



PEEL HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEEK 10, TERM 2 2022

SRC INDUCTION



Should you need to drop any items off to your child during school hours please drop them into the front office. Students are not permitted to meet you outside school grounds or wait near the front or back gates/fence to collect items from you.

Before School our playgrounds are unsupervised until 8.30am each morning and then only minimal supervision until Roll Call at 9.00 am.

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PRINCIPALS REPORT

As Term 2 comes to a close, a shout out to our students who have made maintaining and improving their attendance a focus this year. [‘Attendance Matters’](#) as it ensures continuity in learning and lays the foundations for transition to work and further study post school.



Thank you to [‘Deadly Science’](#) who generously donated a substantial amount of Lego for our students to ‘get their creative groove’ on. <https://deadlyscience.org.au/>

Term 3 will bring some staff changes at PHS. Congratulations to Mrs Kristen Miller who has been successful in gaining a relieving Principal position at Hastings Secondary College, Port Macquarie, for Terms 3 and 4.

Mr Byron Smith will be relieving in the Deputy Principal role for the remainder of 2022

Unfortunately we say goodbye to Caron Lasscock as she takes up a relieving School Administration Managers role at Tamworth High School.

We welcome Ms Malinda Canham to our administration team as the Relieving School Administration Manager for Term 3.

Congratulations to Ms Amanda Maczi who has been successfully appointed to the Maths faculty. Ms Maczi has been delivering quality teaching to our students for a number of years at PHS and it is wonderful to provide security of tenure to her and our students.

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Thank you to Ryan Southern who leaves PHS after working with our COVID tutoring team this year.

Dawn Dew from the administration team has been Administration Manager 4 days a week in Term 3 at Duri Public School and we wish her well in her new role.

As our students’ head into the two week holiday break I encourage all our students to take time for themselves, to relax and enjoy activities that bring them pleasure. To our year 12 teachers, many of your dedicated students will be very grateful for the time you give up to assist them with HSC preparation in student study sessions timetabled through the holidays. I encourage our Year 12 students to make the most of this great opportunity.

I thank all the staff at PHS for your commitment to ensuring that classes have been covered during their term, this is only possible because of the extra classes that you teach or supervise, additional to your timetabled duties, thank you to our administrative staff and School Learning Support team who provide ongoing support to our students every day to improve their days at school.

Erica Burge
Principal

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/connected-communities/connected-communities-strategy>



RECONCILIATION WEEK

To start off Reconciliation week, we opened our Aboriginal Dance group on Fridays for all students that wished to participate. We had almost 60 students attend with everyone either dancing or playing the clapsticks or didgeridoo.

Thirty of our students experienced the Reconciliation week cultural fun day at the Youthie alongside other schools. The day was facilitated by the Opportunity Hub where students created art projects and learnt language, traditional tools and dance. Shakayla Spearim and Aaliyah Morley were asked to facilitate the dance workshop, where they did an awesome job.

Lastly we had Epi Trindall and Jayden McDonald speak at our Assembly about the importance of Reconciliation week, this year's theme is "Be Brave, Make Change".



2022 SRC INDUCTIONS

In Week 9, we opened our doors once again to parents, carers, and families to attend our first formal assembly since the beginning of Covid restrictions. It was so amazing to have community members back in the school to celebrate the wonderful achievements of our Peel High students!

Over 50 students from Years 7 to 12 were formally inducted into the Student Representative Council for 2022. Students read out their pledge to the school and were presented with their leadership badges.

Following the assembly, all those in attendance were invited to gather in the Senior Area as we enjoyed light refreshments. Formal Year Group and family photos were taken to remember this special occasion.





CAREERS NEWS

We have had another massive term here in the Career's Hub, with year 10 Career Classes learning about

- Making Informed Career Choices
- Subject Selection
- How to search for employment
- Communication (emails/letters/applications)
- How to write a job application

Stay connected and search for Current Employment Opportunities

Please look out our website www.peelcareers.com

Important Information/**Job Board (updated weekly)**

Work Experience

The work experience program is on offer next term to our current Year 10, 11 and Year 12 cohorts. Students need to see the Careers team to express their interest. Students can approach businesses on their own, to ask if they can undertake work experience. They will need to then give the careers team the business details so we can organise the paperwork.

School-Based Traineeships

School based Apprenticeships and Traineeships (SBATS's) are more than just part-time jobs. They are a great way to set yourself up for the career you want, whilst completing your HSC.

SBAT's are available to all Year 10 students. They combine paid work, training, school and an Industry based national qualification to which gains credit regarding the HSC.

Some can even contribute towards the ATAR! Typically an SBAT program takes 2 years part-time, which will result in completion of 1 year in the Trade qualification.

Term 2 Programs & opportunities

- Financial Literacy (a 10-week financial course)
- The Careers Expo at TRECC (with over 100 employers/training providers)
- Agricultural Careers Expo
- Three-day Construction Practical Event
- Defence Force Presentation & Practical Test
- Automotive Industry Experience
- University Information Sessions
- University Roadshow
- Work Experience
- SBAT information

We have an exciting term ahead with some amazing opportunities.

