From The Principals Desk

The school has had an enormous fortnight of highlighting the talents of students of Penshurst West PS with performances and carnivals. Students participated in three days of concerts at Hurstville Entertainment Centre with Junior Choir and Miss Henry on Tuesday, Tap and recorder groups accompanied by Mrs Sheen and Miss Wood on Wednesday and on Thursday the Senior Choir and Senior Dance with Mrs Ferlazzo and Miss Andreacchio. I was able to attend these concerts on Tuesday and Thursday to witness the great performances that these students gave. Congratulations to all of our performers.

We have some souvenir programs which are selling at cost price of $10.00 each. These are available at the Office. A great memento.
Last week was also a huge week of Professional Learning for our staff as we take the steps to continually improve what we as a school are doing. This is being followed up with staff meetings on Wednesday afternoons and a conference coming up on Friday evening and all day Saturday focusing on Mathematics and teaching standards.

Cup Cake Day Thursday 21st August
An initiative for raising funds for RSPCA highlighted by Madalyn and Olivia is being conducted by the School SRC. The SRC will be making and selling cupcakes on Thursday 21st (next week) to raise money to support RSPCA. All cakes will be priced at $2.00. Students will be able to purchase the cakes throughout 1st half of lunch in the K-2 Playground. We are hoping to make this project an important part of the fundraising and leadership of the SRC.

Staff News
Mrs Smith has been forced to resume leave under Doctors orders. Mrs Smith on Monday and Thursday, Mrs McTaggart on Tuesday and Wednesday and Miss Worthington will have 1S on Fridays. These plans will remain for Term 3. Mrs Sarafoski continues to be replaced by Mr Nguyen-Dinh Khanh. This plan will remain in place until September.
Mrs Apostolovski returns to our school next week on Tuesday. I’d like to thank Miss Andreacchio for her work with 5/6A.

Information about teacher interviews for 5/6A and 5/6S will be coming in a separate note so that parents can book an appropriate time.

AWARD recipients

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Safety News
Over the last three weeks there has been a disturbing number of students both young (Year 2) and older (Year 6) running across the local roads including Forest Rd against the lights or away from designated crossings.
In two different cases students were nearly hit by a vehicle that only due to severe breaking was avoided. The students then proceeded to run across the remainder of the road. We have been lucky so far. At school, teachers will be discussing the crossing of roads safely. Please reinforce this with your children.

Kindergarten Enrolment 2015
Our Numbers for enrolment have been strong over the last couple of weeks and we are now looking at establishing a waiting list. If you are local to the school and have not yet completed Kindergarten Enrolment forms please do this as a matter of urgency.
If you are out of the school area and wish for your child to attend Penshurst West Public School in 2015 please complete an enrolment form as an out of area applicant. We are currently identifying the Kindergarten teachers for next year and our Kindergarten Orientation Days have been booked for Wednesdays on 22nd Oct, 29th Oct, 5th Nov and 12th Nov.

FITNESS FOR KIDS
This program is outside of school hours. Commencing from September 2014, the Fitness Karate & Flexercise group are introducing a new fitness program, ‘Fitness for Kids’, for the students of Penshurst West Public School.
It will be run by Roberto Barretto, a professionally accredited Fitness and Karate Instructor.
This program will comprise of exercises based on Karate and Flexercise (an exercise routine designed to improve overall flexibility and muscle tone)
The main objective is to encourage you to have a disciplined, fit and healthy lifestyle.
Training will be provided at the school hall on every Thursday, starting at 6.30pm & ending at 7.15pm, within a friendly, fun and safe environment.
Fees per session: a gold coin.
If it interests you further, Mr Barretto is currently teaching both Fitness Karate & Fitness Flexercise in the school hall four days a week:
Fitness Karate on Tuesdays and Fridays &
Fitness Flexercise on Mondays and Thursdays.
For more information, please contact Roberto Barretto on 0458207991 email - robertofkf@bigpond.com
Hope to see you all there!
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.

Week 6
Wednesday 20– Stage 1 Crystal Growing
Thursday 21– RSPCA Cup Cake Day
Friday 22– PSSA Finals

Week 7
Monday 25– Chicks R Us – Stage 1
Wednesday 27– Stage 3 Excursion - Minnamurra

Week 8
Monday 1– Stage 2 Incursion
Thursday 4– Kindergarten Excursion – Aquarium

Canteen Request

We are desperate for canteen volunteers to work in the mornings. This would only be from 9.00 – 12.30.

Additionally if there are parents who would like to open the canteen in the afternoon between 2.00 and 2.25 for recess then this could be offered and would only require selling the products that are not heated. Please let the school office know if you are available.
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THURSDAY
AUGUST 28TH
5.30PM-9.00PM
Peakview 2014
Peakview is our annual Art Exhibition and should not be missed...
August 28th
5.30pm - 9.00pm
Special Mural Opening Ceremony: 5.30pm
The exhibition will also be open for viewing on our GALA DAY August 30th

FRIDAY
AUGUST 29TH
7.30PM
Peakform 2014
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Years in the Making
This is our premier performance event and will include special guests, past students and our very talented current and award winning student performers.
Tickets available online www.trybooking.com/84179

SATURDAY
AUGUST 30TH
10AM-4PM
GALA DAY
Rides
Food Stalls
Animal Farm
Variety Stalls
Memorabilia and Performances all day

For more information and a detailed program for all events please feel free to visit our website
www.peakhurst-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

To find out information about the various reunions that are planned for this weekend visit www.facebook.com/peakys50th

Join us to celebrate the first 50 years of Georges River College Peakhurst Campus
formerly
Peakhurst High School
AUGUST 28TH-30TH 2014

For a full list of all our sponsors and further information about all the events please visit the school website.
www.peakhurst-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

YOUR INVITATION

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Years in the Making

Should you be interested in becoming a sponsor then please don’t hesitate to call our office on 9153 9766

GRC PEAKHURST CAMPUS
Cnr Rona and Isaac Streets, Peakhurst

PEAKHURST HIGH SCHOOL