



# Peak Hill Central School Newsletter

**We are a Respectful, Responsible, Safe and Successful School**

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**Peak Hill Central School would like to wish  
our Students and School Community  
Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays**

## Driver Simulator and Deputy Prime Minister Visit

Today students in Stage 5 and 6 at Peak Hill Central School were given the opportunity to use a driver simulator. This was an excellent experience for students to understand the dangers involved with driving with distractions and driving under the influence. The driver simulator was organised by the Parkes Neighbourhood Centre and the Young Rotary Club. The cost of the simulator was generously covered by the Commonwealth Bank. The Deputy Prime Minister Michael McCormack (Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Regional Development) visited the school to see the benefits of using this technology in schools and to present a new Aboriginal Flag to the school. Miss Dempsey.





## Principals Message

### Principal

Mr Scott Olsson

### Head Teachers

#### Secondary Studies

Miss Lucy Dempsey (Rel)

Mrs Catherine Doyle

### Administration Manager

Mrs Tanya Stanford

### Aboriginal Education Officer

Mrs Vicki Sharah

### Assistant Principal

Miss Grace Stewart

### Head Teacher

#### Access

Mrs Crystal Stanford

### In School Access

#### Coordinator

Mrs Catherine Doyle

### P & C 2019

#### President

Ms Kim Dern

#### Vice President

Mrs Kelly Dart

Renee Keed

#### Secretary

Mrs Melanie Naden

#### Treasurer

Ms Tammy Gavin

The end of 2018 is coming to a close and I wanted to thank all the parents, students and staff for making this year a success. On Monday we will have our end of year awards night and I am certainly looking forward to seeing all the winners. As a parent myself I have 2 daughters getting awards at their speech night and one that is not. As I said to my middle daughter not everyone wins awards but we can certainly be proud of ourselves when we give 100% and continually improve. I can honestly say Peak Hill Central School is in a better place now than when I started and it has taken hard work, commitment and time. I think 2019 will be even better.

Staffing for 2019. There will be changes like there always are however I can state that all positions as of now are locked in. We will welcome new staff and say goodbye to some staff and I know those teachers wish to say their own goodbyes in their own ways and I respect that. I certainly thank any teacher who has made this great school even better.

Congratulations to the staff and students at Shoal Bay Public School who donated \$1208.70 and have sent postcards and letters to our students and even had a VC link up. Greatly appreciated.

I attended the Primary Assembly in week 8 and was blown away by the confidence of student leaders, exceptional behaviour of students and quality presentations. That is now the standard we need to meet all the time and it ties in extremely well with our PBL values of Respect, Responsibility, Safe and Successful.

You may have read the paper about a new code for parents of students in public schools. In a nutshell "Parents at all NSW state schools will be issued a "code of conduct" at the start of the new school year warning police may be called if they threaten or intimidate principals or teachers, including by bombarding with emails or stalking on social media". The reality for me is my door is always open and I certainly am open to honest and productive discussion and that is all I have ever been exposed to in my role and am positive this would continue in 2019 and beyond regardless of a code of conduct.

I have had lots of interest from community members for the General Assistant and Farm Assistant positions. As I have stated I will send out the link to the position when it is advertised and the criteria in the advertisement needs to be addressed.

Year 6 presentation and disco was a huge success so I thank the staff involved in organisation but also to the students finishing in Primary and starting the Secondary journey in 2019.

The last 2 weeks demonstrates that as a school we provide numerous opportunities for the students and staff: Intensive swimming, wellbeing lunch, HSC Visual Design day, SRC rewards excursion, Certificate IV training, assemblies, disco's, Zumba, Central School State Cricket finals, Eddie Woo from woo tube visit and presentation night. It is certainly a great time to reflect on all the positives and success of 2018 and get excited about 2019.

Congratulations to the U/14's cricket team who came 3<sup>rd</sup> in NSW for Central Schools Cricket finals. Fantastic achievement.

