

FOCUS@PEAKHURST ISSUE 20

DATES TO REMEMBER – 2019

EMEMBER – 2019
Last day of tarm 2
Last day of term 2
Students return to school
Kindy and Year 1 Gymnastics Program begins
Year 2 Swimming Program begins
P & C Meeting
Yrs 3-6 Athletics Carnival <i>Field Events</i> Olds Park
Opportunity Class Placement Test
Learning Links Parent Workshop – Developing Resilience 9.30 – 11.30am
Education Week Open Day
Book Fair (see opening times on attached flyer)
SPAF Concert (choir and dance
students) Hurstville Entertainment Centre
Learning Links Parent Workshop – Anxiety and Depression 9.30 – 11.30am
District Field Events Carnival
District Track Events Carnival
School Show A

TERM 4

1 Red

1 Yellow

2 Orange

Week 3	
29 – 31 Oct	Stage 3 Excursion to Canberra
	(5/6 Teal, 5/6 White and 5 Purple)
Week 4	
5 – 7 Nov	Stage 3 Excursion to Canberra

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

(5/6 Aqua, 5/6 Blue and 6 Purple)

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 - Term 2, Week 9

AWARDS – Te	Mohammad-Ali, Moussa, Justin, Ali Zayn, Vasili Rayhana, Misha Adrian, Lily			
CLASS AWARD				
K Green	Mohammad-Ali, Moussa, Justin, Ali			
K Orange	Zayn, Vasili			
K Red	Rayhana, Misha			
K Yellow	Adrian, Lily			
1 Red	Zoha, Izack			
1 Orange	Daniel, Alexis			
1 Yellow	Lily			
1/2 Purple	Sophie, Hanna			
1/2 White	Lucas			
2 Green	Aaron, Batoul			
2 Orange	Alice, Hussein			
2 Red	Summer-Rose			
2 Yellow	Zaharaa, Zack			
3/4 White	Adam			
3/4 Teal	Kaelan			
3/4 Magenta	Bosco			
3/4 Purple	Aimee			
3/4 Blue	Annie			
3/4 Aqua	Ameena			
5/6 Aqua	Elijah			
5/6 Blue	Chloe			
5/6 Purple	Aryan			
5/6 Teal	Joshua			
5/6 White	Mairead			
Bronze	Kristen			
BRONZE AWARD				
K Orange	Zayn S, Zayn M, Carlie			
K Red	Justin, Leo			

Thomas

Gordon

Todor

2 Red Jayda

3/4 White Lara, Fletcher, Sabrina 3/4 Teal Harley-Rose, Sofia

3/4 Magenta Alannah 3/4 Blue Aida 3/4 Aqua Sean

5/6 Purple Isaac, Nathan

5/6 White Amani

SILVER AWARD

1 Orange Lara, Daniel
1/2 Purple Sophie
1/2 White Mariam
2 Orange Soliman, Alice

2 Red Israa

3/4 White Haddy, Emily 3/4 Agua Amelia

5/6 Purple Avneet, Elliott

SRC AWARD

K Green Lucas K Orange Jackson K Red Lachlan K Yellow Dylan 1 Red Harkiran 1 Orange Lara Dylan 1 Yellow 1/2 Purple Sophie 1/2 White Elijah 2 Green Zane Nika 2 Orange Christian 2 Red 2 Yellow Aaliyah S 3/4 White Adam 3/4 Teal Sofia 3/4 Magenta Xavier 3/4 Purple Joseph 3/4 Blue Lavina 3/4 Aqua Jovce 5/6 Aqua Sawarot 5/6 Blue Stephanie 5/6 Purple Joshua 5/6 Teal Elise 5/6 White Saja

PSSA – FRIDAY, 5 JULY

PSSA has been cancelled for tomorrow as all fields are closed.

There will be **NO** training for any sports teams tomorrow.

CONGRATULATIONS

For the past two days we have had four students attend the Sydney East Softball trials. Mia, Rayani, Aryan and Harrison displayed great sportsmanship

and the excellent behaviour that Peakhurst Public School students always do. They all tried their best and were a part of a great competition. The boys had some very close games and won two out of four games and the girls went through to play in the play off for first and second but unfortunately lost by one run.

Harrison had an amazing day and has been selected to represent Sydney East in the Boys Softball carnival in Tamworth from the 10th-12th September, 2019. We are very proud of all these students' efforts and wish Harrison the best of luck for the state carnival!

