

Penshurst Public School Newsletter

Quality Education in a Caring Environment

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Principal's Message

Education Week

This week, Penshurst Public School celebrated public education and Education Week. As a system and at Penshurst PS, our teachers strive to ensure that all our students, based on equity and excellence, are supported in their development and achievements to become strong, successful and independent members of our greater society.

Our Education Week concert showcased some of the creative talents of our staff and students. The open classrooms also allowed for our parents and caregivers the opportunity to get a glimpse of the work that happens within our classrooms.

Thank you to all our parents and caregivers for attending our concert. I also want to thank our student performers as well. Our public education system would not exist if not for the hard work of all our teachers and school staff. A big thank you to our Education/NAIDOC Week organising committee – Mrs Andreone, Mrs Jackson, Mrs Richmond, Mrs Wenngrenn, Mrs Ong-Ricketts and Ms Medina.



Coming Events for Term 2, 2019

Term 3 Wk 3

Thurs 8th Aug Stage 2 Australian Museum excursion
8am Debate training
Fri 9th Aug PSSA Season 2
3-6 Assembly 12.40pm
Swimming Season 2 Lesson 9

Term 3 Wk 4

Tues 13th Aug Choir Rehearsal CPSMF
Fri 2nd Aug Swimming Season 2 Lesson 10
PSSA Season 2
K-2 Assembly 12.30pm

Term 3 Wk 5

Mon 19th Aug District Athletics Carnival - field



Value of the month: Respect – Treat people and property with respect

NAIDOC

NAIDOC celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. This year's theme is *Voice. Treaty. Truth. Let's work together for a shared future.*

As part of our **NAIDOC Day** celebrations, our school hosted a reptile show called '**Snaketails**' by Performing Company, **Australian Reptile Displays**.

Our students learnt about these reptiles and were able to touch and engage with them too.



Student Assistance

The school understands that families may have difficulty in meeting payments for school events and excursions. Should this be your circumstance and you would still like your child to participate in the school event/excursion, please feel free to arrange a time to see me so we can discuss how we can best support you. This may also include payment instalments or an extended due date for payment.

As circumstances vary across all families, application for financial support will be considered on, and not limited to:

- Family/parenting and work arrangements in the household, e.g. dual vs single income households, level/type of employment
- The number of students in the one family attending the event/excursion, e.g. families with 3 or more children
- The cost of the excursion/event
- Welfare and support arrangements
- Ability to pay via instalments

Premier's Debating Challenge

Our senior debating team recently participated in a debate against Peakhurst Public School, as part of the Premier's Debating Challenge. With the topic of *That primary schools should have compulsory organised sport for every student every lunchtime*, of which Penshurst PS was the affirmative, we won the debate. That makes 4 wins out of 4 rounds against 4 schools. Congratulations to our senior debating team!



Muslim Scripture

Ms Deborah May will be our new teacher for Muslim scripture. She has already shared her excitement and enthusiasm with us.

Please join me in welcoming Ms May to the school.

Mr J Lie

Principal

UNSW English and Mathematics Competition

PPS will be hosting the English Competition (Wednesday 18th September 2019) and the Mathematics Competition (Thursday 19th September 2019) for interested Primary students. The cost will be \$15.95 per competition via online payment, as per note sent home. This needs to be paid no later than **Wednesday, 14th August 2019**.

These competitions now need to be completed online. Your child is asked to bring their own device to school on those days. If this is not possible, we will have a limited number of devices to use. Both competitions will commence on respective days at 3:10pm, concluding at 4:15pm (approximately). You are asked to pick up your child at the PPS site and to be on time as there will be no supervision afterwards.

For more information visit: <https://pay.unswglobal.com.au>

Miss O'Hara (organiser)

Author Visits Reminder

To celebrate Book Week this year and encourage students to read quality literature we have two award winning children's authors visiting our school. James Roy will be visiting week 5 on Thursday 22nd August for Years 3-6 and Jane Godwin will be visiting Week 6 Thursday 29th August for Years K-2. **The cost is \$3.00 per student.** Please sign the permission note that went home with your child and return it to your child's class teacher, with the money or receipt number, before the above dates. The authors will be introducing and talking about their award winning books, inspiring the student's imaginations. This will be a wonderful experience for students to hear firsthand about how writers and illustrators create stories and thus help students with their own writing process.

Mrs Quere

Teacher Librarian

**Infant Assembly Awards
Term 3, Wk 1 & 2**

Super Star Awards

KG	Kristy L, Eva B
KM	Cassandra L, Arthur Y
KR	Kenneth W, Olivia S
IL	Molly W, Benjamin L
IM	Jayden L, Inara R
IO	Jaclyn S, Angie G
1-2H	Christian K, Jenny L
1-2D	Muhammad-Ali A
2KE	Aurora N
2S	Sarah Y, Travis P

