

FOCUS@PEAKHURST

ISSUE 5

DATES TO REMEMBER – 2020

TERM 1

Week 11 Thu, 9 Apr	Easter Raffle
	Last day of term

	Last day of term
TERM 2	
Week 1	
Tue, 28 Apr	Students return to school
Week 2	
Thu, 7 May	Mother's Day Stall
Week 3	
12 – 14 May	NAPLAN (students in years 3 and 5)
Week 5	
Thu, 28 May	Athletics Carnival K-6
	The Ridge Athletic Track, Barder
	Ridge

Week 9

Sat, 27 Jun Trivia Night

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 – Weeks 6 - 7

PEAKY AWARD

KF	Emma, Khalid
KL	Clarity, Aisha
KS	Dominic, Mia
KG	Jada, Jihad
1L	Branson, Reanna
1N	Cassie, Ali
1R	Renee, Yasmen
1T	Leo, Ashley
2Z	Roy, Alexis
1/2K	Willow, Brendan
2R	Jasper, Keni
2LM	Thomas, Ayah
Platinum	Yumao

CLASS AWARD

3/4G Maeli, Alannah 3/4K Leilani, Yusha

3/4J	Raymond, Ishtvan
3/4S	Declan
3/4W	Ahhie Maryam

3/4W Abbie, Maryam 5/6G Mohammed 5/6K Lauren, Sophia 5/60 Hussein, Mackenzie

5/6P Liana

5/6R Samantha, Kennen 5/6S Abbas, Sabrina **Bronze** Charlotte, Japveer

BRONZE AWARD

1T	Hunter
2Z	Lewis
1/2K	Justin, Henry

2R Eddric 3/4G Aiseah, Alice

3/4W Zack

5/6G Izak, Dylan P

5/6K Zoe, Ellie, Jacqui, Dane 5/6R Jesse, Lillianne, Ally, Safiya

Roman Bronze

SILVER AWARD

3/4G	Lara
3/4W	Dylan, Ricky
5/6G	Chloe
5/6R	Natalie, Ally

SRC AWARD

KF	Riku
KL	Johnny
KS	Terrence
KG	Emily
1L	Branson
1N	Mark
1R	Brendan
1T	Норе
2Z	Lucas
1/2K	Samantha
2R	Chloe
2LM	Thomas
3/4G	Rayan, Lilly
3/4K	Yue, Israa
3/4J	Tamara, Selene
3/4S	Jessica
3/4W	Ali, Maryam
5/6G	Dylan
5/6K	Joseph, Dane
5/60	Mackenzie, Finn
5/6P	Kelly

5/68 Kelly

5/6R Emily, Sean 5/6S Corbin Bronze **Dominic**

PSSA SPORTS REPORT – 21 FEBRUARY				
CRICKET				
JUNIOR				
Peakhurst SENIOR	(draw)	Lugarno		
Peakhurst	146	Lugarno	101	
TEEBALL				
Peakhurst SOFTBALL	12	Lugarno	9	
Peakhurst	9	Lugarno	0	
MIXED NEW	COMBE BALL			
JUNIOR			•	
Peakhurst SENIOR	3	Hurstville South	0	
Peakhurst	3	Hurstville South	0	
GIRLS BASKE	TBALL			
JUNIOR				
Peakhurst SENIOR	1	Penshurst West	20	
Peakhurst	28	Penshurst West	28	
BOYS OZTAG	i			
JUNIOR				
Peakhurst	5	Lugarno	5	
SENIOR Peakhurst	3	Lugarno	7	
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CRICKET	OR IS REP	ORT – 28 FEBRU	JARY	
JUNIOR				
Peakhurst	110	Beverly Hills	86	
SENIOR Peakhurst	131	Beverly Hills	107	
TEEBALL		, -	-	
Peakhurst	7	Beverly Hills	2	
SOFTBALL	•	Devery Timo	_	
Peakhurst	9	Beverly Hills	0	
MIXED NEWCOMBE BALL				
JUNIOR				
Peakhurst SENIOR	2	Hannans Road	1	
Peakhurst	3	Hannans Road	0	
GIRLS BASKE	TBALL			
JUNIOR				
Peakhurst	2	Narwee	20	
SENIOR	24	Mamora	4.6	

Peakhurst

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Narwee

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Peakhurst	8	Peakhurst West	6
SENIOR			
Peakhurst	3	Peakhurst West	6

