



# Peak Hill Central School Newsletter

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## Principal's Report

### Welcome to Week Two

Our HSC students are currently completing their HSC Examinations, reports so far are very positive. We wish our Year 12 students all the very best as they complete their final exams.

Last Thursday Craig Skene and Marty Paice our Police Liaison Officers visited our school and delivered presentations on Cyber-Bullying to our Stage 4 and 5 students. The students engaged well with Craig and Marty, many students asking some very insightful questions. We thank Craig and Marty for their ongoing support of our school and students.

The Year 11 Primary Industries class held their final Assessment Day with Mr Mitchell McAlister, Mr McAlister has now taken some leave and will return in Term 4 2017. Mr McAlister is being replaced by Ms Kate Umbers; we welcome Ms Umbers to our school and am sure that she will enjoy her experience at Peak Hill.

This term Stage 3 are enjoying their learning time and class activities with Miss Roseanna Morrish who has joined our teaching team for Term 4 (see article page 4). We also welcome back Mr Shannon Gane, Mr Gane has returned from his travels overseas and will support our students through targeted programs in learning support and transition.

Ms Grace Stewart and Ms Lucy Dempsey travelled to Tottenham on Wednesday with our student SRC representatives. This was an excellent opportunity for our SRC to meet and share ideas with other SRC Members from around the central west.

Our school under 16 Girls League Tag team travelled to Grenfell yesterday with Ms Lucy Dempsey. The team did very well and all students enjoyed their opportunity to represent their school. Well Done Girls!

I wish everyone an enjoyable week ahead and please contact the school if you wish to discuss any aspect of the education of your child.



**Paul Champion**  
Principal (R)

## Year 12 for your HSC Exams

## Diary Dates 2016

### October

Thursday 13 October - Tuesday 1 November HSC Exams

Monday 24 Whole School Assembly

Monday 24 Dental Screening

Monday 31 Whole School Assembly

Monday 31 Dental Screening

### November

Tuesday 1 Yr 10 Local English Excursion

Wednesday 2 Yr 10&11 Whitecard Training

Thursday 3 Year 12 Banquet

Friday 4 Jump Rope for Heart

Monday 7 Whole School Assembly

Mon-Tues 7&8 Duke of Ed Warrumbungle's Hike

Wednesday 9 Russell Café Open - Yr 12 Assessment Day

Thursday 10 P & C AGM and General Meeting

Mon-Wed 14-16 Year 7-10 Yearly Examinations

Mon-Fri 14-18 Year 11 Work Placement







**Principal**

Mr Paul Champion

**Head Teacher**

**Teaching and Learning**

Mrs Catherine Doyle

**Head Teacher**

**Wellbeing**

Mr Jeremy Whiterod

**Administration Manager**

Mrs Tanya Stanford

**Aboriginal Education Officer**

Mrs Vicki Sharah

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**Primary**

Miss Sarah Browning

Miss Keira Wilson

**Head Teacher**

**Access**

Mr James Peter

**In School Access**

**Coordinator**

Mr Jeremy Whiterod

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# This Week in Kick Start Kindy



This week at Kick Start Kindergarten students worked extremely hard. We were busy recalling all the sounds the we learnt last Term.

Our first day back we learnt the letter e. We cut out pictures of objects in magazines starting with e, we read Edward the Emu. Students also enjoyed singing songs and counting forward to 10.

A reminder that as the weather is warming up please ensure your child bring a water bottle and hat.



## Peak Hill Central School Kick Start Kindy

**Term 4 11.30am to 3pm**

***Mondays***

Give your child the best start by attending our Kick Start Kindergarten Transition Program.