As always, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions

The Careers team

Mrs Mel Gunn – Head Teacher – Careers

Mrs Helen Herdegen – Careers Adviser (Monday-Wednesday)

Mrs Emma Stanley – Careers Adviser (Thursday & Friday)

Mrs Sally-Jane Morgan – Post School Administration Adviser

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight
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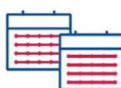
= 4 weeks



= Over 1 year missed

1 day per week
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= 8 weeks



= Over 2.5 years missed

WOMEN IN DEFENCE

On Wednesday the 22nd of June, we were lucky enough to host Abby and Dina who represented Women in Defence. Our young aspiring women, listened to a presentation on entry, opportunity, and scholarships within the Australian Defence Force. Afterwards, our students took part in the practical session for entry into the Force. They did the sit-up test, push-up test and the beep test. Our students did a fantastic job!



NAIDOC WEEK



This week the Peel High School Aboriginal Dance Group were invited to multiple schools to perform at NAIDOC Assembly's and to run dance workshops.

Almost 20 Peel High School students attending Tamworth West Public School and Hillvue Public School to perform at their NAIDOC Assemblies with 10 students attending Parry School, where they taught students and staff some traditional dances.

A shoutout to Aaliyah Morley, Lachlan Power, Shakayla Spearim and Thora Flett for their awesome leadership skills in preparing the students, singing, dancing and setting a great example for Peel High School.

Gaba Nginda (Thank You)



NAIDOC WEEK



SISTA SPEAK

This week we had our Year 8 and Year 10 Sista Speak Graduation. This term was based around self-care where students made candles, soaps, scrubs and weaved.

A thank you to PHS Staff Paris Knox, Carmen Chatfield and Opportunity Hub staff Krystle Lamb, Samantha Way and Amy Strong for facilitating and being a part of Sista Speak. We look forward to running Sista Speak with Year 7 and Year 9 for Term 3 and 4.

Gaba Nginda (Thank You)



WINTER BASKETBALL

Seven teams of Peel High School students played in the Wednesday afternoon Basketball competition held at the Sports Dome each week. Two of the teams performed particularly well, with the year 7/8 Girls "Peel Hornets" winning their division and grand final 53-20 over MCC Diamonds. The year 9/10 Boys "Peel Rebels" came second in their division, narrowly losing the grand final 40-49 to MCC Rangers.

Another two teams made it to their semi-finals. The 9/10 Girls "Peel Pistons" played their semi-final with only 4 players and lost 28-39. The 9/10 Boys "Peel Bucket Squad" had to forfeit their semi-final due to low player numbers.

The 7/8 Boys "Peel Boomers" team did well coming fifth, a great result considering they had several new players and were playing B grade. The 9/10 Boys "Peel Cavaliers" formed mid-way through the season and only played 4 matches, winning two and losing two. The combined PHSI/THS 11/12 Boys team "Warriors" came seventh, they started strong but due to injuries they began to struggle.

Would you like to play?? We are looking for more female players for the year 7/8 and 9/10 girls teams as well as looking at making a second 7/8 boys' team. Interested students can collect a note from Mr Baird in Maths.

UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

June 27-July 1	NIADOC WEEK	August 1	P&C Uniform Shop open 9-11am
July 1	Last day of Term 2	August 8-19	HSC Trails
July 18	Staff Development Day	August 8	P&C Uniform Shop open 9-11am
July 19	1st Day of Term 3	August 15	P&C Meeting 6pm
July 25	P&C Uniform Shop open 9-11am		P&C Uniform Shop open 9-11am
July 28	Parent / Teacher Interviews		
	Years 7- 8 - 9		

P&C UNIFORM SHOP UPDATE

****School Jacket Orders****

Suppliers of the School Jacket have very low stock, we are ordering what we can and will keep you updated on supply and delivery. We appreciate your patience. If you have ordered a jacket, payment is required before delivery.

\$\$\$\$\$ BLACK KNIT JUMPERS ~~\$40~~ NOW \$30 \$\$\$\$\$

We have a good supply of Black Knit Jumpers in all sizes and have reduced the price to \$30 for a limited time.

\$\$\$\$\$ LONG SKIRTS ~~\$75~~ NOW \$60 \$\$\$\$\$

We have a good availability in the following sizes 6, 8, 16, 18, 20 and 22. We are phasing out the Long Skirts from our uniform shop, as they are available at Lowes.

The Uniform Shop WILL be open Monday 18th July 9am—11:30am. If you have any enquires regarding an order, please contact Sue 0488 200 650 or Tracey 0438 587 804

Thank You

PHS P&C.



PHS P&C Uniform Shop open **EVERY MONDAY** between 9am and 11am.

Pop in and see Tracey Towill for all your uniform needs.

The P&C meet every third Monday of the month (except Public & School Holidays) at 6pm.

School Planner 2022



Term three	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday / Sunday
July	1	18	19	20	21	22	23/24
July	2	25	26	27	28	29	30/31
August	3	1	2	3	4	5	6/7
August	4	8	9	10	11	12	13/14
August	5	15	16	17	18	19	20/21
August	6	22	23	24	25	26	27/28
August / September	7	29	30	31	1	2	3/4
September	8	5	6	7	8	9	10/11
September	9	12	13	14	15	16	17/18
September	10	19	20	21	22	23	24/25



Scan me for practical school tips!

To help your child get the most out of their school year and to explore our resources, check out our back to school hub at education.nsw.gov.au/back-to-school.