Mrs Partridge

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We are almost there! I know teachers are ready for the holidays and we have had so much sickness, students are ready too. It has been a busy term! I hope you enjoy the holiday break and the change of routine that comes with it. Stay safe!

School begins for students on Tuesday, July 23rd.

Reports and Interviews

It has been wonderful seeing so many families take the opportunity to speak with teachers after receiving their child's report and I hope you have found both the report and the interviews helpful. There is the opportunity to complete a survey to tell us of your thoughts around both processes. I would encourage you to do so. We are particularly keen to know if the reports were more 'parent friendly' in their language while also giving you solid information about your child over the last 2 terms.

Chicken Pox

We have had quite a few cases of chicken pox reported particularly in the K-2 section of the school. Just a heads up to keep an eye out. Children present with a fever, often a runny nose and then blister type spots. Children can return to school once scabs have gone.

Staff Changes Term 3

There are a couple of changes amongst staff for term 3. Ms Dimarakis will be away until Week 5. She will be replaced by Ms Filladites. (We wish Ms Dimarakis all the very best for her wedding and honeymoon).

Ms Schwartz is away for the first 3 weeks and replaced

by Ms Huynh.

Ms Swecki is away for the first 3 weeks and replaced by Ms Nikolovska.

Ms Lithgow will be away on 23rd and 24th July in Week 1 and will be replaced by Ms Delli-Pizzi.

Ms Laura Power begins at Peakhurst PS, replacing Mrs Braun following an interview panel process and she will be working on the Equity Team.

We are still awaiting an appointment for the School Administration Officer for Mondays and Fridays. This role was previously held by Mrs Anne Carter who secured a full-time position at Sans Souci PS.

Swimming and Gymnastics

A reminder that swimming begins for Year 2 in Term 3. Gymnastics will begin for Kinder and Year 1. Both activities are on Wednesday and start Week 1.

Sally Lawson Principal

YEAR 3 – 6 FIELD EVENTS CARNIVAL

All students from Years 3 – 6 will be participating in our annual Field Events Athletics Carnival on Tuesday, 30 July at Olds Park. Parents are very welcome to attend.

FEEDBACK

It was wonderful to meet so many of you this week for Parent Teacher Interviews! Thank you for your partnership.

With reports going home last week and Parent Teacher Interviews this week, we would like to ask all parents for their feedback about them. Please take five minutes to complete this feedback form.

https://forms.gle/JzZdyuEwN9FsoNjV9

Thank you for your time!

SRC PYJAMA DAY

Thank you to our school community for your generous donations yesterday. We raised a total of \$695, which will go towards upgrading our playground.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE UPDATE

I hope that everyone has been busy reading and logging their books! The following students have also completed

their PRC over the last few weeks! Congratulations to the following students:

Kindergarten: Year 4: Idris A Lavina C Henry L Liangni K Alex S Year 2: Sophie C Year 5: Kareem M Emeline C Matthew C Victoria S Charlotte S Jessica D Year 3: Zoe D

Dominic J Julian L Declan M Aiseah S Emily T

THANK YOU TO FAMILIES WHO HAVE GENOURSLY DONATED

Thank you to all the families who have generously donated car and booster seats to the support classes to use for community access programs. We are very grateful and have received some great seats that will be put to good use. At this time we do not need anymore.

Ms Zanetti Assistant Principal Support





The first week next term, Years 1-6 will be focusing on:



The most common graphemes that represent this phoneme are **oa**, **o_e**, **ow** and **o**.

You'll find this phoneme in words such as float, home, below and both.

Students can access the Online Activities at home using their grade login at http://www.soundwaveskids.com.au



These last 5 weeks of term we have been focusing on being responsible in our PBL lessons. The students are showing their teachers, both in the classroom and playground how they can be responsible.

PBL Focus Term 2, Weeks 6-10: Be Responsible

What is a taking responsibility? Taking responsibility means that students take ownership over their actions and are responsible for the decisions that they make. When we take responsibility, we accept consequences and apologise if we have broken rules. When we are responsible, we follow the rules and are proactive in our actions

We have provided a matrix for you to use at home to help teach your children to take responsibility.

	At home	Morning routine	Homework	Meal times	In car	Play	Bedtime
Be Responsible	Clean up after yourself. Accept consequences Apologise if you have	Get up on time. Be ready to leave for school on time. Pack your	Do your homework every day. Put your readers/ homework in your bag when you	Clean up after yourself.	Wear your seatbelt.	Pick up your toys.	Go to sleep bed on time - no electronic devices. Brush your teeth.
Ã	done the wrong thing.	bag with all the things you need for school.	have finished.				

