



PEEL HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEEK 5, TERM 3 2022

EDUCATION WEEK AWARDS



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.

Front Office Hours (Mon-Fri) 8am to 4.00pm

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PRINCIPALS REPORT

Term 3 has been filled with good news stories for students and staff. The Peel Principals Network marked Education Week with a 'celebration of excellence' which saw three members of our



school community recognised for their contributions to Peel High School:

Student: Caitlin Blanch was recognised for her contribution to student voice as a member of the Tamworth Regional Youth Council, NSW Youth Parliament and a finalist in the NSW English Plain-Speaking Awards. Caitlin is a dedicated student who is excelling across all areas of her senior study.

Community Member: Nicole Henry was recognised for service to Peel High School and outstanding contribution to the support of students as an executive officer holder of the Parents and Citizen' Association.

Staff Member: Kim Ford was recognised for outstanding care and attention to student learning and wellbeing at Peel High School.



Our Boccia team saw success at the State Boccia competition achieving an outstanding result that saw them come second in the state. The team enjoyed a trip to Sydney supported by their teachers and School Learning Support Officers. A big thank you to the Peel High School Parent and Citizens Association who supported the trip financially. Make sure you go to the PHS Facebook page for great photos of the trip to Sydney.

With a never-ending selection of student successes, I have chosen a few highlights to share. Isabelle Kesby ventured to the Northern Territory to participate in the Outback Marathon, our DaVinci classes participated in Mathematics competitions, Peyton Abra was selected to referee at the PSSA Hockey in Canberra, the Year 12 Drama students shared their performances and got valuable experience of performing to an audience, thank you Mr McInnes for the invitation to share in the fun, and in Yr 9 DV's efforts to find an answer to the '*Disappearance of Ms Miller*' I visited 9DV Science's Forensics lesson to work through their investigation methods. Thank you to Jessie Smith who guided me through the lesson and scientific processes.



Last week it was a privilege to meet with the 2023 prospective student leaders, who shared some serious and not so serious ideas around leadership. I wish them all well in the upcoming delivery of their speeches.

Our Director, Education Learning, Connected Communities, Ms Margaret Mulcahy had her first visit to Peel High School and was impressed by the staff that she met with around the Strategic Improvement Plan, the positive attendance strategies and the ALEC team. She is looking forward to returning to Peel with the student leaders at the top of the list to meet.

This week we welcomed some new teachers to our staff and we wish them well as they get to know the students and the school community. We are very happy to have you as part of our team and are pleased that you have chosen Peel High School to share your skills.

Regretfully this term, we reverted to COVID Interim measures to keep our students, community and staff safe as we saw an increase in COVID infection. Working closely with the COVID Safe Team, a decision to return to COVID safe measures saw us back in masks and a restrictions to some activities. I would like to thank the school community for working so well with the school during this time. We are looking forward to rescheduling our NAIDOC and Education Week assemblies and inviting families back into the school to celebrate with us.

Please read on to enjoy the highlights of the first five weeks of term 3.

Erica Burge

Executive Principal

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

PEEL BOCCIA TEAM DAZZLES

North West boccia champions dazzle at State finals in Sydney!

The recently crowned North West Boccia Champions from Peel High School's Learning Support Unit travelled to Sydney last week to compete in the State Finals against 16 other NSW schools.

This year's state-wide competition included 185 schools that were slowly narrowed down in a knockout format. Peel competed against the final 16 at Olympic Park in Sydney and after a series of nail-biting rounds made it to the grand final against St Clair High School.

The tension ramped up further as Peel and St Clair went toe-to-toe in one of the tightest rounds ever witnessed in competitive Boccia history.

It came right down to the rub of green which unfortunately went St Clair's way 3-2, with Peel walking away with a highly respectable second place in the state.

The Peel bus departed Sydney into a setting sun with the glorious strains of Queen's "We are the champions" echoing down the M1, only stopping for a hero's feast at Muswellbrook Maccas.