STAR Student Awards

KG	Cooper P, Hanzhong Z, Tyler T, Maram H
KM	Jayden P, Kenneth W, Inaya B, Zainab B
KR	Aavash A, Sarika P, Aanya P, Winni X
IL	Aaranyaa S, Louisa N, Ethan H, Miya M
IM	Bruce T, Sabrin N, Sulina G, Aaryav P
IO	Jessica L, Joanna L, Raphael H
1-2D	Hunter L
1-2H	Chloe F, Erina T, Amber S, Smaran K
2KE	Hiya P, Ningyin Z, John L, Jayden X
2S	Yolanda W, Ethan B, Sarin S, Rochelle G

Bronze	Silver	Gold	Medallion
Aaryav P 1M	Damir R 1M	Romisha N 1O	Yehya A 2KE
Filbert L	Muhammad R 1M	Mia L 2KE	Ivan S 2KE
Kasey D 2KE	Brooklyn Z 1M	Yolanda W 2S	Nicole J 1/2H
Aavash A. KR	Yino C 1M	Ayodeji A 2S	
Raisa B 2S	Bidev C 1O	Nicole J. 1/2H	
Subrat B 2S	Deborah S 2KE	Arpan A 1L	
Jenny L. 1/2H	Emily H 2S	Axell C 1L	
Bronze	Silver	Gold	Medallion
Cassandra L KM	Michael M 2S	Emily D 1O	
Aaron L KM	Kelly H 2S		
Ava M	Bonnie Jin 2S		
Zayne A 1/2D	Travis P 2S		
Arya M 1L	Rishabh K. 1/2H		
Martin P KG			
Eva B KG	Aaryahi D. 1/2H		
Srijan Sharma KG	Argen.L 1/2H		
	Vanisha L 1L		
	Rarita P 1L		

**Primary Assembly Awards
Term 2, Wk 1 & 2**

Super Star Awards

3-4D	Kory W, Sarim S, Andrew D, Anvi G, Angelica V, Umar W011
3-4G	Samman B, Justin Z, Jack S, Ethan Y
3-4S	Naisha D
5-6D	Catherine W, William H
5-6G	Mischa L, Maryam H
5-6W	Yul K, David C

STAR Student Awards

3-4D	Ashley L, Yassin H, Layla P, Raaid M, Umar W
3-4G	Kiara S, Kevin H, Nicolette B, Zara S, Aayan S
3-4S	Rishika V, Emma P, Samantha J,
5-6D	Rushil P, Isabelle T, Samragyee B, Daniel C, Joe K, Althea R
5-6G	Matthew G, Tristan H, Kevin L, Cheyenne L, Gabriela M V, Corey N
5-6W	Fidelio L, Chloe R, Zoe S, Oliver W, Krystal L, Ryan C

Bronze	Silver	Gold	Medallion
Mary S 5/6D	Mary S 5/6D	Nesrine G 5/6D	Nesrine G 5/6D
Jerry D 5/6F	Jerry D 5/6F	Rhianna V 5/6G	
Aanya S 5/6F	Isabella C 5/6G		
Norah N 5/6W	Keer Xie 5/6W		
	Issabella X 5/6W		



Sphero Robots

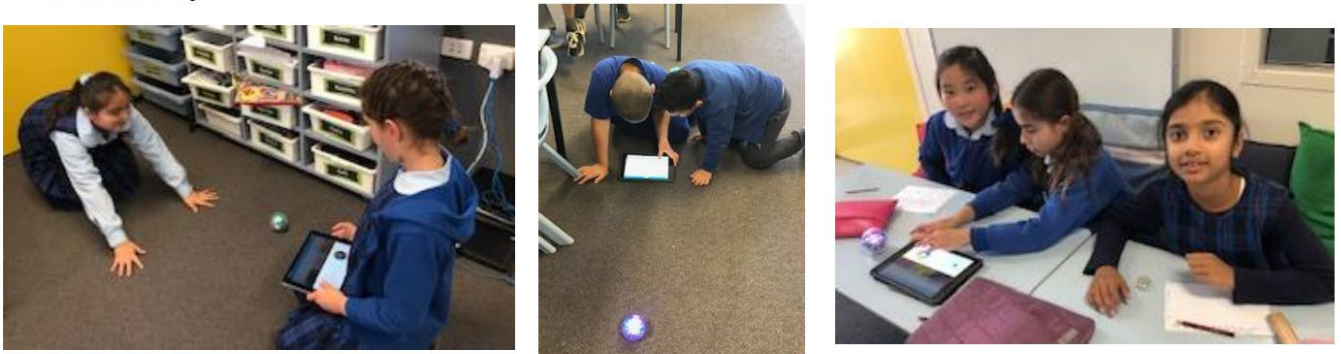
The stage 2 classes have been using robots. 3/4G has the Sphero's. They are small robots that move around. There are different settings that we use to drive it but you have to connect it to a device for it to start. Before you start driving you have to set the aim. I find this really fun to do.

Nicolette 3/4G



This term the stage 2 classes have been learning about Spheros. It's a type of robot that can be connected to an Ipad. On the Ipad you can code it to write letters and shapes on the floor, but just the trace of it.

Pranathi 3/4G



Stage 2 classes have been using Sphero Bots. I really liked using the Spheros because they were really interesting when they changed colours. They also zoomed around the classrooms and it was a lot of fun when you try to drive them through an obstacle course. My group and I even named one!

Emma Zhang 3/4G