8 August 2014

From the Principal

New Principal

As most of you would know, I have been relieving in the Principal’s chair until a permanent replacement could be found. We received word recently that Mr Terry Vallis will be starting his tenure at GRC Peakhurst at the beginning of Term 4 this year. Mr Vallis comes to this position as a respected educator and school leader and is currently Principal of James Cook Boys' Technology High School.

New Hall/Outdoor Courts

Works have now been completed on the outdoor areas of our school’s transformation. Two new multipurpose courts, recreational seating, landscaping and covered walkways now adorn our southern boundary.

Working Bee

The P&C have organised a working bee to be held on Sunday 10 August from 8.00 to 12.00pm. Most of the work will be planting and mulching our gardens, with some minor clearing work.

This will be our last chance to clean-up the grounds before our 50th Anniversary celebrations so we would really appreciate your help if you can spare some time on this day.

Primary Links

Earlier this year, a dedicated group of teachers from GRC Peakhurst met with staff from Lugarno, Peakhurst, Peakhurst West and Peakhurst South Public Schools to investigate opportunities to facilitate transition, improve teaching and learning and enhance community relationships with our Partner Primary School students, teachers and parents.

Ms Whiley has been coordinating our ‘Primary Links’ program throughout the year, establishing a number of shared activities.

- GRC Peakhurst, Physical Activities and Sports Science (PASS) students have assisted staff from Lugarno and Peakhurst Primary Schools to manage their athletics carnivals.
- Our SRC are establishing mentoring relationships with the Primary SRC’s.
- Our very successful debating teams are developing coaching teams to tutor Primary school debaters.
- The music staff at GRC Peakhurst have established links to primary school bands to provide mentoring and performance opportunities.

- Peakability, our gifted and talented dance program for primary students is thriving and achieving success in competitions.
- A ‘GRIN’ program has been developed for primary students to attend a series of workshops at GRC Peakhurst on Robotics, Visual Arts and Food Technology. Utilising our staff, students and facilities.
- A transition program is being finalised for all students attending GRC Peakhurst Campus in 2015

Mural

In previous newsletters I have highlighted the work of our students, our CAPA staff and professional artist, Gabrielle Somers in producing a magnificent mural. This mural is now proudly displayed on the outside of F Block facing Isaac Street. Please take the time to view this masterpiece of art, cooperation and organisation.

Speak-Up

On Monday 21st July, three of our students were accompanied by Ms Seinor to State Parliament House to participate in the third annual Speak-Up forum. This program is designed to give Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) students a forum to showcase their public speaking skills and 36 ATSI students from twelve public schools in the Sydney area were involved.

Each student presented a prepared speech on a topic which inspired their passion and then demonstrated further skills by participating in the impromptu speaking competition. Each was given five minutes to prepare a short speech on the topic: “Goals”

Our students and their topics:

Lily Ernst Yr 7
SUBJECT: My Idol

Tallis Brown Yr 7:
SUBJECT: SPORT

Violet Craven Miller Yr 8
SUBJECT: “You are not alone”

All our students delivered formidable performances and were great ambassadors for our school. Thanks to Michelle Seinor for her work in preparing and mentoring these students and a special congratulations to Tallis Brown for winning the competition and Violet Craven-Miller for coming a close second.

Parents and Cars

I would ask that parents dropping off or picking up their children please use the Samuel street entrance as much as possible.
Cars entering, leaving and turning at the front gate in Rona street are causing a safety and congestion concern.

Last week a student was taken to hospital after being struck by a car at the Rona street entrance.

**DO NOT DRIVE INTO THE RONA STREET ENTRANCE TO DROP OFF YOUR CHILDREN.**

Samuel Street provides more parking and a designated drop off and pick up zone outside the gate.

### 50th Anniversary Sponsorship

This year Georges River College Peakhurst Campus formerly Peakhurst High School is celebrating its 50th year in serving our local community. There are many hundreds of families who have been positively impacted through the work of our school and we are proud of our current and former students and staff for all they have achieved. We are also grateful to our local business community for all the support they have afforded our school over the years.

