



## DATES TO REMEMBER – 2019

### TERM 1

Mon, 18 Feb	P & C Meeting 7pm
Thu, 14 Mar	Selective High School Placement Test
Fri, 12 Apr	Good Friday (beginning of school holidays)



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Peakhurst Public School acknowledges the people of the Tharawal Nation, who are the traditional custodians of the land on which the school is built. We would also like to pay respect to the Elders past, present and future of the Tharawal Nation and extend that respect to all Aboriginal people involved with Peakhurst Public School.

## AWARDS – Week 2

### CLASS AWARD

3/4 Aqua	Bosco
3/4 Magenta	Brendan
3/4 Purple	Liangni
3/4 Teal	Sofia
3/4 White	Natalie
5/6 Aqua	George
5/6 Blue	Abdullah
5/6 Purple	Joshua
5/6 Teal	Leila
Bronze	Kristen

### BRONZE AWARD

3/4 White	Ethan, Bianca, Mohammed, Ishtvan
3/4 Teal	Lynn
3/4 Aqua	Angelique x 2
5/6 Aqua	Hugo, Patrick
5/6 Blue	Olympia, Adrian, Kohen

### SILVER AWARD

3/4 White	Dylan
3/4 Teal	Lynn
3/4 Purple	Emily, Marley, Declan
5/6 Blue	Chester

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Happy Lunar New Year to those celebrating! I hope the Year of the Pig is kind to us all.

### Stage/Class Meetings

Stage/Class meetings have been organised for weeks 4 and 5. These meetings are for parents only. If you have little ones can you please make alternative care arrangements for them. If your child is in a PEG class, please come along to the Information session for their Stage.

### WEEK 4

#### Early Stage One (Kindergarten)

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February  
5.00pm in K Yellow classroom

#### Stage One (Year 1 & Year 2)

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February  
5:30pm in the Gumbaya Centre

#### Stage Two (Year 3 & Year 4)

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February  
6:30pm in the Hall

### WEEK 5

#### Stage Three (Year 5 & Year 6)

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February  
5.30pm in 5/6 Aqua/Blue classroom

#### High School Information session for Year 6 parents

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February  
6.30pm – 7.00pm

#### Special Education classes

Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> February  
5.00pm-6.00pm in Special Ed. Silver Classroom

### Staff Changes

Ann Carter has worked in our office for a number of years as a School Administration Officer. For the remainder of the term she will be working 5 days per week at Sans Souci PS. Beginning on Monday, Linda Kirgan will take up the role of SAO on Monday and Tuesday. I'm sure you will join me in welcoming her to Peakhurst.

### Our Growing Family

Adam Willis is taking leave for a couple of weeks to help settle in a beautiful new addition to his family. On Tuesday night, Rosie Evelyn Willis was born to Adam and his wife Danni. She is just gorgeous. Congratulations to Adam, Danni and big brother Barry!

### Chess Classes

Chess is now open to all students in years 3-6 and will be held on a Wednesday at lunchtime in the library. Although it is wonderful for teaching many things, it doesn't necessarily fall within syllabus outcomes and so has moved away from class time in the PEG classes. Our curriculum is just so full. There may also be children who are not in those classes who may like to learn and participate in chess. I have asked staff who organise dance, choir etc to keep Wednesday lunchtime free, so there is no conflict of interest or opportunity.

### Surfer's Healing

This information has come across my desk and may be of interest to our community. Surfers Healing provides the unique experience of surfing to children with autism. There is more information on their website.

[www.surfershealing.org](http://www.surfershealing.org)

They are coming to Cronulla on February 24<sup>th</sup>. Registration is available on their website.

## **SPORTS HOUSE CAPTAINS**

Congratulations to these students who were elected as Sports House Captains for 2019:

Wattle – Keila & Harrison (C), Cindy & Max (VC)

Waratah – Lucy & Isaac (C), Reeha & Kaylan (VC)

Bluegum – Mairead & Kelston (C), Ebony & Matthew (VC)

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR OUR PARENTS - SCHOOL PROCEDURES**

### **SUPERVISION TIMES AT SCHOOL**

Supervision starts at school in the morning at 9.00am. On arrival to school students are to proceed to Playground C where a teacher will be on duty from 9.00am until the bell rings at 9.20am. At 9.20am students will line up in the area designated for their class. On Tuesday mornings we line up as a whole school in Playground C. Students are not to be in the school grounds prior to 9.00am unless they are attending training or rehearsals. Parents who work or have morning appointments can access supervision for their children through Attunga Before

and After School Care. Attunga can be contacted on 9534 1625 or 0424 721 625.

