



ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Ceramics Competition

The inaugural Schott Pittwater Ceramics Awards were held last weekend. Over 100 people attended the opening night celebrations where they were entertained by the string ensemble and a potter demonstrating his craft on a potter's wheel. The Year 11 and 12 Hospitality students catered the evening and served sumptuous morsels including antipasto platters, beef and caramelised onion tarts, eggplant tarts and chocolate meringue. All money raised from the competition will help purchase more solar panels for the school and further us toward our target of becoming a carbon neutral school. The standard of the ceramics displayed was exceptional with entries coming from far afield including the Blue Mountains and South Australia. Prize winners were announced at the opening and a detailed list will be included in next week's newsletter. I would particularly like to thank Chrissy Holland, a parent of the school for suggesting the competition and for the many months she put into the organisation of the event.

PCYC Consultation

To support youth in the community, Pittwater Council has applied for a grant to build a Police Citizens Youth Club at Rat Park. The school has supported the application and during the week representatives from the Council gathered, further feedback from a group of students representing all year groups. The council staff were extremely impressed with the feedback from the students and commented positively about the forward thinking, reflection and maturity of the students.

Open Night

I believe Open Night to be a wonderful opportunity for parents to see the leaning their children are engaged in every day. This year was no exception and the excitement around the school, as students proudly shared their learning, was amazing. Parents I spoke to were impressed with the quality of the learning and the professional, positive relationships between the teachers and the student.

Open night is a true community event and I would like to take this opportunity to thank those parents who volunteered their time to cook sausages and staff the canteen.

Junior Girls Uniform

After extensive consultation within the school community I can report the findings of a review of the junior girl's uniform. The issues raised include:

Week 8

Calendar Dates Term 1

Tue 13 Mar	Regional Swimming Carnival
Tue 13 Mar	Y7 -2013 PCS Extension Test at PHS
Fri 16 Mar	Red Cross Blood Bank
Fri 16 Mar	Bandfest Lime Cordiale
Sat 17 Mar	BEATLEMANIA
Sun 25 – Sat 31 Mar	New Trier Band visit
F30 Mar –Sun 1 Apr	CHS Swimming Carnival
Mon 2 Apr	PHS Athletics Carnival

The current uniform includes too many alternatives which are mixed and matched in an uncoordinated way.

Agreement the summer skirt would be worn all year round and the phasing out of the winter skirt over 2 years.

The need for a differentiation in the colour of the blouse between senior and junior students.

Junior girls would like the option of a polo or blouse. The blouse should sit over the skirt and include pin pleats at the front. The hoodie and sloppy joe are warm and well received. Some junior girls would still like to continue wearing the dress.

Box pleats look better than the straight pleat. Final decisions on the uniform will be made this week and announced in next week's newsletter.

Tania Turik
Acting Principal

be responsible be respectful aspire

The Mobile Blood Service is visiting

**Pittwater High School
Friday - 16th March
(8.30am - 2.30pm)**

**To book your appointment please
contact Mrs Milliken in B4 or call
9999 4035.**



HORSE MANURE - Year 8 Ag need lots (tonnes) of horse manure for their Ag plots. If you can supply this or have a truck and loader available, could you contact Leigh Thatcher at the school please?

WOOD SHAVINGS - if you know of a supply of free wood shavings these are needed for the poultry section. Again contact Leigh Thatcher if you can help.
Regards,

Stephen Rawlinson
Pittwater High School

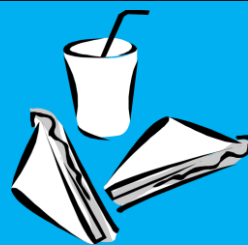
SCHOOL BLAZERS

A number of school blazers have not been returned to the office.

If your child had borrowed a jacket for a school function and it is still at home, we would appreciate it being returned.

Boys Size 16 – 4 missing
18 - 1 missing

Girls Size 14 – 4 missing
16 – 5 missing



Canteen News

Wednesday 14th March

Melissa Trbojevic, Mandy Daher, Mel Marshall,
Linda Newman

Thursday 15th March

Keryn Gallagher, Sarah Jones, Janine
Wolferamm, Kelly Perry

Friday 16th March

Rhonda Scotter, Lisa Haworth, Sunny Van Raad

Monday 19th March

Deb Bertock, Roger Springthorpe, Jules
Middleton, Christine Bratkovic

Tuesday 20th March

Sue Stevens, Kim Jefferys, Wendy Mclean,
Michelle Watts

If you are unable to make your rostered day please try to arrange a swap or advise canteen managers Lisa/Katrina (ph 9999 4035 x122).