We would love to give you the opportunity to help us celebrate our fifty years. We are hosting a number of key events in the last week of August including an Art Exhibition, Performance Night and Gala Day. These events obviously cost something to host and we would certainly be happy to have you show your support by sponsoring our celebrations in some way.

All our sponsors will be mentioned on our Gala Day Event on Saturday August 30th, on our website and in other ways.

*(Details in the Sponsorship Matrix placed at the bottom of this newsletter)*

We have the following sponsorship packages available:

- **Gold Sponsorship:** $500.00 - $1000.00
- **Silver Sponsorship:** $100.00 - $499.00

Should you wish to take up this opportunity and would like a copy of our sponsorship information then please don’t hesitate to contact Pru Hudson on 9153 9966 or 9153 7495.

### Contact Details for Reunions

A number of reunions have been organised by past students.

- **Contact details for ‘64 to ‘69 students.**
  - Reunion at Padstow RSL, Saturday 30th August
  - Leonie Gaulton, Ph: 9772-3009
  - Mobile: 0415-559-521
  - Email: phs.schoolies@gmail.com

- **Contact details for ‘70s and ‘80s students.**
  - Reunion at Oatley RSL, Saturday 30th August
  - Ann McColl Mobile: 0405 383 757
  - Email: sassycat_au@hotmail.com

*Neale Harries*

**Principal (Rel)**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

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### Year 7 Advisors Report

It has been great to see Year 7 working hard and engaging in all lessons. The term is going by very quickly. Remember Year 7 it is important to set goals for yourself and have a plan of what you want to achieve this term.

### Half Yearly Reports

It was great to read each report and identify the effort that most students have put into their studies. It is now time to take note of your teacher’s advice and make changes to your study patterns and attitude if needed.

*James Cooper*

**Year 7 Advisor**

### YEAR 10 Advisors Report

Year 10 have had a very busy start to the term. It has been fantastic to see so many students involved in the academic and extracurricular initiatives offered to students. I hope that students found the subject selection evenings held at the Oatley Campus helpful and informative. If students have any questions or require further advice they are encouraged to speak with the Careers Advisor, their classroom teachers or myself.

### Year 10 YAP Session - Wired

A reminder that all Year 10 students will participate in a YAP session presented by Brainstorm Productions later this month. An information note went home with students at the beginning of the term. *(Please see side panel under forms and documents)*

**Date:** Friday 22nd August 2014  
**Time:** Period One  
**Venue:** School Hall
Cost: $6 payable to the front office no later than Monday 11th August 2014.

Year 10 Formal
Please continue to make regular contributions to your formal account at the front office. Preparations for this exciting evening are moving very quickly. Congratulations to the following students who have successfully applied to be on the Formal Committee:

- Mikayla Aguis-Lovehill
- Danielle Dao
- Rebecca Lai
- Tiffany Li
- Rebecca Maltby
- Yasmin Nikro
- Danielle Walton

Peakhurst Campus App
I encourage all Year 10 students and parents to download the Peakhurst Campus App from the iTunes store. This App is an excellent method of communication between the school and our families.

Elise Whitey
Year 10 Student Advisor

From the Mathematics and Computing Faculty

Year 8 Pi Day
Pi Approximation Day is held annually on the 22nd July to celebrate the many uses and mysteries of circles and the mathematical constant Pi. Due to Parent Teacher Night being held on this date, this year GRC Peakhurst celebrated Pi Day with Year 8 on Friday 18th July 2014.

The day comprised of faculty sessions and carnival activities, followed by a timed pie eating competition and pi recitals.

I would like to congratulate each Year 8 student involved for their outstanding behaviour on the day and for the respect and gratitude they showed towards each of their teachers.

Students worthy of special mention are:

- Justin Stamios for reciting Pi to 14 decimal places,
- Felix Chen for reciting Pi to 26 decimal places,
- Brennan Head for reciting Pi to 56 decimal places and
- Thomas Cheah for reciting Pi to 122 decimal places.

