



PEEL HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEEK 11, TERM 1 2025

AMAZING AGRICULTURE ACHIEVEMENTS



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 school begins at 9.00 am.

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

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Term 1: A Great Start to the Year – Celebrating Solid Attendance and Student Achievements

As we reflect on the successes of Term 1, we are filled with gratitude for the unwavering commitment of our students, staff, and school community. A key factor in the positive start to the year has been the outstanding attendance by our students. Regular attendance not only provides valuable learning opportunities but also fosters a sense of responsibility and pride. It has been inspiring to see students consistently showing up and actively participating in their education.

The opportunities created for our students this term have been possible because of the dedication and hard work of our teachers and staff. Their tireless efforts to engage and support every student have contributed immensely to the academic and personal growth of our learners. From personalized attention in the classroom to encouraging extracurricular activities, our staff has gone above and beyond to create a nurturing and challenging environment.

We also want to extend our gratitude to our community for their continued support. Your involvement in school events and your encouragement of our students make a significant difference.

Whether it's volunteering, attending meetings, or simply offering words of encouragement, your contributions are deeply appreciated.

Above all, we want to congratulate our students for their remarkable achievements during Term 1. Whether it was academic progress, personal growth, or contributions to the school community, every student has shown tremendous effort and determination. It is this dedication that will continue to fuel their success as we move forward into the rest of the year.

We are excited to see what the future holds and look forward to watching our students thrive in all their opportunities. With the solid foundation laid in Term 1, we have no doubt that the rest of the year will be filled with even more accomplishments and milestones.

Just a few reminders as the weather is turning cool that all hoodies and coloured trackpants are not acceptable for school. You can purchase school jumpers from Lowes in Peel Street, or a plain back sweater and trackpants with no logos are acceptable. Appropriate footwear is also mandatory for school, students need enclosed leather upper shoes, slides and crocs are not acceptable and do not comply with OHS standards.



Lastly, I need to remind students and parents and carers of the current mobile phone legislation where mobile phones are not to be used at school, during school hours. We have secure lock boxes at check in classes for students to be able to hand their mobile devices in for the day and collect them again at the end of the day at check out class. We are appreciative of families that have supported their students with compliance and our data indicates greater engagement in the classrooms and in ease in engagement in social relationships.

Thank you to everyone who has been part of this journey so far. Here's to continued success and growth throughout the year!

Please all have a safe holiday and look forward term 2.

Kind Regards

Mrs Fiona Jackson

Executive Principal

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TAMWORTH SHOW 2025

Agriculture students from 7-12 were heavily involved in the 2025 Tamworth Show. Friday started with bringing the schools' new Limousin heifers to the show. After unloading the cattle, students participated in a junior judging day where they had the opportunity to judge dairy cattle, beef cattle, fat lambs and wool. Peel students had a number of successes with many students obtaining ribbons. Friday afternoon saw students participating in beef cattle paraders and the junior heifer show with our 2 Limousin stud heifers.

On Saturday, students participated in the meat sheep judging with Peel presenting 13 Suffolk ewes and rams. Highlights include several reserve champion ribbons and Mickayla Trembath achieving Champion Sheep Handler.

At the same time students were presenting our heifers in the regular classes. After judging was completed three students, Cameron Russell, Zara Kesby and Bindi Isaac then competed for a place to compete at the Sydney Royal Easter Show in parading. Both Zara and Bindi were successful.

It was a fantastic show and all students competed with pride. It was a pleasure to see so many students playing a part in our local show.

Extended Leave

PHS requires an 'Application For Extended Leave - Travel' Form to be completed when a student is going to be absent from school for an extended period of time - 1 Week or more (this leave may be due to a holiday etc..)

Any parent/carer wishing to take their child on extended leave can collect a form from the Front Office.

Form must be completed by a Parent/Carer and returned for Principal approval, prior to leave commencing



MILAMBARAAY LIMOUSINS

This year marks a special time for Agriculture at Peel High School. We have started a Limousin cattle stud. The name Milambaraay Limousins was chosen. This is the Gamillaraay word for cow, meaning to have milk.

