



Newsletter

From the Principal

Term 2 Week 2

Friday, 10th May, 2019

I hope you all had a lovely break over the school holidays and are ready for another term of learning at Peakhurst West. We have quite a few programs running this term, to provide our students with many learning opportunities - Peer Support Program (run by Year 6 students); K-6 Sport in Schools Program; Intensive Swimming Program for Years 2 & 3; Growth Mindset curriculum. We look forward to seeing the positive impact these activities will have on our students. It's great to speak to your children about these programs so you know what is happening at school.

Mr Coure Visit

Last week, Mr Mark Coure, our Local Member, attended our Flag Assembly to present our school captains, prefects and SRC members with a leadership certificate. We thank Mr Coure for his ongoing support of our school.



NAPLAN Online

Over the next fortnight, Years 3 & 5 students will participate in NAPLAN Online testing. This is the first year that PWPS are participating in the online version of NAPLAN (except for the Year 3 writing assessment) so the assessments will be spread over a 2 week period. The best preparation you can assist with at home is to ensure your child has a good night's rest the night before each NAPLAN test, that they eat a healthy and nutritious breakfast and that they arrive at school on time each day. Try to provide a positive attitude, ensuring that your child is calm and organised. We all know that our children have different strengths that we see on a daily basis and these strengths should be used to build up their confidence and ensure they perform their best at school, each and every day, not just during NAPLAN week.



Happy Mother's Day

Thank you to our parent volunteers who dedicated their time this morning to run our Mother's Day stall. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our mums and grandmothers a Happy Mother's Day on Sunday. I hope you all get super spoilt!



The road to success is always under construction - Anon

Tanya Sarafoski



Week 3

Tues 14 May NAPLAN begins: Yrs 3 & 5 over the fortnight
Peer Support

Wed 15 May Sport in Schools Program begins

Sat 18 May Election Day BBQ

Week 4

Mon 20 May NAPLAN continues
Intensive Swimming Program Yrs 2&3 for the whole fortnight

Tues 21 May Peer Support

Wed 22 May Sport in Schools Program

Thur 23 May District Cross Country

Week 5

Mon 27 May Intensive Swimming Program Yrs 2&3 continues

Tues 28 May Peer Support

Wed 29 May Sport in Schools Program

Fri 31 May PSSA Rd 1 begins
School swimming program begins

ANZAC Day @ PWPS

Our ANZAC Day service was observed last Wednesday and was run by our Stage Three students. Sonja was MC for the service. Dwayne opened the service with the **Acknowledgement of Country** and Mrs Sarafoski explained the significance of **ANZAC Day**. A special **Prayer for Peace** was delivered by Stephanie and Luke and Paul explained the meaning of ANZAC and the importance of wearing rosemary, respectively. An ensemble of Yr6 girls performed the song, **Wish Me Luck as You Wave Me Goodbye**, accompanied by Stephanie, on the piano. This was followed by poems written by Sirine and Sonja entitled, **The Picture on the Wall**. Ben and Maddi assisted Mrs Sarafoski in laying a wreath and students were invited to lay floral tributes. The service concluded with, Josh reciting **The Ode**, the sounding of **The Last Post**, the observance of a minute's silence, **The Rouse** and last of all the **National Anthem**. Congratulations, Yr 6 on presenting such a solemn ceremony—**Lest We Forget**.



Congratulations Year Six



Year Six music Ensemble



Lest We Forget



Sydney Writers' Festival

A group of forty Stage Three students recently left Riverwood Station at 8am and travelled to the Sydney Town Hall by train, to be part of the audience for this year's **Sydney Writers' Festival**. Hundreds of students from all over Sydney attended the event. The M.C for the day was Deborah Abela, who introduced the four well-known children's authors; **Katherine Rundell, R.A. Spratt, Megan McDonald and Oliver Phommavanh**. Each spoke for forty-five minutes about the writing process, their books and characters. The presentations were very engaging and had the audience laughing and cheering. The program was broken up by a lunch break and the chance to buy an ice cream. It was a fun way to learn about the magic of books and writing.



