



Penshurst West Public School Newsletter

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From The Principal's Desk

Time certainly does fly, it's hard to believe that at the end of next week it'll be our Easter Hat Parade starting at 1pm, and just nine school days after that the term will be finished. There is so much for our students to do. Our Stage 3 students will finish their book study and will be heading to see the movie *A Wrinkle In Time*, This Thursday Stage 2 students are off to the Royal Agricultural Show. The Jellybeans Music Program and Footsteps Dance program are coming to an end. You should have received a note about the P&C End of Term BBQ and Disco. This Disco will be run by Footsteps for everyone but will also provide the chance for our K-2 children to show off the new cutting moves they have learnt. Finally, I would like to draw parents' attention to the very unsafe and unlawful behaviour of many of the drivers around the drop-off and pickup zone of the school. The safety of our children is paramount.

Doing U-turns across the double lines and having children run out to jump in the car instead of parking properly is all creating a very dangerous environment. *Please obey the road rules and parking restrictions. Don't park across our neighbours driveways. Kiss and Drop zone require the driver to remain in the car and is time restricted. Park safely so that you are not blocking other vehicles from using the road or creating further danger.*

Lets all work together to make our school zone safe!

Rapport - Facebook

Thank you to the over 100 families who have already signed up to join the closed Facebook pages to engage in their children's learning. Social Media is providing our school with a means of communicating effectively with our local community and sharing, privately the

engagement of the students. Our Newsletter, Information for events and general important dates will all be distributed through The closed Facebook pages. More general information will be available through our website, but the schoolEnews app will cease being used. Additional information will also be available through this Facebook page including a dedicated P&C page so that our community knows the massive support that is given to the school through their commitment. For example, the fact that our canteen and uniform shop are entirely run by volunteers, there is no paid employment with these roles. Through the P&C just in 2017, the school was able to provide Robotics, laptops, school resources and readers.



RAPPORT HAS LAUNCHED

facebook.com/penshurstwestpublicschool

FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN JOIN OUR ONLINE SUPPORT GROUPS TODAY!

Year 6 High School Options

High School forms are due back to Peshurst West PS **NOW**. Please return the forms regardless of whether you are attending a Government, Catholic or Private School.

If you have selected to attend your local high school simply return the front page. If you are applying for an out of area High School then complete pages two and three with your reasons to attend. This is important as the High School will make a decision on accepting your request based on the reasons you have provided.

Sports In Schools NSW Government Program

On Fridays for 4 weeks the Sydney FC club are developing coaching skills as part of our Sports program for Non PSSA and K-2 classes. This is funded through a grant and provides fantastic opportunities for the students to engage in fitness activities. Here are a few photos from the last two weeks of the program.



Goal! Goal! Goal!



Seven Steps to Writing Success

Our Focus on Student writing is really paying dividends. We may be seeing future authors in the making. Here are some examples of their sizzling starters.

See their draft writing on the next page.



Safety

PBS – Value of the Week

Effort

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8	19/3 Jellybeans Music 3-6	20/3 Footsteps K-2	21/3	22/3 Stage 2 Royal Agricultural Show Excursion \$25	23/3 PSSA
9	26/3 Jellybeans Music 3-6	27/3 Footsteps K-2	28/3	29/3 Scripture Easter Hat Parade	30/3 Good Friday
10	2/4 Easter Monday	3/4 Jellybeans Music 3-6 Footsteps K-2 Life Education K-2	4/4 Life Education K-2	5/4 End of Term BBQ and Disco 5pm -7pm All families welcome	6/4 PSSA
11	9/4 Jellybeans Music 3-6	10/4 Footsteps K-2 Stage 3 – Movie Excursion	11/4	12/4	13/4 PSSA Last Day Term 1
Term 2					
1	30/3 Pupil Free Day	1/4 Foot Steps Dance 3-6 \$40 Jellybeans Music K-2 \$40	2/4	3/4	4/4
2	7/4	8/4 Foot Steps Dance 3-6 Jellybeans Music K-2	9/4	10/4	11/4
3	14/4	15/4 NAPLAN Foot Steps Dance 3-6 Jellybeans Music K-2	16/4 NAPLAN	17/4 NAPLAN	18/4
4	21/4 Hatch and Grow (K)	22/4 Foot Steps Dance 3-6 Jellybeans Music K-2	23/4	24/4 District Cross Country	25/4
5	28/4 Hatch and Grow (K)	29/4 Foot Steps Dance 3-6 Jellybeans Music K-2	30/4 School Photo Day	31/4	1/5

SPORTS NEWS

Sports	Week 6	Week 7
Girls Basketball	PWPS vs Peakhurst South Junior 26 – 0 Senior 18 - 12	PWPS vs Oatley Junior 10 – 2 Senior 10 - 11
Boys Oztag	PWPS vs Lugarno Junior – Senior -	PWPS vs Junior Senior
Mixed AFL	PWPS vs Peakhurst South Girls 18 – 46 Boys 8 - 46	PWPS vs Girls 19 – 51 Boys 1 -73

Georges River District Swimming Team

Congratulations to Sam D who at the District Carnival gained selection into the Sydney East Carnival with first in Boys 12 yr 50m Freestyle, 50m Freestyle, Butterfly 200m, Individual Medley and second in Backstroke.