Thank you to all the helpers that we have this year.

Penny Winterbottom
Canteen roster co-ordinator
Phone 0432 679 977

Lime Cordiale

AT PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL



FRI MARCH 16TH 7-11.30PM
with Addicted Personality
Ocean Alley

\$15

Smaal Cats
Lost Trolleys
Flipping the Bird

ALL AGES

TIX AT THE DOOR



BEATLEMANIA

SATURDAY, 17 MARCH AT 7PM
PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL HALL
Flaming Doghouse presents the Beatles

Fancy dress '60s
Decorate your own table --- doors open to decorate 3 to 5pm
Live music and dancing
Raffles and prizes
BYO nibbles and drinks

Tickets -- \$25 from Pittwater High School office

Fundraiser for PHS European Band Tour 2012

PHS European Band Tour 2012 Fundraising

The Pittwater High School European Band Tour 2012 Fundraising Committee is pleased to announce the first function of the year. Beatlemania (presented by Flaming Doghouse) promises to be a great night out for all. Following the success of the shows presented on Scotland Island last year we invite everybody to attend this night of memorabilia and fantastic renditions of favourite Beatles songs. A great night of dancing is promised to all.

Please come along and support this event. Tickets are now available for purchase from the Pittwater High School office.

English News

Open Night was a huge success for English! We showcased our exciting curriculum by displaying vast amounts of students' work as well as some live works in progress. Beyond opening our English rooms to interested and prospective parents, we also had interactive English exhibits in the library. Mallee L and Brodie E highlighted many aspects of our Hamlet Viva Voce and many Year 8 students delivered beautiful poetry readings at our Open Poetry Exhibit.

In our classes, we have been very busy presenting new novels to our eager students and redefining our exciting teaching programs. In the midst of all of this, we are preparing for a wide variety of off-site educational days in Term 2 that will enlarge students' understanding of and appreciation of texts in action and culture at work in our modern society.

We will be taking year 12 Advanced to the Sydney Jewish Museum and to the Greek Theatre to see a Harlos production of Hamlet. Year 12 Standard will be attending a theatre production of the celebrated Shoe Horn Sonata. Year 9 will be attending Romeo and Juliet at the Sydney Opera House. Students have the respective permission notes and payments can be made via the red box. There will also be opportunities for years 7, 8, and 10 to attend English excursions in Term 3 and 4.

Our Premier's Reading Challenge is up and running again for 2012. Your English teachers and school librarians will be on hand at all times to help you select and enjoy the many amazing books on the near limitless Premier's Reading Challenge booklist. We encourage you to support wide reading for leisure and for pleasure at home.

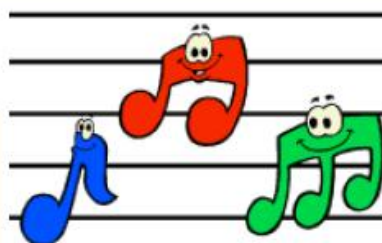
Thank you,

The English Department

Music News

United World Concert Tours invites your Students, Families and Friends to attend a **FREE** International Evening at the Sydney Opera House
Wed 28th March 2012 from 8:00pm to 10:45pm
Featuring: PHS Symphonic Band; New Trier Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Concert Choir and Symphonic Orchestra.

Ticket holders only. To book your free tickets email uwctours@tpg.com.au and provide email contact, name, postal address and number of tickets required.



PERFORMANCES & DIARY DATES:

**** Please continue to check back as various dates are subject to change**

TERM 1

Tue Mar 13 th	Committee Meeting; 7.30pm @ Pittwater RSL
Fri Mar 16 th	"BandFest" – Alcohol + Drug-Free – Euro 2012 Fundraiser; 7pm in the Hall
Sat Mar 17 th	"Beatlemania" - Euro 2012 Fundraiser; 7pm in the Hall
Wed Mar 28 th	>>> UPDATED <<< United World Concert Tours; 8-10:45pm @ Sydney Opera House. Symphonic Band – complete band uniform to be worn
Mon Apr 2 nd	Band Evening with local Primary schools; Concert & Symphonic Bands @ 7pm in the Hall



Don't forget to book and pay for your tickets for Beatlemania (Saturday, 17 March 7.00pm at PHS Hall) at the school front office.

ALL BAND PARENTS NEED TO DONATE ITEMS FOR THE HAMPER:

Band students and parents are requested to donate items for hampers. Please deliver goods to the front office.

