



Peak Hill Central School Newsletter

We are a Respectful, Responsible, Safe and Successful School

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Principal's Report

Welcome to Week Ten,

This is the final newsletter of 2016 and my final article as relieving principal.

I wish to thank all those who have positively contributed to the successes achieved by our school throughout the year. The students for their participation and involvement, the community for their support and the staff for their dedication and professionalism- Thank You!

Mr Scott Olsson has been appointed as Principal of Peak Hill Central School and will commence at the beginning of Term 1 2017. We welcome Mr Olsson to our school community and know he will be reward with a most satisfying role in leading our school.

I thank all the parents/carers and community members who joined with the school in celebrating our students' achievements on Monday at the re-scheduled Presentation Ceremony. It was disappointing to postpone the ceremony from Thursday evening; however, it was determined unsafe to continue due to the severe storm- my apologies to those who had arranged to attend on Thursday and could not subsequently reschedule for the Monday. I would like to sincerely congratulate all the prize and award recipients and a special congratulation to our 2017 School Leaders: Natasha Ahern, Nakayla Dart & Gabrielle Robinson, our 2017 Primary Captains: Jakaya Stewart & Mason Leedham and to our 2017 School Captain: Charlica Schnitger.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Christmas Break.

Paul Champion
Principal ®



Diary Dates 2016-2017

December

Friday 16 Students Last Day of Term

February 2017

Friday 3 Staff return Term 1 2017

Monday 6 Students First Day of Term 1

Mon13-Wed 15 Access Camp Yr11 & Yr12

Mon Feb 26-Fri March 3 Work Placement



Scott Olsson New Principal

I am very proud to be named Principal of Peak Hill Central School and I look forward to meeting the students, staff and members of the community next year. I'm excited to lead a vibrant, innovative and quality teaching and learning environment. "Success through effort" can only occur if we all work hard together and I look forward to celebrating these successes with you starting in 2017. Enjoy the holiday break and have a safe and happy Christmas.

Mr Scott Olsson



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

Assistant Principals

Primary

Miss Sarah Browning

Miss Keira Wilson

Head Teacher

Access

Mr James Peter

In School Access

Coordinator

Mr Jeremy Whiterod

P & C 2016

President

Ms Kim Dern

Vice President

Mrs Kelly Dart

Secretary

Mrs Loedicia Strahorn

Treasurer

Ms Tammy Gavin

Kick Start Kindy Graduates



On Monday 5 December students graduated from the Kick Start Kindergarten program. Family and friends were invited to attend a special presentation to see their child graduate. Students performed singing the Alphabet song, showed their knowledge of the Jolly Phonic sounds by doing the action and saying the sound and reading a book. We look forward to seeing you next year when your schooling journey begins.

Miss Browning



2016 Annual Presentation Awards



From Top - Left to Right: **Swimming Champions** - Tyden Barlow, Kerryanne Watson, India Sant, Roy Read, Zac Read, Bray Bendeich. (not pictured Tyler Read, Molly Wright) **Athletics Champions** - Brandon Hamilton, Sky Welsh, Trent Williams, Kerryanne Watson, Zak Hawksworth, Zac Read and Molly Wright. **Cross Country Champions** Zak Hawksworth, Dylan Hamilton and Zac Read **Champion House** - Harvey /Newell House Captains Taleica Keed and Trent Williams **Don Mackay Memorial Shield** - Kerryanne Watson and Zak Hawksworth **Claire Allen Citizenship Award** - Adrian Bell **Primary Book Award** - Quentin Weaver **Early Action for Success Award** - Hayley Charlton



From Top left to right: **Graduating from Kindergarten** - Jock Strahorn, Adrian Bell, Peter Thomas, Zara Caldwell, Noah Beilby, Dakota Wright, Makayla Morgan, Jackson Leedham, Emerald-Rose Leonard (AJ Rez not pictured) **Graduating Year 12 Class** - Taleica Keed, Trent Williams, Shyan Read, Isabelle Goodwin and Molly Wright (not pictured David Heywood) **Academic Award Recipients: Kindergarten** Noah Beilby, Jackson Leedham, Zara Caldwell, Jock Strahorn, Peter Thomas **Stage 1** - Taliyah Keed White, Michael Redpath, Dhakota Hando, John Thomas, **Stage 2** Natalie Davis, Shelby Dargan, Isabella Read, Jada Redpath, **Stage 3** Jordyn Logan, Quentin Weaver, Shaylee Wright-Edwards **Year 7** James Robinson, Goran Milinkovic **Year 8** Tyden Barlow, Pagan Kristl **Year 9** Jade Gavin, Sky Welsh **Year 10** Gabrielle Robinson, **Year 11** Charlica Schnitger **Year 12** Molly Wright, Isabelle Goodwin