**Contact: Sarah Browning**  
**02 6869 1304**

**What to bring:** Water bottle, Hat, Piece of fruit, Sandwich for lunch  
*Please ensure all items are clearly labelled*



# Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) at PHCS

Russell is our PBL mascot. Russell reminds us to be

***Respectful, Responsible & Safe***  
***at school, home and in our community.***



## Students of the Week

### Term 4, Week 1

#### Primary Students of the Week (at right)

K - Zara Caldwell

Stage 1 - Tyrelle Wright (absent from photo)

Stage 2 - Jada Redpath

Stage 3 - Quentin Weaver (absent from photo)

#### Secondary Students of the Week (below right)

Yr 7 - Wayne Dargan

Yr 8 - Bray Bendeich

Yr 9 - Jade Gavin

Yr 10 - Nakayla Dart (absent from photo)

Yr 11 - Natasha Ahern (absent from photo)

#### PBL Raffle Winners (below left)

Akayla Hando, Amelia Barwick & Noah Beilby



### NEW TIME FOR PRIMARY SPORT

Sport K-6 will now be held  
every **Friday**  
afternoon between 2-  
3pm.  
This will begin at the  
start of Term 4.



### NO ENERGY DRINKS

Students are asked not to bring  
energy drinks into school.

Parents please encourage your  
children to follow this request and  
refrain from purchasing any on the  
way to school.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM LABELLING

A reminder to please write your  
child's name on their jumpers, hats,  
tracksuits and any other loose  
clothing. As our days warm up we  
are finding more items left behind  
and without any names.



# Kindergarten Mathematics

This week Kindergarten have been busy practising their subtraction in Mathematics.

We talked about what 'subtraction' means and the different ways subtraction can happen. In our subtraction stories we wrote about things that went missing, things that got lost, things that got taken and some things ran away. Our stories can be viewed in the top office.

**Grace Stewart**

**Kindergarten Teacher**



## Stage 3 with Miss Morrish



I wanted to take the opportunity to introduce myself to you all, my name is Roseanna Morrish and I am the new stage 3 teacher at Peak Hill Central School. Being the new stage 3 teacher is really a dream come true. Having the privilege of being the one to look after this brilliant and bright group is incredibly exciting and a responsibility I certainly don't take lightly.

We have a whole new room in stage 3, complete with a book case full of new books and a reading corner with a new rug and comfy pillows to enjoy them in.

We have just started a new English unit in Stage 3, surrounding our unit novel, Dragon Hunter by Nazam Anhar.

The children are loving this so far thrilling tale of destiny, survival, courage and mythic proportions.

Stay tuned for more updates on our exciting last term in Stage 3.

**Miss Morrish**



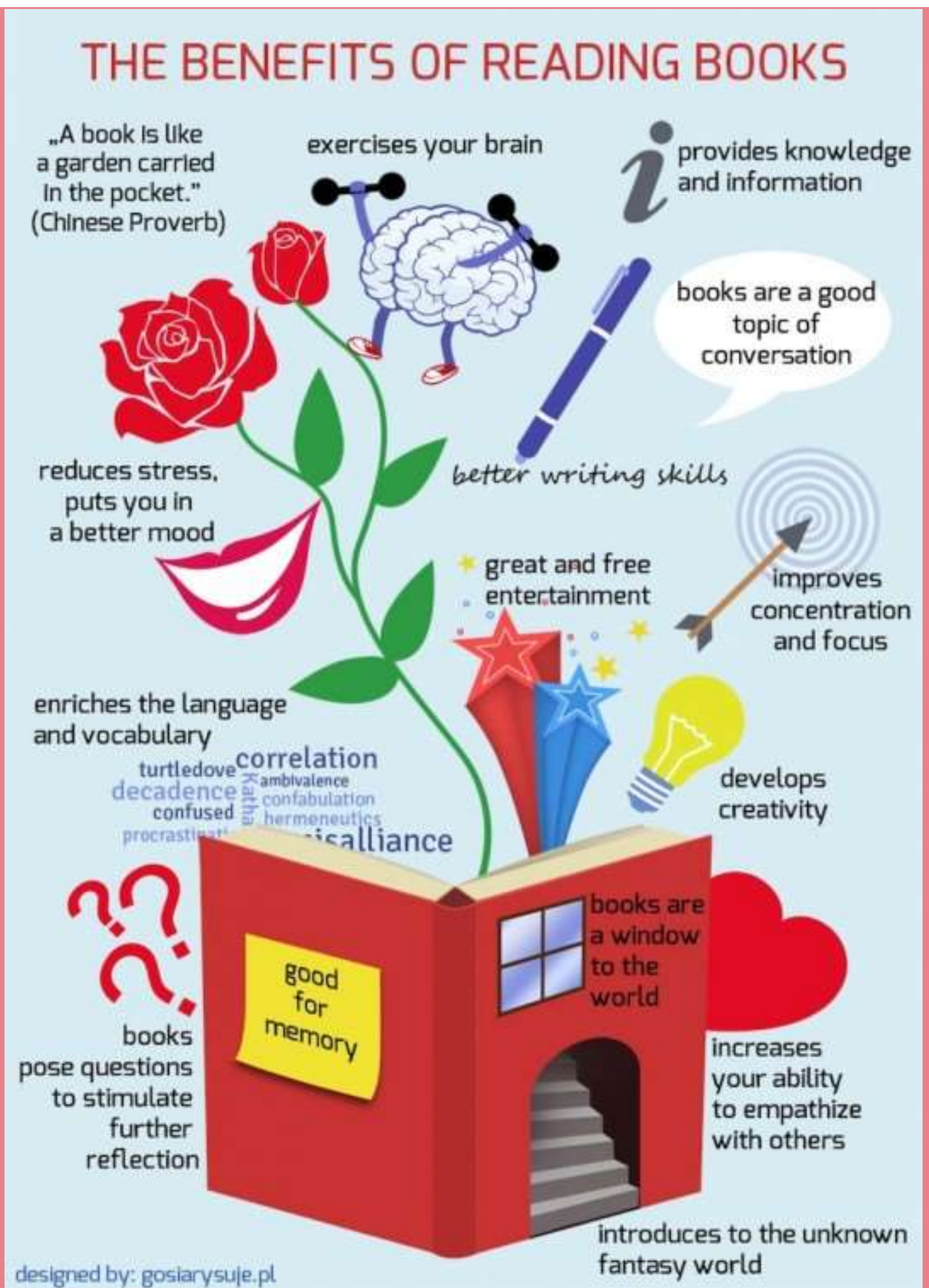
# The Advantages of Sustained Silent Reading

Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 English have been practising their sustained silent reading in English over the past term and a half. In the first 10 minutes of each lesson, students have time to read a book of their choice before engaging in their English work. Sustained silent reading has many benefits for students, including:

- enhancing their reading enjoyment as students select their own materials to read
- increasing comprehension skills through a concentration on reading for understanding
- building vocabulary through learning the meanings of many new words in context
- improved writing skills

Students are encouraged to bring in books they really want to read to make the most of their reading time at school.

Pictures: in the warmer weather Year 8 students are enjoying reading outdoors





# JobJump Careers News - KLA

## TAFE

### Over 60 Chef Apprenticeships

<http://au.indeed.com/jobs?q=apprentice+chef&l=2000&radius=50>

### Over 80 Carpentry Apprenticeships

<http://au.indeed.com/jobs?q=apprentice+carpenter&l=2000&radius=50>

### Over 60 Electrical Apprenticeships

<http://au.indeed.com/jobs?q=apprentice+electrician&l=2000&radius=50>

### Over 70 Hairdressing Apprenticeships

<http://au.indeed.com/jobs?q=apprentice+hairdresser&l=2000&radius=50>

### Over 100 Mechanic Apprenticeships

<http://au.indeed.com/jobs?q=apprentice+mechanic&l=2000&radius=50>

### Over 90 Plumbing Apprenticeships

<http://au.indeed.com/jobs?q=apprentice+plumber&l=2000&radius=50>

### Over 150 Junior Office Administration Positions

<http://au.indeed.com/jobs?q=junior+office+administration&l=2000&radius=50>

### Free Automotive Pre Apprenticeship Course

Starting 3 October for 2 weeks.  
Level 1, 8 - 10 Palmer Street, Parramatta.  
Want an apprenticeship in the automotive industry? Contact Michael Wentworth: [mwentworth@mtaplus.com.au](mailto:mwentworth@mtaplus.com.au)

## COLLEGES

### Sydney Design School Open Day

12 November. 10.00am 12.00pm  
Level 2, 40 Oxley Street, St Leonards  
Meet professionals and staff in interior design, career options and enrolling procedures. <http://sydneydesignschool.com.au/info-sessions/>

### AIE Industry Experience Day

28 September in Sydney and Canberra.  
Learn about game development, 3D animation and visual effects industries, pathways for employment, portfolio preparation, workshops using industry standard 3D tools. <http://www.aie.edu.au/ied>

