



Newsletter

Term 3, Week 2

Friday, 29 July, 2016

Principal's Message

We've had a great start to Term 3, with many events already having taken place. Stage 3 have been on an excursion to Wattamola, we had our Athletics Carnival this week and every class has been busy practicing their performances for Education Week next week. I cannot wait to see all of the performances on Thursday at our Open Day!

THANK YOU MRS BROWN

As you all know, today marks Mrs Brown's last day at Peakhurst West Public School. Mrs Brown has been at our school for over 10 years, both as a classroom teacher and most recently as an English as an Additional Dialect Teacher. Mrs Brown has always shown a genuine interest, care and concern for the needs of our students and has always done everything she possibly could to ensure their needs were being met. Thank you for all of your efforts and hard work, Mrs Brown. It has been a pleasure working with you and our school community will miss you. But now it is time for you to relax and enjoy the journey ahead!

PERSONAL LEARNING GOALS

Our teachers have been participating in professional learning around personal student goals. Personal goals may relate to general work habits, specific curriculum areas, strands of learning or a combination of these. Personal learning goals aim to improve students' learning and achievement and build students' capacity to learn. They enable students to become more active participants in the learning process, empowering them to become independent learners, and motivating them to achieve their full potential. Previous research into the motivation and efficiency of students has indicated that students who set their own learning goals tend to achieve more than when working on goals set for them by the teacher. This is a positive movement for student learning and will be visible in all classes for students to refer to throughout their school day. Take the time to talk to your children about the learning goals they have been setting in class throughout the term.

"Where there is no vision, there is no hope"

George Washington Carver

EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY

Thursday 4th August is our Education Week Open Day. We will begin the day with a Welcome Assembly in the hall, followed by our Open Classrooms, Morning Tea for visitors and our 'Performance Extravaganza' at 11.30am under the COLA.

Hope to see you all there!



| Week 3 | EDUCATION WEEK |
|--------------|---|
| Mon 1 Aug | P&C—7pm |
| Tues 2 Aug | Stage 1 Excursion |
| Thurs 4 Aug | OPEN DAY |
| Fri 5 Aug | PSSA Rd 8 |
| Week 4 | |
| Mon 8 Aug | Milo Cricket Stg 3 |
| Wed 10 Aug | Choir Rehearsal |
| Thurs 11 Aug | NAIDOC Celebrations |
| Fri 12 Aug | PSSA Rd 9 |
| Week 5 | |
| Mon 15 Aug | District Athletics—Track |
| Tues 16 Aug | OLYMPATHON |
| Thurs 18 Aug | Opera Incursion District Athletics—Field |
| Week 6 | |
| Tues 23 Aug | K-2 Science Day Yr 5 GRC Transition |
| Wed 24 Aug | Book Week Parade |



Year Six Marks Pi Day 22/7

6F & 5-6B decided to mark **Pi Day** with some maths challenges to recognise the talents of some of our students and to show how Mathematics is fun. The afternoon started with the Pi approximation challenge. Andrei Esdaile-Watts, who will represent our school at the regional **Number Crunchers Pi** competition, gave a demonstration at reciting Pi to **112 decimal places**. Then some students nominated for the school challenge. The first three places were: **1st Yong Deng 54, 2nd Jesse Murray 50 and 3rd Collin Fu 40**. Division One of the tables race was won by **Collin Fu** and Division Two by **Matthew Soliman**. The Brain Train calculation challenge was also held in two divisions. Division One was won by **Jonathan Hoh** with **Matthew Soliman** winning Division two. Congratulations also go to **Michael & Christian Burrell** and **Andrei Esdaile –Watts** for their creative cake decorations—it just goes to show that Mathematics can be sweet! Good luck to **Roland Wu** and **Jonathan Hoh** who will represent our school at the regional Number crunchers challenge.



Yong Deng (**left**) wins the Pi approximation challenge after Andrei Esdaile-Watt's inspiring demonstration. Andrei is our undisputed school champion.



Maths
is
FUN!