- Jacob Turner for guessing the closest number of lollies in the lolly jar. His guess of 617 was only a few lollies short of the grand total of 628.
- Stelios Gletos for his efforts in the Pie Eating Competition, managing to eat 3 mini meat pies and one apple pie … without using his hands in two minutes!

- Carmen Antonaz and Anfu Huang for taking the time with their pi and circle-themed clothing.

A special thank you to all the staff involved in running faculty Pi Day activities. The day wouldn’t have been possible without your dedication, enthusiasm and support.

Thank you to Ms Eleos and Mrs Talevski (English); Ms Lisa Stodart, Ms Tamang, Mr Sun, Mrs Verma and Ms Knezovic (Maths); Ms Chang and Mrs Sandhu (Science); Ms Hamilton and Mr Lim (HSIE); Mr Miller and Mr Haydar (PDHPE); Mrs Giles and Ms Willis (TAS); Ms Walton and Ms Seinor (CAPA) and Mrs Favuzzi (Languages).

Please click on the links below to view the photo gallery and pi recitals.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ier3_J-9oZw

Mathletics Achievement Awards
As part of the implementation of our Mathematics curriculum, each student across Years 7 to 10 is provided with a user name and password to access Mathletics. Class teachers set tasks to help students bridge any gaps in their knowledge, reinforce concepts taught during lessons and revise in preparation for assessment tasks.

To be eligible for a Mathletics Achievement Award, students must master the activities set. This means that they need to attain a score equal to or greater than 85% for each task.

The following three students have been identified as the top three Mathletics users at our school.

Congratulations to:

- Irene Katsadima (Year 8)
- Daniel Shiu (Year 8)
- Hamish McLeod (Year 9)

ICAS Computer Skills Competition
A small number of students participated in the ICAS Computer Skills Competition this year. Particular commendation needs to go to the following on their excellent achievement:

- Nathan Osborne (Year 8) Merit
- Julius Nesevski (Year 8 Credit
- Domenico Logozzo (Year 9) Merit
- Jai Ghorpade (Year 10) Distinction
- Andrew Robb (Year 10) Distinction

Christine Keir
Head Teacher Mathematics/Computing
From the Special Education Faculty

Welcome to Term 3!

Term 3 is all Go, Go, Go! It is also a very cold term so please make sure your child’s jumpers and jackets are labelled. If they are too unwell to attend school, they need to bring in a sick note when they return. Also please inform the driver if they are on transport.

This term we have a variety of students involved in an assortment of programs. Work Experience, started on Wednesday last week at the chocolate factory. Roger, Leo, William, Cameron, Mohammed and Nicholas all did a fantastic job and can’t wait to go again. Well done, boys! Enclave begins in Week 5. Cameron and Eva are participating in this program at Coles this semester.

This term for Friday sport, we are participating in Muay Thai. The students thoroughly enjoyed our first session and are looking forward to going again this week. An article and photos will appear in the next Peak edition.

Last Friday we competed in the inter-school state bocce knockout competition. All the students showed great sportsmanship and team spirit. Unfortunately we came fourth, so we are ‘knocked out’ more photos on our web page.

Last Thursday we had our first ever clinic with doctors from Kogarah Diagnostic Centre in attendance. Thank you to the parents who made themselves available and a huge thanks to Mrs. Tsekas for all her organising!

Rehearsals and costume fittings are well under way for this year’s Peakform. So if your child is dancing around or singing ‘Boom, Boom’ by Justice Crew, that’s why. Don’t forget Friday night 29th August in our new hall!

Have a great term!

Peta Holm
Rel. Head Teacher
Special Education Faculty

Kinderama Excursion

In the second last week of Term 2, Year 10 Child Studies visited Kinderama Childcare Centre at Kirrawee. The purpose of the visit was to give students a realistic experience in conjunction with the current unit of work- Child Care Services and Career Opportunities. Students were split into groups and were able to see a range of different rooms in operation. They were able to make observations about how the childcare centre functioned and ask questions of the teachers. Students were then able to interact with the children and join in their fun and games. Information gained on this excursion was used to complete the associated assessment task. We thank the staff at Kinderama Kirrawee for this fabulous experience and look forward to a return visit in the future. Thank you also to Year 10 for their excellent behaviour and for being wonderful ambassadors for Georges River College Peakhurst.