Reflection time: What will you take away from 2018? If it wasn't what you expected what will you change to make it better for 2019? If it was better than expected how will you keep the momentum going in 2019? I have never been a fan of blaming someone else for your result, I'm not a fan of teachers blaming students, parents blaming teachers, students blaming parents and the list could go on. I am a fan of our PBL value of Responsibility. So when you do reflect on the year that you have had put yourself at the centre and make an honest judgement for improvement. This will not only put you in good stead for 2019 but life in general.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday break. A really good app for safety over the holiday period is Emergency Plus if you ever need it. School starts back for staff on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February and for students on Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of February. Thanks to everyone who has supported Peak Hill Central School in 2018 and I look forward to working with you in 2019 to make this great school even better. Take care and see you in the new year.

Mr Olsson

## School Diary

| Term 1 2019                | Monday    | Tuesday                | Wednesday              | Thursday  | Friday            |
|----------------------------|-----------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Week 1<br>28 Jan to 1 Feb  | No School | No School              | No School              | No School | No School         |
| Week 2<br>4 Feb to 8 Feb   | No School | School Development Day | <b>Students Return</b> |           | Swimming Carnival |
| Week 3<br>11 Feb to 15 Feb |           |                        | WAP Camp               | WAP Camp  | WAP Camp          |



# Let's Celebrate

## Pool Party and Loud Shirt Day



## Monday 17 December 2018

Students K-12 are invited to Peak Hill Central School's end of year celebrations. We will be holding a **Pool Party** at **Peak Hill Pool** from **11.30am** with a **BBQ lunch** being provided to students and staff.

For a gold coin donation, students are encouraged to wear a loud shirt (multi clothes) on the day to support the Hear and Say Foundation.





# PEAK HILL CENTRAL SCHOOL

# PRESENTATION NIGHT

## MONDAY 17 DECEMBER 2018 AT 6.00PM

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM

## Week 6 Primary and Secondary Awards

**Student Of The Week Primary**– Sarah Charlton, Bailey Dart, Indi Gavin & Eva Strahorn

**Student of the Week Secondary** - Ziyu Hao, Hunter Judd, Jada Read, Bayn-Jemon Schnitger & Chloe Gould

**Merit Award Winners Primary** - Cieanna Cohen, Emma Beeby, Hayley Charlton, Maddison Powell, Sharntelle Schnitger, Ethan Ridgeway-Dreier, Kale Cohen, Brooklyn Rez, Shaquillie Buchanan & Henry Stanford



## Week 7 Primary Awards

**Pen Licence Award** - Charlee Beeby

**Good Listening Award** - Angel Rez, Cadin Klein-Cohen, Charlee Beeby & Indi Gavin

**Student Of The Week** - Natalie Davis, Dhakota Hando, Jaylee Robinson & Billy Pearson-O'Brien

**PBL Winners** - Billy Pearson-O'Brien & Missy Beeby

**Recycling Award** - K/1

**Merit Award Winners** - Trai James, Shanekwar Wright, Kodei McMaster, Darius Andrews, Charlee Beeby, Azaria Dargan-Miller, Jawarn Read, Indi Gavin & Cody Wright



## Week 8 Primary Awards

**Pen Licence Award** - Ethan Ridgeway-Dreier & Ben Ridgeway-Dreier

**Student Of The Week** - Mollie Barlow, Shelby Dargan, Adrian Bell & Ethan Ryan

**PBL Winners** - Savannah Weaver & Dhakota Hando

**Recycling Award** - 3/4

**Merit Award Winners** - Jacob Bell, Jock Strahorn, Jono Dargan, Alex Clarke, Missy Beeby, Zane Pearson-O'Brien, Indi Gavin, Beau Hando-Wrigley, Willo McLachlan & Shaquillie Buchanan



## K/1 Pen Letters

Last week K/1 students were lucky to receive letters from Kindergarten students at Shoal Bay Public School. We read their letters and wrote a reply.

This morning K/1 went for a walk to the post office to post our letters.



## Stage 3 and K/1 Reindeers

Stage 3 students shared their Christmas spirit with K/1 making reindeer biscuits.

