

# Peakhurst West Newsletter



Thursday, 15 October, 2015—Term 4, Week 2

## CALENDAR

### Monday 19 October

Stage 3 Cyber Bullying Presentation

### Tuesday 20 October

Gymnastics years 3-6

### Thursday 22 October

Kinder Orientation—Session 1

### Friday 23 October

PSSA Round 4

Hazelhurst Exhibition Opening Night

### Tuesday 27 October

Gymnastics years K-2

Stage 3 Sculpture by the Sea

### Wednesday 28 October

Mrs Carr's Memorial Garden Opening—9.30am

### Thursday 29 October

Kinder Orientation—Session 2

### Friday 30 October

PSSA Round 5

### Monday 2 November

P&C 7pm

### Tuesday 3 November

Gymnastics years 3-6

### Wednesday 4 November

Interrelate—6pm

## Principal's Report

Welcome back to term 4! It is difficult to believe that it is already the end of week 2! As always, there is so much happening at the school, amongst the teaching and learning, assessing and reporting that occurs in term 4. Our teachers are already starting to write student reports so they will be quite busy over coming weeks.

This week I had the pleasure of attending the George's River District Public Speaking Competition and watching our school finalists represent the school in what was a very competitive round. Congratulations to Sylvia, Stephanie, Eloise and Emily who represented the school and really gave it their all.

Following the great success of some of our athletes last term, I am proud to announce that Eloise has once again performed brilliantly at State Athletics this week and is now proceeding to the National Championships in December. Congratulations Eloise—we are very proud of you and your talents!

Mr Briggs has also been working hard with his students to create artworks for the 'Not Just a Brush' exhibition at Hazelhurst Art Gallery. The exhibition opens next Friday, 23 October at Hazelhurst Art Gallery - Gynea. This is a stunning display of student artwork from across Sydney, featuring some pieces by our students. The theme for this year was 'upcycled' artwork, so all of the sculptures have been made with recycled materials. No doubt, Mr Briggs will take some photos of the sculptures at the opening event. Don't miss the opportunity of visiting the gallery with your children as it is open for 2 weeks.

One very exciting event coming up is the Peakhurst West Public School Fete, which we are running together with the George's River Lioness Club. The Lioness Club will be holding their annual Christmas Fair on our school grounds on Saturday, November 14, so we will be combining with their Fair to establish a fun, family day for our school community. There will be rides, mixed market stalls, a sausage sizzle, ice cream, performance... It will be an amazing day! Please save the date—Saturday, 14 November from 9am to 3pm. We would love to see you here! More information about the fete and how you can support our school will be distributed over the next week.

We are starting to organise 2016 classes, as well as our Kinder Orientation program which starts next week. If you know anyone who is starting Kindergarten next year and they haven't enrolled, please do so now. This really helps with our planning and transition programs. I am looking forward to seeing all the gorgeous pre-schoolers next Thursday as they begin their first part of the 'Big School Journey'. Similarly, if you will not be attending the school in 2016, could you please let the admin office know.

You may also have noticed that our memorial garden for Mrs Carr is now complete, with a special plaque in her memory. We will be holding a Memorial Garden Opening for Mrs Carr on Wednesday 28 October during our flag assembly at 9.30am. Our school community is welcome to attend. I would like to thank Mrs Liston for organising the beautiful plaques and the special assembly.

Have a great week!  
Tanya Sarafoski

## Kindergarten Farm Excursion

Last term, Kindergarten had a great day at the farm. We loved seeing and touching all the animals.



## From the Library Term 4 Week 2...

### BOOK WEEK FINAL WRAP UP

I would like to thank everyone for their enthusiasm during Book Week. The donation Book Fair has raised over \$350 for the school Library, which we can use for new books. All of the donated books should have been given out by now. If you didn't get a book you donated please see Ms Dawson.

### YEH! TERM 4 BOOK FAIR

In **Week 7**, from Monday to Thursday, there will be a Book Fair at our school. It will be a 'Take Home' Book Fair. This means that it is like a shop and any books you choose can be taken on the day. Books range from around \$1 and they are age appropriate. The Library will be open an **extra 30 minutes in the mornings and in the afternoon** during that week. Come along and choose some books. They are great as Christmas presents or just for fun reading. Who knows... you might find a fabulous new author or series you can enjoy over the holidays. A percentage of all the profits goes back to the school for us to get new books. Hope to see you there!

Happy Reading  
Ms Dawson

## Pennant Winners

**Congratulations** to the following students for earning a pennant:

Finn MacMillan

Nour Reslan

Tyler Miller

Busra Kumsuz

Shaylee Robinson

### Sport Cavalcade

Week 10 T3	Juniors	Seniors
<b>Boys Basketball</b>	V Peakhurst Sth Won 22-14	V Peakhurst Sth Won 37-18
<b>Girls Softball/ Tball</b>	V Peakhurst Lost 10-17	V Peakhurst Lost 9-11
<b>Boys Cricket</b>	V Peakhurst lost 43-0	V Peakhurst Won 54-17
<b>GirlsTouch</b>	V Peakhurst Sth Won 5-2	V Peakhurst Sth Won 3-1
<b>Mixed Hockey</b>	V Connells Pt Lost 0-1	V Connells Pt Won 4-1