Ms Kristy Willis
TAS faculty

Year 9 Child Studies excursion to St George Hospital 2014

On Tuesday 15th July, 2014 Year 9 Child Studies students attended their annual excursion to St George Public Hospital to tour the maternity ward. This is an invaluable experience for students as they experience life in the “real world”. Students were able to venture into various areas of the maternity and children’s ward being involved in bathing a baby for the first time, breast feeding demonstrations by lactating nurses and even experience a birthing suite immediately after a delivery to see what a placenta and umbilical cord look like.

From the TAS Faculty

Year 7 Technology students have recently completed their Bread Based Snack assessment task. Students were required to design a healthy snack food that incorporated the use of bread. It needed to appeal to teenagers and be suitable for sale at the school canteen. We were particularly impressed with the creative solutions produced by students this term. Products included bruschetta bread, bread tartlets, pizzas, gyros and gourmet sandwiches and wraps. They were well presented and packaged appropriately. Congratulations for all of your hard work Year 7.

All students commented that they found the excursion very interesting and learnt a great deal. Look out as we have the new wave of budding midwives in our midsts!!
We’d also like to thank St George Hospital for making it possible for our ongoing community visits.

**Michelle Seidel**  
*Child Studies teacher*

**From the PDHPE Faculty**

**Swans Cup - AFL**

GRC Peakhurst Campus’ under 16 years boys AFL team progressed through to the regional round of the Swans Cup based on their success at the zone level. The team departed very early on the 24th July and made the journey out to Macquarie University. Whilst the boys unfortunately didn’t progress through to the state competition to be held in Newcastle, they gained valuable skills in the sport of AFL. What is important to note is that only 2 members of the squad play AFL regularly out of school. We competed against schools such as Epping Boys, Port Hacking and Edmund Rice College so to progress as far as we did is an outstanding achievement! Looking forward to coaching you again soon, gentlemen! You were a team filled with commendable sportsmanship and determination!

*Elise Whiley*  
*AFL Coach*

**CHS Gymnastics**

News hot off the press! Congratulations to Rebecca Faysal (7M) and Jazmin Hunt (7M) who competed at CHS Gymnastics in Newcastle on Tuesday 5th August. Both girls placed 1st in the state in their respective levels. The girls had to compete against students from Year 7 to 12, so this result is phenomenal! GRC Peakhurst is SO PROUD of you ladies!! Well done!

*Elise Whiley*  
*Gymnastics Coach*

Two Dance teams consisting of 21 students from GRC Peakhurst have been invited to the National Championships for Dance Star, after both received first place at the State Championships with outstanding scores. This event will take place on the Gold Coast on August 9th and 10th and we wish all of those involved the best of luck. We are very proud to have so many students represent GRC Peakhurst Campus at a National level and look forward to the event, we know they will aim for excellence and enjoy themselves regardless of the result.

We would like to extend a big thank you to our committed students who have volunteered to raise funds by selling chocolates. Earlier on in the year we were able to purchase training singlets for our aerobics teams and more recently representative jackets for our National Dance Star teams and a mini portable sound system. Looking towards the future, the fundraising will assist in acquiring new and updating old resources for the benefit of all GRC Peakhurst students.

**Mardi Crammond & Ashly Johnston**  
*Dance Coordinators*

Lauren Manners, Rebecca Lai, Lachlan Yuen, Rebecca Maltby and Isabella Russell showcasing the aerobics training singlets and the National representative jackets purchased through the fundraising drive.

**SRC News**

The SRC have been working hard on Leadership Camp (Year 10 training sessions), contacting ex-students for our school’s 50th Anniversary as well as preparing for an SRC mentoring day being held at our school on Tuesday 19th August with local primary schools.

A reminder for all SRC as well as those additional students selected to attend Leadership Camp this year (Wednesday 10th-Friday 12th September) that all payment needs to be finalised ASAP in order to secure your position at camp.