From top left to right: **Future Moves Awards** - George Robinson, Dylan Hamilton, Marissa Robinson, Danial Day, Kerryanne Watson, Jack Bendeich and Jade Gavin, **Masonic Lodge Citizenship Award** - India Sant **Jack Maher Citizenship Award** - Taleica Keed **Creative Arts & Visual Design Excellence Award** - Isabelle Goodwin **NSW Farmers Association Award** - Molly Wright **CWA Awards** - Taleica Keed and Sky Welsh **Mens Shed Award** - Codie Reid **Rotary Club of Belrose Award** - Taleica Keed



From top left to right: Golden Peak Budget Motel Award - Taleica Keed Reuban F Scarf Award - Molly Wright AA Blatch Award - Molly Wright Rock and Water Awards - Taliah Read & Joseph Dargan 2017 School Captain - Charlica Schnitger 2017 Primary School Captains Mason Leedham and Jakaya Stewart 2017 Student Leaders Gabrielle Robinson, Natasha Ahern & Nakayla Dart

Mingle and Jingle

Kindergarten to Year 6 presented their fabulous Christmas Concert called 'Mingle and Jingle' on Friday 2 December.

Thank you to all the wonderful parents who came along to watch and sing along.



Primary Equipment Requirements 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

This is to inform you of the equipment needed by your child for next year. ***Please ensure your child's equipment is clearly labelled with your child's name ready to start Term 1.*** It is expected that all students have their own equipment.

K-6 equipment:

- * Pencil case
- * Lead pencils x2
- * Rubber
- * Sharpener
- * Ruler
- * Glue Stick
- * Coloured pencils
- * Textas



* Box of tissues – to be used throughout the year in the classroom

* School bag large enough to fit an A4 folder

* Hat (school hats available at the Administration Office)

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring your child is ready to start the new school year.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Ms Sarah Browning at the school on 68691304.

Yours Sincerely

Ms Sarah Browning
Assistant Principal

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Sarah Browning'.

VET Construction

Western Access Program Construction students assisted with the building of the LOTE Learning Circle in Week 9.

Students worked with Mr Peter to prepare and pour a slab where the table will be positioned.

Thank you to Matt Sharah who gave up his time to assist with this construction and pass on his expertise.