At the Coolabunia Limousin sale, Peel was able to secure 2 heifers, Silver Leaf Unique Quality U11 and Jen-Daview Red Satin U29. These heifers went to Tamworth Show and will attend Gunnedah show in Week 10.

We are looking forward to building the herd, through connections with other studs, Artificial Insemination and Embryo Transfer, giving students the opportunity to participate in industry current breeding practices and other opportunities to network in the beef cattle industry.



GROUP 14 DAIRY JUDGING

In week 4, 15 students went to Wilsons Dairy to participate in the Group 14 Dairy judging. Brian and Todd taught the students how to select animals suitable for a dairy enterprise, highlighting the traits required to for a female to be a successful producer. Students then had the opportunity to judge 2 heats of females of different ages. Many of our students stepped up to speak to explain why they selected the animals in what order. It was the first time our students have participated in Dairy Judging and was an excellent learning day and a chance for students to develop their public speaking skills. A massive thankyou to Brian, Todd and the Wilson Family for giving up their time and allowing us to come onto their farm to learn more about Dairy Cattle.





WALCHA SHOW

At the end of Week 7, 8 students and 13 sheep travelled up to Walcha show to compete in the stud sheep section. In the Suffolk section we won Champion junior ram, Champion junior ewe and Champion senior ewe as well as several reserve Champions and places ribbons. In the Interbreed section, our junior ewe went on to win Champion ewe of the show and was then put up against the Champion ram. She went on to win Champion Exhibit (best sheep of the show)! Students were able to show our sheep off in the grand parade in the main ring. Our students represented Peel High with pride and were exceptional in their behaviour. A big thankyou goes to the show team who have given up many recesses and lunches to prep the sheep, our farm assistance Michelle for keeping our flock going and Mr Laurie Rapper for coming in helping us prep and sharing his knowledge with the students.

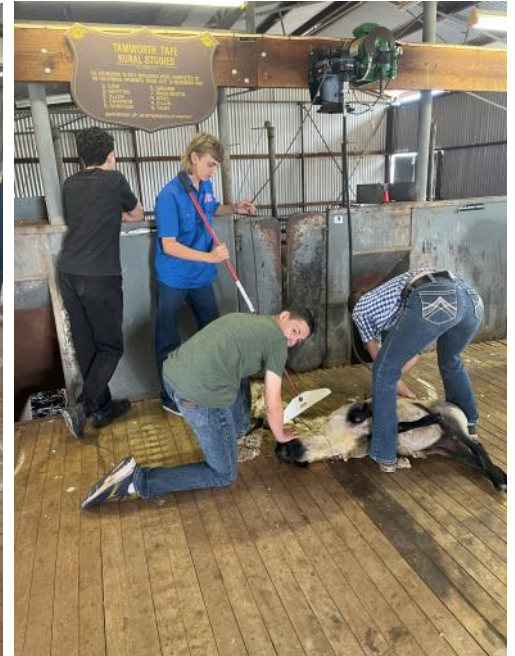


SHEARING SCHOOL

In week 8, 10 students travelled out to Trelawney Station to participate in a TAFE NSW Shearing school. Students learnt how to prepare a hand piece and downtube, set up a shearing floor, animal welfare, wool handling and basic shearing.

The course ran for a week, with each day, students learning additional techniques. They started with how to catch and handling sheep, basic crutching and working their way through shearing an entire sheep. By the last day, some of the students where able to shear a whole sheep from start to finish.

It was an excellent week for the 10 students involved who were directed by highly experienced TAFE instructors. This course added 4 units of competencies onto the students USI record, which can be used for future employment. A big thankyou goes out to Ross, Leo and Matt from TAFE New England for running the course and working with our students.



PEEL HIGH SCHOOL

100%
AT SCHOOL
EVERY DAY!
YOU CAN
ACHIEVE
PERSONAL
EXCELLENCE!