Oliver Phommavanh



Megan McDonald



R.A. Spratt



Katherine Rundell



Deborah Abela

Adopt a Farmer Day



Congratulations to our **SRC** who organised and ran a special day to show support for our country cousins. The event was started by **Rural Aid** and hundreds of other schools from across NSW also participated. The students were invited to wear mufti and donate a gold coin. Senior classes watched BTN episodes on the drought and the impact on rural communities. Each class is writing a letter to a farming family and all money raised will be sent to **Rural Aid** which will distribute the funds to 800 drought affected farming families in NSW, Victoria and Queensland.



WELL DONE



S.R.C



Pics with Peaky

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C Meeting is on Monday, 3rd June at 7pm in the staffroom.

Congratulations to our Recent Gotcha Winners



T1 Week 11



PSSA News

| T1 Wk 11 | Seniors | Juniors |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Boys Softball / Tball | BYE | BYE |
| Boys Touch football | V Pen West WON 7—2 | V Pen West WON 4—1 |
| Girls Basketball | V Beverly Hills WON 56—6 | V Beverly Hills WON 42—12 |
| Mixed AFL | Boys V Narwee WON 67—6 | Girls V Narwee LOST 14—24 |



Week 1



Week 2



| T2 Wk 1 | Seniors | Juniors |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Boys Softball / Tball | V Oatley LOST 0—6 | V Oatley LOST 7—12 |
| Boys Touch football | V Mortdale WON 7—4 | V Beverly Hills DREW 1—1 |
| Girls Basketball | V Narwee WON 39—9 | V Narwee WON 42—25 |
| Mixed AFL | Boys V Oatley LOST 7—37 | Girls V Oatley LOST 13—63 |

As we had four wash outs during Season 1 it was deemed to be a non-season and so there was no Gala Finals Day.

Season 2 PSSA sport trials will commence on Friday 10th May and the first round will be Friday 31st May.

Sports offered for Season 2 are listed below.



The coaches for the teams are:

Boys Soccer—Mr Brown **Girls Soccer** - Mr Armiger **Girls Netball**—Ms Nichols

Mixed Newcombe Ball—Mrs Floratos **Lawn Bowls**—Mr Briggs & **Swimming**.

From the Easel



In 3/4K the students have been creating self portraits and exploring patterns. They started their self portraits by tracing their shoes and then sketched an interesting perspective of themselves. They used thick paint and scrapers to create patterns and textures.



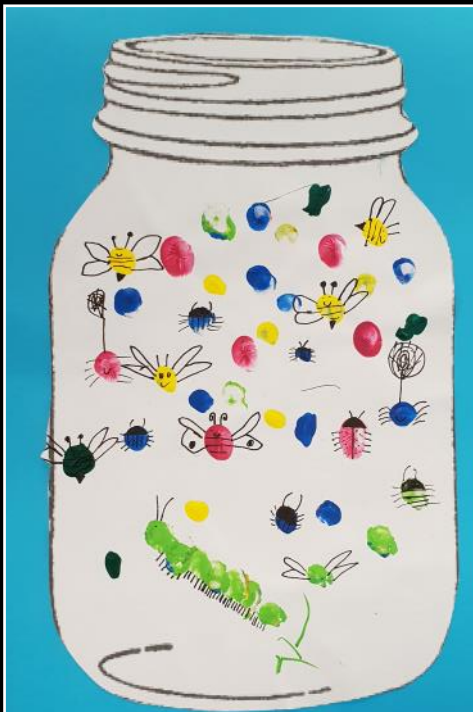
Naomi



Sylvia



Adam



Victoria



Emily



Cathy



Avera

In 1P the students have been learning about insects. Here are some ladybirds, a butterfly and even a jar of bugs!



From the Easel



During the holidays Stage Three were given an Art challenge to create a dragonfly using *found objects*—here are our finalists.



