



Newsletter

From the Principal

Term 3 Week 2

Friday, 28 July, 2017



Welcome back to Term 3. We hope everyone had an enjoyable and restful holiday. We are looking forward to a wonderful term with many opportunities for our students. I would like to extend a special welcome to our new students and their families—we hope you have settled in to the Peakhurst West community.

EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY

Next week is Education Week, an annual event that celebrates the success of Public Education in NSW. We look forward to seeing you at our Open Day next Tuesday, 1st August. Our assembly begins at 9.45am, followed by Open Classrooms at 10.15am, Morning Tea at 10.45am and Student Performances at 11.30am under the COLA.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

We could not have asked for a better day for our Athletics Carnival last week. We appreciate the positive feedback about the structure and organisation of the carnival, particularly with the incorporation of Sports in Schools Australia for K-2 activities and field events. I would also like to thank Mrs Nichols for her organisation of the day as the carnival ran smoothly and children from K-6 were active throughout the whole day.

COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

Yesterday our teachers worked with teachers from other local schools in a 'Community of Practice'. *"Communities of practice are groups of people who share a concern or a passion for something they do and learn how to do it better as they interact regularly."* (Wenger, 2005). We are collaborating with teachers from Lugarno PS, Peakhurst South PS, Peakhurst PS and GRC Peakhurst High School with a focus on Formative Assessment. The aim of this Community of Practice is to develop effective and consistent assessment strategies across the network and also 'close the gap' in learning and assessing between Year 6 and 7. We are looking forward to the collegial collaboration and professional learning to enhance quality teaching and student outcomes.

FAREWELL MISS DAWSON

We would like to congratulate Miss Dawson on her successful appointment as an Academic Librarian at UWS and bid her farewell as she endeavours on her new adventure. Miss Dawson, we wish you all the best and we hope that you thoroughly enjoy the challenge ahead. Miss Dawson's last day is Monday, 30th July.



Week 3	EDUCATION WEEK
Tues 1 Aug	Open Day
Thur 3 Aug	ICAS English 8.15am
Fri 4 Aug	Rd 8 PSSA
Week 4	
Mon 7 Aug— Wed 9 Aug	St 3—Canberra
Mon 7 Aug	P&C Meeting
Fri 11 Aug	PSSA
Week 6	
Wed 23 Aug	Book Week Parade
Week 7	
Mon 28 Aug	St 1 Excursion
Tues 29 Aug	Music Festival—Bankstown Sports
Thur 31 Aug	Father's Day Stall
Week 8	
Sat 9 Sept	P&C Election Day BBQ
Week 10	
Tues 19 Sept	Public Speaking Finals Evening

STAFF CHANGES

We welcome Mr David Griffiths to our staff team who will be our librarian for the remainder of 2017.

We would also like to officially welcome Mrs Sanaa Dabbagh who started her role as School Administration Officer last term. Mrs Dabbagh trained in library administration last term but will now be in the school admin office on Wednesdays. I'm sure you will all welcome Mrs Dabbagh when you see her in the office.

Welcome Mr Michael Armiger who is the new teacher of 1/2E while Mrs Klicek is on maternity leave and also to Miss Emma Galloway who is on 3/4L while Mrs Lymberis is on leave. We also have prac students working with KP and 5/6F at the moment.

In week 4, a group of Stage 3 students, Stage 3 teachers and I will be travelling to Canberra and Thredbo to explore our Nation's Capital, including Parliament House. We are very much looking forward to this learning experience.

People with goals succeed because they know where they're going - Earl Nightingale

Have a great fortnight!

Tanya Sarafoski



The poster is for 'Ed. week' running from July 31 to August 04, 2017. It features a large speech bubble on the left containing the text 'Ed. week Jul 31- '17 Aug 04'. The background is light grey with various educational icons: a heart, a pencil, a target, a trophy, and a star. The text 'PEAKHURST WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL OPEN DAY' is in red. Below this, the date 'Tuesday, 1st August' is shown. Further down, the schedule for the day is listed: 'Education Week Assembly – 9.45am', 'Open Classrooms – 10.15am', and 'Performances – 11.30am'. At the bottom left is the NSW Government Education logo, and at the bottom right is the URL 'det.nsw.edu.au/edweek2017' and a red speech bubble containing 'I LEARN. WE LEARN.'