6 MARCH – NO GAMES DUE TO WET WEATHER

PSSA SPORTS REPORT – 13 MARCH

CRICKET			
JUNIOR			
Peakhurst	64	Peakhurst West	131
SENIOR			
Peakhurst	157	Peakhurst West	78
TEEBALL			
Peakhurst	7	Peakhurst West	0
SOFTBALL			
Peakhurst	12	Peakhurst West	4
MIXED NEW	COMBE BAI	LL	
JUNIOR			
Peakhurst	2	Mortdale	1
SENIOR			
Peakhurst	0	Mortdale	3
GIRLS BASKE	TBALL		
JUNIOR			
Peakhurst	6	Hurstville South	22
SENIOR			
Peakhurst	54	Hurstville South	28
BOYS OZTAG	ì		
JUNIOR			
Peakhurst	5	Oatley West	4
SENIOR			
Peakhurst	3	Oatley West	7

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

COVID-19 Update

I would like to sincerely thank the school community for their support over the week as we work our way through the current situation. Our staff have appreciated the understanding from parents that we are conforming to Department of Education protocols and that things are regularly changing. Please keep this in mind when dealing with our staff - they are merely following the Department of Education protocols in responding to enquiries and procedures.

The NSW Department of Education is working closely with the NSW Ministry of Health in response to the unfolding international COVID-19 (formerly referred to as Novel Coronavirus) situation.

We will continue to provide updated information to our school community via notes home which are all uploaded and available on our school website, alerts via enews, Instagram and Dojo messages. There is a link on our school website landing page to provide you with the most up to date information from the Department of Education.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the Peakhurst PS staff for their ongoing professionalism and care. It is their calm manner and commitment to our students' health, safety and wellbeing that is ensuring that PPS is continuing to be a happy and safe place for our students to attend each day.

We have been notified by DEC that a number of actions have been undertaken to support best health and hygiene practices in our school. These include:

- Enhanced cleaning which will take place in all schools from March 18th
- Receiving additional provisions of soap and hygiene supplies such as hand sanitizer

I have also requested that the bubblers be turned off and students drink from their own water bottles. Filtered water is available from the station outside the canteen. Please ensure your child brings at least one water bottle to school, with their name on it.

The link below might also be helpful. It's sometimes hard to find the words to discuss things with our children and to know exactly how much to tell them. This link just might be what you are looking for:

How to Talk to Your Kids about Coronavirus

Student Absence and Work

While our school is fully operational, any decision to keep students at home and exclude them from school is that of parents or carers. Teachers will not be providing a full learning program for students not attending school as they are still teaching their regular class. However, parents can find some appropriate links to online learning and activities provided by the Department of Education here:

https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/curriculum/learning-from-home Resources and links can be found in the section 'Teaching and Learning Resources'.

Should the operation of the school change at any stage, the provision of work will be reviewed.

Student Health

Thank you for not sending your sick children to school. Although the request not to send students to school when they are unwell is applicable at all times, it is especially important at the moment.

However, if you child is immune suppressant or has compromised health please let the school know. We are encouraging you to keep your child at home.

Travel

On 15 March, the Government put in place new measures for people arriving in Australia. Individuals **must** self-isolate for a period of 14 days on arrival to Australia, including returning Australian citizens and residents. You are also required to self-isolate if you have been diagnosed with the COVID-19 or if you have had close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 infection. This is being enforced at school level as we are aware of the dates our families return from overseas.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will not take place as scheduled in Weeks 9 and 10. However, if you wish to discuss any aspect of your child's learning please do not hesitate to contact the school by phone, email or Dojo and we will organise for your child's teacher to make contact with you at a mutually convenient time. The parent teacher interviews will be re-scheduled at a later time.

School Photos

We have cancelled school photos for the time being. I will let you know when a new date has been set.

Harmony Day

So many students looked wonderful in their orange outfits and their traditional costumes yesterday. We are fortunate at Peakhurst to have a population of such diversity and it is great to celebrate what that means. Many students were recorded describing what Harmony Day meant to them and how important respectful relationships were. These recordings were spliced together by Mrs Schaffer and shared in K-2 classes and also 3-6 classes. We are unable to put them on Instagram as not all students have permission to publish but I can assure you, the material was fantastic.

Ms Lawson

SOUND WAVES This term Years 1-6 will be focusing on: Week 8 Week 8

build Week 9 syrup шi pretty sieve women cabbaae fish cliff ff Week 10 ph phone gh laugh ffe giraffe

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busy

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

Revision

Week 11

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB ORGANISER

Our school is looking for a new Book Club Organiser Scholastic Book Clubs not only enable us to boost our home and school libraries but also improve children's reading skills and encourage at-home reading.