### UOW College Information & Application Evenings

22 September and 12 January. UOW Campus Bldg 30  
5 January Options Day UOW Uni Hall, Wollongong Campus  
E: [uowc-marketing@uow.edu.au](mailto:uowc-marketing@uow.edu.au) P: (02) 4221 3950 <https://www.uowcollege.edu.au/about/events/index.html>

## GENERAL

### HSC Release of Results Check and Update Your Information

Check your results are being mailed to your correct address or texted to your correct mobile number. <http://news.bostes.nsw.edu.au/blog/2016/8/31/release-of-hsc-results-time-to-update-student-details>

### Defence Jobs Information Session

Various dates and locations near you. See here: <https://www.facebook.com/DefenceJobsAustralia/events>

### Think Your Way

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student advice about post school options. <http://www.thinkyourway.edu.au/>

### Study Assist

Government assistance for tertiary study financing. <http://studyassist.gov.au/sites/StudyAssist>

### Youth Central Career Information

Various career profiles: <http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/jobs-careers/career-profiles>  
Various industry profiles: <http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/jobs-careers/industry-profiles>

## VET Retail Services

### Careers with Woolworths, Big W, BWS

Apprenticeships to casual, part time or full time positions. [www.wowcareers.com.au](http://www.wowcareers.com.au)

## OTHER FIELDS

### BOSTES Literacy and Numeracy Tests for School Leavers

For students planning to leave before the HSC based on skills required for employment and further education. Their report to show employers is available

from their Students Online Account. <http://news.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/index.cfm/2015/9/4/BOSTES-Literacy-and-Numeracy-tests-for-school-leavers>

### Canberra Makeup Academy Open Day

17 November. 5.00pm to 7.00pm  
10/160 Lysaght St, Mitchell.  
Course and career opportunities and advice. <http://cmatraining.edu.au/new-students/open-day/>

### Australian Academy of Beauty Therapy Open Day

Chatswood. 25 October. 7.00pm  
Kogarah. 25 Tuesday October. 7.00pm  
Bella Vista. 26 October. 7.00pm  
North Strathfield. 26 October. 7.00pm  
Course and career opportunities explained. One of Australia's largest and professional beauty therapy training colleges. Ph: 1300277785 VET FEE Help. <http://www.australianacademyofbeautytherapy.com/>

### 2018 ADF Gap Year intake

Students interested register to receive an email for details. <http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/gap-year/>

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## POSITION VACANT

**Ezyroll Fascia and Gutter Trust** are looking to employ a Trainee based in Dubbo.

The employer is looking to continue the employment once the 12 month Traineeship has concluded.

A Driver Licence (Red or Green P's is OK) is mandatory.

Applications close 11 November.

Please email a resume to [klydford@bigpond.net.au](mailto:klydford@bigpond.net.au).



## VET Hospitality

### Upskilling Students in Fabulous Facilities at Peak Hill Central School!

Our Hospitality students from Trundle, Tottenham, Peak Hill and Trangie Central Schools are working towards a Certificate II in Hospitality, which is a nationally recognised certificate.

Hospitality Assessments Days are run each term at Peak Hill Central School for our Year 11 and 12 students and we are always looking for customers! We are incredibly proud of our state of the art Trade Training Centre and we invite community members from each of our WAP Schools to join us for our next delicious Morning Tea and Lunch on Wednesday 9 November between 11 am – 1.30pm.