Ed. week
Jul 31- '17
Aug 04

**PEAKHURST WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL
OPEN DAY**

Tuesday, 1st August

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P&C Update

Hi Everyone,

Can you believe that we are already halfway through the year? As we return from our mid-year break, we thought we should give you an update on what the P&C has been doing.

I would like to start with a huge thank you to Tanya and her staff. Without their support and their amazing ability to always go above and beyond, many of these activities would not be possible.

This year the P&C are focussing on three things: a new playground for the children; a pathway from the Belmore Road entrance so that parents aren't having to trek across wet grass; and helping out with new furniture for the classrooms.

So far this year we have had a number of fundraising activities:

Bunnings: is always an eventful day. Jokes were made, sausages were consumed, and a bit of money was added to the kitty.

Mother's Day Stall: once again a great day was had by all. Thanks to all the parents and staff who contributed their time and goodies.

Cake Stalls: A favourite with kids and parents alike. Always a good time to enjoy a guilty treat. At least it is for a good cause!

Easter Raffle: Congratulations to all the lucky winners. Nothing better than chocolate to ease you into winter.

Superhero / Mufti Day: I am sure you all would have seen the Avengers / Justice League gathering at the school last term. An amazing sight and so much fun for the kids.

Coming up for the rest of the year we have:

Spellathon: This is a great educational activity and also helps raise some money for the school. You will already have the cards, so keep gathering sponsors!

Father's Day: Once again we will have goodies for the kids to grab, wrap and make someone really happy on Father's Day.

NSW Local Council Election Day BBQ: Another great fundraiser where people are normally quite hungry. At this point it is on 9th September and Georges River Council is included, so don't forget to vote at our school hall!

Buy-A-Paver: A really exciting way to collaboratively build our pathway. Families and the community will have the opportunity to purchase a paver with their name on it. Sort of like Hollywood and their Walk of Fame, only much more cool. More information to come about this soon.

As always we can never run these activities, and help out our school, without the assistance of parents, teachers and the community. Thank you to everyone for their help so far this year. We are always looking out for more people to join the P&C and to help out with these activities. If you want to be involved, please contact us at peakhurst.wpandc@gmail.com or just turn up to the staffroom at 7pm on the first Monday of the month (during term only). New faces are always welcome.

Peter McWaters—P&C President

Sport Cavalcade

Season Two of PSSA sport

commenced Wk6 - **WK 7 WASHED OUT**



Pennant Winners

Congratulations to Vienne M for earning a pennant this fortnight!

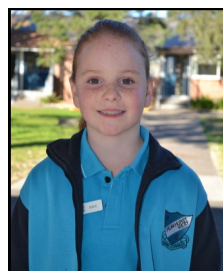
ICAS English Assessment

ICAS English Assessment will be held on Thursday, 3 August at 8.15am for students who have already paid.

New Athletics Records



Livai



Erin



Kagan

Erin S: 8Yr Girls 100m 16.93 sec (old 17.12 sec)

Livai S: 11Yr Boys Discus 22.73m (old 22.27m)

Kagan R: 5Yr Boys 50m 10.09 sec (old 10.84sec)



Congratulations to former Peakhurst West student, **Matt Dufty**, who made a stunning debut for the mighty **Dragons** first grade NRL team on Sunday 23rd July.

