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PENSHURST WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL PH:9570 4602

Diary Dates

DECEMBER

Wednesday 1st

- End of year Disco/BBQ

Thursday 2nd December

- Scripture Christmas Assembly

Monday 6th

- Presentation Assembly at GRC Peakhurst High

Tuesday 7th

- Yr 6 into 7 orientation day

Wednesday 8th

- Year 6 Farewell @ Penshurst RSL Club

Monday 13th

- **Class party day & talent showcase**

Wednesday 15th

- **LAST DAY OF TERM FOR STUDENTS**

JANUARY 2011

Monday 31st

- Students in yrs 1-6 return to school

FEBRUARY 2011

Wednesday 2nd

- New Kindergartens return to school

Tuesday 8th

- Swimming Carnival @ Peakhurst West PS

Classes for 2011

If you know you will not be returning to Penshurst West next year please let the office know with a short note as we are forming our classes soon.

Also if you will still be away on holidays when we come back in 2011 please write a note for the office so we can include them in our classes for 2011.

Dear Parents

Congratulations to William D from Year 2 who was awarded "highly commended" (2nd place) in the Regional Public Speaking finals. This is the highest achievement that any of our Public Speakers have achieved! Well done William!

It was wonderful to hear about the many adventures our Year5/6 students had while at camp. From bike riding to kayaking, sailing and being independent, it was pleasing to hear they all had so much fun. A big thank you must go to the teachers who gave freely of their own time (and sleep) to take our students to camp. Thank you to Miss Hancock, Mrs Robertson, Mrs Scanlan and Mrs Willis. One important lesson students learned while at camp is the importance of team work and resilience. As this is often our students' first significant amount of time away from home, camp really showed students the value of trying new things and the importance of working as a team. They also learned how to bounce back if they didn't get their own way.

Presentation Day is on Monday 6th December at 12:00pm. All students will need to attend as there will be no staff left at school. This is an opportunity to celebrate student success and a great year of learning at Penshurst West. Some students may win more than one award. Students who win awards at presentation day do so because of exceptional achievement and effort in 2010. Obviously not everyone is going to win an award and it is an important life lesson for all students to celebrate the achievement of others. We hope as many parents as possible will join us on Monday at GRC Peakhurst High School Hall.

Don't miss our Disco and BBQ on Wednesday at 5:30-7:30. This will be in the hall if the weather is poor.

Every year parents, grandparents and community volunteers help our school. From P&C, canteen, and reading to scripture and sports coaching we really value the help we receive. To say thank you to our parent volunteers we are holding our annual Christmas "Thank you" light lunch on Thursday 2nd December. If you have helped in any way this year please let the office know if you can come so that we are able to cater accordingly.

Mrs Heather Riley was nominated and will receive a Hurstville Council Community Volunteer Award this week. Heather has been an active school volunteer for about the last 15 years at Penshurst West. Specifically she has run the Book Club and sorted thousands of book orders over time. This has allowed the school to use the bonus points to order books for Library. Her youngest son Stuart is now off to High School. Thank you Heather for all of your work for our school.

As the end of the year approaches, thank you for your support!

Merrilyn Jenkins
Principal
29/11/10



"He who has not Christmas in his heart will never find it under a tree" Roy L Smith

ALL STUDENTS, PARENTS & PRE-SCHOOLERS ARE INVITED TO THE END OF YEAR BBQ & DISCO WITH ENTERTAINMENT BY 'DANCE2BFIT'

Disco, BBQ & live entertainment all for
the cost of a gold coin at the gate!
Come dressed in your favourite Christmas outfit.

Date: Wednesday 1st December
Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm

**All children must be accompanied
by an adult.**

Sausage sizzle, chicken kebabs,
drinks, lollies for sale.

Hope to see everyone there!!

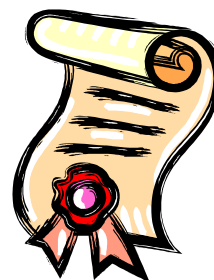


REMINDER—WHOLE SCHOOL PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY

This year our annual Presentation Assembly is to be held on Monday 6th December at GRC Peakhurst High school – Samuel St, Peakhurst (OPPOSITE Gannons Park) commencing at 12.00noon. At this presentation all class & sports awards are presented as well as our school achievement awards. The 2011 school captains will be announced.

All students and staff will be attending this assembly – no one will be at school and all will be travelling by bus. You are welcome to take your child home after the assembly.