Have a great term 3!!

*Lauren Osmond*  
*SRC Coordinator*

**WELFARE REPORT**

**Excursions and activities**

Welcome to a busy Term 3 for all students and their parents. This term we saw the completion of a whole school approach to study skills.
Year 8 took part in this one hour program on the 16th of July. This now means that all Years have completed this beneficial program which included the following topics:

- goal setting
- effective studying techniques
- getting organised
- planning and time management
- creating a homework planner
- creating an assessment chart

The programs aim is to help our students understand how to study and why it is so important throughout their education at GRC Peakhurst and beyond. I would like to thank the two presenters from YouthZone Hurstville, Tracy Sii and Janet McEwen for giving up their time to present the program to all of our students from Years 7-10 this year. We want our students to succeed in their assessments and aim for excellence throughout the year and beyond.

Jumpstart Report

Towards the end of Term 2, 11 selected girls completed the Jumpstart program which ran for four weeks from 4th June – 25th June. During these sessions the girls engaged in many worthwhile activities which included the following:

- stress and time management
- study skills
- building self-esteem
- body image
- healthy relationships

The last session of the course was an excursion to Youth Zone in Treacy Street Hurstville on Wednesday 25th of June. Students had a wonderful engaging session with special guest speaker Karen Lambert, who is a social worker at St George Hospital. She ran a workshop on Healthy Relationships. I would like to thank Traci Sii and Janet McEwen from Youth Zone for working with our fantastic students.

Congratulations to the following 11 Year 9 Students for completing this worthwhile program.

1. Kaitlin Andrews
2. Gemma Barlow
3. Kimberly Chignell
4. Maddison Bladen
5. Marie Elias
6. Alyssa Hill
7. Belinda Macaluso
8. Olivia Mirfin
9. Aquila Peters
10. Talei Holmes
11. Tiana McLennan

REWARDS EXCURSION REPORT

On Friday 20th of June, Ms Favuzzi, Mr Cooper and myself accompanied 62 students into the city as a reward for their achievement in reaching Gold, Silver and Bronze levels, in our Welfare system. I wish to congratulate the following students for excellent behaviour on the day and great sportsmanship. Also thank you to Angelica and Erica for writing the following report on the day.

REWARDS EXCURSION REPORT – Kingpin Bowling

On the 20th of June this year, the students who have reached the Welfare level of Gold, Silver or Bronze were invited to attend Kingpin Bowling in Darling Harbour.

We first met at 9am and caught the train from Mortdale station to Town Hall then walked to Darling Harbour to find Kingpin Bowling centre. We then got split into 3 groups then rotated between Bowling, Unlimited Arcade Games and 2 games of Laser Skirmish. We all had sweat dripping down our cheeks and very big smiles on our faces we won many prizes and had tons of fun!!!!!!!!

After all the excitement we were starving and the teachers took us to the food court in Darling Harbour where we ate from a variety of food outlets such as McDonalds, KFC, Oporto and Sushi just to name a few. Then it was time to head back to Mortdale station all very tired with many stories to tell our friends about our amazing excursion. We would like to thank Ms Walton for organising the rewards program and thank Mr Cooper and Ms Favuzzi for making this day possible.

From Angelica Esdaile-Watts and Erica O’Brien Year 8

Thank you
Michelle Walton
HT Student Welfare

From the Creative & Performing Arts Faculty

Visual Arts Report

All classes from Year 7-10 have been very busy completing all artworks for our annual art exhibition ‘Peakview’ as part of our schools 50th Anniversary. Students have been producing various works and using different art mediums such as paintings on canvas and paper, clay, found objects, Claymation and wet and digital photography. We look forward to seeing you all at the opening of Peakview on the 28th August.

I will know leave you with a report from a couple of students who recently took part in a Year 7 Gifted and Talented day.

