From The Principals Desk
There has been a significant increase in the number of students who are arriving at school an hour before class and in today’s case one student was at school before 8.10. This is of great concern as there is no supervision for these students until 9.00 am please do not allow your child to come early unless they are here for a specific dance or choir practice.

Last Thursday our students from years 2-6 listened to the nominees for the 2015 leadership positions. I’d like to congratulate those students on their speeches which were well presented. There were 9 Girls and 7 Boys vying for Captain, Vice Captain and Prefect.

Recognition Assembly
On Tuesday 2nd December the school will be holding its inaugural recognition assembly. This assembly recognises the achievements of our 3-6 students throughout 2014. In the coming days you may receive a call from the school advising that your child will be receiving an award at the recognition assembly. However the school is not contacting parents for students who are receiving Premier Sporting Challenge Certificates or Premier Reading Certificates as this will apply to most students.

The recognition assembly will be held at Penshurst West Public School on the COLA. It will commence at 10.00 am.

Celebration of Learning
The Celebration of Learning is Penshurst West’s major award presentation day. It will be held in Georges River College, Peakhurst Campus Auditorium. The Celebration will have special guests and staff members to present the major Academic, Cultural, Sport awards and the special awards that are part of the school’s history. This is a very significant day in the school calendar and I look forward to seeing our community at this event. We are currently ringing parents to inform them of student awards so you may have been contacted already or in the next couple of days.

Date: Wednesday 10th December 2015
Commencement time: 10.30
Venue: Peakhurst High School Campus Auditorium.

Students will be transported by bus to and from the venue.
Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform.

Christmas Disco and BBQ
Date: Monday 8th December 2014
Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Wear your favourite Christmas outfit and your dancing shoes!
Gold coin donation - please enter at the Scott Street gate.
All children must be accompanied by an adult.
Uniform
Thank you to the parents and students for the effort in improving the uniform standard at school over the last 3 weeks. There has been a big improvement in the shoes that are being worn and the overall uniform being adhered to.
In week 6 the winning class was 2F whilst with the return of stage 3 the competition became stronger the classes with the greatest percentage of in uniform for week 7 went to KH and 2S.

Year 6 Funday
Wednesday 26th 12.40 - 2.00
This is a year 6 fundraising event for the whole school. Lots of fun activities to do including a haunted house, sponge throwing, a rock climbing wall, face painting and an ice cream stall to name just a few. Prices range from between 50c - $2.00. Bring your coins.
It is Mufti for tomorrow.
Parents are welcome to join the fun.

Parent / Community Helpers Morning Tea
As an expression of gratitude for all the support and help that parents, grandparents and our community have given to Penshurst West Public School, we would like to invite these helpers to a morning tea on Thursday 4th December at 11.05 am
Our community give so much time to helping through canteen, parent reading programs, helping in classrooms, organizing events and activities through the P&C and fundraising to support additional programs and resources. Thank you for all the support. We would also like to invite our scripture teachers to attend the morning tea before their lessons.
Date: Thursday 4th December
Time: 11.05 am
Venue – School Staffroom

AWARDS
There were several students not listed in the previous newsletter due to the space. Those students have been included in the awards list in this newsletter.

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2014 Camp Stage 3
Like us on Facebook

We now have an official Facebook page administered by the school, authorised by the Department of Education. Find us at https://www.facebook.com/#!/PenshurstWestPublicSchool or by looking for our page name: Penshurst West Public School - NSW DEC.

Calendar Updates

We hope that our term calendar has a special place on your fridge. Please refer to the calendar, our website and our new, OFFICIAL FACEBOOK page for regular information about school events and activities.

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**FITNESS KARATE & Flexercise**

Welcome to F K F

We sincerely believe that every person should be trained both mentally and physically in order to achieve a well balanced lifestyle and fitness level.

We are a not-for-profit group who do our best to promote fitness within the community.

**FITNESS KARATE**

Group Exercises in Karate & Self Defence, with the focus primarily on Fitness

Tuesday & Friday 7:00pm – 8:30 pm

**FITNESS Flexercise**

Exercises to improve overall flexibility & Muscle Tone

Monday & Thursday 7:00pm – 8:30 pm

Training is held at the Penshurst West Public School hall, corner Scott Street & Forest Road, Mortdale NSW 2223

Interested? Then contact ROBERTO on 0458 207 991 or robertofit@bigpond.com
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Helpers Morning Tea  
11.05am Staffroom | |
| Week 10 Term 4 | Family Christmas Disco and BBQ  
5.30 – 7.30 | | Presentation Day GRC  
Peakhurst Campus | End of Year Fun Day 3-6  
Hurstville leisure Centre  
$18.50 pp | |
| Week 11 Term 4 | Year 6 Farewell @28.00 | Talent Show | Last Day of school for students | Staff Development Day | Staff Development Day |
| 2015 | 26/1 Public Holiday | 27/1 Staff Development Day | 28/1 First Day for Year 1-6 students  
Best Start Assessments | 29/1 Best Start Assessments | 30/1 Best Start Assessments |
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Penshurst West Public School

CHRISTMAS
DISCO & BBQ

You are invited to come along to the Penshurst West Public School Christmas Disco and BBQ.

Date: Monday 8th December 2014
Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm

Wear your favourite Christmas outfit and your dancing shoes!

Gold coin donation - please enter at the Scott Street gate.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Your family can enjoy a BBQ dinner, drinks and snacks – all available for purchase from the canteen.

The Christmas raffle will be drawn on the night and extra raffle tickets will be on sale. Make sure you buy your tickets for a chance to win one of the fabulous class hampers! Raffle ticket books are also being sent home with your eldest child along with this note.