The bus fare for this is \$4.00 per child. Please sign the permission form sent home recently and return to the money slot in the office. If your child has lost the note it is available on our school website.



The Salvation Army Christmas Appeal

***Can you please help with our Christmas Appeal?***

Each year the Salvation Army provides Christmas hampers to the people in the community who, sadly, are unable to afford enough food at Christmas. They don't have an opportunity to celebrate as a family in the way they would like. While we have some resources to assist, we would really like your support.

Penshurst West would like to help by having a donations box in the school office where we are asking families to give some non-perishable items. Some examples are: tinned food, Christmas cake with a 2011 use by date, jars of sauce mix, pasta, rice etc.

Also if anyone would like to add a "personal" or "gift" item these would also be appreciated eg. Bath items, stationery etc.

This is the last week

Combined Christian Scripture Invites you to the
Christmas Assembly

Thursday 2nd December 2010

At 11.45am for K-2 At 12.25pm for 3-6

Penshurst West Public School Hall

All parents are invited to attend.

**CANTEEN CRUNCH**

Clean-up Day - Monday 13th December from 9.30am - we need a few pairs of hands to help with defrosting freezers and cleaning equipment. Please come along if you can help.

Following the refurbishment of our canteen we have a few items that are surplus to our needs: including a fan, electric hotplates, 2 boxes of coffee mugs and a sandwich toaster. Rather than sending them to landfill they are on offer for anyone who wishes to take them. All items are in working order but will need a bit of cleaning up. Please see the office if you are interested in any of these items

As the end of the year approaches some menu items will not be restocked when they run out. Please be flexible in changing your lunch order should your first choice not be available. Look for a note outside the canteen which will list the items that have run out for the year. **The last day for the canteen this year is Friday 10th December. We will re-open on Tuesday 1st February 2011.**

A big thankyou to all parents and senior students who have helped run our canteen this year!!!

VIC REYNOLDS TENNIS SCHOOL

SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMP

Conducted by VIC REYNOLDS
(Fully qualified Pro Member of the T.C.A.)

- ALL STANDARDS - BEGINNERS TO ADVANCED
- EACH CAMP IS FIVE FULL DAYS (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.)
- WET OR FINE
- INSTRUCTION IN ALL STROKES, SET PLAY AND PHYSICAL TRAINING
- MINI GOLF, TABLE TENNIS, POOL TABLES, TRAMPOLINES - AND OTHER GAMES
- GRADED ROUND ROBIN - SINGLES & DOUBLES TOURNAMENTS.
- TROPHIES FOR WINNERS AND INCENTIVE AWARDS FOR MOST IMPROVED PUPILS.

SUMMER - 2010-2011

WEEK 1:	20.12.2010 TO	24.12.2010	\$120.00 (INCL. GST)
WEEK 2:	10.1.2011 TO	14.1.2011	\$120.00 (INCL. GST)
WEEK 3:	17.1.2011 TO	21.1.2011	\$120.00 (INCL. GST)

ALSO COACHING AFTER SCHOOL HOURS

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Please Tick Week Number 1 2 3

AFTER SCHOOL Please tick day ... Mon. Tue. Wed. Thur. Fri. Sat.

The Go4Fun Program

FREE fun program for kids to become fitter, healthier and happier!



Do you have children 7 to 13 years old? Are you worried about them being **overweight**?

Call South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Health (SESIH) on 4221 6726

WHOOPING COUGH

There have been a number of children and parents at our school who have contracted Whooping Cough recently. If you suspect your child may have it please take them to the doctor immediately and there is also a brochure in the office entrance foyer with more information.

AUTHORITY TO PUBLISH

Two weeks ago a note was given to all children called "Permission to Publish"

This is so we can use your child's photo for various publications. If you have not already done so please send this back to the office.

If you cannot find this note please get it from our school website.

AMY'S Art School

Free trial lesson !

Free catch up missed lessons !

20% off for your third child



WORK FROM A STUDENT

Amy is a professional and a very experienced art teacher now with **over 15 years** of teaching specialized art and drawing lessons for children. Students will be taught **the basic skills of drawing and cartoon design right up to professional sketching and painting.** Children's future intellectual development will be improved with these **life long skills.**

Students age 5-20 years Small group lessons Location: iverwood Oatley Bexley

Please contact **Amy** on **0405 356 708**