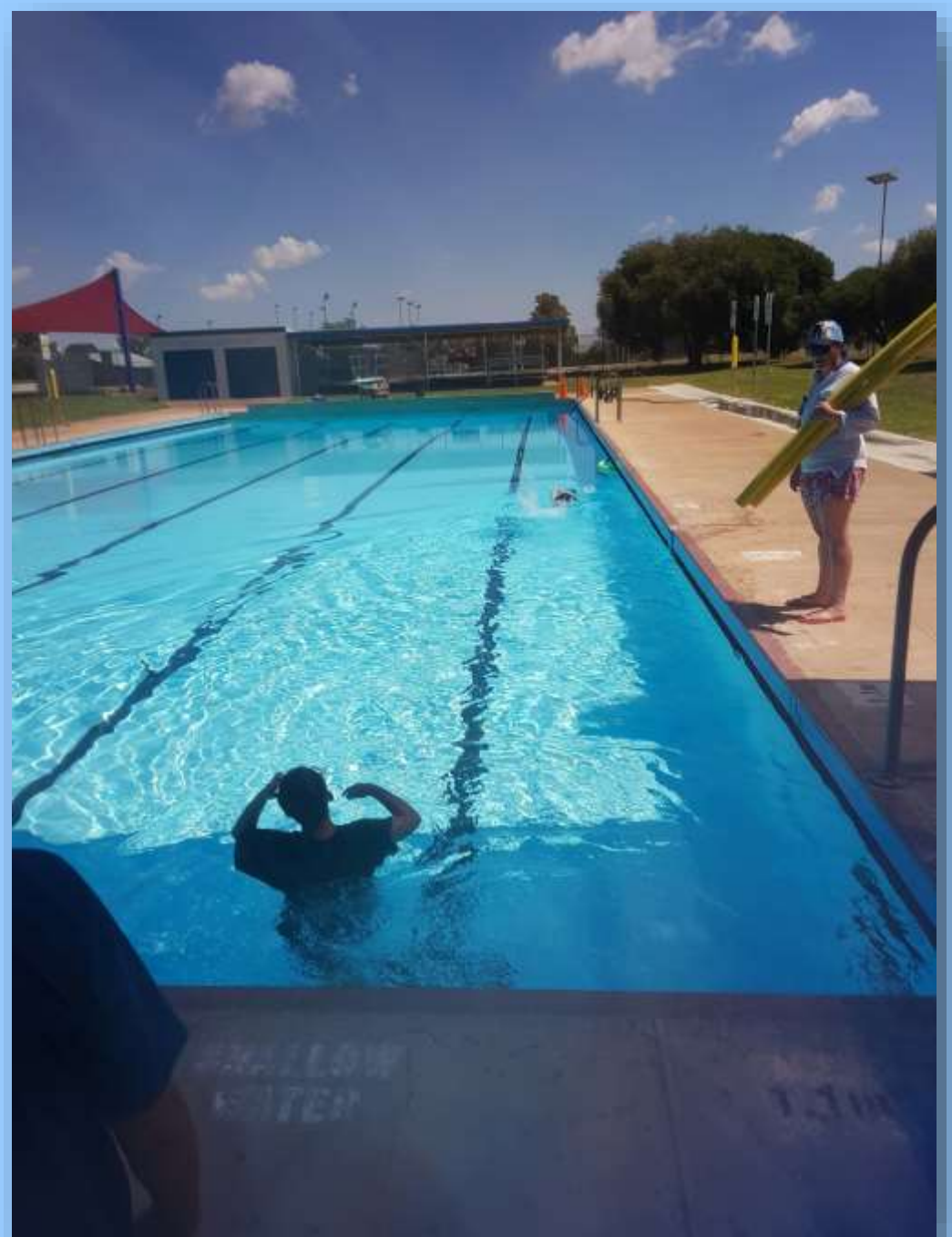
Jackie Orr

Leaning and Support Teacher



Learn to Swim

All of the primary children had the opportunity to participate in an eight day learn to swim program during Weeks 8 and 9. Thank you to the primary staff who facilitated this worthwhile program.



Metals and Engineering Scholarship

Congratulations to Nicholas Stewart on receiving the inaugural Lindner Metals and Engineering Scholarship. This generous grant commemorates the life and achievements of one time Peak Hill resident Peter Lindner by acknowledging and encouraging a Year 10 student's interest in pursuing a metals trade beyond school. The generous scholarship award of \$550 worth of workplace personal protective equipment was presented to Nicholas by Peter's wife Ann and daughter Abbey. PHCS congratulates Nicholas on receiving the award and thanks the Lindner family for their generous support of our school, students and community.

Pictured is Ann Lindner presenting Nicholas with his award while he was at Work Placement with Damian Sharah.



Students Visit to Belrose 2016

Peak Hill students Charlica Schnitger and Natasha Ahern shared the hospitality of the Belrose Rotary Club with two students from Trundle Central School student. They were accompanied to Sydney by Mrs Catherine Doyle to take part in this annual excursion which is hosted by the Belrose Rotary Club.

The tour of Taronga Zoo was a highlight for the girls who were able to access behind the scenes exhibits.



Year 11 and 12 Camp @ Lake Burrendong Monday 13 until Wednesday 15 February 2017

Don't forget to complete your registration online
via <https://sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/facilities/medicalandconsentform>

VETiS Work Placement Block A- Dubbo Sunday 26 until Friday 03 March 2017



On Monday 21 November students studying Vocational Education and Training courses in 2017 attended an induction day at Peak Hill Central School. Students completed mandatory induction modules and registered for work placement, met their course coordinators and created their Unique Student Identification number. A delicious recess and lunch was enjoyed, thanks to Mrs Doyle and Ms Freeth. Thanks to all the staff who capably supported the day by running sessions and driving students. Western Student Connections attended the day as well as the Senior Pathways Officer for this region. We thank them for taking the time to assist our students.

Thanks to all the staff who contributed to this essential and worthwhile event



JobJump Careers News - KLA

CAPA

Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Arts

Carriageworks 2017 Program of dance, drama, arts shows, exhibitions and workshops.

<http://carriageworks.com.au/2017-program/>

Avondale College of Higher Education 2017 Scholarships

Applications close 31 January for first round offers. Scholarships offered in arts, business, music, science.

<http://www.avondale.edu.au/future-students/scholarships/>

Tractor Free Online Typography Course

<https://www.tractor.edu.au/lp/free-course/typography>

Whitehouse Institute of Design 2017 VET Exhibition

25 January at 1.30pm.

Showcasing the work of VET for Secondary School Students from the Certificate III in Design Fundamentals.

Further information contact: enquiry@whitehouse-design.edu.au

Shillington College Information Session

18 January, 6.00pm

Level 3, 50 Margaret Street, Sydney

Learn about the graphic design course.

<https://www.shillingtoneducation.com/au/graphic-design-course/info-sessions-and-graduation/>

Actors College of Theatre & Television Auditions Bookings Open

<http://www.actt.edu.au/admissions/auditions/>

P.D.H.P.E.

