

# Peats Ridge Weekly



Week 5 Term 4

NOVEMBER 7 2011

## COMING EVENTS

**Tuesday 8th November**

**Wednesday 9th November**

**Tuesday 15th November**

**Thurs 17th/Fri 18th November**

**Saturday 19th November**

**Monday 21st November**

**Wednesday 9th November**

Year 6 Fundraiser Disco Day

Pymble Public School Band Performance at Peats Ridge PS

Book Fair Opens in Library, 3pm to 3.30pm

Leadership Training at Challenge Ranch for Years 5 & 6

Book Fair continues 3pm -4pm 17/11 & 8.30am - 9am 18/11

New Hall - Community Open Day

School Swimming Scheme Commences (runs for 2 weeks)

New Bookmobile Launch at Erina Library 12:00noon

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES

### PEATS RIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITY HALL OPEN DAY - 10am - 2pm, 19th November 2011

The new hall will be open for all parents, relatives, friends and community members to come along and have a look inside this magnificent facility at Peats Ridge Public School. Come along between 10:00am and 2:00pm and meet some of the hard working hall committee members who have been working on the hall project for many, many years.

### ENVIRONMENT DAY at KULNURA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Please return permission note and payment for the bus if you haven't already done so. Thank you.

### SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY - CHANGE of DATE for Term 2, 2012

As you would know, the first day of Term 1, Term 2 and Term 3 have been set aside for Teacher Professional Learning activities and are known to parents as School Development Days (SDD). The Mountain Schools in conjunction with the Peninsula Schools are changing the date for Term 2 2012 from the first Monday of Term 2, Monday 23rd April to the last day of Term 2, Friday 29th June. This change will enable the Learning Communities to engage the professional expertise of Dr Christine Richmond, an expert in Educational Management of Student Behaviours.

We are seeking official community support for this change as per Department of Education and Communities guidelines. Please complete the form at the end of this newsletter and return to school by this Friday, 11th November. Thank you for your support.

### reminders

- **Active After School Sport on MON, WED, and FRI in Term 4. IN HALL IF RAINING**
- **School Phone Number: 4373 1149**
- **Email: [peatsridge-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:peatsridge-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)**
- **Newsletter available online at our website:**
- **<http://www.peatsridge-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/sws/view/home.node>**

## YEAR 5 LEADERSHIP TRAINING AND YEAR 6 TRANSITION PROGRAM

The Annual Year 5 Leadership Training and Year 6 Transition to High School Sessions will be held at Challenge Ranch, Somersby on Thursday 17th and Friday 18th November. Notes were issued to students last week.. This year the High School Team, consisting of the 2012 Year 7 Advisor and some current Year 7 students will attend the Challenge Ranch Camp instead of visiting each individual Mountain School. They will present a very useful session for our current Year 6 students. Please return all notes and payment by this **Wednesday, 9th November**. Thank You

### INFORMATION PROVIDED by the Department of Education and Communities.

#### Win an iPad2

Subscribe by 14 November to School A to Z - the new online resource for parents of school-age students - and you will be in the running to win one of five Apple iPad2 devices.

Go to: [www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/win-an-ipad](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/win-an-ipad)

While you're there, don't forget to download the free mobile app to help with your child's homework and assignments: [www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications)

#### Have your say

You can now have your say on the classrooms of the future. Parents are encouraged to participate in an online survey as part of a comprehensive review of the School Facilities Standards. The standards, developed during the 1970s, outline how school facilities are designed and built. The review will determine the relevance and appropriateness of the standards for teaching and learning in the 21st century. The review will consider:

- changes in the way education is delivered
- technological advances
- increased community expectations.

To have your say go to the parent online survey: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/sfsparent>

Application for selective high school 2013. Online applications are open until 21 November 2011 for parents or carers of Year 5 students who wish their children to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2013. You can find it at: [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement).. Hard copy application forms are also available from the school and must be returned by 18 November. If you have any questions about the selective high school placement process please call 9707 6262 or email: [ssu@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ssu@det.nsw.edu.au).

