



# Peak Hill Central School Newsletter

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

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## Easter Hat Parade





# Principal's Report

## Newsletter Week 10 Term 1

Over the next few weeks, like many other public schools in the state, Peak Hill Central School will participate in a Department of Education initiative: **The Tell Them From Me** student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. An information sheet with an opt-out consent form was sent home to parents last week. The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. The survey is confidential, conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 20th March and 7th April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

Survey results will be very useful in assisting us with our 2018-2020 School Planning process. There will be further surveys later in the year for teachers and parents.

Congratulations to James Robinson for making the **Western CHS Lawn Bowls team**. James did the school proud making both singles and pairs sides which compete in June and the state championship team which competes in August.

**ANZAC Day March:** Can all students attending the march meet at the school at 10:30am in full school uniform. This will be my first ANZAC Day in Peak Hill and looking forward to it.

*Pictured above right is the Buddy Bench that was donated to Peak Hill Central School by Forefront Services (Mr Tim McAlister pictured on left). The Buddy Bench Initiative is one that was developed by the members of 'Currajong Autism & Special Needs Group' (Mrs Angela Wilson pictured on*

I will be having a **Q and A session** with parents on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April in the Hall. If you have any questions, suggestions, problems please bring them along to discuss at 3:30pm. If you cannot make this session and would still like to ask questions feel free to call 68691304 or email [peakhill-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:peakhill-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Reminder that the **bell times** will be modified for secondary students at the beginning of next term with the day starting at 8:50am and finishing at 3:10pm.

This term has gone very quickly and I feel that my feet still haven't touched the ground. I would like to thank all the staff, students and parents for all their support so far and looking forward to working with you all in Term 2 and beyond. I hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday and look forward to students returning to school on Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> April. All staff will be attending Professional Learning in Trangie on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> and then ANZAC Day is Tuesday. Enjoy the break and have fun on holidays.

**Scott Olsson– Principal**



*the right) early in 2016 and has now become a reality with the help of The John Holland Parkes Water & Sewerage Treatment Plant Project. Also pictured is Miss Sarah Browning (Assistant Principal) and students.*

## Diary Dates 2017

### April

**Tuesday 4** David Peachey Shield Dubbo—Primary League

**Wed - Fri 5-7** Stage 5 Ag Sydney Excursion

**Friday 7** Last Day of Term 1

### TERM 2

**Monday 24** Staff Development Day

**Tuesday 25** ANZAC DAY - Primary Gate at 10.30am

**Wednesday 26** Students First Day Term 2 - 8.50am Secondary  
- 8.55am Primary



### Principal

Mr Sco Olsson

### Head Teachers

#### Secondary Studies

Mr Paul Champion

Mr Jeremy Whiterod

### Administra on Manager

Mrs Tanya Stanford

### Aboriginal Educa on O cer

Mrs Vicki Sharah

### Assistant Principal

Miss Sarah Browning

### Head Teacher

#### Access

Ms Crystal Williams

### In School Access

#### Coordinator

Mrs Catherine Doyle

### P & C 2016

#### President

Ms Kim Dern

#### Vice President

Mrs Kelly Dart

#### Secretary

Mrs Loedicia Strahorn

#### Treasurer

Ms Tammy Gavin

# Students of the Week

## Primary Students of the Week - Week 9

L-R Noah Beilby, Jaylee Robinson, Emma Beeby and Lillianna Bendeich



## PBL Raffle Winners Week 9

L-R Azaria Dargan-Miller and Jordyn Logan



## Primary Students of the Week - Week 10

L-R India Sant, Sharntelle Schnitger, Shaquillie Buchanan, Tye Fraser



## PBL Raffle Winners Week 10

L-R Ethan Ryan, Tye Fraser



## Bronze Awards Winners for Term 1

*Below: Secondary Winners,  
At Right: Primary Winners*





# JobJump Careers News - KLA

## CAPA

Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Arts

## Careers in the Graphic Design Industry

Great careers advice with available apprenticeships by state by state.

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

## AIE Information Evening

28 June. 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Sydney & Canberra.

Course and careers advice for entering in to game design and 3D animation.