Ms Ross Stage 3 Classroom Teacher



## Learn to Swim and Water Safety Program

Over the last 10 days K to 6 have been participating in a learn to swim and water safety program. This valuable addition to our Schools curriculum teaches our students the fundamentals of swimming and water safety.



## K to 6 Zumba

Tracy from *Zumba with Tracy* gave our K to 6 students a Zumba lesson this week. From the photos you can see that the students thoroughly enjoyed the lesson.



## Super 8 Cricket

Peak Hill Central School congratulates our Super 8 Cricket side for coming third in the state. This is a remarkable achievement considering they played 1 player down.



## Year 6 Graduation

Congratulations to the following students on graduating Year 6 (listed alphabetically): Emma Beeby, Mary Breznikar, Sarah Charlton (Absent), Cieanna Cohen, Shelby Dargan, Natalie Davis, Brent Murray (Absent), Jada Redpath, Zac Read, Angel Rez & Shanekwar Wright (Absent).



## IPROWD Graduation

Peak Hill Central School would like to congratulate Nakayla Dart and Gabby Robinson on graduating from the TVET Miimi-djuul IPROWD course. Nakayla and Gabby both obtained a Certificate III in Community Services. On the 29th November the program held its graduation ceremony at the Yarradamarra Centre – TAFE NSW Dubbo campus. Nakayla and her family attended and unfortunately Gabby was not able to attend the ceremony. Some highlights = Sydney Excursion in 2017 visiting Police sectors including Mounted Police / POL Air / Forensics / Police Head Quarters. While in Dubbo during block weeks - Visits to Community organisations: PCYC / Neighbourhood Centre / Apollo House / Westhaven / Breakthru.



## Stage 4 LOTE

Stage 4 LOTE display their completed assessment task with the boys making a didgeridoo and the girls making clap sticks.



## Strong Moves

Strong Moves students from Port Macquarie, Riverina and the Central West toured Bathurst CSU campus before being swept and smoked by Bathurst Wiradjuri and Aboriginal Community Elders. They developed leadership and team work skills with Nik Granger from Student Engagement, baffled their brains in a Psychology workshop before finishing with some green screen fun in the TV studio. Day 2 workshops saw the students strengthening their muscles and balancing skills in an in-depth amputation themed Physiotherapy workshop about amputation and recovery. Others getting up close and personal with the bones of the human body in CSU's Science labs with the dedicated staff from Three Rivers University Department of Rural Health.

The students worked closely with professionals from the School of Management and Marketing to create business solutions to real problems in their communities. They pitched the business ideas to a panel of CSU academics in a real TV studio with a live audience, but not without having a bit of fun along the way!

'Hard work' aside, there was plenty of time for Strong Moves students to participate in social and creative activities at camp. They navigated their way around the campus in a Goose Chase scavenger hunt with their mentors, working their detective minds and flare for originality. Students were treated to visiting guests, Tina and Trevor Leaman teaching them of Australian native flora that can be used in traditional weaving. Then putting their own fine motor skills (and patience) to the test with some beautiful weaving of their own. Attending a local restaurant and filling the lecture theatre for a movie night were other, well deserved treats throughout week.

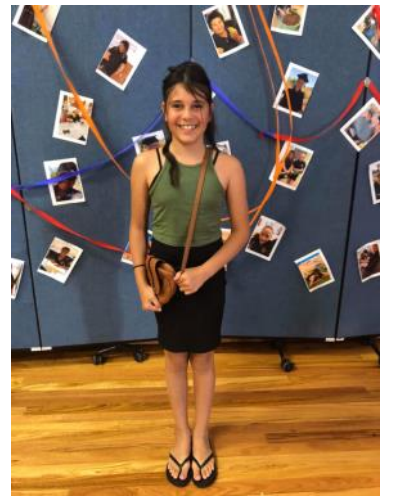


## Catholic Care Visit/Lunch

Yesterday we were fortunate enough to have Katie and Fiona from Catholic Care to grace us with their presence as well as supplying lunch which was very much appreciated by all. During the lunch break they spoke with students about wellbeing and that they will be available on Wednesday s for further ongoing support should the need arise.