### Sport Cavalcade

Week 1 T4	Juniors	Seniors
<b>Boys Basketball</b>	V Penshurst Won 24-4	V Penshurst Draw 20-20
<b>Girls Softball/ Tball</b>	V Mortdale Won 12-8	V Mortdale Lost 4-5
<b>Boys Cricket</b>	V Mortdale Lost 15-69	V Mortdale Lost 11-24
<b>GirlsTouch</b>	V Penshurst West Draw 1-1	V Penshurst West Won 2-1
<b>Mixed Hockey</b>	V Peakhurst Sth Draw 1-1	V Peakhurst Sth Lost 0-5

## Kinder Orientation

We are very excited about our Kinder Orientation that starts next week! It is an ideal time for students and families to come and meet staff and other families. Over the three sessions students will tour the school grounds, meet key teachers and staff and become familiarised with the school setting. Parents can hear from the school counsellor, learning and support teachers, other parents and school executive.

### Kinder Orientation Dates:

Thursday 22nd October	9:30-10:30
Thursday 29th October	9:30-10:30
Thursday 5th November	9:30-10:30



## From the Admin Office...

This week, we handed out reminder notices to the families who still have outstanding fees and payments due from previous terms. Please help us by finalising these payments ASAP. Next week, we will distribute the term 4 invoices to all families.

We are trying to change our payment system so that all notes and payments are paid directly to the office. Children can leave envelopes with payments or credit card details with our admin staff, Mrs Elliott, Miss Danielle and Mrs Gentle (Fridays). We also accept phone payments by credit cards. We hope that this will streamline our payment system and alleviate admin responsibility from our wonderful teachers.

## Interrelate

We have booked a Family Evening Program for our school community, which will be hosted by Interrelate. This is a great opportunity for students in years 3-6 and their families to learn about growing up and the social, emotional and physical changes that occur, from a reliable organisation like Interrelate. Please see flyers attached and send payments to the office.

This will be held in the library on Wednesday, 4 November from 6pm.

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

Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 85 years' experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skilful 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 3-6 can attend at parent's discretion

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night. Keep a look out for flyers coming home with your child before the program outlining session content.

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

## Interrelate's high-quality Sexuality and Relationship Education program is coming to your school!

With over 85 years' experience in this field, Interrelate has a reputation for providing excellence in sexuality and relationship education. Today, over 49,000 students and family members participate in Interrelate School and Family programs each year.

Many parents find it hard to discuss questions relating to sexuality education. *We know how to help break the ice.* Interrelate programs are interactive and family focused, and are conducted by highly trained and experienced educators, who adhere to a strict code of ethics.

### Session 1: Where did I come from? (1 hour session – Years 3-6)

This session educates children more about how their bodies work and the differences between males and females, including their understanding of conception, fertilisation, foetal development and the birth process.

### Session 2: Preparing for puberty (1 hour session – Years 5-6; Years 3-4 at parent's discretion)

This session prepares children and parents/caregivers for the physical, social and emotional changes associated with puberty, and addresses changing emotions and relationships with families and peers.

## Interrelate School Services Presents a Special Evening Program

**Family cost\*: 1 session \$25.00 per family | 2 sessions \$30 per family**

(\*GST exclusive – GST is payable/claimable by the school or organising body)

**Where: PEAKHURST WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**When: Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> November 2015**

**Time:** Where did I come from? – **6.00pm sharp** | Preparing for puberty – **7.15pm**

*Specialty books are available for purchase on the night*

----- Please complete and return to the school office, with payment in an envelope labelled with child's name and class -----

### A Special Evening Program

Name of family: .....

No. attending: ☐ Session 1: Where did I come from? ☐ Session 2: Preparing for puberty

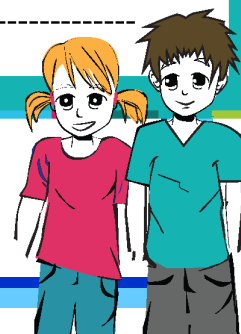
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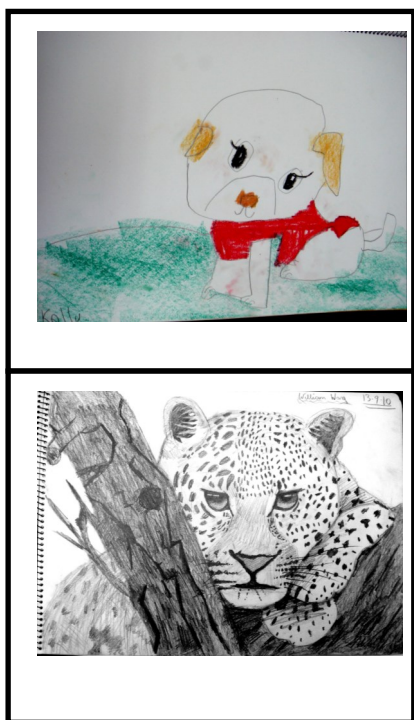
I have made an online payment. My receipt no. ....

OR ☐ Eftpos ☐ Cash ☐ Cheque (payable to the school) ☐ Credit card

Credit card number: ...../...../..... Expiry date: .....

Name on card: ..... Amount: .....





## AMY'S Art School

**Free trial lesson !**

**Free catch up missed lessons !**

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