You can help ensure Book Club continues at our school!

We are looking for a new Book Club Organiser to manage Book Club at Peakhurst Public School. You can keep the reading momentum rolling at our school by helping provide children with more access to self-selected independent reading material all year long. Plus, when you run Book Clubs, everyone benefits—every Book Club order earns Scholastic Rewards to help purchase additional learning and literacy resources for our school!

Book Clubs help feed the reader

There are eight Issues of Book Club each year. When the catalogues arrive at school, a Book Club Organiser distributes the brochures to students and advises them of the return-by date. As a Book Club Organiser, you will place the class orders either online or by phone. When the orders are placed by class, the books arrive back at the school pre-sorted, which makes your job of distributing the books easy!

Interested in making a difference at our school?

- Provide continuous access to the best books at the best prices for families!
- Help to feed readers with regular access to independent reading material.
- Earn free books for the school!

If you are interested in becoming the next Book Club Organiser, please contact the school office today.



Nutrition Snippet

The simp<mark>√est w</mark>oy

... to cook with kids.

Providing lots of opportunities for kids to be

involved in the kitchen is a great way to raise healthy eaters, teach them life skills and boost their development.



Young kids can:

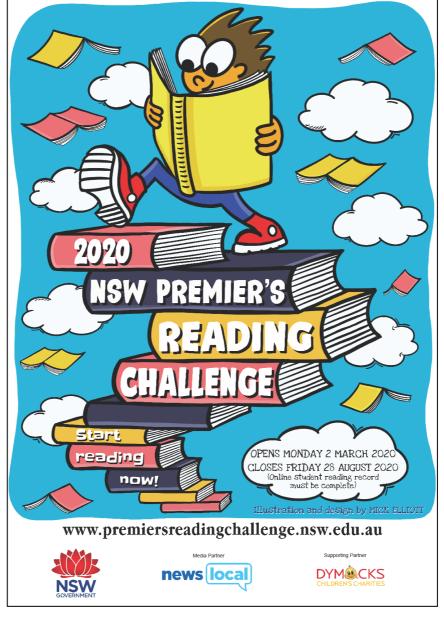
- Wash fruit and vegies
- Tear foods like lettuce or bread
- Use scissors to trim vegies
- Add premeasured ingredients
- Stir and sprinkle

Older kids can:

- Use measuring cups, spoons and scales
- Use equipment like salad spinners, and blenders under supervision
- Prep easy to chop foods with kid's knives
- Be in charge of preparing simple recipes

healthylunchbox.com.au





PEAKHURST PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C COMMITTEE MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Monday 17th February 2020

MEETING OPENED: 7.09 pm

ATTENDEES: Sally L, Leanne O, Coralie B, Andrea M, Tracey M, Moussa C, Karen G,

Sue H, Les G, Hayaat C, Cecilia M

APOLOGIES: Connie F

BUSINESS: The Principal, Ms Sally Lawson declared all executive positions of the

P&C Committee vacant.

Nominations opened for new Office Bearers for the forthcoming year.

PRESIDENT: Nomination : Andrea Morgan

(Nominated by Moussa C and seconded by Tracey M)

Andrea Morgan accepted the nomination and was elected President.

VICE PRESIDENT: Nomination : Tracey Millman

(Nominated by Les G and seconded by Andrea M)

Tracey M accepted the nomination and was elected Vice President.

SECRETARY: Nomination : Karen Gambian

(Nominated by Andrea M and seconded by Moussa C)

Karen Gambian accepted the nomination and was elected Secretary.

TREASURER: Nomination: Sue Heslop

(Nominated by Karen G and seconded by Les G)

Sue Heslop accepted the nomination and was elected Treasurer.

FUNDRAISING: Nomination: Moussa Choker

(Nominated by Karen G and seconded by Leanne O)

Moussa Choker accepted the nomination and was elected as

Fundraising Committee Coordinator.

AUDITOR: Siganos and Co. Accountants

It was a unanimous decision to remove the fundraising committee and the book club from the AGM.

CLOSE OF AGM: The AGM was concluded and the regular monthly meeting

commenced immediately.

