FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Carers

Another busy and productive week at Peakhurst South PS as we approach midway through Term 4!

School Council
The School Council met on Monday evening at 7:30pm. We discussed a number of policies and procedures as well as our financial position for Term 4. The school has drafted up a Values Policy which will be reviewed at the next School council meeting in 2015.

Coffee Meeting
Just a reminder that our next Coffee Meeting will be held next Wednesday at 10am in the staffroom. We will continue to work on our new school plan for 2015-2017.

Science Planning
Thank you to Mr Marshall for representing Peakhurst South PS at the PEAK Community of Schools in reviewing and planning the implementation of the new Science Curriculum in 2015. The new Science Curriculum is an exciting and new approach to the way we teach Science and Technological skills in the classroom.

Band Evening
Last Friday evening the bands enthralled us with a variety of songs attached to a Halloween Theme. Some of the students were a ‘little scary’ in their costumes.

Thank you to Ray Forrester for conducting the bands, to Mrs Paul for her organisation and for being part of the band and to Susan Ray for helping organise the evening. It is their time and effort that make these events successful. It was another ‘proud principal’ moment to watch our wonderful bands perform.

Skoolbag Application
If you are yet to download our school application please do so as this is an effective means of communication between the school and home. Please see the instructions on downloading the application further on in the newsletter.

School Planning
It is vital to have as many parents as possible contribute to school planning. Please follow the link below and complete the survey. It will take 5 minutes of your time but will help the school in future planning and setting a strong vision for the school.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/QXFG5YG

Natasha Eaton
Miss Natasha Eaton
R/Principal
PEAK AWARD ACHIEVERS - THIS WEEK

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Where will you be in 2015?
If your family is not returning to Peakhurst South PS next year, would you please advise the Principal in writing as soon as possible? This greatly assists our planning and organisation. Thank you!

END OF YEAR EVENTS
Please put these important dates in your diary!

- Wed 18 Nov  Mini Fete
- Wed 26 Nov  Canteen Christmas Lunch
- Fri 5 Dec   Band Carols Night
- Mon 8 Dec   9.45am  Presentation Day - GRC Peakhurst Hall
- Tue 9 Dec   Year 6 Day Out - Jamberoo
- Mon 15 Dec  6.00pm Year 6 Farewell - Masonic Club
- Wed 17 Dec  Last day for students

CHESS
On Wednesday, the Peakhurst South PS Chess Club entered 4 teams of 3 students into the St George District Primary Schools One Day Chess Tournament at St George Leagues Club. It was a fantastic opportunity for students to experience competition and to play against students from other schools, with each student playing 8 games of chess over the course of the day.

The Peakhurst South A Team of Oliver L, Liam T and Gene T achieved a fabulous result finishing in 1st place!

The B Team, Isabel S, Joshua R and Oliver H exceeded expectations to come 3rd and our C and D teams also put their best foot forward and gained valuable experience for future tournaments.

It was wonderful to watch the students enjoying their chess and showing great sportsmanship, I was very proud of them all.

The A team will now compete at the State level at the end of the month.

Many thanks to Sue Lay and Stephanie Truong for driving.

Kylie Richardson
It is good to see a number of parents are already using Skoolbag for submitting sick or absent notes. The Skoolbag Smartphone App will also be used to send you important information. Please download and install it by searching for our school name (Peakhurst South Public School) in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store.

You can use the link below to view the Skoolbag Communication Centre which contains all of the content that we put in our App.


For Parents
You can install the Skoolbag app on your phone or tablet device by following these instructions:

For iPhone and iPad users:
1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

For Android users:
You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.
1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
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FROM THE OFFICE

Payments Online
This facility is accessible via the school’s website. You click $Make a payment button which takes you to a secure Westpac payment page. We have attached a copy of the instructions with this newsletter.

If a payment is made prior to 6pm, it will appear in the school’s bank account the next day. Any payments made after 6pm will appear two days later.

If a parent wishes to make a payment for more than one child in the same transaction, you complete the payment details for the eldest child with the activity you wish to pay for, then add a tick next to OTHER type in the other student names and the cost.

PLEASE CHECK THE TOTAL PAYMENT AMOUNT before processing. If you have any inquiries regarding the use of the facility please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Mrs K McDonald
School Admin Manager

NSW PUBLIC SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS
Here's a snapshot of NSW public school terms and holidays for 2015 - 2016. Find out more:
FROM THE CANTEEN
TERM 4, WEEKS 5 & 6

CANTEEN ROSTER

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MON & WED: AD = All Day 9:30am–2:00pm
AM = 9:30am–11:45am; PM = 11:15am–2:00pm
FRI: AD = All Day 9:20am–12:30pm

We have a few vacancies for Fridays that need to be filled: 14th November and 5th December. Please let me know if you can help out!

Jacinta Goodacre
Canteen Supervisor

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop’s next open morning is Thursday, 13 November from 8:40am to 9:30am. If you need anything urgently, please fill out an order form and place it in the office in the uniform shop tray and we will fill your order and send it to your child’s classroom.

Please be aware that the girls’ summer uniform can be either the tunic or royal blue shorts and white collared polo shirt. If your daughter would like to wear the shorts, they are the boys’ royal blue short with elastic waist (these are now the universal Peakhurst South School short).

Finally, there have been lots of items of clothing left in the playground. Please ensure you are labelling your child’s clothes so they can be returned to the correct owner. Thank you!

Sam and Sarah
Uniform Committee

BAND

A huge thank-you to everyone who helped set up, serve, and pack away at the Band Concert last Friday evening. Congratulations to the band students on their fabulous performances. Not only did they look like they were having a great time, but they also all made a great effort to look “spooky” for the second half of the concert. Thanks also to Mr Forrester for his energy and enthusiasm!

Susan, Sue, Amanda, and Jocelyn
Band Committee

P&C PRESIDENT’S REPORT

The P&C held their AGM last week and a new Executive team were elected. I now humbly hold the position of P&C President. I would like to introduce myself to those of you who don't know me. My name is Rachel Robinson and I have three sons, my eldest is in Kindergarten. I would like to thank Jodie and the previous Executive of the P&C for their tremendous efforts in 2014. They have achieved amazing things together. I believe that the P&C is a vital part of the school community. Whether it is volunteering every week; such as in the school canteen, for one day at a BBQ or helping out doing a job at home such as covering books, these things are valued and make a difference. I am a do-er - that is, I believe in dreams become reality. Happy students and happy teachers makes for a wonderful school experience. I look forward to being a part of a great team who will serve the school in 2015 and continue to build our wonderful school community.

Rachel Robinson
P&C President

P&C AGM

Last week’s P&C AGM saw the election of the new P&C Executive for the coming year.

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A big thanks to Jodie Bruce-Clarke, Anita Kyriakides, Sarah Philip, Kylie Richardson, Jayne Humphreys, and Melissa Rhodes-Smith who gave an immense amount of their time and labour over the past year working on the Executive but are not returning in 2015. Our school is greatly indebted to you for all your hard work through 2014 — we shall miss you in 2015!

If you are interested in being a member of the P&C for the next year, membership is only $2 and entitles you to vote at general meetings and enjoy our scintillating company, so please see one of the Executive to join or renew your membership (which is due now).

Rachel, Tina, Martin, Alex, Fiona, Lou, and Lisa
P&C Executive

Follow us on Facebook for the latest information from the P&C! You’ll find us at: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Peakhurst-South-Public-School-P-and-C/609196729107573?fref=ts
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