Whilst in Sydney the Peel students enjoyed a whirlwind tour of the city, which included Darling Harbour, Sealife Aquarium and a banquet dinner in Chinatown.

The team included Harmony Allan, Jessica Baldwin, Boston Holmes, Reece Jones, William Lawrence, Tyrone Moffat, Keigan Shepherd, Lucas "Diddy" Slater, Mr Christopher Hadden (Coach) and Mr Ian Lobban (Assistant to the Coach).





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
= 4 weeks
= Over 1 year missed

1 day per week
= 8 weeks
= Over 2.5 years missed

PCSI: PEEL CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION



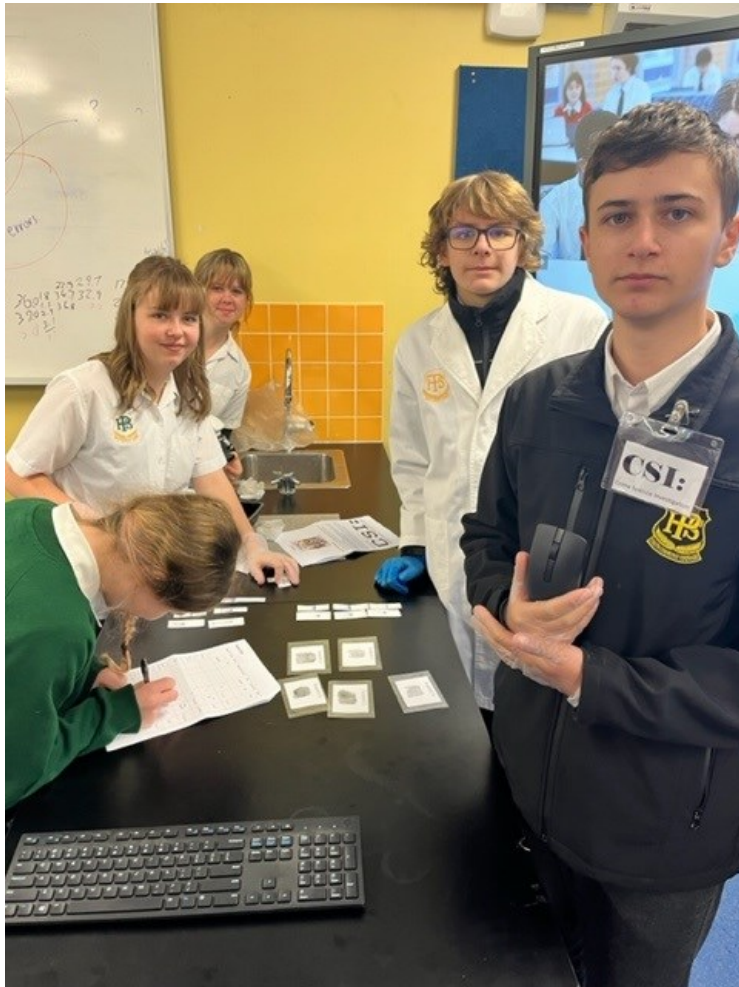
Where has Mrs Miller Gone?

This was the question posed to 9Sci DV as part of their Forensic Science unit this term!

The class were given the case to solve, using the evidence found on the envelope. The students had to don their finest lab coats, safety glasses and gather the evidence from our suspects, bringing it safely back to CSI laboratory 6 for analysis. This evidence was then interpreted by our trusty forensic scientists with the help of a microscope and the schools extensive animal hair and clothing fibre database. Fingerprints were analysed and the red stain tested for a specific blood type.

The kidnapper was caught! But who was the kidnapper?? Well thanks to the efforts of this hardworking band of intelligent young sleuths, the culprit has indeed been identified as none other than Mr. Smith!