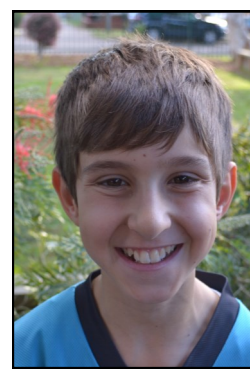
Above: (L-R) Michael and Christian Burrell and their Pi cupcake installations (left)



Left: Tables Champions (L-R) Collin Fu & Matthew Soliman



Above: Brain train champions (L-R) Jonathan Hoh & Matthew Soliman



Left: Andrei Esdaile-Watts and his Pi jelly cheesecake

Good luck to our school representatives at the district Number Crunchers finals—Roland Wu and Jonathan Ho and to Andrei Esdaile –Watts in the Pi approximation challenge.

Sport Cavalcade

Competition Position—Season Two



Pennant Winner

Congratulations to the pennant winners for this fortnight!

Rebecca P, Caitlen S,

Elizabeth N & Olivia S

Keep up the great work!



Congratulations

Josh H!

Josh has been selected to represent our school and NSW at the National Cross Country Championships in August.

Congratulations, Josh—we are very proud of you.

Josh is selling raffle tickets to support the levies involved in interstate championships. Tickets can be purchased at the school office for \$2 and there are some fantastic prizes on offer.

We wish you all the best, Josh!

School Payments

Thank you to the families who have made payments towards school events and excursions on your invoices.

Can we please ask that you make payments before each event to prevent our office having to make unnecessary phone calls and re-photocopying of notes to send home the day before excursions? Recently, Anna and Danielle have been making many phone calls to parents about excursions as we don't want the students to miss out. However, we cannot do this for every excursion.

We accept instalment payments, online payments & EFTPOS for your convenience.

| T3 Week 1 | Juniors | Seniors |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Girls Netball | Cancelled | Cancelled |
| Girls Soccer | Cancelled | Cancelled |
| Boys Soccer | Cancelled | Cancelled |
| Mixed Newcombe | Cancelled | Cancelled |
| Boys Rugby League | Cancelled | Cancelled |

| T3 Week 2 | Juniors | Seniors |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Girls Netball | V Lugarno Lost 0-11 | V Lugarno Won 24-7 |
| Girls Soccer | V Peakhurst Lost 0-1 | V Peakhurst Drew 1-1 |
| Boys Soccer | V Mortdale Won 2-0 | V Mortdale Won 2-1 |
| Mixed Newcombe | V Hurstville Sth Won 42-31 | V Hurstville Sth Lost 36-44 |
| Boys Rugby League | V Oatley West Lost 38-8 | V Oatley West Won 24-22 |

The bowling squad played pairs which gave every one the opportunity to hone their skills. Ethan was the bowler of the day with some accurate forehand and backhand bowling and Yanyi and Christian scored the highest team score of 25.



Mobile Dentistry Service

All students who returned their notes, saw the mobile dentists this week. Most students were happy to participate and kept their nerves at bay! They all walked away with some dental goodies too.

The mobile dentistry service will send information home to families over coming weeks, with the outcome of the visit for each child. I hope that you found this service to be beneficial for your family.

Spotlight on Sport PSSA Player Profile

Records Tumble at Athletics Carnival



Erin Seymour breaks the old record of **13.19 sec** for the 7Yr 70m with a new time of **12.25 sec**.



Eloise Carey breaks the old record of **31.70 sec** for the 11Yr 200m with a new time of **31.19 sec**.

Eloise Carey breaks the old record of **3.81m** for the 11Yr long jump with a new jump of **3.95m**.



Joshua Hewitt breaks the old record of **29.76 sec** for the 11Yr 200m with a new time of **29.0 sec**.

Joshua Hewitt breaks the old record of **2.43.12 min** for the 11Yr 800m with a new time of **2.30.00 min**.

Joshua Hewitt breaks the old record of **4.11m** for the 11Yr long jump with a new jump of **4.21m**.



Livai Saukuru breaks the old record of **8.23m** for the Junior Shot Putt with a new throw of **8.4 m**.



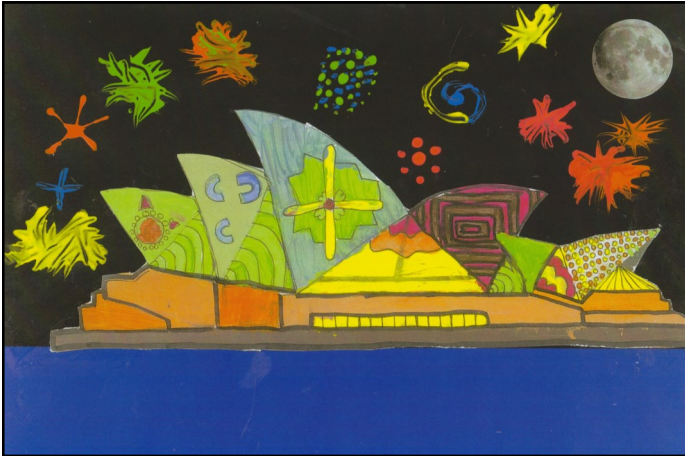
The smiles on their faces were priceless.

