

Penshurst Public School Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Save Sight Project

Each year, Lions Australia, coordinates the Save Sight project at Penshurst Public School. This project seeks to assist the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of anomalies and diseases of the eye that may inhibit the vision of our students and hence their level of participation and engagement at school.

With the assistance of qualified optometrists, who have volunteered their time to this project, students in Kindergarten underwent non-invasive vision tests. The results of these tests would indicate if further investigation would be required by a qualified optometrist/ophthalmologist. I want to take this opportunity to thank Lions Australia for their organisation of this event as well as the volunteer optometrists and their employers (Spec Savers – Hurstville, Perfections In Sight, Stephen Daly Optometrists) for enabling this program to happen. I want to specifically thank John and Lesley Craig from Lions Australia for all their hard work and commitment with this cause.

National Young Leaders Day

Last Monday, Mrs West and I had the pleasure of taking our school leaders to the National Young Leaders Day at Allphones Arena in Homebush. This annual event, is hosted by the Halogen Foundation with guest speakers and community leaders that included Andrew Scipione (NSW Commissioner of Police), Ben Austin OAM (Paralympian), Nathan 'Dubby' Want (Youth Speaker), Leticia Lentini (Google Event Magician) and Scott Tweedie (TV and Radio Presenter). The theme this year was "Master the Little". Here are a few responses from our own young leaders:

What I really enjoyed about National Young Leaders Day was when they convinced you of how you can do anything and achieve anything**Jonathon**

On Monday, the leadership team and I went to the Allphones Arena for "The Young Leaders Day". We met all kinds of leaders and they told us the importance of leadership and to master the little items first. We had a lot of fun and learnt lots of leadership skills so now I know how to be a good leader......**Jayme**

We learnt a lot about being a leader and met leaders of today. My favourite part was when we met ABC3 television presenter Scott Tweedie because I love his series of prank patrol......**Jashan**

What I learnt at Young Leaders Day is if I want to do well at anything, I need to practice the little things. It might take a

Coming Events for Term 1, 2016

Week 7

Monday 7 th March	Milo In2 Cricket skills K-2 9-12.20pm PSSA District Football trials
Tuesday 8 th March	Milo In2 Cricket skills 3-6 9-1.10pm
Friday 11 th March	PSSA Season 1, Round 4

Week 8

Monday 14 th March	Milo In2 Cricket skills K-2 9-12.20pm
Tuesday 15 th March	Milo In2 Cricket skills 3-6 9-1.10pm
Thursday 17 th March	SRC Training Day
Friday 18 th March	PSSA Season 1, Round 5

Week 9

Monday 21 st March	PSSA District girls and boys cricket trials
Wednesday 23 rd March	Outreach
Thursday 24 th March	K-2 Easter hat parade Harmony Day Community Concert
Friday 25 th March	Public Holiday – Good Friday

Week 10

Monday 28 th March	Public Holiday – Easter Monday
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long time but if I stick to something, eventually I will achieve big things.**George**

The leadership team went to the National Young Leaders Day on Monday. We met lots of people like Nathan Want, aka Dubby, Andrew Scipione, Paralympian Ben Austin and Scott Tweedie and those were just some of the people we met. We learnt that leadership skills are one of the most important skills to have and you have to 'Master the Little' first......**Samantha**

This was an awesome experience. We learnt what life was like for other leaders, including Dubby and Ben......**Adree**



Value of the month: Doing your best – Do your best to learn and participate

*I enjoyed listening to other leaders such as the leader for the police force. Also, I was inspired by the champion swimmer who had a disability with one arm, and how he could be so successful! I didn't expect to see famous and well known people on this day. I found it hard to hear at times but I had a good day and learnt special skills on how to be a good leader.....***Hamzah**

P&C Welcome Disco

The P&C hosted a Welcome Disco to celebrate the beginning of another school year and to welcome any new faces, including our Kindergarten students and families, to the Penshurst Public School family. Thank you to everyone, including our teachers, who attended in support of this P&C event and a HUGE thank you to the P&C committee and volunteers for making the disco a very enjoyable event.



School Photos

Our school photos are scheduled for Tuesday 29th March 2016. As in previous years, Advancedlife Photography will be taking individual/ class/ family/ group photos on the day. Envelopes, for order and payment, will be sent out to all families in the next fortnight.

Parent Network Meeting

Last year, I conducted a survey regarding the school uniform. I will be hosting a Parent Network Meeting on Friday 1st April to discuss the findings as well as future directions. This meeting will occur in the library, starting at 9.00am and concluding at about 10.00am. A reminder will be sent out to all families in the near future. I look forward to seeing you at this meeting.