<http://www.aie.edu.au/information-evening>

## L.O.T.E.

## OC Tours

Gap in Cambodia, Laos and Myanmar to do teaching projects in rural schools

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

## Early Bird Cultural Homestay Program in China

Year 12s gap year option. Live with a Chinese family, form friendships whilst teaching the children English.

<http://www.ebce.com.cn/en/>

## P.D.H.P.E.

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

## Australian College of Natural Therapies 2017 Course Guide

<http://www.acnt.edu.au/course-guide>

## SCIENCE

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

## Cert IV in Clinical Classification

Provided online from the Health Information Management Association of Australia Limited. RTO ID 91660. Career opportunities available across NSW and ACT include clinical coding in public and private hospitals and day procedure centres. Contact 02 9887 5898, [education@himaa.org.au](mailto:education@himaa.org.au)

<http://himaa2.org.au/education/>

## H.S.I.E.

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

## UTS Law Undergraduate Info Evening for Years 11 & 12s and Parents

21 June. 6.00 to 8.00pm

UTS Haymarket Campus - Building 5, Block B. Corner of Quay St & Ultimo Rd, Haymarket, Sydney.

Register: <http://www.uts.edu.au/about/faculty-law/events/law-undergraduate-info-evening>

## Australian School of Management Scholarships

Closes 30 March

Are you from a regional NSW town and wish to study a Bachelor of Business or Bachelor of Business Hotel Management.

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

## 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

## Sydney Design School Interior Design Open Day

17 June. 10.00am to 12.00

Level 2, 40 Oxley Street, St Leonards.

<http://sydneydesignschool.com.au/info-sessions/>

## Pre-Apprenticeship Course Finder

Search by location. Gain the skills to land an apprenticeship.

<http://www.aapathways.com.au/Search/Preapprenticeships/Courses-by-State-and-Territory>

## VET Financial Services

### Mind the Gap

Young people's online advice for understanding the Australian tax system. Students learn practical life lessons through fun animations. \$15 student. Discounted rate for schools.

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

## VET Information Technology

## ANU Girls in Engineering and Technology Program

19 July. 8.30am to 4.00pm

Years 11 and 12 girls keen on a engineering or technology career. Register at:

<https://cecs.anu.edu.au/events/girls-engineering-and-technology-program-get-set>

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## Canteen Lunch Bags

### KIM'S LUNCH BOX !!

School canteen has in stock insulated reusable lunch order bags in red and blue. Bags come with a clear window for name and class on the front and on the back a zipped pocket for lunch order and money. No more ripped lunch bags, less paper wastage and no more lost money. \$12.50 each see Kim at the Canteen.

*Mr Olsson and Kim Dern are pictured at left with the Kindergarten class with their new lunch bags*



## Year 10 Maths

### Rewarded Effort in Year 10 Maths!

Two students who have consistently come to class prepared to work with a 'I want to succeed attitude' are Chloe Gould and Jade Gavin in year 10. Their commitment has been rewarded by good results in exams and assessments.

This term they both achieved high distinctions in the advanced maths assignment. Well done girls!



## Maths Fun Challenge

Just for a bit of fun why don't you have a go at the 'thinking mathematically' question from the paper? It is a classic riddle that I first saw in Scientific America many years ago. It is referred to as the 'Who owns the Zebra?' question.

The following version of the puzzle appeared in *Life International* in 1962.

1. There are five houses.
2. The Englishman lives in the red house.
3. The Spaniard owns the dog.
4. Coffee is drunk in the green house.
5. The Ukrainian drinks tea.
6. The green house is immediately to the right of the ivory house.
7. The Old Gold smoker owns snails.
8. Kools are smoked in the yellow house.
9. Milk is drunk in the middle house.
10. The Norwegian lives in the first house.
11. The man who smokes Chesterfields lives in the house next to the man with the fox.
12. Kools are smoked in the house next to the house where the horse is kept.
13. The Lucky Strike smoker drinks orange juice.
14. The Japanese smokes Parliaments.

The Norwegian lives next to the blue house.