**Mrs Catherine Doyle - Peak Hill**

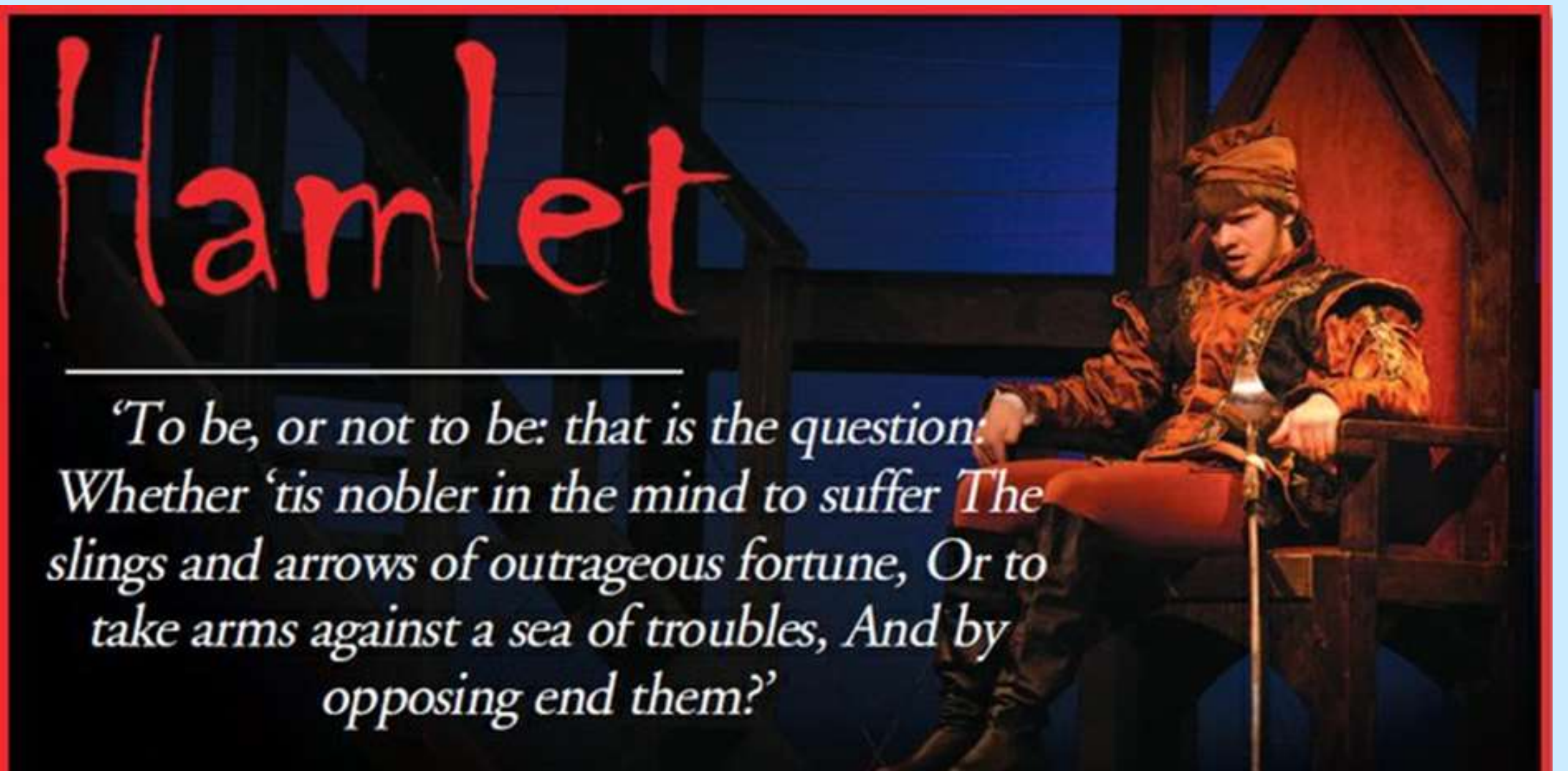


## HSC Advanced English

Teaching HSC Advanced English has been a hugely rewarding experience. The course is demanding, requiring students to engage with complex texts, including Shakespeare's iconic play *Hamlet*. We had the privilege of having a 'master class' with an educator from Bell Shakespeare, allowing us to delve into the language and

structure of the play, helping us to understand the intricate plot, having already seen the fantastic Bell Shakespeare performance last year. The HSC Advanced course delves into politics, power, revenge, racial and social issues, Romanticism, ethics and a host of other themes that are challenging and relevant for students today.

**Roxanne Gallagher - Trundle**





# How to conquer

## HEAD LICE

in 6 easy steps

### 1. Hitting them strong and hitting them hard

There are a number of strong chemical products on the market. These seem to appeal and revolt parents in equal numbers. While some don't like the idea of strong chemicals in such close contact with their child's skin, others find it reassuring for the very same reason - if there's chemicals involved, they must be doing a thorough job.