PBL mascot revealed...

AS 38 . Part of the implementation process of PBL involves creating a mascot or logo to visually support signage and to create a positive image. The SRC have been responsible for this aspect and through a lengthy process chose from a number of wonderful student suggestions. The final 5 were: hands clasping together, a peacock, trees, mountain peaks and a rainbow lorikeet. All these suggestions represented our school either physically or symbolically. The SRC overwhelmingly voted for the lorikeet! We have a large population of rainbow lorikeets in our school, particularly up near the kindergarten classrooms, as they are currently feasting on the blossoms in the gum tree. The lorikeets move around our school grounds depending on where the food source is. Kylie Chow (Willow in 1/2P's mum) was tasked with coming up with a design that would represent Peakhurst's PBL mascot. Her design wonderfully encapsulates the colour and vibrancy of our school community. We would like to thank Kylie for the time, effort and thought that she took to create such a modern and captivating mascot for us. The SRC are now trying to decide what to call it...stay tuned!



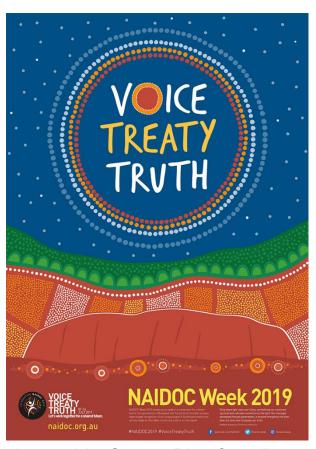
NAIDOC Week 7th – 14th July 2019

'Voice, Treaty, Truth'

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

NAIDOC originally stood for 'National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee'. This committee was once responsible for organising national activities during NAIDOC Week and its acronym has since become the name of the week itself.

This year's theme is *Voice, Treaty, Truth* and the National NAIDOC Committee invites all Australians to walk with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in a movement of the nation for a better future.



During NAIDOC Week most local council have celebrations and the Georges River Council welcomes everyone to the NAIDOC Week celebrations, to come and learn and appreciate the rich and diverse Aboriginal cultures that exist within the Georges River area. Information for the NAIDOC Week events can be found at

https://www.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au/Community/Events/Community-Events/NAIDOC-Week

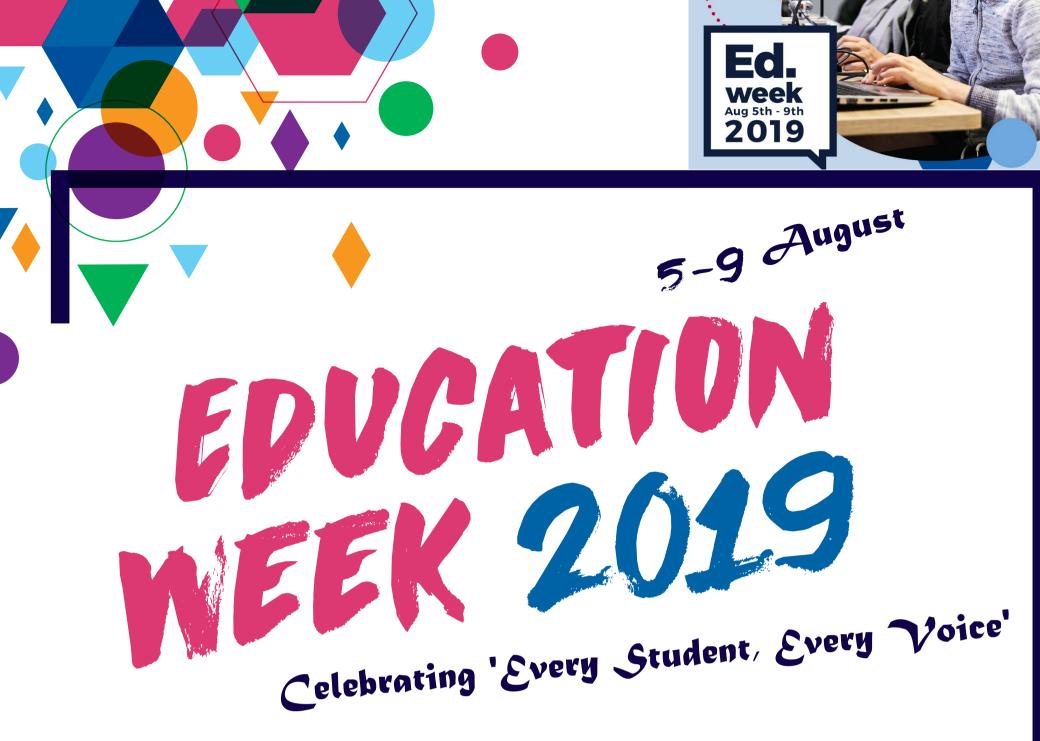
During the first week of Term 3 we will be celebrating NAIDOC Week here at Peakhurst Public School. Classes will be studying and sharing stories from the Dreaming and about significant Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