THANK YOU to our Beatlemania sponsors:

Barrenjoey House; Dimitry Lihachov; Interlace; Jammy Cow voucher; Jasmine Hall; Make a Strand – Amanda Webb; Nettie Lodge; Northshore Drama; NSW Cricket Association; Portfolio Hair; Surf Shop Mona Vale; Susan Duncan; The Inch Café; Thomas Dux; Three Wishes



Bandfest returns on Friday, 16 March, 7.00 pm at the PHS Hall.
Featuring Lime Cordiale, Addicted Personality, Ocean Alley, The Lost Trolleys, smaals cats, and Flipping The Bird

Get your tickets for \$15 – available from the PHS Front Office

Karin Krueger

karin@kdkmedia.com.au

THE PITTWATER CERAMICS AWARDS

would like to acknowledge the support of the following sponsors.



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C3 Church

Pittwater High School Uniform Shop Order Form

updated Nov 2011

DATE: _____ ORDER TAKEN BY (Internal use): _____

STUDENT'S NAME: _____ ROLL CALL: _____

CONTACT PHONE NO'S: (Home) _____ (Parent Mobile) _____

				Order Details		
	Item	Sizes	Item Price	Size	Qty	Total Price
Girls	Jnr Tartan tunic - Summer	6-22	\$65.00			
	Jnr skirt Tartan – Summer (new)	6-22	\$45.00			
	Jnr Blue Polo – Summer (new)	6-22	\$28.00			
	Jnr White short-sleeved, pin-tucked blouse - Winter	10-22	\$25.00			
	Jnr pleated Tartan skirt - Winter	8-22	\$67.00			
	Jnr & Snr long Black pants - Winter	4-16	\$20.00			
	Snr White s/s blouse with maroon piping, with PHS embroidered	8-22	\$30.00			
	Snr Grey, front pleated skirt – Summer & Winter	8-22	\$55.00			
Boys	Jnr Maroon polo shirts with PHS emblem	10-26	\$35.00			
	Jnr & Snr grey surf style shorts	xxs-5xl	\$45.00			
	Snr white collared short-sleeved, button-through shirt	16-26	\$28.00			
	Snr Maroon school tie with PHS embroidered		\$22.00			
	Snr dark Grey shorts with pleated front.		\$38.00			
Unisex	Maroon fleecy zippered (Hoodie) with PHS embroidered	xxs-xxl	\$50.00			
	Jnr Grey woollen 'V' neck jumper	10-18	\$70.00			
	Snr Maroon woollen 'V' neck jumper with PHS emblem	10-24	\$75.00			
	Snr Maroon school blazer with PHS emblem	14-24	\$110.00			
Sports Uniform Unisex	Maroon microfibre shorts PHS logo	xs-xxl	\$35.00			
	White polo shirt with PHS emblem	10-24	\$30.00			
	Navy micro fibre tracksuit pants	12-xl	\$45.00			
	Navy micro fibre tracksuit zip-up top with PHS emblem	12-xl	\$45.00			
	PHS Maroon rugby shorts	xs-xl	\$22.00			
	Maroon & White long rugby socks		\$10.00			
Other	Black Winter stockings - girls	S-M-L	\$9.00			
	Scientific Calculators – required for Y7 Mathematics		\$33.00			
	Yr7 Bookpack (includes calculator)\$65, Yr 8 Bookpack \$29					
			TOTAL AMOUNT TO PAY			

Please circle method of payment: CASH CHEQUE Credit Card: MASTER CARD VISA

Name of cardholder: _____ (Exactly as shown on card)

Card No:

Expiry: _____ / _____ Total Amount: \$ _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____ / _____ / _____

1. No Eftpos facilities available
2. Cheques are to be made payable to 'Pittwater High School Canteen'
3. All orders must be accompanied with payment and put in an envelope, clearly marked 'Uniform Order', and placed in the 'red box' in A-block or given to a supervisor in the canteen. Collect uniforms during opening times.
4. A selection of second-hand uniforms are available for purchase at reduced prices.
5. Jnr and Snr boys long grey trousers not available for purchase at the uniform shop.
6. The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday and Friday from 8.15am to 11.15am, and located at the far end of the Canteen – enquiries 9979-6968 or contact the Uniform Manager Kim Gobbe.

SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Changes to the 785 and 760 afternoon school services from Pittwater High.

From Monday February 27th 2012 there will be some slight changes to the 785 and 760 school services that depart from Pittwater High in the afternoon.