**Now, who drinks water? Who owns the zebra?**

In the interest of clarity, it must be added that each of the five houses is painted a different color, and their inhabitants are of different national extractions, own different pets, drink different beverages and smoke different brands of American cigarettes [[sic](#)].

One other thing: in statement 6, *right* means *your* right.

*Sorry about the reference to cigarettes but at the time of the original publication cigarettes were a part of life. The answer will be put in next newsletter.*

Have fun

**Bob Kibble**

**Maths Teacher**

## Defence Force Visit

On Thursday 23 March the Defence Force Personnel gave a Recruitment & Careers talk to Students from Year 9-12 on paid trades and traineeships they have available. The Defence Force personnel stayed back to talk to the interested students about their career highlights.



## Stage 4 Technology



This term Mrs Doyle's class has been learning about all the different types of technology that are part of this fantastic course. We are currently looking at how we can use technology to Promote PHCS. Yesterday we invited one of the local legends into our classroom for the most fabulous lesson ever! Thank you to Mr van der Reyden for joining our class yesterday and sharing the incredible history of our Town and School. We loved seeing the old photos, learning about what the School and Town used to look like and most of all getting to be part of some of your favourite lessons. We also learnt how Mr V got his name, that Room 3 use to be the Wood Work Room and that the original Food Room was where the Primary play equipment is now! Thanks again Mr V and we hope that you can come back and join us again in class.

**Mrs Catherine Doyle.**





# HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT THIS JULY!

## BECOME A VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILY AND MAKE MEMORIES FOR LIFE!

*"Our Three young children refer to our exchange student as sister, which to us highlights how integral a member she is in our family. To anyone considering hosting we would recommend opening your home, your minds and your hearts. It can only bring rewards for all." - Linda and Ben [host parents of Fanny from France]*



**Francesca 17 Italy F**

Hello from Italy! Music is my passion! I love listening to it and playing the piano. In my spare time I enjoy reading and going to galleries. I really appreciate the opportunity which my host family is giving me.



**Lucas 16 Denmark M**

Hello everyone! I enjoy singing and playing the guitar and ukulele. When I'm older I'd like to be a great gymnast and study medicine. I'm looking forward to getting to know my host family. Thank you!



**Lorena 15 Brazil F**

I like to be connected with nature. In my spare time, I enjoy painting and listening to music. Having a healthy lifestyle is important to me. My grandma taught me how to cook. I can't wait to meet my host family!

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## Peak Hill Central School P&C Association

Thank you to all the parents and community members who donated chocolates and gifts for our Easter raffle, especially those who went above and beyond. We received some pretty amazing gift baskets and ended up with 27 prizes. Your generosity and support is greatly appreciated. We'd also like to thank everyone who purchased raffle tickets. It was a fantastic result raising just over \$600.

Remember, the P&C Committee can never have too many members. We can always use more help. If you can volunteer your time to help with fundraising come and see Kim in the school canteen or myself in the front office.

Our next meeting will be held on **Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm** in the staff common room. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Have a great Easter and we'll see you next term.

**Loedicia Strahorn**  
P & C Secretary



## ANZAC DAY Tuesday 25 April 2017

All students are invited to march with the school on ANZAC Day.

Students are to assemble at the primary school gates at **10.30am for 11am start**.

Full School Uniform should be worn.

Polo Shirt, Navy Shorts or Skirt



A career in the construction industry is satisfying and rewarding, providing life skills, a solid earning potential, mates for life and the security of knowing there will be a variety of jobs available as Australia continues to grow.

You can help build Australia's future by joining one of the biggest industries in the country!

### OPPORTUNITY

The construction industry values great workers regardless of their cultural background, age, nationality, race, gender, religious beliefs, sexuality or physical ability.

The construction industry can provide you with a career which is flexible, satisfying and puts you in control of your future. You can learn real life skills and get nationally recognised qualifications all while being supported and mentored in one of the biggest industries in the country.

By choosing a career in construction, you will join a talented, experienced and diverse workforce with the support to pursue your future career opportunities.