100%
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"VERY FLASH"

90%
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"FLASH"

90%
EQUATES TO 20
DAYS OFF EACH
YEAR OR 100
HOURS OF LOST
LEARNING TIME

85%
NEEDS
IMPROVEMENT

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DANGER
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40 DAYS OFF
EACH YEAR OR
200 HOURS OF
LOST LEARNING
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EQUATES TO
60 DAYS OFF
EACH YEAR OR
300 HOURS OF
LOST LEARNING
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80 DAYS OFF
EACH YEAR OR
400 HOURS OF
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YOUR ATTENDANCE MATTERS

PEEL HIGH'S TAMWORTH SHOW AWARD RECIPIENTS

A massive congratulations to our junior Technology Mandatory- Food and Agriculture students, along with our Elective Stage 5 and 6 students from Food Technology and Hospitality, who received the following awards.

Peel High School also won the trophy for Best Performing High School at the show. We will be back doing it all again next year, bigger and with even more awards and prizes!

FIRST PRIZE

Junior Needlework	Lilly Cullinan	Upcycle Class - Preloved Fabric
Junior Needlework	Lilly Cullinan	Soft Furnishing
Country Pantry	Tahlia Perry	Relish - Any Variety - Dill Pickles
Country Pantry	Jake Hudson	Mango Chutney
Country Pantry	Sharnae Hyde-Perrett	Bottle of Sauce - Any Variety - Sweet Chili Sauce
Junior Cooking Years 10-12 High School	Mellodee Davis	Your Favourite Recipe - Carrot Cake
Decorated Cakes	Jayden Perry	Child's Birthday Cake - 13-17 Years
Decorated Cakes	Lilly Cullinan & Miley Haberfield	Autumn Themed Iced Red Velvet Cake
Decorated Cakes	Katherine Huang	The Most Creative Cake
Junior Cooking Support Class	McKenna Gardener	Your Favourite Recipe

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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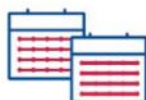
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SECOND PRIZE

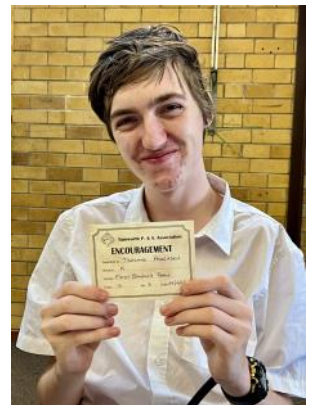
Decorated Cakes	Justin Yates	Decorated Cupcakes - 13-17 Years
Decorated Cakes	Tykoda Frazer	Most Creative Cake
Decorated Cakes	Sharnae Hyde-Perrett	Decorated Cupcakes - Class 5
Junior Cooking Years 10-12 High School	Jonothan Ferris	Scones - Class 20
Decorated Cakes	Tykoda Frazer	Iced Cake - Judged on Icing
Country Pantry	Noah Allen	Relish Any Variety - Fig Relish - Class 36
Country Pantry	Noah Allen	Relish - Any Variety
Junior Cooking High School Support Class	Braxx Garnsey	Any Recipe

THIRD PRIZE

Garden Produce Junior	Peel High School - Technology Mandatory with Mr Kelly	Cornucopia
Country Pantry	Zaleena Curtis	Pickles Junior
Country Pantry	Kaiden Southwell	Junior Marmalade - Class 35
Decorated Cakes	Dakota Turner	Birthday Cake - Class 7
Decorated Cakes	Khari Seller	Birthday Cake - Class 7
Decorated Cakes	Ella Bartlett	Iced Cake - Judged on Icing
Decorated Cakes	Skye Thrift	Most Creative Cake
Decorated Cakes	Brianne Cran	Decorated Cupcakes

ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD

Junior Cooking - Years 7-9 High School	Kenzi Todd	Moist Banana Cake
Junior Cooking - Years 10-12 High	Tyronne Anderson	Moist Banana Cake - Class 3
Junior Cooking - Years 7-9 High	Jacob Sarmiento	6 Jam Drops



The poster features a decorative border with various school supplies. In the top left, there are two orange pencils, one with a green eraser and one with a pink eraser, and a yellow star. In the top right, there is a red notebook with a yellow cover and a yellow star. In the bottom left, there is a red pencil holder with several colored pencils (red, yellow, blue, green, black) and a yellow star. In the bottom right, there is a red pencil holder with a blue notebook, a black pen, a red pencil, and a yellow star. The background is white with a grey grid pattern.