### 2. Going the touchy-feely route

Also available are natural products based on essential oils and pyrethrin, which smell a lot better than the chemical-based products. Because these products aren't as strong as the chemical-based ones, they usually need to be left in the hair longer to take effect.



### 3. Cooking up some homebrew

Like all good homebrew recipes, everyone has a different one that they swear by. Mostly though, they are made up of things that you could find in the kitchen or bathroom. Almost all are bulked out with thick conditioner. Popular recipes usually include: tea-tree oil, eucalyptus oil, vinegar, olive oil, orange oil, lavender oil.



### 5. Trying the white conditioner treatment

Regular combing is the key to keeping lice under control. Apply a thick, white conditioner (it makes it easier to see the nits and lice against white) and using a nit comb, section the hair and carefully comb, wiping each comb-full of conditioner, nits and lice onto a paper towel. Keep combing until you can't see any more eggs or lice in the conditioner. Repeat after seven days.



### 6. Applying vinegar

Thoroughly douse your child's hair with vinegar and leave for 15 minutes to allow the vinegar to kill the lice. Apply the white conditioner treatment.



### 4. Using hair spray/ hair gel

During an infestation of nits, spray your child's hair with hairspray, or comb through hair gel to make it more difficult for the lice to attach to their hair shafts.





# YEARLY EXAMINATIONS Years 7 - 10

## MONDAY 14 - WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2016

Monday 14 November	Tuesday 15 November	Wednesday 16 November
7 - 10 English	7 - 10 Maths	7 - 10 Science
S 4 Technology S 5 Agriculture S 5 Food Technology	7 - 10 PD/H/PE	7 - 10 HSIE
S 5 PASS		

### NOTE

- All examinations will be held in the School Hall
- Students are required to bring all necessary equipment: pens, pencils, ruler and calculator
- All other classes will be run as normal on these days

## Year 10 Travel Writing

The Year 10 English class is this term studying 'Travel Writing' and looking at how travelling is recorded and represented in different texts like novels, journals, documentaries and websites.

As well as looking at how travellers use English to document their journeys and adventures, the class is looking at why the act of travelling inspires people to write and create, and how important it is to have literacy skills when planning and undertaking a journey.

As the assignment for the term students are embarking on a journey and completing a series of writing tasks in a travel journal. The trip will be in and around the Goobang National Park in Week 4 of term and the activities will focus on descriptive writing techniques and the production of a personal recount that details student's responses to a series of travel themed scavenger hunt activities.



Mr Jeremy Whiterod

# SHORT STORY WRITING COMPETITION



THEME: How I became an instant millionaire!

### WHAT TO DO

- 1) Write a **fictitious** story about how you became an instant millionaire, that's between 300 to 500 words.
  - 2) Fill in the entry form.
  - 3) Enter the competition.
  - 4) Maybe WIN a cool prize.
- For full details go to..  
[www.juniorwritersclub.com.au](http://www.juniorwritersclub.com.au)

### FREE ENTRY

Entries Close Friday December 2nd, 2016  
Winners announced Friday December 16th, 2016



*Did you win the lotto, find hidden treasure, receive a reward or become a YouTube singing sensation? That's up to you to decide...*

For an ENTRY FORM AND COMPETITION DETAILS go to  
[www.juniorwritersclub.com.au](http://www.juniorwritersclub.com.au)  
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# Peak Hill Central School P & C Association Incorporated



Dear *Parents and Citizens*

Did you know for the last 13 years Peak Hill Central School Parents and Citizens have provided each new kindergarten student with a PHCS bucket hat?

This is just one of the many initiatives that the P & C has supported over the years. What else has the P & C done?



The Hospitality Department approached the P&C in 2014 to purchase new crockery and cutlery which has been put to good use for Year 12

farewells as well as for the many 'hospo' days that are held- showcasing our student's culinary skills.



Last year P&C committed to the on-road costs of the new school bus for the foreseeable future.

We purchased the initial supply of the new school polo shirts after researching and sourcing the most suitable style. All our students look fantastic wearing them.



2015 saw the purchase of new welding helmets for the Industrial Technology Department which has ensured the continuation of safety of our students.

In 2015 P&C also purchased more ipads for Stage 1 and Stage 2 classrooms. We know how useful these devices are for our younger students.

