



Peak Hill Central School Newsletter

We are a Respectful, Responsible, Safe and Successful School

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State Champions



Under 14's Boys State Champions.

Apex Park in Dubbo set the scene for a thrilling 7-a-side Rugby League round robin for the finals of the Central Schools State Championship. The tournament had regional Central Schools from all over NSW and was organized by the local NRL Development team.

Peak Hill Central had progressed from a tournament played out earlier in the year. The top 6 teams played in ideal conditions in a round robin format. Bowraville, Molong, Coleambally, Boorowa, Merriwa and of course Peak Hill were all contenders.

Playing four games and dropping only one match to a strong Merriwa outfit saw the fifth and final match to be a juicy affair as Merriwa also dropped a game. It came down to points for and against result. A spirited performance by the team saw eight tries run in, four of those by the tournament's Player of the Tournament, Malachi Dart. The tournament and state champions presentation saw Peak Hill Central School run out as overall winners. The team was composed of Billy Cohen, Wayne Dargan, Malachi Dart, Glenroy Jackson, Brandon Hamilton, Ceejay Bendeich, Rhett Gavin, Zakariah Hawksworth, Jaedyn Murray.

A huge thank you to parents, friends and community members who came and supported the boys.

Mr Hugh Wood
PDHPE Teacher

Five Teams

on the attack at State Championships Finals.

Peak Hill Central has made an impressive return to high end sporting achievements by reaching the State Finals Tournaments with five teams making the grade. Lawn Bowls, U16 Touch, Under 14, 16 and Opens 7-a-side Rugby League.

These teams are a reflection on the positive work that the staff, students and community

is having on the school. Bringing back the teams to the school had seemed to have faded over the years. A directive from the school Principal, Mr Scott Olsson, that "we will enter any and every competition we can in 2017". This enthusiasm and passion for success has seemed to have paid off.

All of the players represented themselves, the school and the greater Peak Hill Community very well. The students gave spirited performances, showed resilience and marvellous sportsmanship throughout the five tournaments hosted in Dubbo in Week 6 of this term.



Principal

Mr Scott Olsson

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Diary Dates

Term 3 2017	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 7	28	29	30 Stg 6 Metals Study Day- Peak Hill Preliminary Hosp Assessment Day	31	1 September 9am Whole School Assembly Waganha Bulabul Dance Group
Week 8	4	5	6 Deadly Choices visit	7	8 9am Whole School Assembly Gobondery/ NARRAF Warren
Week 9	11	12	13 Deadly Choices visit	14	15 9am Whole School Assembly WAP Graduation Dubbo
Week 10	18	19	20 Interagency Expo Deadly Choices visit	21 Year 12 Banquet- Parkes	22 9am Whole School Assembly Boys Engagement Group Excursion
Term 4 Week 1	9	10 Dental Health Screening	11	12	13 9am Whole School Assembly
Week 2	16	17	18	19	20 9am Whole School Assembly

NSW Health School Dental Screening

Staff from Parkes Oral Health Dental Clinic will be providing free dental checks at Peak Hill Central School on Tuesday 10 October 2017 for all children with signed consent forms.

What will happen: With your signed permission, your child can have a free dental check at school. It will be a simple dental assessment and you will be given a written result and details of how to access dental care if needed.

What do I need to do: A permission note has been sent home with each child. Please state if you do or do not wish for your child to have a dental check, complete all information on the permission slip and return to the school office.

Birth Certificates

- Applications for Birth certificates can be completed in a number of ways.
- They can be completed via online or paper form.
- If financial hardship is an issue, a cover letter/ statement will need to be done by the person applying. It will need to be attached and state why they are needing the Birth certificate and cannot purchase it.
- Also if the person applying has no ID what so ever, this must be stated in the cover letter/ statement as well. However whatever ID can be scraped up, such as an atm slip, Medicare card or anything with the customer's name on it should be provided.
- Once the cover letter is completed, complete the birth certificate application and put \$0 in the amount paid.
- All free Birth certificate requests are at the discretion of the Attorney General and cannot be guaranteed approval.
- After advising the customer of these options and providing them with this information, refer them to their nearest Roads and Maritime Service centre or a self-serve computer to apply.

Term 3 Students of the Week



Week 5

Primary Students of the Week-5 Hayley Charlton, Azaria Dargan and Jock Strahorn



PBL Raffle Winners Week -5 Marissa Robinson, Jordyn Logan, Ethan Ryan and Wayne Dargan



Secondary Students of the Week -5 Charlica Schnitger, Jade Gavin, Joseph Dargan, Goran Milinkovic, Ziyu Hao

Week 6



Primary Students of the Week -6 Natalie Davis, Gabrielle Dargan, Amelia Barwick, Lillianna Bendeich, Charlee Beeby



Week 5 Super PBL Raffle Draw Angel Rez, Caleah Charlton, Bayn Schnitger, Sharntelle Schnitger.



