
3/4M	76%	12.2
4/5T	64%	11.2
5/6C	83%	14.3
5/6P	57%	7.1

Congratulations to **KT** who had the highest percentage this week with 95% of the class bringing nude food.



## Kindergarten 2020

Kindergarten Enrolment Packs are now available from the school office.

If you have a child starting **Kindergarten in 2020** it is now time to lodge their application for enrolment.



## From the Office

### Payments

Payment can be made by:

- **Cash/cheque** - Envelopes available at the office
- **Online** - this facility is accessible via the school's website. You click **\$ MAKE A PAYMENT** button which takes you to a secure Westpac payment page.



If a payment is made prior to 6pm, it will appear in the school's bank account the next day. Any payments made after **5.30pm** will appear two days later.

If you have any questions regarding the use of EFTPOS, or the online facility, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

### Medication at school

#### Prescribed medication

If your child requires prescribed medication, for example **antibiotics**, to be administered during school hours please contact the school office for a 'Request for administering prescribed medication to the student' form.

The medication **will only** be administered if:

- it has been prescribed by your child's doctor
- it has your child's name printed on the prescription label
- it has a valid expiry date, and
- it is in its original packaging.

These are legal requirements set out by the Department of Education.

#### Over the counter medication

If your child requires over the counter medication, for example **Panadol**, to be administered during school hours please also contact the school office for a 'Request for administering prescribed medication to the student' form.

### Absences

If your child is away please notify the school as soon as possible by telephone or via the Skoolbag or CareMonkey apps.

### Skoolbag

In the **eForms** tab you can select:

- **Absentee Note** and complete the form that is then sent directly to the school so that we can update your child's records.

### CareMonkey

In the **Self Service Forms** tab you can select:

- **Student Absentee Form** and complete the form that is then sent directly to the school so that we can update your child's records.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Mrs K Bowcock  
School Admin Manager

## Payments Due

Grade	Event	Payment Amount	Date Due
Yr 3 - 6	Swimming Carnival	\$11.00	OVERDUE
Kinder	School Fees	\$150.00	OVERDUE
Yr 1 & 2	School Fees Textbooks	\$160.00 + \$13.00	OVERDUE
Yr 3 & 4	School Fees Textbooks	\$147.50 + \$25.00	OVERDUE
Yr 5 & 6	School Fees Textbooks	\$136.50 + \$25.00	OVERDUE
Yr 3 - 6	PSSA Sport	\$55.00	OVERDUE
Yr 3 - 6	Got Game	\$40.00	OVERDUE
Yr 1 & 2	Hazelhurst Art Gallery	\$25.00	3/05/2019
Yr 5 & 6	Canberra Snow Deposit Payment 1 Payment 2	\$80 \$150.00 \$150.00	OVERDUE 6/05/2019 20/05/2019
Choir	SPAF	\$25.00	10/05/2019

## OFFICE HOURS

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



# P&C News and Information

## Canteen

### Term 2 Weeks 2 & 3

Canteen Roster	
Friday 10/5	<b>8.50am - 11.45am:</b> Ally <b>11.30am - 2.00pm:</b> Katie <b>12.00pm - 2.00pm:</b> <b>Vacant</b>
Monday 13/5	<b>12.30pm - 2.00pm:</b> Hoda
Wednesday 16/5	<b>11.30am - 2.00pm:</b> Tara
Friday 17/5	<b>9.30am - 1.00pm:</b> Gina <b>11.00am - 2.00pm:</b> <b>Vacant</b> <b>12.00pm - 2.00pm:</b> <b>Vacant</b>
<b>MON &amp; WED: AD = All Day 9:30am–2:00pm</b> <b>AM = 9:30am–11:45am; PM = 11:15am–2:00pm</b> <b>FRI: AD = All Day 9:20am–12:30pm</b>	

The next Canteen Committee meeting will be next Friday 17 May at 2.30pm held in the Canteen.

If you have any suggestions or would like to attend and just see what the canteen is about please join us.

Idy Washbourn

**Canteen Supervisor**

## Uniform Shop

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

The next opening day will be **Monday 13 May**.

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

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

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

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

### PSPS UNIFORM GUIDELINES

**Term 2** till June long weekend **Either summer or winter uniform**

June long weekend till end of **Term 3** **Compulsory winter uniform**

**Remember to bring your own bag along to the Uniform Shop.**

Online orders please place a bag clearly marked with your child's name in the box provided in the yellow lost property cupboard.

Stephanie Cook

**Uniform Shop Coordinator**

## P&C

### Election Day

A giant thank you to Alison B and Jodie H who have decided to tackle the Election Day BBQ. The democracy sausage will be available! To those who have volunteered the coordinators will be in touch soon.

### Mother's Day

Thank you to Eleni C who coordinated our Mother's Day stall this year and to Anita A for her unwavering support and dedication to sourcing raffle prizes. A full list of winners will be in next week's newsletter and on the P&C Facebook page.

### Trivia Night

The Trivia Night committee met for the first time this week and there is much to get excited about. Don't forget to **SAVE THE DATE Saturday 15 June**. Information regarding tickets will be forwarded home soon.

### P&C Executive Team

## Book Club

Welcome back to Term 2. The holidays went quickly but there is always time for a little holiday reading. Hopefully you got to enjoy some. The Book Club catalogues from Issue 3 have arrived and were distributed to the classrooms for students to take home and browse. Orders are due in by **Friday, 17 May 2019**. Orders and payments can be made online at Scholastic's LOOP: [www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or order forms with correct money can be left in the Perspex box in the school office.

Issue 3 is packed with exciting titles. Some new titles include 'The Bad Guys – Episode 9' (#001), 'Weirdo – Hopping Weird 12' (#002), 'Diary of an Awesome Friendly Kid' (#004) and a triple pack of Macca (#009).

Also, each issue offers quality value books so every child has the opportunity to take something home to allow them to enjoy the pleasure of reading. Some gold coin titles this issue include 'Hickory Dickory Dash' (#003), 'Ballet Stars' (#202), 'Snow Man and the Seven Ninjas' (#301) and 'The Dragonet Prophecy' (#401).

Ordering books and gifts through Book Club is a great way to support our School. Scholastic give 20% of the value of our orders back in the form of rewards to buy books and resources for our library and classrooms.

"A room without books is like a body without a soul." – Marcus Tullius Cicero

Bia Limberis & Careena Craven

**Book Club Co-ordinators**



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