### **GATE TIMES AND PROCEDURES**

We lock our gates throughout the day to keep our students safe. As you know we have four classes for students with special needs in our school. Many of our students need constant supervision and with eleven boundary gates around the school it is vitally important that we keep our gates locked during school hours to keep all our students safe. The student leaders will lock the pedestrian gates each morning after the 9.20am bell and will open the gates in the afternoon at 3.15pm. Access to the school between 9.30am and 3.15pm is via the automated gate on Bonds Road. Our driveway gates are also automated. These gates will automatically close at 8.45am in the morning and open at 3.45pm in the afternoon.

### **PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL**

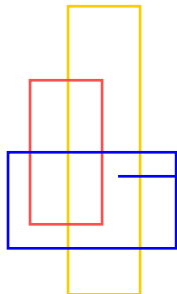
Our staff car parking areas are for staff only. Parent parking in these areas is not permitted at any time. We ask that parents park safely around the school in the designated parking zones. It would be wonderful if everyone was mindful and respectful of our neighbours by not parking across driveways or by double parking. Please take any rubbish with you when you leave the area.

### **LATE & EARLY ARRIVALS**

Students who arrive late to school or who leave school early will need to provide their teachers with an explanation in writing from their parent. Late arrivers need to go to the school office in the morning to be marked in. Parents picking up students early will need to go to the school office first before collecting students from classrooms.

## **UNIFORM SHOP**

The uniform shop is looking for volunteers to help on either Tuesday or Thursday mornings from 9.30am for 1-2 hours. This is a great opportunity to be a part of the school community and meet other parents. If you are interested please leave your details at the school office.



# PEAKHURST PUBLIC SCHOOL

4th February 2019

## **Chess Lunchtime Lessons** **Expression of Interest (Revised Note)**

Dear Parents & Carers,

In Terms 1 & 2, Peakhurst Public School will be offering a lunchtime chess lesson. In association with the Sydney Academy of Chess, we will be running an elective lunchtime chess instruction on Wednesdays. This program will be provided by an expert chess master from Sydney Academy of Chess. Students from Years 3 to 6 are eligible for this program and they will be supervised by a teacher at all times while participating in the program. Please note this is the only chess instruction that will be offered at Peakhurst Public School in 2019.

The program will run from 13<sup>th</sup> February until 10<sup>th</sup> April in Term 1 & 1<sup>st</sup> May through to the 3<sup>rd</sup> July. The students will learn a variety of strategies, moves and game types. The total cost for the program will be **\$180.50** for the two terms of instruction. \$85.50 for Term 1 (9 weeks @ \$9.50 a lesson) and \$95 for Term 2 (10 weeks @ \$9.50 a lesson). Students who elect to take part in this program must be available at lunchtime on Wednesdays and available for each week during Term 1 & 2.

As this is an elective program there are limited spaces. If you would like your child to participate in this chess program please enrol directly via the Sydney Academy of Chess website [www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment](http://www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment) and enter the code **3RSQH0MGED** as per instructions on the next page. Once your child has been enrolled please return the slip below to the office to inform the school of your participation in the program. No money will be collected for this program at school. **Apologies that the incorrect note was sent to the school last week and this enrolment note now contains the correct code.**

Please enrol online and return to the office by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

Regards,  
Mr Willis  
Instructional Leader in S.T.E.M.

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Please complete and return to the office by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

I have enrolled my child, \_\_\_\_\_ in class \_\_\_\_\_ for the lunchtime chess elective program online via the Sydney Academy of Chess website. I have received confirmation that my child has been enrolled into the program. I have discussed the program with my child and they understand that it will take place during lunchtime on Wednesdays.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Why Chess?