TERM THREE PLANNER

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WEEK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	22 July School Development Day - teachers only	All students return	24 Kindergarten and Yr 1: weekly gymnastic lessons begin Yr 2: weekly swimming lessons begin	25	K-2 Assembly: 1/2 Purple PSSA Season Round 7
2	29	Yrs 3-6 Field Events Carnival - Olds Park	31	1 August	2 K-2 Assembly: 1/2 White Learning Links Parent Workshop PSSA Season 2 Round 8
	5	6	7	8	9
3	12	Open Day Times TBC	Education Week 14	15	K-2 Assembly: 1 Red PSSA Season 2 Round 9 16 K-2 Assembly: 1 Orange
4		SPAF - Acacia Concert	SPAF - Banksia Concert	SPAF - Casuarina Concert	PSSA Season 2 Round 10
5	3-6 District Field Events Carnival	20	21	22	K-2 Assembly: 1 Yellow PSSA Season 2 Finals
6	3-6 District Track Events Carnival	School Showcase A	School Showcase B No K-2 sport lessons	Father's Day Stall	No K-2 Assembly PSSA trials
	2 September	3	4	5	6
7			Learn to Swim Scheme		K-2 Assembly: K Green PSSA trials
	9	10	11	12	13
8			Dance Sport Final		No K-2 Assembly PSSA Season 3 Round 1
9	16	17	18 Public Speaking Finals Evening	19	K-2 Assembly: K Red PSSA Season 3 Round 1
10	23	24	25	26	K-2 Assembly: K Yellow PSSA Season 3 Round 2

School Holidays
Monday 30th September - Friday 11th October 2019
Term 4: All students return Monday 14th October 2019.



On Tuesday the 6th of August, Peakhurst Public will be celebrating Education Week and all of our students' fabulous efforts and achievements.

All classrooms will be open at certain times to allow members of the community to observe some of the wonderful ways our students are learning in the classroom and the incredible work they are producing.





You are invited to join us for a day of celebrations including:

All Day- Books fair

9:20-11:20 – Open classroom sessions (times below)

9:20-9:50 Early Stage One & Special Education Classes

9:50-10:20 Stage One

10:20-10:50 Stage Two

10:50-11:20 Stage Three

11:30 – Band performing under A Block COLA

11:55- Boys dance group performing in the hall

11:30-12:10 – Parents, carers and family members are invited to have a 'Planic Lunch' with their children in the playground at lunchtime.





Dear Parents and Families:

Reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- Set the example. Let children see you read.
- Have a collection of books in your home. Update this collection routinely to keep up with changing tastes and reading skills.
- Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.

The theme of our Scholastic Book Fair is **Dino-Mite**, where we hope you will **chomp through some books**. It's a fun reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits.

Book Fair dates: Tuesday 6th August - Friday 9th August

Shopping hours: Tuesday to Thursday 9:00 – 3:30. Friday 9:00 to 12:00.

This is also a fabulous time to donate a book to the school library. Children have their name placed into the front of the book on a plaque.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school.





DEVELOPING RESILIENCE IN CHILDREN



What a parent can do to build resilience

This workshop helps parents gain knowledge about resilience, looks at how it is developed and what external factors can effect resilience. It also looks at how to promote your child's resilience and examines what resources are available to parents.

The 2 hour session covers topics such as:

- What is resilience?
- Why is it important?
- What are the factors associated with it?
- 7 learnable skills of resilience
- The overall model of resilience
- The protective factors associated with resilience



ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION IN CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS



A focus on what parents can do to support their children

Parents gain knowledge regarding the symptoms displayed by children and adolescents with depression and/or anxiety. Parents gain a basic understanding of treatment, diagnosis, causes, related risk factors and practical strategies to support these children. This will be measured through an evaluation process at the completion of the workshops.

The 2 hour session covers topics such as

- Identifying depression and/or anxiety
- Strategies to support children with depression and/or anxiety
- Risk concerns
- How to talk to your child