What was 1K up to at the Athletics Carnival?

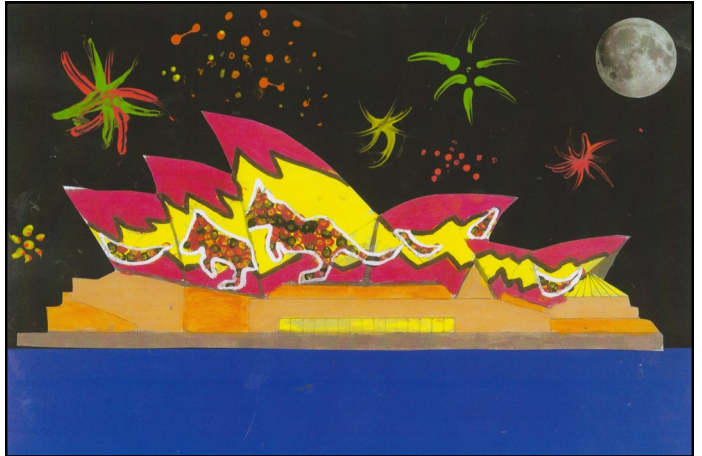
1K participated with enthusiasm in a variety of activities during the Athletics Carnival. They hopped like kangaroos in the sack races, jumped like frogs into the long jump pit, were part of a balancing act in the egg and spoon race and aimed like dart players in shot put. They ran their hearts out during the age races and marched with their house team.



NAIDOC WEEK Art Work



Fiza Faruque



Olivia Singh



Jermaine Baxter



Dara Akbari Jamarani

NAIDOC Week Celebrations

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held in the first week of July every year to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by all Australians.

As NAIDOC Week falls in the first week of the holidays we will be participating in a whole school celebration on 11th August. We have been fortunate enough to book 'Koomurri' who are a highly educational, inspiring and interactive Aboriginal organisation. Other schools who have utilised Koomurri say that the incursion was the best they have ever had at their school. This is a whole day incursion that all students will be involved in throughout the day. It is a \$20 payment, which needs to be paid next week.

We cannot recommend this experience highly enough!



The Peakybald Prize



This year is our third **Peakybald Prize** for portrait painting. It runs in conjunction with the **Archibald Prize** which is currently showing at the **NSW Art Gallery**. Students from Stage Three were invited to paint original portraits during the recent school holidays. The finalists' portraits will be on display in the school Assembly Hall during **Education Week**. The exhibition will be able to be viewed by all classes and Stage Three will vote for their favourite. Like the Archibald, this will give the top three choices. The teachers will also vote in a separate prize. The whole experience is to promote **Visual Arts**, provoke critical discussion and for the students to display their talents and have fun.