These changes include:

- The 785 service due at 3:30pm will now be first set down on South Creek Rd, Collaroy.
- The 760 service due at 3:30pm to Collaroy will now operate through to Warringah Mall.

Therefore any students who currently catch the 785 service and gets off between Ocean St, Narrabeen and South Creek Rd, Collaroy will now be required to catch the 760 school service.



Japan Trip 2013

We are seeking expressions of interest for a proposed school trip to Japan in September 2013. This trip would be open to current and future students of Japanese, as well as others with a strong interest in Japan and Japanese culture.

If you are interested in this opportunity for your child, please fill in the expression of interest from below and return it to the Language Staffroom (in B Block) OR email colleen.lustig@det.nsw.edu.au

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Expression of Interest – Japan Trip 2013

My child, _____ of Year _____
is interested in joining a PHS trip to Japan in 2013.

Signed _____ Date _____

CAREERS NEWS

YEAR 12

Remember: I am also your assistant **Year Adviser** if you need any support?

YEAR 11

TAFE Please inform me as soon as you can if you are unable to attend TAFE at any time.

YEAR 10

Work Experience dates: weeks starting-

14th May

18th May

30th July

Obtain email addresses from prospective employers so I can email them the paperwork!

NOTE: to work in the construction industry, you must undertake a **"white card"** training course on the 29th March-see me for a form!

YEARS 10, 11 AND 12 STUDENTS: Please log onto "My High School Careers" website:

mhscareers.com.au

Pittwater High School subscribes to this website. To login: use **"parent"** or **"student"** then password **"outlook"**. You can also register for email alerts! The "Calendar" is great info!

****"Some"** of the careers news alerts from mhscareers will be sent in a **separate email**, (BUT-I can't possibly put ALL announcements in so students and parents should get into the habit of checking on mhscareers.com or getting the email alerts!!)**

Mrs Bates (Careers Advisor, ext 106)

No jobs or apprenticeships this week! Check www.indeed.com?



Mona Vale Public School 100 years Centenary Name Pavers

YOUR NAME WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY

Mona Vale Public School invites you, your child, your family, ex-students, present and ex-school staff to participate in this unique opportunity to become a permanent part of our school history. This will provide an enduring link between past, recent and future that includes the essential partnerships that make our school what it is – students, parents, school and community.

Let us all participate



Pavers will be located in the main oval park between the school bell and staff car park, in front of the garden.

\$50 per paver, if you are ordering more than one paver per family.

Avoid disappointment, order before end of Term 1 !

Simply fill out order form on the reverse and return it to the school.
More copies are available at the school office. Any inquiry, please contact
Helena Nobs on 99974131 or email nobschiu@ozemail.com.au

~ ORDER FORM ~

For Mona Vale Public School
100 years Centenary Name Pavers

Please complete the details of the name you would like engraved in your paver/s in the template provided below. See examples:

Cooper Andrea Kindy 2011	Victor Mordwan 1956 - 1962	Michael Tremonti	The Bellingham 1965 - 1971
Tim Beloni 2003 - 2005 Captain	Joanne Griffin Teacher	Luke, Ben & Jessica Graham	The Reynolds Family

SINGLE PAVER Please print clearly. Each letter, number, punctuation mark or space represents one character.

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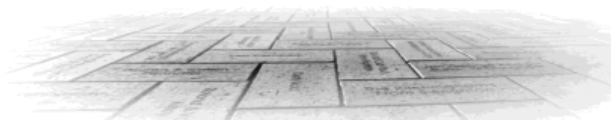
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Line 3: 12 Characters:

Return this form with full payment to
Mona Vale Public School P&C Assoc. by cheque, money order,
cash or order online at www.flexischools.com.au

To Order Online at www.flexischools.com.au
simply login with your normal lunch order username and password
select: "Start an order", then "Centenary Donation"
select: "single paver or multiple pavers"
proceed to check and place order

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____



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Parent Workshop

'Tricks of the trade' to assist children with learning disabilities

An Australian tour by renowned international educator and author **Neil Mackay**.

- Two Hour Workshop
- Designed specifically for parents/carers.

Staying connected to your child and their learning can be difficult when the challenges of dyslexia or other differences arise. This is particularly apparent when it comes to homework and studying for tests. Focusing on aspects such as reading for meaning, spelling tricky words, and organising ideas on paper, this unique workshop teaches parents some of the 'tricks of the trade'.

*** NEIL MACKAY** is an educational consultant and trainer who created the concept of Dyslexia Friendly Schools in the UK. He is an experienced teacher who has taught for 26 years, working with children of all ages with a wide range of needs and abilities.