Aliyah



Marcus



Amina



Sirine



Nour



Lynna



Celina



Sirine



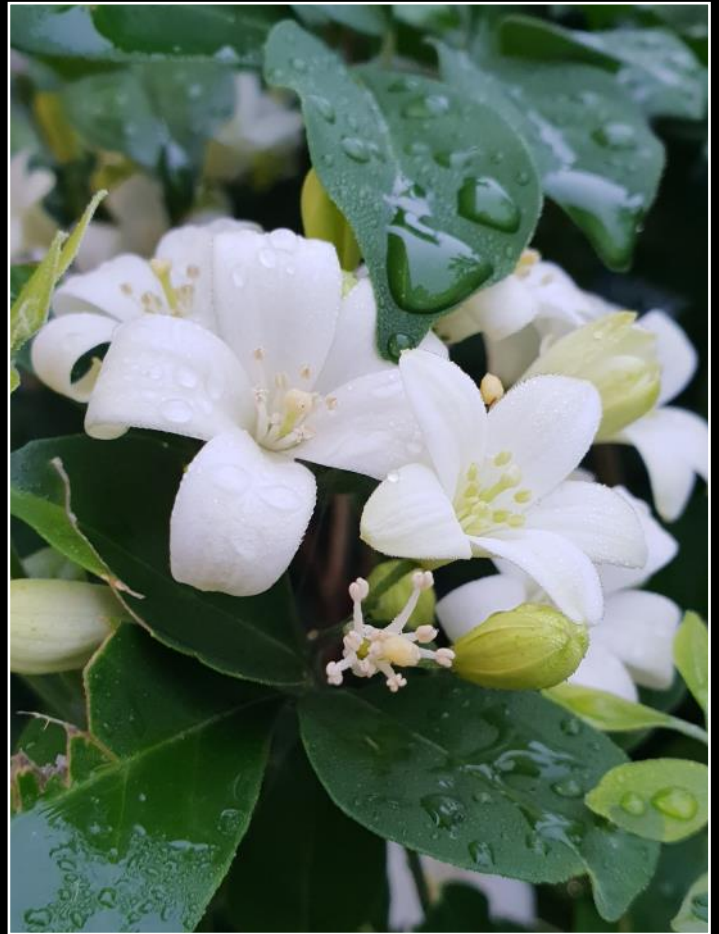
Jeff



Sonja

A Walk Around *Our* School

Take the time to look & appreciate the wonder of nature







What's happening in 5/6J?



In Term 1, 5/6J studied Japan and created artworks inspired by its culture and traditions.

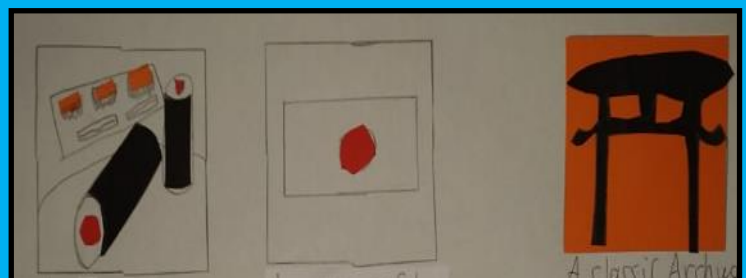
We also visited Hazlehurst and created Japan-themed artworks.



Jeff Zhu



Geffry Su



Luciano Favuzzi

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May 2019.

Welcome back to Term 2 2019. We are excited for the great term ahead.

Vacation Care was a big success. The children enjoyed excursions to Monkey Mania, Movies and Bowling and incentive days such as Party Disco Day, Easter Craft Day, Centre Movie Day and Science Day.

Here are some photos from April Vacation Care.



On Friday 10th May the centre held a Mother's Day Breakfast. Families were invited to the centre to enjoy a Breakfast with their children.

To enrol please visit www.primaryoshcare.com.au/find-a-centre.

Find and select your centre and follow the steps to register.

To book in for permanent bookings please do so by using the enrol website which is used to register.

Families can contact staff at the Centre by calling Deanne or Victoria (Service Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator) on 0499 149 500 or emailing at pwoshc@primaryoshcare.com.au. Centre Manager Jennifer can be contacted directly by emailing jennifer@primaryoshcare.com.au.

Please come and visit we would love to meet you and your children.

Have a great day!

Deanne and Victoria



Please Join Us For Our

ELECTION DAY



BBQ



&

CAKE STALL



*Saturday
18 May*

Outside the Peakhurst
West Public School Hall

*From
8am*

Bacon & Egg Rolls,
Sausage Sizzles, Cakes,
Drinks

Georges River College Hurstville Boys Campus

90TH ANNIVERSARY
SATURDAY 18TH MAY
2019



Celebration Dinner 6pm in the Bini
\$90 per Adult or a table of 10 \$850

Dinner tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/BBNWE>



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