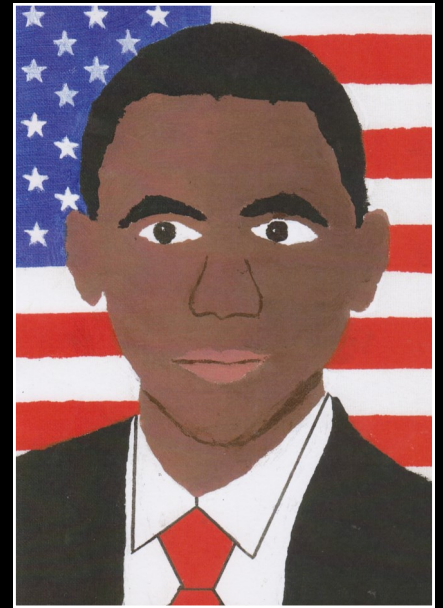
Harry Potter

Emilia Paino



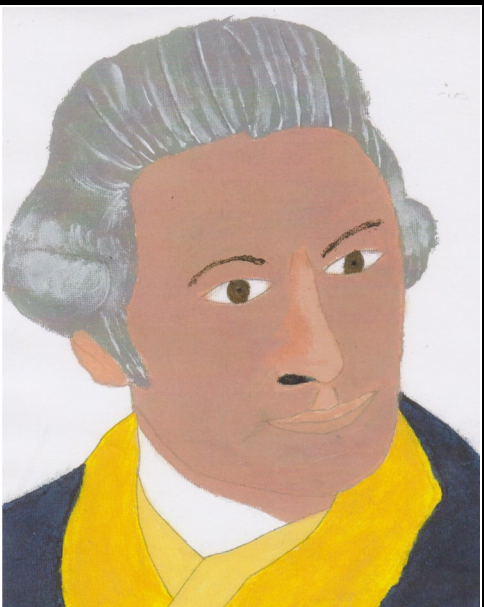
John Butler

Jax MacMillan



Barack Obama

Roland Wu



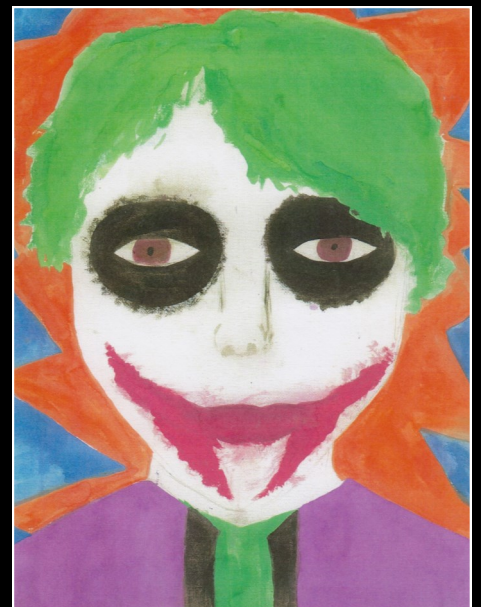
Captain James Cook

Jesse Murray



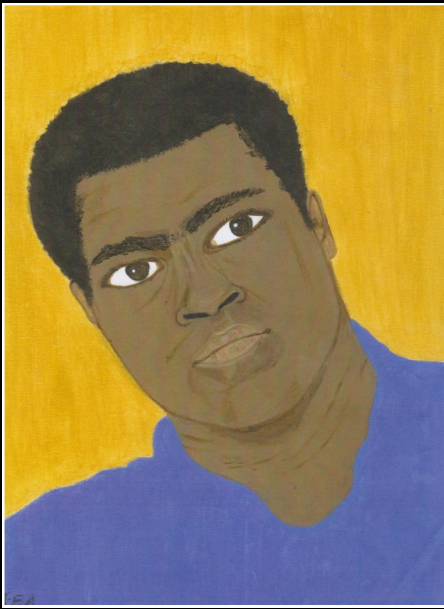
Self Portrait

Harrison Wang



The Joker

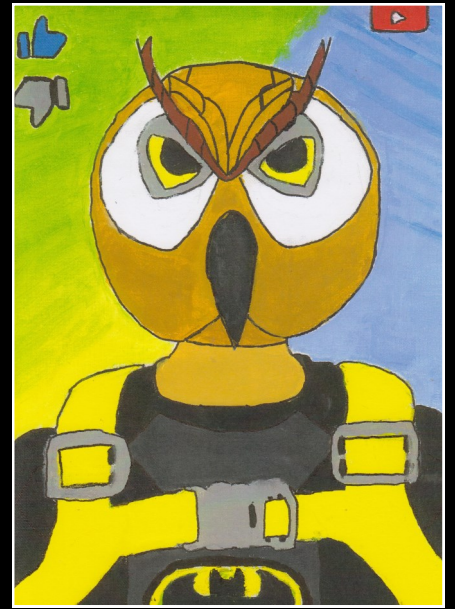
Meryem Hassan



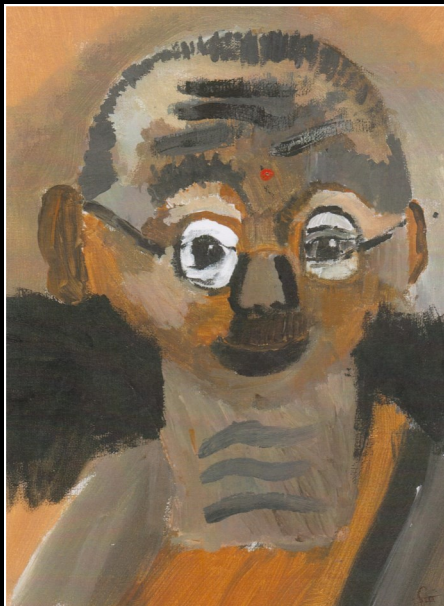
Muhammad Ali
Jaafar El Ammar



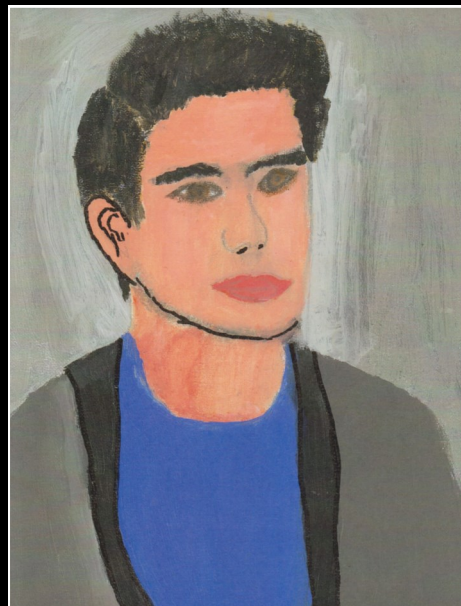
The Bard—William Shakespeare
Elliot Zylstra



Vanoss Gaming
Johnson Li



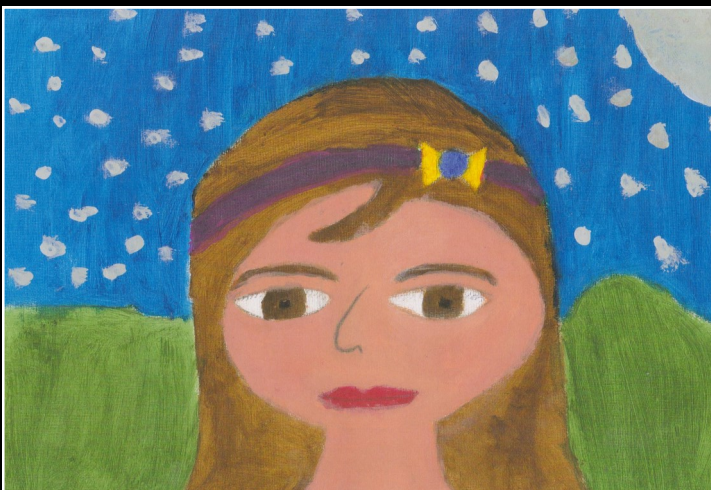