Ms Barnes

## Primary Disco





## Eddie Woo Visit

A fantastic time was had by Peak Hill Central School students and staff when they met Eddie Woo at Yeoval Central School. Eddie has his own Woo Tube for maths students. He is in fact Australia's best known maths teacher and motivational speaker. He was awarded Australia's Young Hero at the Australia Day Awards this year. Thank you to the staff and students who participated and represented our School.

Mrs Doyle



## SRC Rewards Day

On Thursday 6 December members of the SRC and Mr Thomas travelled to Dubbo Ten Pin Bowls for their end of year rewards trip. The competition was fierce with Natalie Davis and Mary Breznikar each winning a round. Commiseration to Mr Thomas who came second last.

SRC members also enjoyed pizza and McDonald's.



# **Best Start Year 7 Assessment 2019**

## **Information for parents and carers**

Dear parents and carers

Best Start Year 7 is a new online assessment for students that helps provide information for teachers on the literacy and numeracy skills of students at the beginning of Year 7.

The Best Start Year 7 will take place at our school in Term 1, 2019.

The assessment, covers key literacy and numeracy skills that are important to a student's success in all subjects in high school. Students come to high school with a range of experiences, skills and abilities in literacy and numeracy. It is important that teachers have current information about their students so that they can plan programs and lessons that best support the learning needs of every student.

The Best Start Year 7 Assessment will be completed at school during class time.

No preparation is needed for this assessment. Its purpose is to provide our teachers with additional information to best support the teaching of your child.

Please contact the school if you have any questions regarding the Best Start Year 7 assessment.

### **Telephone Interpreter Service**

If you need an interpreter to assist you to contact the school, please call the Telephone Interpreter Service on 13 14 50 and ask for an interpreter in your language. The interpreter will call the school and will stay on the line to assist with the conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

Scott Olsson

Principal

# PRIMARY 2019 EQUIPMENT LIST

2019 Kindergarten to Year 6 - Stationary and other requirements

Students will be required to provide their own stationary and equipment as listed below

Please ensure that all personal items and equipment are clearly labelled with your child's name

## Kindergarten to Year 2

Kindergarten to Year 2 students will require the following items for commencing School:

- School Uniform
- School Hat
- School Bag
- Lunch Box
- Drink Bottle
- Library Bag
- Art Smock
- Tissues



## Years 3 to 6

Years 3 to 6 students will require the following items for commencing School:

- School Uniform
- School Hat
- School Bag
- Lunch Box
- Drink Bottle
- Library Bag
- Art Smock
- Tissues
- Pencil case with coloured pencils, 3 lead pencils, rubber, ruler, sharpener, glue stick & coloured textas



## Years 5 to 6 (items in addition to those listed above):

- Pens: 3 Blue Pen
- 3 Red Pens
- Black Leather School Shoes necessary for Science and Technology. Departmental regulations require to use of fully enclosed leather shoes for Science and Technology classes. Shoes with fabric on the side or shoes that allow parts of the foot to be exposed are not suitable.



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## EQUIPMENT LIST FOR YEARS 7 – 10, 2019

| Subject     | Requirements                                          |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| English     | A4 128 page exercise book                             |
| Mathematics | A4 128 page exercise book + Geometry set & Calculator |
| HSIE        | A4 128 page exercise book                             |
| PDHPE       | A4 128 page exercise book                             |
| Science     | A4 128 page exercise book                             |
| TAS         | A4 128 page exercise book                             |
| Visual Arts | A4 128 page exercise book + coloured pencils          |
| Electives   | A4 128 page exercise book + Display Folder            |

All books should be covered and labelled with the student's name.

Students should have a scientific calculator, pencil case, pens, scissors, glue stick, ruler (plastic or wooden), eraser, pencil sharpener, lead pencils and coloured pencils.

Calculators are available from the Administration Office for \$25.00.

### **Leather shoes **MUST** be worn !**

Departmental regulations demand the use of fully enclosed leather shoes for:

**Science**

**Technology**

Shoes with fabric on the tops or sides are **NOT SUITABLE**.

