



Newsletter

Term 3 Week 6

Friday, 30th August 2019

From the Principal

It has been a super exciting fortnight at Peakhurst West with so many events for students to participate in! We are so proud of all our students who have been striving to be their best during such busy times. Over this fortnight, we accompanied 70 stage 3 students to Canberra and the snow; two District Athletics teams have represented our school at the Georges River District carnivals; we celebrated books with our annual book character parade; our Debating Team represented us in a debate with Peakhurst PS; we hosted 2 different authors who visited as part of our Book Week celebrations; our valiant Senior Girls Soccer team (pictured) represented PWPS in the PSSA finals and tried hard despite being hit with injuries and illnesses; we bought gifts from the Father's Day Stall (& the P&C raised \$950 from this—Thank You!) and we squeezed in Jersey Day to raise knowledge and funds for Organ Donation Australia (\$176 raised!). They say that it takes a village to raise a child so thank you to everyone in our school and community who have contributed to these events!



Stage 3 Canberra Trip

Although Mr Briggs has showcased our trip in this newsletter, I would personally like to commend the Stage 3 students for their outstanding behaviour while we were away from home for 2 nights. We all had a great time and it was really special to see the children's faces when they saw snow for the first time and then even attempted skiing! Thank you to our teaching staff who always make the commitment to leave their own families to allow our students to experience Canberra and the snow and develop life skills and independence at the same time.

SAS (School Administrative and Support Staff) Appreciation Week

This week was SAS Recognition Week. Our school administrative and support staff do an amazing job each and every day to support staff, students, families and our community. As you know, Anna, Danielle and Sanaa truly go above and beyond their admin roles and never say no to any of our teacher requests. Samar and Kylie do an amazing job in supporting our students and staff, prioritising everyone's wellbeing and learning and also helping out in the office when needed. We also thank John our GA, for all his mowing efforts and for completing the jobs we ask of him. Our SAS staff are the backbone of our school and the school wouldn't be running without them! Thank you SAS staff!

Happy Father's Day to all of our dads, grandads, uncles and significant role models who support our students and our school. Enjoy your Sunday!

Tanya Sarafoski



TERM 3	
Week 7	
Mon 2 Sept	P&C Meeting 7pm
Tues 3 Sept	Combined Schools Music Festival for Choir & Senior Dance Troupe
Week 8	
Mon 9 & Tues 10 Sept	Year 4 GRC Peakhurst High School visit
Thur 12 Sept	Stage 2 STEM Fair
Fri 13 Sept	PSSA Rd 1
Week 9	
Tue 17 Sept	Public Speaking Finals evening
Wed 18 Sept	Stage 1 Taronga Zoo Excursion
Thur 19 Sept	Kinder Farm Excursion
Fri 20 Sept	PSSA Rd 2
Week 10	
Wed 25 Sept	Grandparents Day
Fri 27 Sept	PSSA Rd 3
	Last Day of Term 3!
TERM 4	
Mon 14 Oct	Students return to school
Tues 16 Oct	Kinder Orientation

BOOK WEEK @ Peakhurst West

Peakhurst West K-6 celebrated **BOOK WEEK** with their traditional book character parade. Mrs Meoli also organised author talks by popular children's authors **Jane Godwin & James Roy**. The theme for this year's **BOOK WEEK** was: *Reading is my Super Power*, and this was certainly reflected in the many Super Hero costumes. The parade was compered by Mr Sanders. Classes were interviewed by Mr Sanders and asked to parade their costumes around the COLA. Each class did two laps, so all the classes and the parents and guests could enjoy the colourful spectacle. During the parade Mrs Meoli announced the grade winners of the poster competition. There was even a parade by the teachers, who also joined in the fun of dressing up. This was the last parade for our Year Six students and the first for our Kindies.

There was lots of clapping and cheering as the classes paraded which really highlighted how much fun books and reading can be. A special thanks must go to Mrs Meoli for organising the event and inviting Jane Godwin & James Roy to inspire the students.



Author James Roy



Mrs Meoli and the Poster Competition winners



Reading is my **SUPER POWER!**





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POWER!