As for the whereabouts of Mrs Miller's beloved jar of Nutella and pair of jogging shoes, well, that's a mystery to be solved for another day.



PEEL HIGH SCHOOL

AFTER-SCHOOL HOMEWORK CENTRE

Collect permission notes from the library!



**WEDNESDAYS 3:20PM - 5PM
@ THE LIBRARY**

All students are encouraged to attend Homework Centre in the library where they can work on class work, assessments and study with the assistance of their teachers! Snacks and afternoon bus-drop off for local students is provided free of charge.

HSIE

The HSIE faculty have another exciting term ahead. This term students in Year 12 Legal Studies, Business Studies and Modern History have the opportunity to travel to Sydney on Monday August 22 to Wednesday August 24. The Legal Studies students will experience court visits and learn about the Human Rights Commission, while the Modern History students will be diving into the history of the Australian Jewish Community at the Sydney Jewish Museum. And finally the Business Studies students will not only be visiting IKEA for their Case Studies work, but will also be visiting Taronga Zoo, not just to see the animals, but to learn the strategies and practices of the zoo's marketing.

Year 8 students have the chance to attend a Medieval workshop at Oxley High School on Monday September 19, where they will witness medieval weapons, armour and a long bow demonstration. Year 8 classes will also be building castles as part of their unit.

Year 9 Commerce and Year 11 Business Studies classes will be participating in the ESSi money challenge where they can win cash prizes. The challenge focuses on their ability to manage their finances, obtain employment and buy and sell shares.

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- Log on to your student or parent portal
- Look at your student attendance 'Heat Map'
- Earn Positive House Points, win Prizes and get Positive Attendance Letters Home when you have a "GREEN WEEK"
- Call the school to Explain any RED Unexplained Absences

**Have you
checked your
attendance
this Term?**



Phone: 6765 7088

BOOK WEEK 2022



Book Week 2022 is happening this Term, and it will be running during Week 7!

This year's Book Week theme has been announced, and it is 'Dreaming with eyes open'. A theme about stepping into your own story, the world around us, listening to Country, reflecting on our Indigenous culture, and learning from loved ones along the way.

During Book Week on Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd of September, the SRC will be running a miniature bookstall inside the school library during break times. The store will have a range of NEW books for staff and students to purchase. These books will range in prices and are all provided by our local Collins Bookstore.

Thursday the 1st of September will be our main celebration day of Book Week! To celebrate our Year 12 student's final weeks at school, they will challenge the staff to a Character Costume Parade Competition! Year 12 students and staff will be dressed in their best Book Week costumes striving for student votes to take home the win! The Library will also be decked out on this day to reflect this year's Book Week theme.

Thursday will also see the SRC hosting BBQ lunch!

It's going to be a fantastic celebration so we hope students are just as excited as we are!

WEAR IT PURPLE DAY

Friday August 26, WEAR A PURPLE ACCESSORY to foster supportive, safe, empowering and inclusive environments for rainbow young people

www.wearitpurple.org



UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

August 19	Tamworth Zone Athletics Carnival 9am	September 8	Captains 2023 Speeches
August 22	P&C Uniform Shop Open 8:30am-11am	September 8	Year 7 2nd Vaccination Dose
August 26	Young Driver Expo 8:50am	September 12	P&C Uniform Shop Open 8:30am-11am
August 29	P&C Uniform Shop Open 8:30am-11am	September 12-20	Year 11 Yearly Exams
August 30	HSC Drama Practical Performance Day 8:30am	September 15	Year 6 Small Schools Transition Day
August 31	Northern School Pig Competition 8am	September 19	P&C Uniform Shop Open 8:30am-11am
September 2	Titan Cup Gala Day 8:55am	September 19	P&C Meeting 6pm
September 5	P&C Uniform Shop Open 8:30am-11am	September 21-22	Senior Leadership Camp
		September 23	Year 12 Graduation Assembly

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 on Mondays 8:30am—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 8:30am 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.