Our swimmers who represented the school at the District event did us proud helping us to achieve 8th place from the 13 schools and 3rd for the handicap placement based on our 3-6 enrolment. A great achievement.



Boys relay team

Awards


Silver Awards	
Clare K	Natasha H
Cooper T	Ali H
Gold Awards	
Lachlan S	Clare K

Here are some work samples from our Kindergarten students

Pig the Winner Name: Nickolas

Pig the pug was hungry ✓

Wonderful try Nickolas!



Pig the Winner Name: Laila

PIG+NEPUG WAS AN INNET ✓

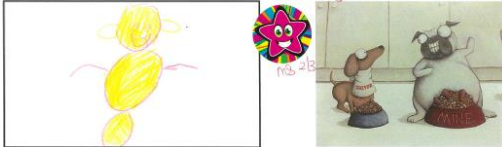
Great effort! Well done Laila!



Pig the Winner Name: Aarushi

PIG the PUG WAS a fast racer ✓

Great writing Aarushi!




Pig the Winner Name: Faith

Pig+the PUG WAS a Winner ✓

Pig+the PUG WAS a Winner ✓



Amazing writing Faith!!



Pig the Winner Name: Makayla

Pig the Pug WAS Winner and Cheater. ✓

Wow Makayla! What amazing writing!

P&C



Upcoming P&C Events – Term 1

Here's some dates to mark in your calendar for Term 1

Friday 23 March Return **ALL** Easter raffle tickets to school office

Thursday 29 March Easter Hat Parade & Eggs-hibition display
Easter raffle drawn after Easter Hat Parade

Thursday 5 April Survived Term 1 BBQ & Disco 5 pm– 7 pm + Free Disco(5.30)

Tuesday 10 April P&C Meeting – 7:00pm in PWPS Staffroom. ALL welcome.

Student Absence Slip 2018

Please return this slip to your child's teacher the day your child returns to school.

Dear _____ (teacher's name)

My child, _____, of Class _____ was absent from school from _____ to _____ because _____

Signed: _____ Print Name: _____ Date: _____



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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 robertofkf@bigpond.com

Tuesday, 20 March 2018

Jelly Beans Music K-2

Dear Parents

Penshurst West Public School has once again engaged Jellybeans Music to conduct a program. In Term 1 students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 have participated in music lessons and learnt the recorder.

Students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 now have their opportunity to participate in the Jellybeans Music program.

This information and permission note is for Years K-2

The program teaches the students concepts in line with the NSW curriculum including Pitch; Rhythm; Tone; Colour; Structure and Dynamics. Students will also commence reading music. This will all be delivered by an expert music teacher. Music is a key component of the Creative Arts Curriculum that all students work through.

Classes will run weekly on a Tuesday for the whole of term 2 with the first session on Tuesday 1st May 2018.

The cost of this program is **\$40.00** per student. Last year the program was very popular with students and we received a lot of positive feedback from parents.



very popular

Please complete the permission note and return with payment of \$40.00 7th May 2018. All students will be able to attend the first session.

to the office by

Ross Angus
Principal

Jelly Beans Music K-2 program Permission note

I give permission for my child, _____, of class _____ to participate in the Jelly Beans Music program for term 2 2018.

I have enclosed \$40.00 as payment for the ten (10) lessons in Term 2.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Return with payment of \$38.00 to the office by 7th May 2018.

Yours Sincerely



Ross Angus
Principal
Penshurst West Public School

Tuesday, 20 March 2018

Footsteps Dance

Dear Parents,

Penshurst West Public School has engaged Footsteps Dance to conduct a program for the school. Dance is an important part of both the Creative Arts Curriculum and the PD/H/PE Curriculum and with the NSW Government placing a greater emphasis on improving students health and fitness, the fast and enjoyable routines will allow all to reach their goals. In Term 2 students in Year 3 to Year 6 will have this opportunity. They will learn routines that they use in an end of term disco and will also feature in some of our whole school events such as Open Day and the School Concert.

This information and permission note is for Years 3-6

Classes will run weekly on a Tuesday for the whole of Term 2 with the first session on Tuesday 1st May 2018.

The cost of this program is \$40.00 per student.

3-6 students should wear joggers on Tuesdays.

Please complete the permission note and return with payment of \$40.00 to the office by 7th May 2018.

Ross Angus
Principal

**Footsteps Dance program
Permission note**

I give permission for my child, _____, of class _____ to participate in the Footsteps Dance program for Term 2 2018.

I have enclosed \$40.00 as payment for the ten (10) lessons in term 2.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Return with payment of \$40.00 to the office by 7th May 2018.

Yours Sincerely



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