



Stage 3 Environmental Education

From The Principal's Desk

The busy term continues with students competing in academic and sporting competitions, our annual Book Fair, an author visit and the great Book Character Parade on Wednesday 29th August.

This newsletter has plenty of information on all the different things that Stage 3 have been up to. Congratulations to the students who attended the District Athletics Carnival for the Field events last Monday and Track events yesterday. We had some great performances such as Lili C winning her High Jump event or Benji M in Long Jump coming 3rd being selected as a reserve for the Regional carnival.

Our PSSA teams have competed with the highest school spirit and last Friday the Junior and Senior Netball and Senior Rugby League teams all participated in Finals Day.

Father's Day Stall

Father's Day is quickly approaching. Once again the P&C will be running a Father's Day Stall for the students to be able to purchase a gift. The stall

will be held on Thursday 30th August. Classes will be taken to the hall so that students may purchase a gift.

Book Week and our Character Parade

Book Week is on tomorrow, 29th August. The Parade starts at 10.30 am

A Book Fair will be run in the Library all week. Parents and friends may purchase books from the Library any day during the week from 9.00am – 9.30 or after school from 3.30-4.00.

The Fair will also be open following the Book Character Parade.

We are looking forward to some fantastic and creative costumes. For the senior students please ensure they are appropriate for school.

Grand Parents Day

There has been great interest in our school's annual Grand Parents Day.

This year the event will be held on Wednesday 24th October 2018. We will have performances, open classroom exhibitions and many opportunities for grand parents and friends to celebrate with their grandchildren.

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Learn to Swim Program

A note is coming home for the Learn To Swim Program, an intensive 2 week program held at the end of this term. The program targets students in Year 2 and above who are not competently able to swim 25 metres. The lessons are free, however, there is a bus and pool entry fee. Please return the Learn to Swim form as soon as possible to reserve your place.

Kindy Stars

Kindy Stars have been learning about 'Under the Sea' and have written about all the wonderful things they have seen whilst 'scuba diving'.



Kindergarten Orientation

There are still some families that have not put in their intention to enrol for Kindergarten 2019. This is very important as it affects the staffing of the school and our communication with new students. Kindergarten Orientation is fast approaching and invitations have been sent to the families from whom we have received enrolment forms.

School Athletics Team

Congratulations to our School Athletics team who over the past two weeks have competed in the District Carnival at Bardon Ridge. We have seen some great results.

ANSTO Coding Competition

On Wednesday 22 August, Samara C, Penelope R, Luka B and Lawrence B-H participated in the ANSTO Scratch Coding Competition at Coledale PS. The students had to use different coding skills to create an online platform that promoted sustainability. They were judged on the complexity of their coding and the creativity of their overall design.

Our students performed extremely well on the day and they all enjoyed working together to refine their coding skills. Congratulations to Lawrence and Luka who were awarded first place in their age division. The boys will now progress to the upcoming ANSTO Coding Finals Competition.



Young ICT Competition

Congratulations to Dylan J, Luka B and Lawrence B-H who successfully designed a project for the Young ICT Explorers (YICTE) Competition earlier this term. The boys presented their 'ePamper: Solar Pet Food and Water Dispenser' at the University of New South Wales on Saturday 11 August.

The boys worked extremely hard to build a fully functioning model of their product to showcase at the YICTE Convention. They also built an impressive business website with marketing videos to help pitch their ideas to the judges. Well done boys!



Environment Report

At the beginning of the term, Stage 3 students participated in a range of tree planting activities to celebrate National Tree Day. The students spent a morning session planting over 75 Australian native shrubs along the fence line of our front garden. The trees have all been carefully mapped out with the students' names so they can watch 'their' tree grow over the years. A big thank you to Mr Cork who came in to school specifically to dig the holes on the day.



Recently, volunteers from West Connex, Fix it Sisters Shed and Kingsgrove Bunnings came out to help our students build bee and insect hotels. These 'hotels' will be placed in strategic areas of our school to boost the number of Australian native bees that visit, and pollinate, our beautiful gardens.

Thank you to West Connex who have kindly donated over \$2000 worth of materials towards these environment programs.