Garry Standen  
Principal

## BUS PASS APPLICATIONS - CURRENT YEAR 2 STUDENTS

Thank you to the Year 2 parents who have returned their bus pass application forms. To ensure that your child continues to receive free travel in primary school please return all forms to the school office by **Friday 11th November**.

## ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORT PROGRAM

Active After School Sport will be on each Monday, Wednesday and Friday in Term 4, regardless of the weather. If raining it will be held in the hall.

Shane Randall  
Sports Co-ordinator

ASSEMBLY AWARDS-WEEK 4, TERM 4

Citizenship

Loghan J, Eedon McM., Austin P., Jayden V., Calib C., Lacey B., Mishka S., Rachel S.

Merit

Jazmin P., Mishka S., Christian S., Alan G., Jacob P., Karl W., Alan G., Monique G.

LIBRARY REPORT

Scholastic Book Fair

We still require some parent helpers to assist with setting up and selling books at our Book Fair on the following days: **Tues 15th November, Thurs 17th & Fri 18th November.** Please contact the office or see me at school.

Countdown to Book Fair = 2 weeks to go

Julie Blair  
Librarian



LOST PROPERTY

There are a number of jumpers without names in our lost property basket. All unclaimed jumpers will be donated to the second hand clothing pool by Friday of this week. Feel free to come and check to see if any of the jumpers belong to your child.

Thank you  
Deb Still

RETURN SLIP

2012 TERM 2 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY - CHANGE OF DATE

Family Name: .....

Student Name(s): .....	Class:.....
.....	Class:.....
.....	Class:.....
.....	Class:.....

We have noted that the date for the Term 2 School Development Day is the last day of term – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2012.

Parent Signature: .....



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### STUDENT EXCHANGE AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

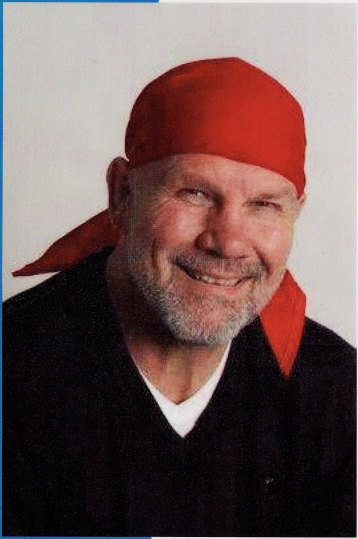
In January 2012 we will be receiving exchange students from Japan, Europe, the USA and Latin America. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend a local school for 2 to 10 months. We are keen to hear from suitable families located in NSW who might be interested in hosting a student.

Hosting an exchange student can be a truly rewarding experience. It allows your family to experience a foreign culture first hand, be exposed to a new language and pass on a bit of our own culture. You might even make a friend for life.



Student exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit secondary exchange organisation.

You can find out more about our organisation by visiting [www.studentexchange.org.au](http://www.studentexchange.org.au)





*Peter FitzSimons*



## Gosford City Library

*proudly presents  
the new*  
**BookMobile!**

Meet celebrated author Peter FitzSimons when he joins us in launching the library's new Bookmobile.

**November 25th 2011**  
**Erina Library**  
**12pm**

**BE A PART OF HISTORY IN THE MAKING!**

For more information please ask library staff, or call Erina Library on 4365 6725

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*Family Portrait Fundraising*

Peats Ridge Public School P&C Association  
Family Portrait Fundraising Day

**Sunday, 27 November 2011**

Receive a 10 x 13" Framed Family Portrait Photograph plus a Family Portrait

Keyring for just **\$15.00**

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO Peats Ridge Public School**

We need 30 bookings to proceed with this fundraiser and so far we have only two confirmed. Please mention this day to your friends and family and return all forms to school by **Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> November** or call **Josephine on 0419 731 646**.