- Create Brighter Thinkers
- Improve Student Focus
- Achieve Academic Success

**Combines  
learning  
with fun!**



## Educational Benefits:

- Improves concentration and focus
- Develops logical thinking and problem solving skills
- Enhances memory
- Encourages creative and lateral thinking
- Promotes discipline
- Accelerates emotional development
- Expands visualisation and spatial awareness
- Demonstrates actions and consequences
- Rewards correct decision making
- Increases self-confidence
- Provides opportunities to make new friends from diverse backgrounds

## Peakhurst Public School Chess Classes, 2019 Wednesdays 11:30AM - 12:20PM

<b>Terms 1-2 Combined</b>	<b>Cost: \$180.50</b>	<b>13th Feb - 3rd Jul</b>
<b>Term 3</b>		<b>No Chess</b>
<b>Term 4</b>		<b>No Chess</b>

To enrol please pay online with your credit card at

[www.sydneycademyofchess.com.au/payment](http://www.sydneycademyofchess.com.au/payment)

Enter the code **3RSQH0MGED** and fill in the electronic form, with your child's details.

*\*Fees are due on the first day of term. A late fee of \$10 will be applied if payment is not received within 4 weeks of the start of the term. No refunds or credits for missed lessons during the term and trial lessons must be paid for. For pro-rata fees (ie. starting part way during the term) please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on 9745 1170.*

OPTIONAL EXTRAS (prices include delivery) <i>To enhance your child's learning experience these items are available for purchase online at the time of enrolment</i>			
<b>Workbook 1 – Cost: \$30</b> [For Beginner/Rookie Players]	<b>Workbook 2 – Cost: \$30</b> [For Intermediate Players]	<b>Workbook 1 &amp; 2 – Cost: \$45</b> [SPECIAL OFFER]	
<b>Exploration in Chess Beauty – Cost: \$41</b> [For Advanced Players]	<b>Chess Set &amp; Roll-up Board – Cost: \$33</b> [Recommended for All Ages]	<b>Chess Clock – Cost: \$76</b> [Recommended for All Ages]	



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#### CLASSES

Monday - Our Lady of Fatima Church  
Wednesday - Peakhurst South Public School

#### CONTACT

Natalie Jones: 0416 237 953  
Lee Pacitti: 9534 3860

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 Penshurst Physical Culture Club
 @penshurstphysie



## 2019

### Children's Ministry @ Narwee Baptist Church

Cnr Baumans Rd and Gardinia St Peakhurst. Tel: 9534 2699  
[www.narweebaptist.org.au](http://www.narweebaptist.org.au)

#### During the Week ...

#### Pre-schoolers

#### Playtime ...

**Mondays** 10am-12 noon and  
**Wednesdays** 10am-12 noon  
Contact Liz or Stephanie at  
Church Office: 9534 2699

#### Primary Schoolers

#### Homework Plus ...

**Mondays** 4pm to 5:30pm  
Kinder to Year 6 Cost \$2  
**B.L.A.S.T. ...**  
**Fridays** 4pm to 6pm  
Years 3 to 6 on Fridays. Cost \$3

#### On Sundays ...

#### Kidz Church ...

concurrent with 9am service  
Creche ... 0-2 Years  
Rainbows ... 3 to 5 year old  
GK's ... Kinder to Year 2  
KK's ... Years 3 to 6.


#### During the holidays ...

#### Primary Schoolers

#### Kidz Camp ...

Wed 17 to Thurs 18 April 2019  
Years 3 to 6. Cost \$125  
**Kidz Holiday Club ...**  
Mon 8— Fri 12 July, 2019  
Children In Kinder to Year 6.  
Cost \$50 per child

**Robyn Garlick 0412 475 044**
**Suzanne Ward 0401 157 597**



## 2019

### The details for primary school programs ...

#### Homework Plus ... Mondays 4-5:30pm

A fun afternoon program where children can complete their homework with assistance from helpers. Includes afternoon tea and fun games. Suzanne Ward leads this team.  
Contact Suzanne ... [suzanne@narweebaptist.org.au](mailto:suzanne@narweebaptist.org.au).

#### B.L.A.S.T. ... Fridays 4-6pm

This is a program including activities, games, Bible discussion groups and afternoon tea. Robyn Garlick leads this team.  
Contact Robyn ... [robyn@narweebaptist.org.au](mailto:robyn@narweebaptist.org.au).

#### Kidz Church ... Sundays 9am

This program is divided into different groups according to their age. Suzanne leads the younger groups and Robyn leads the older Group. Kidz Church runs at the same time as the 9am Church service. The children sing, learn from the Bible, play games and do a craft.