Positive House Points

Earn 5 points every fortnight when
your **ATTENDANCE** is 90% or more!

Earn 1 point for correct uniform or
improved/consistent effort in class

Accumulate House Points to earn
canteen vouchers and attend reward
excursions... and help your house **WIN**
THE HOUSE CUP!

YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Our amazing School Captains, Chayse and Georgia, recently travelled to Sydney for the Secondary Youth Leadership Conference! They had the incredible opportunity to be inspired by a number of key note speakers who shared their powerful stories on leadership, resilience, and community.

Both Chayse and Georgia represented Peel High School with pride, and we couldn't be more excited to see their leadership journeys continue to grow and inspire others.





Artwork by Matt Ottley

NSW Department of Education

2025 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

Start reading now!

www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au



**Key dates
for students
in K-10:**

Challenge opens
Monday 24 February

**Challenge closes
for student entries**
Friday 22 August

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Supporter



SCIENCE & ENGINEERING CHALLENGE

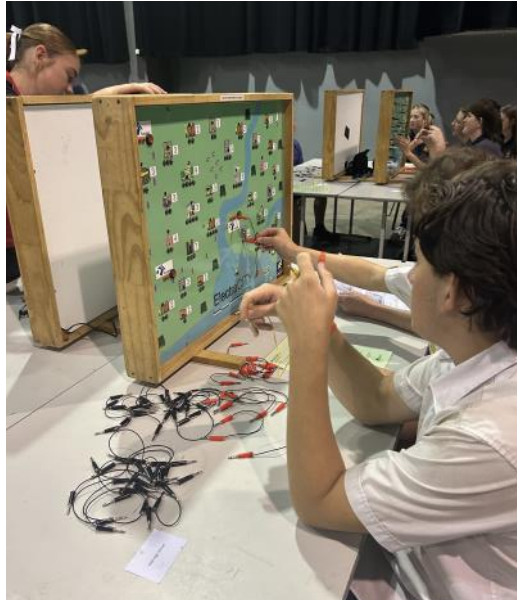
In Week 8, students from Year 8 DV & P, Year 9 STEM, and Year 10 DV & P classes competed at this year's Science and Engineering Challenge held at the TRECC. The challenge is presented by The University of Newcastle as a nationwide outreach program inspiring school students to consider a future in STEM.

During this event, students worked in small teams to solve fun, engaging and hands-on challenges. The activities included building a bridge, building eco-friendly houses, creating and sending encrypted messages with light, powering cities, designing Brewarrina fish traps, wind turbines, wooden planes, and optimising networks for high-speed rail by timetabling.

These challenge days are valuable to our students as they foster teamwork, build problem solving and collaboration skills, and provide insights into future STEM careers to support the workforce needs of the future.

Our students represented Peel High School with pride! An amazing achievement to all those who attended.





BREAKY HUB

STUDENTS CAN STOP IN
FOR A FREE BREAK!
MONDAY, TUESDAY &
FRIDAY
8.30AM - 9AM
IN THE
TAS BLOCK



SUPPORT ART AT THE SHOW

On Friday, February 28th, our talented Support Unit students had the incredible opportunity to visit the Tamworth Show Pavilion and view their artworks on display. They were absolutely thrilled to see their creativity showcased alongside so many amazing entries!

Our students represented Peel High School with pride, demonstrating outstanding behaviour throughout the event.

A big shoutout to Phoenix Orman and Braxx Garnsey for receiving Encouragement Awards for their fantastic works!





COOKING UP A STORM

Our students have been busy in the kitchen, trying out new recipes and whipping up some delicious creations! The excitement is through the roof as they enjoy the meals they've made all by themselves!