The teachers also joined in all the fun



Stage 3 Canberra & Snow

During week 4 our **Stage 3** students enjoyed a three day camp, visiting our nation's capital, Canberra, and nearby Corin Forest, for some fun in the snow and a skiing lesson.

In Canberra the students visited attractions of interest to reinforce the classroom programs studied in History and Geography. At **New Parliament House** the students saw the copy of the Magna Carta, toured both chambers of parliament and participated in a role play to pass a Bill in the House of Representatives. In **Old Parliament House** the students worked in groups on a research treasure hunt, based on Australia's road to democracy. This was all done on computers with interactive displays of artefacts. They also participated in a tour of the Senate, where some students were able to dress up as prominent politicians in Australia's parliamentary history. Another site of interest visited was the **National War Memorial**. At all the sites visited the students were guided by **PEO (Parliamentary Education Office)** instructors, in small groups. The students also enjoyed visits to the **National Gallery of Australia**, the **AIS (Australian Institute of Sport)** and **Questacon**, a hands-on Science centre.

Part of Day Two included a visit to the **Corin Forest snow field**. After changing into ski gear, supplied by the ski school, one group enjoyed some time playing in the snow—building snowmen and of course the traditional snowball fight, while the other group had a skiing lesson and tried their hands on the beginners slope. After 90min of fun the groups swapped activities.

It was a wonderful camp that gave students the opportunity of experiencing first hand, many of the things they learned in class. It was also a chance to gain some independence. The experience created memories that will last for many years.

A special thanks must go to Mr Brown who organised the trip, to the teachers; Mrs Sarafoski, Mrs Floratos, Mr Briggs and Ms Samar, who gave up three days to ensure the students enjoyed an experience to remember and were safe, and to the office staff for all the official paperwork.



Morning Tea & comfort stop—Belmore Park Goulburn



Tour of the Senate



The Sergeant-at-Arms places the Mace to open Parliament and the Clerk does the first reading of the proposed Bill.



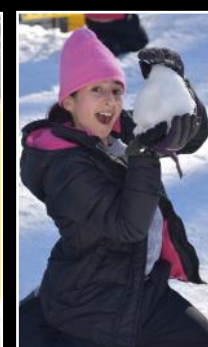
The Speaker runs the debate while the Prime Minister checks the Constitution.



Skiing @ Corin Forest Ski Field

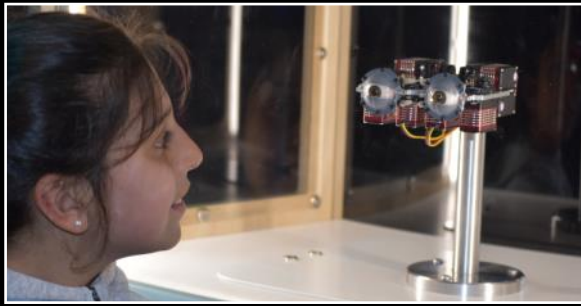


FUN in the **SNOW!**





Science is Fun!



Pics with Peaky



The two elected PBL representatives from each class received their badges at the Week Six Flag assembly. Parents were invited to pin on the badges.

Week Six Peaky winners

PSSA Gala Day News

T3 Wk 5 Rd8	Seniors	Juniors
Boys Soccer	Finished 7th	Finished 9th
Girls Soccer	Finished 4th	Finished 6th
Mixed Newcombe	Finished 7th	Finished 5th
Girls Netball	Finished 7th	Finished 7th
Mixed Lawn Bowls	Shot of the Day Emily Most improved Edward Game of the Day: White def Purple 7—5	

Congratulations to Senior Girls Soccer and our Lawn Bowls squad who qualified for the Gala Day finals (**below**).

Season Three team selection will be held in Wk 7. Round 1 of the season will commence Wk 8, Friday 13th September.



Season Three sports on offer

Boys Basketball: *Mr Briggs*

Boys Cricket: *Mr Brown*

Girls Softball: *Mrs Floratos*

Girls Touch: *Mrs Nichols*

Mixed Hockey: *Mr Armiger*

Swimming: *Mrs Liston*



The lawn Bowl squad had their final roll-up on Gala Day and after six ends of bowling enjoyed a BBQ, provided by the Grandviews Bowls Club. A special thanks must go to club coach, Adam Jeffrey, and to Sam and Peter who manned the BBQ.