There are a large range of educational applications that these children are able to access in their classrooms.



Have you seen the new trees on the western fence near the Primary classrooms? That was P&C too! For presentation night P&C provides all 'graduating' kindergarten students with their own book to read.

For many years the P&C has provided funds to buy books for the school library ensuring a library with new relevant material to assist our students in gaining knowledge.

P&C was instrumental in the application for a Chaplain to be appointed at PHCS. Many of you will remember Luke Whittaker and the great work he did with our kids. This has been continued by Matt Sharah.

**These are just a few of the many highlights of working with the Peak Hill Central School Parents and Citizens Association. Without a P&C our students will miss out on these benefits that have been provided over the years. Can you see yourself contributing? How can you contribute?**

**Whilst not everyone is cut out to be a president or a secretary or even treasurer, everyone has a skill to bring to the table- ideas or hidden talents that can be used in fundraising endeavours.**

**We NEED you because the school NEEDS the P&C to ensure the best possible education for your children.**

***Our next meeting is Thursday 10 November 6pm.***

*Donna Kopp*  
**President**

*Catherine Goodwin*  
**Secretary**

*Kim Dern*  
**Treasurer**



Peak Hill Central School  
P & C Assoc Inc



You are invited to our  
**Annual General Meeting**

to held on

**Thursday 10 November**

Join us for a light meal

**at 6pm**

with the AGM to follow.

*After the AGM our General Meeting will be  
conducted to finalise 2016 events.*

**See You There**

Donna Kopp - President 0458 691 724

## Tucker Box Competition

*Monday to Thursday you will have a chance to  
guess what is inside this weeks Mystery Box on  
Friday*



Write your entry on a piece of paper and place it inside the  
Mystery Box on Friday.

**If your entry is correct you will win a FREE  
Mystery Box lunch.**

So look out on the chalk board for your name.



## JUMP ROPE FOR HEART Week 4 FRIDAY 4 November 2016

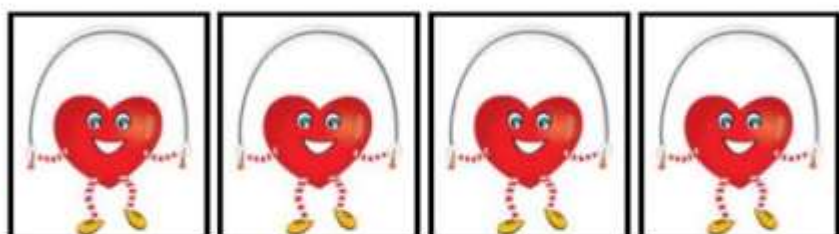
The Heart Foundation's Jump Rope for Heart is a physical activity and fundraising program designed to inspire school students to get active in a fun and exciting way.

This term your child will be skipping and learning a range of jump rope skills to keep fit as part of the fitness program.

Our school will be running Jump Rope for Heart throughout Term 4. Everyone can be active and healthy skipping in PE and at the same time raise

money and awareness of heart, stroke and blood vessel disease, (Australia's biggest killer) by collecting sponsorship.

**Please note:** The Heart foundation is a registered charity and **ALL** forms **must** be returned to them. If you do not return a form you will need to sign a Statutory Declaration for the Heart Foundation. If you wish your child to collect money for the Heart Foundation you need to have signed the note and returned it to the school.



**Jump Rope for Heart School Co-ordinators**

Miss Grace Stewart

Miss Jacquie Orr





PARKES SHIRE COUNCIL

## PEAK HILL LIBRARY WRITING COMPETITION

Announcing the 2016 call for entries to the Peak Hill Library "Meet You Up the Street" Writing Competition

THEME: Peak Hill is to be mentioned

### ENTRY DETAILS

Entry Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Tick which category you are entering: ☐ Short Story (category 1)  
☐ Open Poetry (category 2)  
☐ Children's Writing Award (category 3)

Has this work previously been published Y N

Where was it published \_\_\_\_\_

### YOUR DETAILS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

If entering the Children's Writing Award write your age as at 1 December 2016: \_\_\_\_\_

*I have read & understood the entry conditions for the competition.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

It all adds up. **PARKES**



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