It's amazing to see them so proud of their hard work and tasting the fruits of their labour.



ANCIENT EGYPTIAN EXPERIENCE

This year, Year 7 students had the opportunity to experience what it was like to live in Ancient Egypt, when the Tut Roadshow dropped by Peel High School. Students were immersed in a full sensory learning experience, as they learned about the life of one of the most famous pharaohs Tutankhamun, explored his tomb, looked at Ancient Seals and examined artefacts from the Ancient Past.

The students were well behaved and took away lots of knowledge that will assist them in their upcoming topic on Ancient Egypt.



PEEL HIGH SCHOOL

AFTER-SCHOOL SENIOR STUDY SESSIONS

No sign up needed - just turn up when you can!

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

Year 11 and 12 students are encouraged to attend Senior Study Sessions in the library where they can work on class work, assessments and study with the assistance of their teachers! Snacks are provided free of charge.

PEEL HIGH SCHOOL

AFTER-SCHOOL HOMEWORK CENTRE

Collect permission notes from the library!

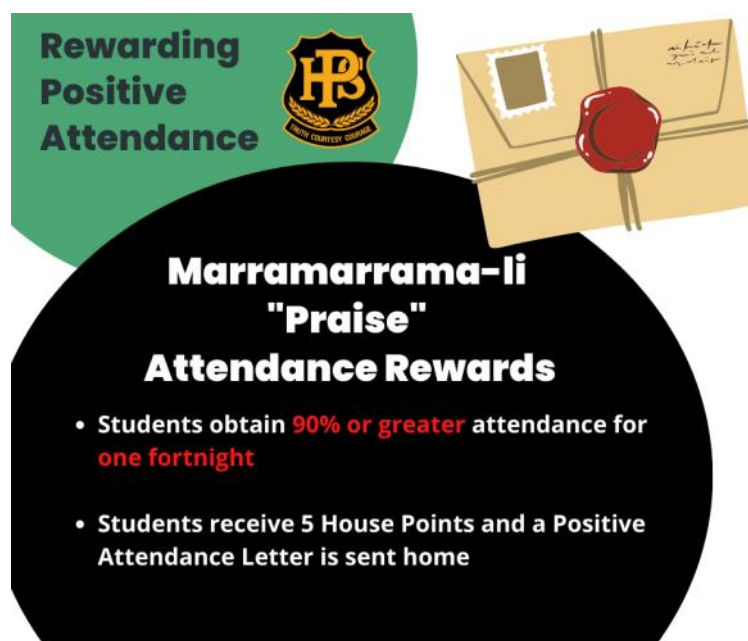
**WEDNESDAYS 3:20PM - 5PM
@ THE LIBRARY**

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.

AN IMPORTANT REMINDER

A gentle reminder for students and their families that aerosol sprays, perfumes or other similar items are not permitted at school. Spraying aerosols can cause severe asthma attacks which may require hospitalization. Students are not to bring these sprays to school. We encourage students to bring stick or roll-on deodorant to school instead.

Students caught with these items will have them confiscated and parents may be required to collect them from the school.





ARE YOU OR YOUR CHILD LOOKING TO PICK UP A HOCKEY STICK?

**Services hockey club have an option from
minkey and juniors through to seniors.**

For more information or to register:
contact Georgia- 0428 732 589
or
contact us on our socials/email

FREE MINKEY PROGRAM- U6/U8 BOYS/GIRLS
JUNIORS- U10 - U18 GIRLS
SENIOR WOMENS



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STEVE WAUGH COACHING CLINIC TAMWORTH

STEVE
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MON 14TH & TUES 15TH APRIL
9:30AM - 3PM

RIVERSIDE 1, CARTER ST TAMWORTH

\$80.00 FOR 1 DAY, \$150 FOR BOTH DAYS

AGES 7-16 YEARS MALE AND FEMALE

20% DISCOUNT APPLIED AT CHECKOUT IF REGISTERING MORE THAN ONE CHILD FOR THE FAMILY.