AGM CLOSED: 7.19pm

PEAKHURST PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING DATE: Monday 17th February 2020

MEETING OPENED: 7:19pm

ATTENDEES: Sally L, Leanne O, Coralie B, Andrea M, Tracey M, Moussa

C, Karen G, Sue H, Siobhan B, Les G, Hayaat C, Cecilia M,

APOLOGIES: Connie F

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Accepted by the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: Nil

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented by Sue H

Bank Balance at 30 November 2019 \$44, 613.61

Income

Interest \$3.89

Expenses

Year 6 Farewell Reimbursements \$538.96

Bank Balance at 31 December 2019 \$44,078.54

<u>Income</u>

Interest \$3.74

Closing Balance at 31 January 2020 \$44,082.28

UNIFORM REPORT: Presented by Sue H

Bank Balance at 30 November 2019 \$26,647.84

<u>Income</u>

Uniform Sales (less online Fees) \$12,166.51

Interest \$3.15

Expenses

Merchant Fees \$49.93

Bank Balance at 31 December 2019 \$38,767.57

<u>Income</u>

Interest \$3.28

Expenses

Merchant Fees \$63.83

Bank Balance at 31 January 2020 \$38,707.02

FUNDRAISING REPORT: Presented by Andrea M

Upcoming Fundraisers 2020

- It was proposed that dates for key events be locked in on the school calendar as soon as possible.
- It was proposed that the P&C run another **trivia night** this year.
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- Alternatives to the walk-a-thon were also discussed.
- A committee was formed to organise the **Mother's Day stall**. Volunteers are most welcome and needed on the day.
- Easter Egg Raffle: Easter eggs to be purchased for the raffle prizes. There was a discussion regarding purchasing an egg for every child as per last year. It was decided that the purchase of 680 individual eggs for the children would go ahead. The P&C approved a budget of \$700.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Numbers and Classes

- 28 Classes were established Day 1.
- 24 mainstream and 4 Support.
- Numbers have been submitted. We are short approx. 6, 3-6 students and 4, K-2 students to maintain 28 classes. However, the school has bought a teacher to keep K-2 classes smaller.
- We have also bought a roving teacher for Stage 2 as the classes are large.
- We have lost a class due to a decline in numbers. We are no longer able to take out of area to back fill vacancies.
- Some students are still returning from holidays and some are returning from self-imposed quarantine period
- The Coronavirus added another layer of concern for both school staff and families for the beginning of the 2020 School Year. Directions from DEC were followed.

<u>Playaround Updates</u>

- Yarning Circle, approved and booked for Easter hols.
- Assets have taken over 'tiger turf' upgrade and I spoke to them in Week 2...approval is imminent with the thought that the playground will be also completed at Easter.
- The senior toilets have been tiled and we await the painting (assets)

- Still waiting for walkway cover and painting upstairs of Block A. (Assets0 Have been told Easter hols.
- The decks and fencing around the Support Unit have been completed. Some new furniture has been installed. A playground and garden is planned for out the back of the unit. I have spoken to Mark Coure and he is offering support.
- Kitchen team coming on Thursday to do final measurements. All approved and ready to go when they can fit us in.
- Repairs from water damage in recent storm have been flagged.

SLSO

• Process underway for employment of SLSO in Support Unit. Interviews next week.

Parent /Teacher Interviews

• Trialling to be held in Weeks 9810. Term 1. Reports Term 2 and 4.

Traffic Safety in Bailey Pde and Greenlands Cres

- Concerned residents are lobbying both the Council and the State Government through Mark Coure.
- I applied for a lollipop person on Nov 4 2019. An investigation of traffic was carried out at the end of the year and we await response for Bailey Pde.
- Greenlands Ave is a real issue for student's safety. Chn being called across between
 cars and nearly getting hit, parents parking in driveways that aren't their own and
 leaving the car, cars across driveways so residents can't leave, congestion so that
 cars have to reverse down Greenlands, cars parking across footpaths so chn have to
 walk on road to get around, cars in No Stopping zones, families having 'picnics' and
 leaving their rubbish behind...
- I see a role for P&C and the school with a view to safety.

150th Year Commemoration for Peakhurst PS in 2021.

- Planning and Committee
- Protocols
- Activities

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Leanne O advised the meeting that Club Rivers have expressed an interest in donating iPads to the school as a part of their community engagement.
- It was proposed and agreed that meetings during the first semester be held in the evening to encourage greater attendance from the school community.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

The next P&C meeting will take place on Monday 16th March at 7pm in the Principal's office. A notice will be placed in Focus.

MEETING CLOSED: 8:30pm



Homework Plus
Homework support,
games, Bible stories
and afternoon tea



Mondays 4-5.30pm Kindy-Year 6, \$2 per week

Robyn Garlick - Children's Pastor Narwee Baptist Church 33-39 Baumans Rd

Peakhurst -m: 0412 475 044

e: robyn@narweebaptist.org.au