SPORTS Wk 1 (T3)	Seniors	Juniors
Boys Soccer	V Mortdale DREW 2-2	V Mortdale LOST 1-4
Girls Soccer	V Oatley LOST 0-6	V Oatley LOST 0-5
Girls Netball	V Pen West LOST 2-32	V Pen West WON 2- 8
Mixed Newcombe ball	V Oatley West WON 2-1	V Oatley West WON 2-1
Lawnbowls	<i>Shot of the day:</i> Alex <i>Most Improved:</i> Himel & Jayden <i>Match of the Day:</i> Red Pandas V MUTS Red Pandas won 9—3	

SPORTS Wk 2 (T3)	Seniors	Juniors
Boys Soccer	V Narwee WON 7-0	V Narwee WON 4-0
Girls Soccer	V Oatley West LOST 1-7	V Oatley West DREW 0-0
Girls Netball	V Oatley LOST 4-8	V Oatley LOST 12- 3
Mixed Newcombe ball	V Beverly Hills WON 2-1	V Beverly Hills LOST 0-3
Lawnbowls	<i>Shot of the day:</i> Xavier <i>Most Improved:</i> Adam & Kevin <i>Match of the Day:</i> Peakhurst West V Lugarno won 12—3	

What 1K has been up to

We start the day with our dancing shoes on and dance to gonoodle.



We are learning our words for our

"Spell-a-thon" Fundraiser.



We show our understanding with "Thumbs Up, Thumbs Down" (Formative Assessment)



We work collaboratively together during maths groups and reading groups.

Working as a team in the 3 sack race.



spellathon

All students participated in the Spellathon today. Thank you to everyone who has supported this fundraiser so far. Please return all sponsorship money to the school office by **Friday, 11th August, 2017.**

There are prizes for the highest fundraiser in K-2 and 3-6 and ice blocks for the class that collectively raises the most money in the school.



Woolworths Earn & Learn

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program is back for 2017. Anyone from the community – staff, parents, grandparents, neighbours and friends - who shop at Woolworths can collect stickers for our school. If our community sticks together and earns Earn & Learn stickers at Woolworths, we can earn our choice of educational equipment & resources.

This year Woolworths will be partnering once again with Modern Teaching Aids, Australia's biggest supplier of educational equipment. This means our school can choose resources based on our needs across every category possible including: Science. Mathematics, English, Sport and Arts and Craft.

Drop your Earn & Learn stickers into the box in the office or look out for our box at Riverwood Woolworths.

Athletics Carnival K-6 2017

Our annual K-6 Athletics Carnival was held at the Barden Ridge Athletics field. It was a glorious winter's day. This year the **Sport in School** group ran novelty activities and field events for our K-2 students. The House dance and tug—o—war were held after lunch and the carnival concluded with the traditional Primary 4 X 100 circular relay and K-6 shuttle relay. Again Mr Sanders stole the show with his entertaining relay commentary. This year **three** school records were broken by Erin Seymour, Kagan Rayner and Livai Saukuru. A special thanks must go to Mrs Nichols and Mr Brown for organising the day and to the parents who helped out along with the senior GRC students and Sport in School group—good luck to our athletics squad who will now compete at the district carnival.



Three new records were set at this year's carnival.

Erin Seymour: 8Yr Girls 100m 16.93 sec (old 17.12 sec)

Livai Saukuru: 11Yr Boys Discus 22.73m (old 22.27m)

Kagan Rayner: 5Yr Boys 50m 10.09 sec (old 10.84sec)

Congratulations **KOOKAS** Champion House—District Carnival

Softball Lunchtime Challenge 2017

The final of the Softball Lunchtime Challenge was recently played between Charlie Bit-me and King Kong Rebels. The competition was organised by Yr6 students; Livai, Zac, Jonah and Lachlan. Five teams played a series of lunchtime games until the finalists were decided. After two innings the game was over and Charlie bit-me were the winners, with a score of 6—0. A special thanks must go to the boys who organised the challenge and to Mrs Floratos who umpired all the games.