Michelle Walton
**YEAR 7 GAT DAY VISUAL ARTS**

On Monday the 28th July, 35 hand-picked students from Year 7 were invited to participate in the Year 7 Gifted and Talented Day! The day’s activities consisting of black and white darkroom Photography where we produced Photograms with Ms Seinor, Visual Design consisting of Screen painting our names onto calico bags with Ms Bell and Impressionism painting with Ms Gribble. Each of these activities was chosen to challenge our artistic abilities. A selected few of these artworks will be displayed at the 50th Anniversary Peak view. We all had a wonderful time and we will remember this forever! A big thankyou to our art teachers for giving us this opportunity.

*By Kirsten Beccaris and Jack Appleby*

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**PHOTOGRAPHY AND DIGITAL MEDIA**

Year 9 and 10 Photography and Digital Media classes have been very busy this term working on a number of assessment tasks and completing work for our annual exhibition ‘Peakview’ which will be held in the Library on Thursday night 28th August as part of our 50TH Anniversary celebrations.

We have been very proud of our classes so far and look forward to seeing their photographs on display later on in the term.

Here are the Year 9 excursion reports.

*Michele Walton*

**Photography Excursion**

Year 9 and 10 Photography and Digital Media classes were lucky enough to be taken into the city on Thursday 24th July. Both classes met Ms Walton and Ms Seinor at Mortdale Station at 9am armed with a selection of cameras, camera batteries, memory cards and camera bags along with plenty of snacks to get through a long day of photographing for our assessment tasks. We arrived to Town Hall Station at approximately 10am and travelled to iconic places in the City of Sydney including – QVB, Strand Arcade and Circular Quay. At these locations we took artistic photographs taking into special consideration what makes an interesting image and played around with – different angles, lines, textures, viewpoints, structure and shadow. All these images will be used as part of our next assessment task. Our favourite part of the trip would have been sitting on the Sydney Opera House steps and taking photos of the most amazing views. Overall, it was a brilliant day and both Year 9 and 10 students really enjoyed it. We would like to thank our teachers Ms Seinor and Ms Walton for organising the excursion.

*By Fletcher Hall, Layla Patel and Anthea Tomaras.*

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**Year 10 Photography report**

Year 10 Photography and Digital Media class has been working extremely hard on a number of assessment tasks so far this year. Their latest task on the topic – ‘People and Places’ demonstrated their amazing skills they have learnt using the program Photoshop and the use of the DSLR camera. Each student produced a Body of Work consisting of 6 photographs of themselves, other people, places they have visited as well as everyday objects. I would like to commend each and every student in the class for presenting outstanding work and being successful in completing this assessment.

I will leave you with a report from a few of our talented PDM students –

*The Year 10 Photography and Digital Media class was assigned an assessment task which was to create a Body of Work (BOW) consisting of 6 photos using Photoshop techniques that we have previously learnt about in class. Our aim was to transform and manipulate our images to look like an optical illusion.*

This task was very fun to do, and it was very interesting to see everyone’s ideas. It was very exciting to make our own photos the way we wanted and presenting our BOW to the class and talk about new techniques and skills we learnt.

This year Photoshop was a new program most of us have never used before and the photos we all come up with were very impressive. Some Photoshop illusion techniques used in this task were multiple exposure, dispersion, multiplicity, levitation, fruit float, bit and the invisible man.

*By James Gray, Tiffany Lai and Danielle Dao*

On a sad note the class said goodbye to an exchange student Carlotta ( Carly) Wolfram from Germany last term. Carly joined the class with very little knowledge of Digital Photography or Photoshop. She gained and refined new skills in this art form producing outstanding work both practical and theoretical and fitted into the class dynamics extremely well. We are all sad to see her return to Germany this term and have really appreciated getting to know her and wish her all the best in her future endeavours. (I know a few of her close friends here are saving already to visit her soon in her home country of Germany).

*Here is her report on her experience at GRC Peakhurst –*

*Michele Walton*
Carly’s experience at Peakhurst

I have been attending GRC Peakhurst for two terms and gained heaps of wonderful experiences as an exchange student! First of all, I found great friends here who showed me the ‘Aussie’ way of life and helped me in the school whenever I needed help!