Secondary Students of the Week -6

Brendan Dargan, Jada Read, Summah McMaster and Chloe Gould



PBL Raffle Winners Week -6 Goran Milinkovic, Sharntelle Schnitger, Ameila Barwick, and Chloe Gould

Principals Message

Newsletter Week 5 Term 3

Welcome to Michelle Ross who is teaching the 1/2 class. She has settled in well and the students are responding positively.

The Peak Hill Show was sensational. I truly enjoyed the whole day, even the slow wood chop I participated in. The best part was talking to parents and community members and asking a few questions: What do you want the school to look and feel like by the end of 2020. If I didn't see you at the show please feel free to contact the office and provide those answers as I am currently in school planning mode.

Congratulations to all the students that participated in sporting teams for the NSW Central School State Finals. We had lawn bowlers, touch footballers and rugby league teams totalling five teams. Fantastic effort congratulations to students and staff involved. Malachi Dart was named player of the tournament in Rugby League.

Well done to our Year 12 students who recently completed trial HSC exams. Stressful time but nice to see the kids still smiling and reminding me that they have less than 20 school days left.

LMBR: We go live on Monday 4 September, massive thanks to Tanya and Barb who have been doing the training and we would appreciate if you could give the office some breathing room during week 8 to learn the new system.

The school executive is currently spending time developing our school plan for 2018 – 2020 and also looking to fill permanent staffing positions. This will add consistency for the staff but more importantly the students.

Lastly happy Father's day for the weekend and all the very best to the Peak Hill Roosters against Cargo Blue Heelers, one win away from the grand final.

Scott Olsson

Principal



WAGNANHABULBUL

"Dance Together"

This cultural Dance group brings culture to young and old through Dance, Song and Language.

Families come along and join in the fun with Ochre face painting and cultural dancing.

Presented by Jacqueline Read, Steven T aylor and Warren Williams.

Date: 1 September

Time: 12:30pm to 2pm

Location: Peak Hill Central School

Bring: Black Lap Lap for boys

Black tights and black shirt for girls

Show Time 2017



IN THE PAVILION



ACTION AROUND THE GROUND



Work Opportunities



Job Opportunities

Student Learning Support Officer (SLSO)

School learning support officers, under the supervision and direction of a teacher, assist in classroom activities, school routines, and the care and management of students with special needs.

The role includes assisting teachers in the school and community to:

- implement individual learning programs
- Assist students in individual and group situations in specific learning areas
- Assist staff to prepare basic curriculum support resources
- Provide opportunities for students to develop personal, social, independent, living and pre-vocational skills
- Attend to the personal care needs of students
- Operate audio-visual aids, duplicating, issuing learning materials and clerical duties

Selection Criteria

- Experience working with children
- Capacity to work collegially with staff to implement learning strategies to support students in their learning
- Capacity to communicate effectively with all members of the school community including students, staff and parents/caregivers.

Applications should address the selection criteria with two references and be addressed to the Principal.

The successful applicant MUST have:

- Current Working With Children Check (WWCC)
- Current Anaphylaxis Training

Applications Close Friday 8 September

Electrical Apprenticeship.

Do you know someone who is interested in completing an electrical trade qualification in regional NSW?

Essential Energy is committed to providing exciting and challenging career opportunities across regional New South Wales. We work to give men and women the skills and training they need to establish a foundation for rewarding employment and career development in the communities in which they live and work, and in which we operate.

Advertising for our 2018 Apprentice intake starts **Friday, 18 August 2017**, and applications close 12pm (AEST) **Friday, 8 September 2017**.

Essential Energy is committed to building a culturally diverse and inclusive workplace and strongly encourages applicants to apply regardless of gender, age, sexual orientation or disability. As an organisation, our aim is to champion inclusivity in the workplace and celebrate the difference in all our employees.

For further information and details including apprenticeship locations, and to apply, please visit our website: www.essentialenergy.com.au/apprenticeships. Please make sure you watch the videos of our current apprentices: www.youtube.com/essentialenergytv

If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact Essential Energy Careers on 1800 22 00 66, and select Option 3 or email careers@essentialenergy.com.au

Show Photos



Turramurra School Band Visits Peak Hill



Turramurra High School Band recently visited Peak Hill Central. Our students were given a wonderful performance in the school hall. What a wonderful experience for our students and the touring musicians.



School Attendance

What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.



My child won't go to school. What should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and Communities may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Cheese Making for the Show



A big thank you to our local cheese maker Cathy Goodwin who gave a whole day of her time to teach our students the fine art of cheese making.

Interested secondary students were able to attend the master class in and then enter the successful products into the local show.

What a wonderful opportunity these student were given to extend their culinary skills.