Community and Family Studies, P.D.H.P.E.

Endeavour College of Natural Health Open Day

21 January. 10.00am

Sydney Haymarket Campus

Staff and current students give advice on careers and the Bachelor of Health.

<http://www.endeavour.edu.au/events/>

SCIENCE

Senior Science, Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Environmental Science, Physics

More places in National Youth Science Forum NYSF 2018 Program

Applications open 1 March 2017

The National Youth Science Forum will have an extra 200 places available in its flagship January Program in 2018. Participants learn about uni life and work options, having studied STEM at a tertiary level.

Info <http://www.nysf.edu.au/>

Engineering Link Go For It Resources for the Busy STEM Teacher

Great website with free teacher and student newsletter, resources and lessons to Year 12.

<http://telg.com.au/engineering-go-for-it-resources-for-the-busy-stem-teacher/>

Sydney Institute of Business and Technology Information Session

Every Thursday from 12.30 to 1.30 and 5.30 to 6.30

Level 2, 11 York Street, Sydney

Finance, communications, engineering and I.T., Arts and management course advice and information.

<https://www.sibt.nsw.edu.au/information-sessions>

H.S.I.E.

Aboriginal Studies, Ancient History, Business Studies, Economics, Geography, Legal Studies, Modern History, Society and Culture, Studies of Religion

Getting a Tax File Number. Tim's Tale

<http://tv.ato.gov.au/ato-tv/media?v=bd1bdiubkctq5u>

APM at Torrens University Australia - Options Day 16 December. 10.00am to 4.00pm

The Rocks Campus, 1-5 Hickson Road, The Rocks

Book here: <http://www.torrens.edu.au/about/events-and-workshops/option-day>

T.A.S.

Agriculture, Design and Technology, Engineering Studies, Food Technology, Industrial Technology, Information Processes Technology and Technology, Software Design and Development, Textiles and Design

Meet the Keeper at Taronga Zoo

1 day program for students 14+ who have a keen interest in a career at the Zoo. Includes a seminar presented by a panel of Zookeepers and other Zoo staff. Students will learn about zoo-keeping, qualifications, career opportunities, core responsibilities, careers structures and wages. For booking forms and information visit <https://taronga.org.au/education/sydney/meet-keeper>

Career Harvest

Careers and pathways, scholarships and internship opportunities in the food and produce industries.

<http://www.careerharvest.com.au/>

Green Army environmental youth projects in Western Sydney

For young people aged 17-24 to gain training, skills and outdoor workplace experience. CVA is recruiting for projects in 2017. Participants receive an allowance \$10 -16/hr whilst working 30/week for 20-23 weeks. They will be a part of a team that will make a real difference to the environment in their local community. <http://www.cva.org.au/greenarmy> or call (02) 4721 4625.

VET COURSES

TAFE NSW - Northern Sydney Institute Semester 1, 2017 Scholarships

Scholarships are now open for S1,2017. Scholarships in the following areas are on offer; Accounting, Early Childhood Education and Care, Enrolled Nursing, Events, Landscape Design and Leadership and Management. For further information please visit <http://www.nsi.tafensw.edu.au/Courses/EnrollingAndRegistering/scholarships.aspx> or contact

Greta Lane on 9942 0028 or

greta.lane@tafensw.edu.au

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Free Pre -Apprenticeships Landscaping and Horticulture

The Northern Sydney Institute is offering two (2) Free Pre-Apprenticeship courses in Landscaping (13 Feb/6 March) at the Ryde School of Horticulture. Information sessions are on Tuesday 31 January and Tuesday 21 February 2017. Includes work experience with an employer.

Contact Mark Hastings on 9448 6126 or

mark.hasting@tafensw.edu.au to express your interest and to RSVP.

OTHER FIELDS

Macquarie University Pathways for Teachers

Not sure if you will meet the new HSC Band 5 requirements?

Refer to the advice here:

http://www.educ.mq.edu.au/undergraduate/teaching_qualifications

For further information, contact Tristan Tulloch on (02) 9850 1890 or at tristan.tulloch@mq.edu.au

Defence Force Recruiting Information Sessions

Adventure, travel, great pay and diverse career opportunities - just to name a few of the benefits on offer when you join the Navy, Army or Air Force. If **you're up for the challenge and would like to find out more**, come along to one of our upcoming information sessions. Email cptnsw@dfr.com.au and quote reference number 0261131097 for more information.

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Mingle and Jingle



Koinonia and Westlink Churches invite all Infants and Primary age children to a
Christmas Celebration.

Come and celebrate Jesus' birthday.

There will be games, music, food, entertainment and craft.

Where: Koinonia Hall

When: **Sunday 18th**

December 2016

10am