All the students at this school were extremely nice, open and interested. I got involved in heaps of things happening around the school such as the Year 7 Camp and Crazy Hair Day and totally enjoyed it! It was a great opportunity for me to experience school in Australia. I also got to choose Photography and Digital Media as an elective and learned how to use a DSLR camera and learn how to work the computer program Photoshop which was a special pleasure and new experience!

I wish the school and most of all its students the best for the future!

Thanks for the great times and memories you have given me at GRC Peakhurst! I will miss you!

Carlotta Wolfram (Year 10) from Germany

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION NEWS

On Friday 18 July our Aboriginal Students were invited to attend the NAIDOC assembly at Penshurst Girls as guest speakers. The students Tallis Brown, Lily Ernst and Violet Craven Miller all attended giving a presentation on this year’s NAIDOC theme which was Honouring our Countrymen.

On Monday the 21 July three students accompanied Michelle Seinor to State Parliament House to participate again in this year’s speak-up Forum. Tallis Brown was the winner for the completion with Violet Craven Miller coming second. These students were required to deliver an impromptu speech Lily Ernst although not placing also did a fantastic job.

Further to the Speak Up our students have now been invited BY THE Aboriginal Education team and the Education Director to be the Emcee’s for the upcoming Primary School Yarn up forum which will be held at Parliament House on 25 August.

Michelle Seinor
Aboriginal Education Coordinator
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qfeMu8JmGb0

Tallis Brown and Lily Ernst presenting their poem for NAIDOC Assembly at Penshurst Girls

Information for schoolgirls in Years 7 & 9 and their parents

The National Self-Detection Program for ADOLESCENT SCOLIOSIS SPINAL CURVATURE

Brochures have been issued to all girls in Years & & 9 about a health promotion program recommended by the Spine Society of Australia and Doctors.

Early detection of scoliosis is important for a healthy future.

If you didn’t received this brochure it can be downloaded from website www.scoliosis-australia.org

Please contact Ms Jenny Jarman (Girls’ Supervisor) if you have any queries.

GRC Peakhurst Campus App

Our very own GRC Peakhurst Campus iPhone App is finally available for download from the Apple App Store.

Go to the Apple App Store and search for ‘Peakhurst Campus’ to download it today. It’s free!

Once installed, you will be able to receive the latest news, newsletters and push notifications from GRC Peakhurst Campus.

One of the key features of our app is the ability for us to send you alerts directly to your smart phone. You can customise your app experience by choosing which content within your app you wish to receive as a push notification simply by clicking on
'More', followed by 'Setup' and then selecting which year group information you'd like to receive.

We are trialling this app for 30 days. Depending on the response from parents, students and staff, we will hopefully have an android version ready for download from the Google Play Store by the end of this month.

Please visit the school website and click on the video below for more information.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N3VrBXBNR7M

If you have any questions, queries or comments, please don’t hesitate to contact me at the school.

Christine Keir
Head Teacher Mathematics/Computing

GALA DAY CELEBRATIONS
SATURDAY AUGUST 30th, 2014
10am - 4pm

The 50th Anniversary Celebrations are well under way here at Peakhurst..... People are being linked up on our Facebook page and planning is underway for our primary celebration weekend which includes our premier performance event Peakform and our special Gala Day which will be held mid-way through term three. Make sure that you mark down the date in your calendar and make it a priority to be there to celebrate the 50th year of teaching in our School! There will be rides for the kids (as well as the big kids), amazing stalls, food, animals (real ones...) and a vast array of entertainment across the whole day.

We are also excited to be hosting our annual art exhibition Peakview across the Friday and Saturday of our Celebration weekend and will also have a special museum of memorabilia set up in the school where you can go and find some of the old photos, equipment and other interesting items.

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The Benefits of Sponsorship

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Acknowledgement of your generous support by the MC at the official ceremony on the Gala Day

Schedule for GALA DAY

Peakhurst High School/Georges River College
Peakhurst Campus
50th Anniversary
Gala Day Schedule
Saturday 30th August 2014

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