Jeff Lie
Principal

Notes you should have noticed

Sent Out	Subject	Students Involved	Response Due By
Week 5	Harmony Day Concert	Kindergarten –Year 6	14 th March
Week 5	Harmony Day incursion	Kindergarten –Year 6	24 th March
Week 7	High School Application forms – information afternoon	Year 6	N/A

Chess Coaching Classes Term 2 – 2016

Sydney Academy of Chess will be running chess coaching / chess club after school on Thursday afternoons during Term 2 for students in Years 3-6, if there are enough children to do it.

Chess coaching lessons will begin in Week 1, Term 2 (Thursday April 28th) until Week 9 (Thursday 23rd June). A note will be sent home soon.

Mrs Angeli

District Swimming Carnival

On Thursday 25th February, 2016, 26 students from our school competed in the Georges River District Swimming Carnival at Roselands Aquatic Leisure Centre. All students were outstanding representatives of our school and competed to the best of their ability. Congratulations to all swimmers!



The following student deserves a special mention for his achievements on the day: **Hamzah E, who has qualified to represent our area at Homebush** on Tuesday 15th March 2016. We wish him the best of luck and hope he enjoys the experience!

Once again, a big thank you to all the parents for their help and support on the day

Mrs Marshall, Mr Walker and Mrs Deller

2017 High School Application Forms

A parent/caregiver expression of interest high school form was sent home yesterday, Tuesday 8th March. A meeting is being held on Thursday 10th March 2016 for those of you who require assistance in completing the High School Application form for Year 7, 2017. The meeting will be held in the library between 5:00pm and 5:30pm. Please bring your child's High School Application form to this meeting.

Mrs T Grant
Assistant Principal (relieving)

High School News

Penshurst Girls is providing an additional open morning for any Year 6 parents who were unable to attend the school's open evening 2 weeks ago. The open morning will be held on Monday 14th March at 9.15am.

INFANTS ASSEMBLY AWARDS 2016**VALUE OF THE MONTH (TERM 1 WEEK 5 & 6)**

KE Ashley L., Hirak P.
 KO Kaitlyn S., Aaron S.
 KR Mosese F., William H.
 1L Arya J., Kees H.
 1H Lara H., Sophia S.
 1M Kate F., Ishita R.
 1-2S Aden S., Madison J.
 1-3GH Nicholas A.
 2CK Wheylan S., Maryam H.

SUPERSTAR AWARD (TERM 1 WEEK 5 & 6)

KE Farhan A., Madison M.
 KO Jacob V., Ranya V.
 KR pranathi B.P., Isaiah L.
 1L Bob X., Christian L.
 1H Aayan S., Tiffany Z.
 1M Yassin H., Yorgo N.
 1-2S Maya C., Linn L.
 1-3GH Adrian L.
 2CK Amia R., Evan W.
 2M Anson H.

CLASS OF THE WEEK

Week 5 2M
 Week 6 KO

PRIMARY ASSEMBLY AWARDS 2016**VALUE OF THE MONTH (TERM 1 WEEK 5 & 6)**

3M Andy Z., Roman H.
 3-4J Kittu K., Micheal S.
 3-4T Aliesya E., Callum C.
 3-4W Jarell L., Aydin L.
 4M Carol L., Tiffany K.
 3GH Mohamad A M.
 4-6S Yonghao Z.
 5D Gabriela E., Jessie D.
 5W Ieykhan T., Grace Z.
 6G Jerry C.
 6F Rohan K.

SUPERSTAR AWARD (TERM 1 WEEK 5 & 6)

3M Zuneirah H.
 3-4J Oscar D., Tiffany D.
 3-4T Sigourney S., Ellen F.
 3-4W Zoe S., Zali K.
 4M Nira G.
 3H Kai Qi Y., Mohamad A.
 4-6S Min Sok K., Drew B.
 5D Aavash P., Phillip T A.
 5W Srijan T., Connor Y.
 6G Anam S., Abraham H.
 6F Bernadette T., Juncheng Z.

BOOKWORK AWARD (TERM 1 WEEK 5 & 6)

3M Angela Z., Martha Y.
 3-4J hassani A D., Zita Y.
 3-4T Ropo P., Daniel C.
 3-4W Emily G., Tiffany G.
 5D Jack T.
 5W Katy H., Aditi J.
 6G Alston Z., Jennifer M.
 6F Emelia S.

CLASS OF THE WEEK

Week 5 2-3W
 Week 6 5D

Milo Cricket K-2