Number Crunchers

On Wednesday 22 August, Varsha B, Alexander L and Dylan J participated in a local Number Crunchers Competition. The competition required Varsha and Alexander to answer multi-step mathematical problems, using mental computations only, in a ten second time limit. Dylan was selected to represent Peshurst West in the Rubik's Cube division. He was able to solve the cube in an impressive 1 minute and 10 seconds!



Book Week 2018

Our celebrations commenced with Georgia Donaghey, author of Lulu and several other books talking with our students about writing.



Paper Plane Competition

Congratulations to Luke M who placed third in the Year 5 STANSW Young Scientist Paper Plane State Championship at Sydney University. Luke successfully made a plane that was airborne for over six seconds. Great work Luke!



School Refurbishment

We are very excited with the news that the school refurbishment has moved forward. Some details are on the following website.

<https://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/p/penshurst-west-public-school.html>

This site will have updates for the project.

Last Friday as many people saw, signs highlighting the project were placed on the fences. Over the next few weeks preparations will be made for portable classrooms to be brought into the school.



2018 Season 2 PSSA Finalists.

Junior Girls PSSA Netball Team
 Runner up for 2018 season 2.
 Senior Girls PSSA Netball Team.
 Semi-finalists 3rd place 2018.
 Senior Boys Rugby League Team
 Runner Up for 2018 Season 2



Safety Wk 5



Respect Wk 6

PBS – Value of the Week

Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6 Book Week	27/8 District Athletics Carnival	28/8 Y-PEP	29/8 Book Week Character Parade	30/8	31/8 Father's Day on Sunday
7	3/9	4/9 Y-PEP	5/9 Y-PEP	6/9	7/9
8	10/9 Y-PEP	11/9	12/9 Kindergarten Orientation	13/9	14/9
9	17/9 Learn To Swim	18/9	19/9	20/9	21/9
10	24/9 Y-PEP Learn To Swim	25/9	26/9	27/9 Kindergarten Excursion Sydney Aquarium	28/9 Last Day Term 3
Term 4 Week 1	15/10 Students Return	16/10	17/10	18/10	19/10
2	22/10 Stage 1 Excursion	23/10	24/10 Grand Parents Day	25/10 Kindergarten Transition	26/10
3	29/10	30/10	31/10	1/11	2/11
4	5/11	6/11	7/11	8/11	9/11

Awards

Silver Awards	
Alexis B K Rainbow	Laila M K Stars
Faith Ta'ale K Stars	Emily T K Rainbow
Anton M 5/6A	Sam A 5/6W
Stevan D 5/6W	Saayan P 1O
Dylan E 2A	Sienna M 1/2F
Hugo M K Rainbow	Lucas P 2A
Lilly Perry 3/4A	Lucas Halacas 3/4A
Gold Awards	
Amir H 5/6W	Michael R 5/6A
Yumi S 1O	Jasmine M 2A
Cruz M 1/2F	Saayan P 1O
Sienna M 1/2F	Lucas P 2A

FITNESS KARATE & *Flexercise*

Welcome to F K F

We sincerely believe that every person should be trained both mentally & physically in order to achieve a healthy lifestyle.

We are a not-for-profit group who do our best to promote fitness within the community.

FITNESS KARATE

Group exercises in Self Defence, with the focus primarily on Fitness

Tuesday & Friday 7:00pm – 8:15pm

FITNESS *Flexercise*

Group exercises to improve overall Flexibility & Muscle Tone

Monday & Thursday 7:00pm – 8:15pm

Training is held at the Penshurst West Public School hall, corner Scott Street & Forest Road, Morfdale NSW 2223.

We invite you to try out a few sessions for free; after that normal fees will apply. However, these fees are very reasonable compared to other group fitness classes.

For further details contact Roberto on 0458 207 991 or via email: robertofkf@bigpond.com

Student Absence Slip 2018

Please return this slip to your child's teacher the day your child returns to school.

Dear _____ (teacher's name)

My child, _____, of Class _____ was absent from school from _____ to _____ because _____

Signed: _____ Print Name: _____ Date: _____



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