The Champion Team: **Charlie Bit-me**

Stage 3 Canberra & Snowy Trip 2017

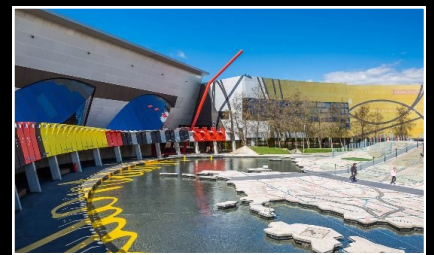
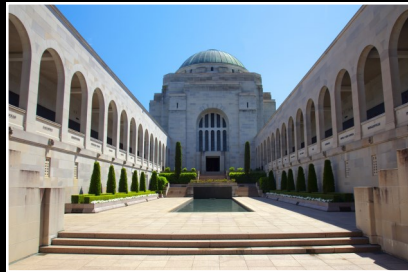
Our Stage 3 students will be arriving at school at 5:40am on Monday 7th August, ready to board the coaches for our three day trip to Canberra and the Snowy Mountains.

The bus is scheduled to leave school at 6am, making a rest stop at Goulburn, before continuing to Canberra.

The purpose of the trip is to tie in with term two's History topic on Democracy & Federation and this term's Geography topic on Canberra as a Planned City.

Places we will be visiting in Canberra include: The Australian War Memorial, Museum of Democracy (Old Parliament House), The National Gallery of Australia (Art Gallery), Parliament House and Questacon (hands on Science centre).

While visiting Parliament House the students will meet our local MP (for Banks), Mr. David Coleman, have a guided tour of the chambers and engage in a role play run by the Parliamentary Education Office.



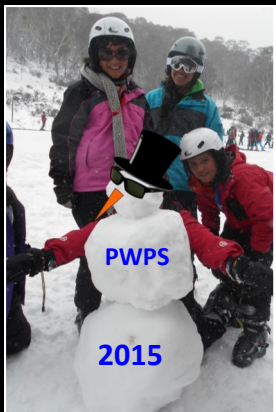
The students will be travelling on two coaches and at the tourist attractions will usually be divided into smaller groups, led by guides.



We will be staying at the Southern Cross Motel, Berridale, for two nights. This is where we will obtain our ski gear for the half day ski lesson, at Thredbo Village. On the second, night after hot showers and their evening meal, the students will participate in karaoke.



After an early breakfast, on the third day, we will return to Canberra for more attractions on our itinerary. Our final attraction is Questacon—a hands on Science centre where the students explore different fields of Science. This is their chance to purchase souvenirs before boarding the bus for our return to school. We stop halfway, at a highway restaurant, for a meal and head to school—our ETA is 8:30pm.



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Canberra

This trip is an educational and social experience and will provide the students with many wonderful memories for years to come.

KINDERGARTEN 2018

SCHOOL TOURS

Thursday 8 June, 2017
10-10.30am

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Tuesday 24 October, 2017
Wednesday 1 November, 2017
Thursday 9 November, 2017
every session runs 10-11am



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Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Background to the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

All Education Ministers from Commonwealth, state and territory governments have endorsed the implementation of a nationally consistent collection of data on school students with disability in all Australian schools (government, independent and Catholic).

The nationally consistent approach to data collection provides all Australian schools, education authorities and the community with a clear picture of the number of students receiving adjustments because of disability in schools, and the adjustments they are provided to enable them to participate in education on the same basis as other students.

Authority for the collection of information for the purposes of the NCCD

The *Australian Education Regulation 2013* (the Regulation) (<https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2016C00958>) requires the operators of all government and non-government schools that receive Australian Government funding (approved authorities) to provide information to the Australian Government Department of Education and Training (the Department) for the purposes of the NCCD.

The information that approved authorities must give to the Department is set out at section 58A of the Regulation. This includes, in relation to each student with a disability at a school operated by the approved authority:

- the student's level of education (i.e. primary or secondary)
- the student's category of disability (i.e. physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional)
- the student's level of adjustment (i.e. support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive adjustment).