#### Kidz Camp ... Wed 17th to Thurs 18th April, 2019

The camp will be held at Winmalee Christian Conference Centre. Contact Robyn Garlick who leads the camp.

#### Kidz Holiday Club ... Mon 8th to Fri 12th July, 2019

Our theme for Holiday Club this year is "Party BoXX" celebrating 20 years of Holiday Club. It is held between 9:30am and 1pm on Monday to Friday. A family night is held on the Friday night at 7pm. Contact Robyn Garlick who leads this event.



Amy

Sue

Bronwyn

Ryan (Year 1) & Benje (Year 6)

Thank you for your card & letter  
for Christmas.

This photo is me with my  
team in Kabul next to our  
Christmas tree.

We really enjoyed our Xmas  
package and shared the items.

Benje if you are ever in Sydney  
at Victoria Barracks, ask for  
Bronwyn Thomas or BRIG Sue He looks  
and we would love to show you  
around.

Thank you  
Sue, Bron &  
Amy

23/12/18.

Where I am there is only about ten Australian soldiers. However every few days I watch a Video Conference and I always see Australian soldiers in some important jobs.

Most of the Afghan people are beautiful in their heart and actions. The country is very dry, rocky + extremely rough mountainous terrain. These mountains are very beautiful - particularly with the snow on them as there is now. It is often  $-6^{\circ}\text{C}$  overnight.

Thanks again for your package + well wishes. I hope you all had a great Christmas + holiday, especially Kate + Hayla.

Work hard + chase your dreams.  
Warmest Regards,

Cobrel Paul.

To the staff + students of Pealchurst Public School,

Today I received a 'care pack' from your school + it was great to open it and have a card from Kate + lovely note from Hayla. (in Grade 5).

I really appreciate your thoughts + your gifts were nice too.

I feel honoured to be able to represent our nation and what we represent. However it is still hard being away from my wife and three children - 17, 15 and 13 years old. I love them very much + miss seeing all the funny (and naughty) things they do. Your thoughts and well wishes for Christmas go a long way.

January 2019

Dear Staff and Students at Peakhurst Public School,

I am a communications troop commander currently deployed to the Middle East with my team of men and women of the Army, Navy and Airforce.

We were the recipients of some of your very generous care packages over Christmas.

Thank you very much for time and effort that you would have taken to send these to us.

Christmas time can be a difficult time when we are separated from our family and friends back home in Australia.

Receiving care packages certainly lifts the morale and makes this time of year feel special.

We greatly enjoyed all the treats from home as well as the useful care package items.

I hope you all had a happy and safe Christmas and a good start to 2019.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'LT AB', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

LT AB



**THEATRE COMMUNICATIONS GROUP—SEVEN**  
Middle East Region

65A Bonds Rd  
Peakhurst NSW 2210

**To Harsid, Ebony, Alex, Hayei, Mitchell, Christian, Sawarot, Seb, and the class of 4Red,**

### **RECIEPT OF YOUR RECENT CARE PACKAGE**

Thank-you all very much for your kind gift and Christmas cards. My name is Jarrad and I am a CPL in the Royal Australian Air Force Theatre Communications Group located in the Middle Eastern Area of Operations.

Your cards and art works now adorn my desk area and I am the envy of my work mates here. Your kind words are inspirational and have made the Christmas period a little easier to bear being away from my family and friends.

My current role is to provide communications support to the Australian Defence Force effort in this area. Some days this might mean fixing a broken computer and some days this may mean working with our coalition partners to install new hardware and software which directly affects our war fighting effort.

The days here can be long and the work is hot and dusty, but knowing that my work mates are here with me working towards the same goal makes the days pass quite fast. When we work hard as a team with our partners and friends anything is achievable.

We have a lot of fun here too, on New Years Eve the music artist RedFoo came to our location and put on a special show for us and our friends. I was lucky enough to dance onstage and get some photos with him. Unfortunately he didn't rate my dancing skills so I will not be applying to X-Factor this year.

Please see below for some photos that may of interest, I have captioned each as required.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,

**JARRAD**  
CPL  
TCG-7

10 JAN 19



Our Living Area, don't worry we have air-con in the tents!



Me and the lads enjoying some downtime on a boat