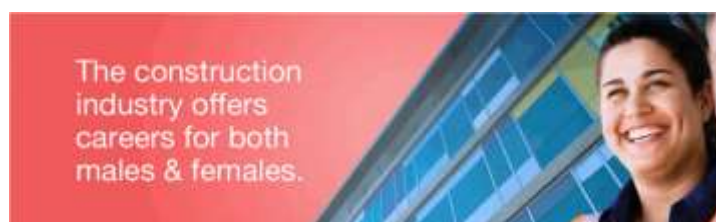
### BE EMPOWERED

A career in the construction industry means pride in what you are achieving and contributing to your community.

Women and men like you are changing traditional ideas of the construction industry by embracing their own potential to learn, lead and deliver projects which are essential to providing for the future of Australia.

Check out real life stories of people who are building and enjoying their careers in construction at: [www.buildyourcareer.com.au](http://www.buildyourcareer.com.au)

Build Your Career is brought to you by the Australian Constructors Association.



# Community News

## Kids Day at Parkes Visitor Information Centre

Parkes Visitor Information Centre is hosting a  
**'KIDS DAY'!**

**When:** Wednesday 12th of April  
**Time:** All Day  
**Location:** Henry Parkes Centre

We are offering FREE entry for any child accompanied by a full paying adult as well as a range of both FREE & Priced activities for the kids, including:

- Face Painting
  - Indigenous Dance Performance
  - Colouring in competition (with prizes!)
  - Art Class
  - Animal Farm
  - Story time
- & a surprise visit from the Easter Bunny!**



## Girls Rugby

**CWJRU are encouraging Junior girls (12-18)  
to become involved in Rugby in 2017.**

We are trying to gauge the number of girls interested in participating in Girls Rugby. To do this we need the Central West Clubs to get all interested girls to register online as soon as possible through their local club. The more girls we have registered the more opportunities Central West will have to develop girls rugby and offer more game opportunities.

The cost will be \$100/player and will include all insurances, the National Participation Fee (NPF) and also your Central West playing strip (jersey, shorts & socks) which will be worn at each carnival when playing for Central West.



There will be discussion at our next CWJRU general meeting at Jubilee Oval Mudgee 2nd April at 1pm on what opportunities exist for running a girls competition this season.

**If you are interested in playing contact your local club in Parkes or Dubbo.**



### PARKES LIBRARY

INVITATION [Library@parkes.nsw.gov.au](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#)

## WASTE TO ART

**WASTE TO ART Parkes**

Waste to Art is a community exhibition showcasing imaginative works made from reused & recyclable waste materials. The aim is to challenge peoples' perceptions about 'rubbish' & to celebrate the reuse & recycling of waste through arts & crafts.

**OPENING NIGHT**  
Tuesday 11 April, 6pm  
Parkes Library  
Please RSVP by 10 April - 6861 2309

The exhibition will be on display until 4 May 2017.

Splash Theatre Company presents  
Henry Lawson's play  
**THE LOADED DOG**

An explosive yarn about three gold miners & their overgrown pup, Tommy. When the dog steals a stick of explosives & runs past the fire, it ignites & leads to mayhem and chaos. Dramatic performance presented by Splash Theatre Company & Chris John.

**Thursday 20 April, 6pm**  
Parkes Library  
Please RSVP by 19 April - 6861 2309

Parkes Library - Bogan Street - Phone 6861 2301 [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [Website](#)

## Charity Golf Day

**Sunday April 23 2017**

**Starts at 10 am**

**3 person Ambrose**

**Great prizes / trophies donated**

**by local businesses and North Parkes Mine.**



## Tullamore Irish Festival

**Easter Weekend April 13 - 16 2017**

**ENJOY THE SERENITY AT THE TULLAMORE IRISH MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Stay, pitch and unhitch this Easter Weekend at the Tullamore Irish Music Festival with a variety of camping accommodation options available. Shower and toilet facilities are available in all camping grounds. Tullamore Cafe stocks basic supplies and hot meals for lunch and dinner is available from the café, pub and club. For more information about where to stay, or to purchase tickets to the 2017 Festival, **visit [www.tullamore.org.au](http://www.tullamore.org.au).**