**PLEASE BRING ALONG WATER, LUNCH,
SNACKS, CRICKET KIT & SUNSCREEN.**

REGISTER AT:

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YOUTH WEEK 2025

Join us for a week of excitement, energy, and endless activities - Youth Week is where the fun begins!



TAMWORTH'S GOT TALENT: CREATIVE ARTS COMP + DISCO

Friday 11 April • 6pm - 9pm
Tamworth Community Centre

SKATE & NOVELTY SPORTS COMPETITION

Monday 14 April • 11am - 3pm
Tamworth Regional Skate Park



TAMWORTH YOUTH WEEK 2025: STAND-UP COMEDY WORKSHOP WITH ANTHONY LAMOND

Tuesday 15 April • 10am - 1pm
The Youthie

WE ARE THE FUTURE, AND THE FUTURE IS NOW: PUBLIC SPEAKING & CREATIVE EXPRESSION COMPETITION

Tuesday 15 April • 2pm - 5pm
Tamworth Town Hall



YOUTH WEEK TRIVIA NIGHT

Tuesday 15 April • 6pm - 8pm
Tamworth Town Hall

Bookings are essential. Scan the QR code to find out more!

Transport can be booked for each of the six Youth Week Events.

Bus pick-up locations: **Barraba** – O'Meara Park • **Manilla** – Manilla Memorial Swimming Pool
Attunga – Attunga Public School • **Tamworth** – The Youthie



UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

April 30 **Term 2 Start!**
All Students Return Today!

April 30 Whole School Cross
Country - 12:30pm

May 1-3 Year 12 Advanced English
Tempest Excursion - 9:30am

May 2 University of New England
Open Day - 7:30am

May 2 ANZAC Assembly - 10:30am

May 5 Legal Studies Writing
Workshop - 9:00am

May 6 P&C Uniform Shop
8:30am - 9:30am

May 9 Community TACCO
Meeting - 9:10am

May 12-14 Year 11 Biology &
Year 12 Marine Studies
Excursion - 6:30am

May 13 Unserious Careers Roadshow
Workshop - 10:11am

May 13 P&C Uniform Shop
8:30am - 9:30am

May 14 Northwest Regional Careers
Expo - 9:10am

May 15 Edge Careers
Workshops - 9:10am

May 16 Gomeroi Cultural
Academy - 9:15am

**May 19 PHS AGM & P&C
Meeting - 6:00pm**

May 20 P&C Uniform Shop
8:30am - 9:30am

May 21-24 Sydney Writers Festival
DV Excursion - 9:00am

May 21 Growing Great Teachers
Creating Chances - 9:10am

May 27 P&C Uniform Shop
8:30am - 9:30am

A REMINDER TO ALL VISITORS, PARENTS & CARERS WHEN VISITING

PEEL HIGH SCHOOL

- If you need to bring items to students at school, they are to be dropped off at the front office.
 - No takeaway food is to be delivered to school for students during the school day.
- If you wish to meet with a staff member, please make an appointment through the front office.
- No visitors are to access the Peel High School site without signing in at the front office.

Thank you for your cooperation.

- Fiona Jackson (Executive Principal)

PHS P&C Uniform Shop open **TUESDAYS FROM 8:30am - 9:30am**

Pop in and see Sue for all your uniform needs.

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

School Planner 2025

Term 2	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
April / May	1	School development day for all schools 28	School development day for all schools 29	Term 2 begins for students in all schools 30	1	2	3	4
May	2	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
May	3	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
May	4	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
May / June	5	26	27	28	29	30	31	1
June	6	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
June	7	King's Birthday 9	10	11	12	13	14	15
June	8	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
June	9	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
June / July	10	30	1	2	3	Last day of Term 2 4	5	6



School development days

The dates are determined by the department. Always check with your local school as dates may change. Parents and carers should not send their children to school on school development days education.nsw.gov.au/schooling/calendars/school-development-days



Scan me for key dates

Help your child get the most out of their school year and to explore our resources, education.nsw.gov.au/calendars