PBL Focus for the Fortnight

I stay in the same position when standing in lines.

We are RESPONSIBLE for our own behaviour.

I RESPECT others in the line by staying in my spot.

Pics with Peaky



What has 1T been doing?

Last term 1T were learning about Australian animals and how to write an information report. Students were involved in the process of researching and constructing an information report about different Australian animals.

Students learnt how to draw a Koala step by step. After 1T sketched their Koalas, they used watercolour paint.



Isaiah



Vinfred



Tony



Kira



Jenny



Zara



Amelia



Anthony

A Kangaroo

A kangaroo is a type of Australian marsupial.

A kangaroo has lots of, thin, furry, brown fur. It has two, curved, smooth and grey ears. It also has one, triangular, smooth, black nose. A kangaroo has two, big, soft, brown legs. It has one, long, fluffy, brown tail.

A kangaroo lives in the Australian bush lands.

A kangaroo is a herbivore and only eats plants such as grass and flowers.

When a baby is born it is the size of a jellybean.

By Malak Korashy 1T



Kangaroo

A kangaroo is a type of Australian animal.

It has one, long, smooth, brown tail.

A kangaroo has two, skinny, smooth, brown legs.

It has one, round, soft , black nose.

A kangaroo has lots of, thin, smooth, brown fur.

It has two, curved, soft, grey ears.

A Kangaroo lives in Australian bush land.

A Kangaroo is a herbivore so it eats plants and grass also flowers.

A Kangaroo jumps high.

By Tony Chang 1T



Kindergarten have had a very busy Term 3.

So far we have participated in the Athletics Carnival. Our families visited us in our learning environment and watched us perform during Education Week and Open Day. The chick eggs arrived and we guessed which egg would hatch first and we were fascinated with how quickly they grew (9 out of 12 eggs hatched). During our Book Week celebrations, we dressed up as our favourite characters and paraded around. We enjoyed Musica Viva and had fun learning with our buddies. The term isn't over yet with the highlight being our first excursion to the farm.



From the Easel



Kindergarten have been working hard on their farmyard animals after their experience with the hatching eggs



Aria



Izabella



Rhythm



Owen



Victoria



A Walk Around *Our* School

Take the time to look & appreciate the wonder of nature



The Magnolia bloomed—The August winds blew—The petals disappeared.



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August 2019.

Vacation Care Program for September/October will be released soon. There are many exciting excursions and incursions planned for the upcoming school holidays. We receive great feedback regarding our program that we provide.

We are continuing to collect donations from families for the Women's and Girls' Emergency Centre Charity. Please bring in these donations to the centre by 9th of September.

Some recent photos:



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

P&C Fundraising

The P&C is offering our school community the opportunity to purchase Entertainment Books. Not only will you receive discounts to included attractions, restaurants, cafes and more but you will also be supporting the school with 20% of the proceeds being donated to the Peakhurst West PS P&C. A digital version of the Entertainment Book is available.

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- Connecting with your children
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- Understanding the special role of fatherhood
- Fathering from the inside-out
- What do you need from your community?

Thursday, 5th September 2019

5:30pm – 7:45pm

Venue: Interrelate, 383-385 Port Hacking Road, Caringbah

Bookings essential — numbers limited
phone 8522 4408 or email KristenM@interrelate.org.au



Building Bridges

When parents separate, they often live in two homes and kids need to find a way to build their own bridge between their parents' homes.

Building Bridges is a 90 minute workshop for children to discuss how bridges connect families that are living in two separate places. This workshop is available for children aged between 8 and 12 years old.

Children will learn:

- to understand feelings about parental separation and conflict
- about changes in families following separation
- how to feel safe in the family
- to become emotionally stronger and more resilient
- consider succession planning and transition counselling

Tuesday, 4:00 – 5:30pm, 24 September 2019

Cost: \$15 per child

Venue: Interrelate Caringbah

Address: 383-385 Port Hacking Road, Caringbah

Bookings essential (limited numbers) — phone 8522 4408