Footwear that has any part of the foot exposed (open-toed sandals etc.) is **NOT** permitted.



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## APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINEESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Are you looking to enter the workforce? We have several new and exciting roles including:

### Dubbo, NSW

- Chef Apprentice to complete a Certificate III Commercial Cookery
- Automotive Spare Parts and Sales Trainee to complete a certificate III Automotive Sales

### Parkes, NSW

- Cabinet Making Apprentice to complete a Certificate III Cabinet Making

### Orange, NSW

- Boilermaker Apprentice to complete a Certificate III Engineering Fabrication Trade
- Light Vehicle Apprentice to complete a Certificate III Light Vehicle Mechanical Technology
- Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Apprentice to complete a Certificate III Electrotechnology Air Conditioning and Refrigeration

### Molong/Cudal, NSW

- Cabonne Council Civil Construction Apprentice to complete a Certificate III Civil Construction

### Canowindra, NSW

- Cabonne Council Plumbing Apprentice to complete a Certificate III Plumbing

### Lithgow

- Thales Group and Skillset Workforce 2019 Apprentice Intake – 3 x Apprentices to complete a Certificate IV in Engineering – Mechanical Trade

### Bathurst, NSW

- Print Finishing Apprentice to complete a Certificate III Printing and Graphic Arts (Print Finishing)
- Floor Covering Installer Apprentice to complete a Certificate III in Flooring Technology
- Bricklaying Apprentice to complete a Certificate III Bricklaying/Blocklaying
- 2 x Chef Apprentices to complete a Certificate II Commercial Cookery
- 2 x Business Trainees to complete a Certificate III Business
- Engineering Drafting Trainee to complete a Certificate IV Engineering Drafting

For additional information on the roles and to apply please go to <http://skillset.com.au/job-vacancies/> and follow the links.

### Apprenticeships and Traineeships

Apprenticeships and Traineeships are jobs where you learn skills as you work, complete formal study with a training provider and get paid a training wage. Apprenticeships and Traineeships can span across 1-4 years and lead to a nationally recognised qualification.



# 2018 Northparkes Mines Indigenous Scholarship

**Applications are now open for the 2018 Northparkes Mines Indigenous Scholarships. Successful recipients receive between \$5,000 (non technical) and \$10,000 (technical) funding each year of their university studies.**

**On top of this, you will receive constant support through studies and work placement opportunities in your university breaks which will ensure you are at the top of the list to eventually obtain employment in your chosen field.**

**Indigenous students aged 30 or under who have obtained entry into a university degree are eligible to apply.**

## **Haylee, 35**

2011 Recruitment Officer  
2018 HR Advisor

**New degree and a new career path.**

Jeweller, charity worker,  
never dreamt she'd do a degree in her 30s.

[www.northparkes.com](http://www.northparkes.com)



Peak Hill Vinnies will close (except for the dates listed below) for the period  
Sunday 16 December 2018 and reopen

Tuesday 05 February 2019

During this period the store will be open on the following  
Saturdays

22 December 9am to 12 noon, 05 January 9am to 12 noon, 12 January 9am to 12 noon, 19 January 9am to 12 noon, 26 January 9am to 12 noon & 02 February 9am to 12 noon.

We wish all of our kind supporters and customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



Peak Hill Central School  
P&C Christmas Raffle.



Awesome Prizes  
Food Hamper



Sega Mega Drive Console  
Laser 7" Quad Core Tablet



Razor Scooter  
Gyro Helicopter  
Super Action Basketball Kit



Tickets \$2.00 each  
3 for \$5.00  
7 for \$10.00



Available at the school canteen, on the night and local businesses.  
Thank you for supporting our P&C Association.





# Lindner Oval Wellness Project

## Official Opening

Parkes Shire Council invites you to attend the official opening of the new exercise equipment and playground at Lindner Oval.

**Monday 17 December 2018**  
**Lindner Oval, Peak Hill**  
**Commencing at 4pm**

Co-funded by Council and the NSW Government's Social Housing Improvement Fund, the project offers free, modern and supported infrastructure to encourage active and healthy lifestyle choices.



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