



PEATS RIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Week 2 Term 1

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DIARY DATES

TERM 1

Every Monday: Newsletter
Every Tuesday: Scripture
Every Friday: Sport

9 February
Floorball sport begins

20 March
Start Smart

22 March
Harmony Day

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear students and families,

Congratulations everyone on getting off to such a great start in 2018! You look amazing in your smart, new uniforms and definitely look taller. Most students have remembered to bring their hats and fruito/vego each day and our new water cooler has been getting a good work out. We've had a bumper tomato crop to supplement our lunches each day and a few late strawberries. Thanks to Linda Sutton for dropping in a big box of delicious baby cucumbers for us to munch on and Hasting's and Calloway's mum, Tarryn, for cutting up a huge watermelon for us to enjoy.

Welcome New Staff!

Last Monday, we welcomed two new staff members: Mrs Amii Davis on P1 Mon/Tue, sharing with Ms Austin, and Mrs Jessica Riley returning as SAM in the office while Mrs Kate Wilson is relieving 5 days/week at East Gosford PS during Term 1. Mr Shane Randall decided it was time for a change and moved up to P2 to teach Stages 2 and 3. Mrs Davis trained Mr Randall in L3 a few years ago and remembers many of the older students from her visits to Peats. L3 (Language, Learning and Literacy) is a research-based program targeting reading and writing and we hope to see some amazing growth in our infants students this year. Miss Beck will be back to see everyone in Week 4 to cover some relief days. We discussed class organisation and L3 on our Staff Development Day, along with PBL and mandatory training on the Code of Conduct and Child Protection.

New Student Leadership Team

We miss our old Year 6s terribly but also welcome our new Student Leadership Team for 2018:

Brooke- School Captain

Jayda- School Vice-Captain

Luther- Hawkesbury House Captain

Bianca- Kendall House Captain

Angel-Katlyn- Student Leader

PBL VALUE OF THE WEEK

*Responsibility –
Be organised with
all your equipment*

Already, they have met with Mr Randall and I to discuss term fundraising and roles and responsibilities and compiled a little article for the Mangrove Mountain Community News. They conducted our first Friday assembly for the year admirably and all staff have commented on what excellent role models they are for the younger students.

New Laptops for Everyone

Students received their new laptops and logins last week and have already started to access some brilliant programs and webtools in class. P2 is almost a paperless classroom with most of their work in Google Docs

created and saved in 'the cloud'. If you would like to know more about this free, web-based software office suite please visit- <https://gsuite.google.com/learning-center/products/docs/get-started/>

This week, students will discuss and sign a Technology Contract outlining the appropriate use of computers and the internet with a separate section for parents. The laptops were a generous gift from our P&C and we want them to remain in top condition for as long as possible.

Floorball for Sport and Carnivals

Everyone is looking forward to the Floorball coaches, Julie & Alan, returning this Friday to deliver 2 x 45 min sessions in the hall.

Our Small Schools Swimming Carnival is scheduled for Wed 28 February and Cross Country on Fri 6 April. Notes will be sent home soon with more information.

There's a BUZZ in the Air...

Both classes will be exploring bees this semester as part of a STEM project and competition organised by the Department of Primary Industries:

<https://www.tocal.nsw.edu.au/home/investigate>

We have compiled a long list of "I wonder..." questions to investigate and we'll be cooking up some yummy honey treats on our PBL privilege Day at the end of this term. Please let us know if you have any local beekeeping contacts as we'd love to invite some experts in to talk to us. We're even looking into Mr Pugh setting up our own hive next to the old house (safely out-of-bounds).

The Year Ahead...

Other events on the calendar this term are the Start Smart financial literacy incursion on Tue 20 March, Harmony Day on Thu 22 March, our annual Easter Hat Parade in Week 9 and Parent/Teacher Interviews in Week 11.

Life Education, Mother's Day, NAPLAN, Stage 2's Zoo Snooze, Stage 3's Canberra excursion and Year 6's GRIP Leadership Day have been penciled in to Term 2 and Term 3 is already looking very busy with our Small Schools' NAIDOC Day, Education Week, Book Week and Fair, Science Week and KMHS Day of Excellence, Athletics Carnival, Premier's Spelling Bee and Public Speaking competitions and Father's Day.

Bell and bus times will remain as usual for the time being.

We apologise for the sad state of the foyer and library as we await a visit from the Department's assets team. By March, we should have the office block and student toilets painted, new carpet in the office, new flooring in the canteen and decks repaired.

A note will be sent home soon about our Welcome BBQ and Information Evening. We're hoping the new furniture for P2 will also arrive soon for us to hold the meeting in the classrooms so parents can see what we've been up to over the holidays. Please pop your head in for a peek!

Ms Austin
Principal (rel)







Mountain District Football Club

Registration Fees for 2018

DATE : Saturday 10th February and Sunday 18th February
 WHERE : Mangrove Mtn Golf Club (downstairs)
 TIME : 10am—1pm
 Eftpos will be available (no cash)

OR register online www.myfootballclub.com.au

Age 5-9\$142
 Age 10- 11.....\$155
 Age 12-17.....\$165
 Student 18 and above.....\$200
 Seniors.....\$285

(Student must produce proof of student ID, copy & email to the register.)

2 Family Members.....\$10 off
 3 Family Members.....\$20 off
 4 Family Members.....lowest player fee is free

Active Kids Program for \$100 rebate-

go to Mountains facebook page or Central Coast Football for further instructions

Bank Details

BSB – 062 544 ACC— 0090 8286 REF - Your Name

Any interested coaching or managing a team, email Ben - stevensonb@gmail.com

The club will be putting a O45s team together, interested email Ben.

Club President : Ben Stevenson—stevensonb@gmail.com
 Registrar : Rachael Jackson—mdfregistrar@gmail.com
 Secretary : Jeremy Smith—secretarymdf@bigpond.com



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CAREER PREPARATION

10584NAT Certificate II in Career Preparation

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is for people who wish to access employment, education and training to enhance career opportunities and employment pathways; develop communication skills for accessing and maintaining employment; gain employability skills to retrain or enter the workforce; improve technological skills to use new and emerging forms of technology and to prepare for further education and training.

Vocational options may include:
 Automotive, Business
 Administration, IT, Retail,
 Construction, Community Services
 or Hospitality.

INFORMATION SESSION:

Date: Tuesday 6 February 2018
Time: 9:00am
Where: Library Block J
 TAFE NSW Wyong, Porter
 Street, Wyong

WHEN DOES COURSE START?

Date: Mon 12 February 2018
Time : 9:00am
Where: N Block
 TAFE NSW Wyong

COURSE SNAPSHOT

Location: TAFE NSW WYONG, Porter
 Street, Wyong NSW 2559

Course: Certificate II in Career
 Preparation

Cost: *This training is subsidised by the
 NSW Government

CONTACT US TODAY!

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

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