Other details about the information to be collected and the format in which the information is to be provided to the Department, are contained in guidelines approved by the Education Council (the committee of the Council of Australian Governments comprising the Commonwealth and state and territory Ministers responsible for

education). The NCCD guidelines are available on the Department's website at www.education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-students-disability-guidelines.

The information **will not explicitly identify individual students** (subsection 58A(3) of the Regulation); no information that could reasonably enable the Department to identify individual students will be provided by approved authorities to the department¹.

Collection, use and disclosure of NCCD information

The information collected by schools for the purposes of the 2017 NCCD will ultimately be provided to the Department. In some cases, this will involve the school passing the information directly to the Department, and in other cases the school will provide the information to its state or territory government agency (or other relevant body) in the first instance, depending on the school's particular arrangements. In such circumstances, that state or territory government agency, or other relevant body, will then provide the information to the Department.

The Department, on behalf of the Joint Working Group², will use NCCD information for the purposes of preparing reports for and briefing the Australian Education Senior Officials Committee³ and the Education Council in relation to the NCCD. When providing these reports or briefing material, the Department will ensure that the NCCD information

NCCD information may also be used for policy development undertaken by the Department, including informing funding considerations relating to students with disability, and other policy development as agreed by the Education Council.

Contact

For further information about the collection, use or disclosure of information for the NCCD please contact: SWDPolicyTeam@education.gov.au. Any questions parents/carers or schools have about the completion of the 2017 NCCD may be directed to the relevant education authority contact in the NCCD Guidelines and at www.schooldisabilitydatapl.edu.au/other-pages/contact-us.

Further information on the Department's Privacy Policy is available at www.education.gov.au/privacy.

²The Joint Working Group to Provide Advice on Reform for Students with Disability is comprised of representative members from all state and territory government educational authorities, Independent Schools Council of Australia, the National Catholic Education Commission, the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority, and the Australian Government.

³The Education Council is primarily supported by a group of senior officials with responsibility for school education, early childhood and higher education who meet as the Australian Education Senior Officials Committee (AESOC). AESOC is directly responsible to Council for the execution of Education Council decisions. For more information about AESOC visit: www.educationcouncil.edu.au/EC-AESOC.aspx.

Date: 21 July 2017

Hi families

What a great start to the first week of Term 3 we have had. Monday was the last day of Vacation Care and the children worked on a project on how they can get the message out to everyone to look after the world we live in. Thank you to Tanya for inviting Corinne and Victoria to the School Athletics carnival and allowing them to help out with the time keeping. They had a fun day and enjoyed seeing all the OSHC children run in their races. We have some exciting new clubs starting up at OSHC this term such as, Knitting Club, OSHC club and Gardening Club. We will also continue on with our Cooking Club. We have a new portable convection oven so we will be able to cook up some amazing recipes. We would love some suggestions from you.

PROGRAM

On Tuesday afternoon it was the first day of our Gardening Club and the children got to start off with pulling out the weed's and tidying up the dirt in the garden. After we finished weeding, the children gave our Edible plants some delicious water. The children have enjoyed construction throughout the week with lego and mobilo building houses for their cars. Some children brought out their creative side with the tap tap boards making things like see saws, Farm's with farm animals and even creating their home and family.

Next week's menu:

Mon	Chicken noodle soup
Tues	Mini Pizzas with cheese, ham, cabanossi and pineapple
Wed	Assorted sandwiches with ham, cheese, chicken, salads & spread
Thurs	Rice cakes with assorted spreads
Fri	Chicken noodles with mixed vegetables



Gardening Club

Save the World!



UPCOMING CENTRE EVENTS

OSHC Club- Tuesday Morning's
Gardening Club- Tuesday Afternoon's
Cooking Club- Thursday Afternoon's
Knitting Club- Friday Afternoon's

CHILDREN'S INPUT

"Every time I come to OSHC I enjoy building things with the Lego" Kadeeja

FEEDBACK/STAFF UPDATE.

Dawn Simons Regional Manager
Corinne Newson Nominated Supervisor, First Aid Officer
Victoria Grima Certified Supervisor

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