Mahatma Gandhi
Fiza Faruque



My Uncle in China
Yong Deng



Hermione Granger
Olivia Singh



My Friend Kara
Yanyi Zhu



Robert Lewandowski
Yong Deng



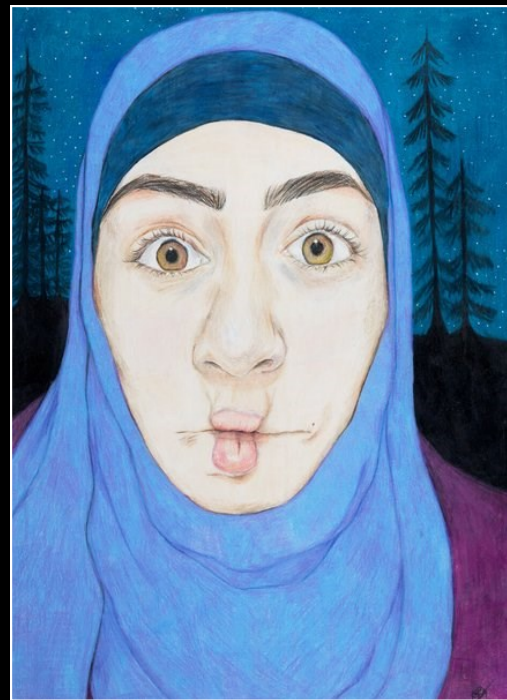
Our school would like to congratulate two of our former students who have excelled in Visual Arts and had their artworks selected as finalists in the **Young Archies** (Run by the NSW Art Gallery).

Angela Yang was the winner of the 16-18 year competition of the **Young Archies** in 2013. She also won a prize offered by Australia Post for her Yr12 HSC major work in **Art Express**.

Sarah El Ammar is a finalist in this year's **Young Archies** in the 16-18 year category.



Angela and her winning portrait



Sarah's portrait currently hanging in the NSW Art Gallery

Congratulations



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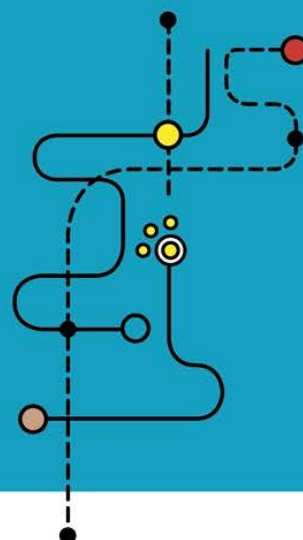
celebrates



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11.30 – Performances
12.30 - Close

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Term 3, 2016

Upcoming EVENTS

| TERM 3 | Wk | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|-----------|----|--|--|---|---|---|
| July | 1 | 18 Staff Return | 19 Students Return | 20 | 21 Stage 2 Excursion | 22 PSSA Rd 6 |
| July | 2 | 25 Dentistry Week 4/5B & 5L - Wattamolla | 26 5/6B & 6F - Wattamolla | 27 K-6 Athletics Carnival | 28 | 29 PSSA Rd 7 |
| August | 3 | 1 P&C - 7pm | 2 Stage 1 Powerhouse Excursion | 3 | 4 Education Week Open day | 5 PSSA Rd 8 |
| August | 4 | 8 Stage 3 Milo Cup Cricket | 9 Yr 5 GRC Transition | 10 Choir Rehearsal | 11 NAIDOC Day | 12 PSSA Rd 9 |
| August | 5 | 15 District Athletics - Track | 16 K-6 Olympathon | 17 | 18 K-6 Opera District Athletics - Field | 19 PSSA Finals |
| August | 6 | 22 | 23 K-2 Science Day Yr 5 GRC Transition | 24 Book Week Parade | 25 | 26 |
| Aug/Sept | 7 | 29 | 30 | 31 Combined Music Festival | 1 | 2 |
| September | 8 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 Grandparents Day | 9 |
| September | 9 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 PSSA Rd 1 Kindy Farm Excursion |
| September | 10 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 Cake Stall & Mufti Day | 23 PSSA Rd 2 Last day, term 3 |



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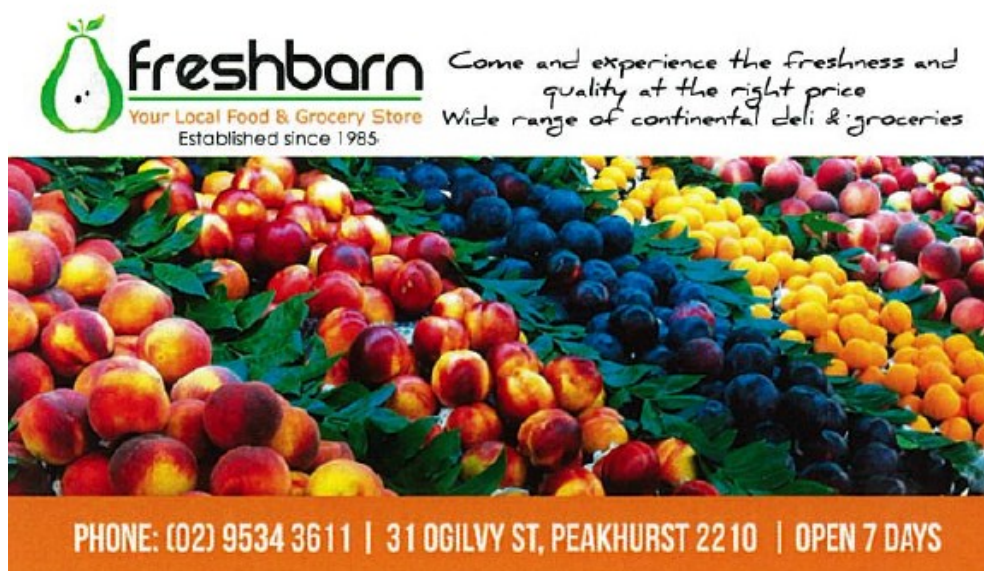
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