Neil is known for his ability to provide lively, entertaining and practical suggestions for parents, grandparents and others supporting children out of school hours. He has written a number of books including the extremely popular *Removing Dyslexia as a Barrier to Achievement* and *Taking the Hell out of Homework*. Both books can be purchased through the AUSEPDL website – www.auspeld.org.au

"Dyslexia Aware Parenting" – Supporting Your Child At Home

Being a parent is stressful at the best of times – and none more so than when helping a child with reading, writing and spelling. If the child has special learning needs the potential for stress can be much greater and there is always the risk of "tears before bedtime!"

Often the child's fear of failure and the concerns held by parents affect the way in which child and parents work together.

The situation will always arise when a child needs help and a parent does not know quite how to go about it. The focus of the parent workshops is to give parents some of the 'tricks of the trade' to help parents develop the confidence to work at home with techniques recognised as appropriate and successful.

WHEN Sunday 3rd June, 2012
2pm – 4pm

WHERE The Holme Sutherland Room
The Holme Building, Science Road
University of Sydney NSW 2006

ENQUIRIES Email: enquiries@speldnsw.org.au

COST \$60 SPELD members
\$85 Non-members

REGISTRATION Visit www.speldnsw.org.au to download a registration form or call us on (02) 9739 6277.

Tax Invoice

SPELD NSW. ABN 27 508 090 871.

'Tricks of the trade' to assist children with learning disabilities

Please complete the registration form below and fax it to **SPELD NSW** OR post it to **SPELD NSW 2/172 Majors Bay Road Concord NSW 2137**

COST

(GST inclusive)

☐ \$60 per day SPELD NSW Member

☐ \$85 per day Non-Member

NAME OF PERSON ATTENDING (Please Print) _____

PLEASE NOTE Payment is required in order to confirm registration.

ADDRESS _____

P/CODE _____

EMAIL _____

TELEPHONE (Daytime) _____

MOBILE _____

PAYMENT OPTIONS

☐ My cheque payable to SPELD NSW is enclosed
Please post to **2/172 Majors Bay Road Concord NSW 2137**

OR PLEASE DEBIT MY CREDIT CARD

☐ Bankcard

☐ MasterCard

☐ Visa

EXPIRY DATE _____ / _____

AMOUNT \$ _____

CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT NO _____ / _____ / _____ / _____

NAME ON CARD (Please Print) _____

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OFFICE USE ONLY Receipt Number _____

CANCELLATION POLICY SPELD NSW has a 'no refund' policy. The exception would be if the event had to be cancelled. Registration can be transferred from one staff member to another if required. Please advise SPELD NSW of any changes.

For additional copies of this registration form visit www.speldnsw.org.au



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- Completing the Learner Driver Log Book.
- The benefits of supervised on-road driving experience.

The next workshop in your area will be held:

Time and date: Wednesday 7 March 2012 6.30pm - 8.30pm	Venue: Mona Vale Library Park Street, Mona Vale	Book now on: 9970 1196 or michelle_carter@pittwater.nsw.gov.au
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Indoor Soccer – Futsal Winter Competition

Ladies get your girlfriends together and register for our
Ladies Over 35 Indoor Soccer Winter Competition
(5 a-side)

When: Registrations are open now – close 20 April

Season starts: 10 May (14 week season) Thursday nights

Where: New Life Indoor Sports Centre (Pittwater Church),
10 Jubilee Ave, Warriewood

Cost: \$185.00 for season : includes insurance and registration
with Football NSW and great referees

For more information please contact:

Tanya Tate Email: tate_tanya@bigpond.com

Mobile: 0412 124 116



Authors @ Mona Vale Library Forthcoming Events

FREE FOR ALL SCHOOL STUDENTS
April to May, 2012

April

Wednesday 4 April - Niromi de Soyza – "Tamil Tigress: My Story as a Child Soldier in Sri Lanka's Bloody Civil War". This is her story of her time as a guerrilla.

Thursday 26 April – Local historian, Nan Bosler – "The Story of Bob Waterer and his Family 1803-2010". This is one family's story that can trace its heritage back to a member of the Broken Bay clan led by Bungaree. – **FREE** in celebration of Heritage Week.

May

Wednesday 9 May - Dr Michael Valenzuela – "Maintain Your Brain". The latest medical thinking on what you can do to avoid Dementia.

Thursday 24 May – Frank Coates – "Echoes from a distant land". This is his seventh historical fiction on Africa.

Cost of talks - \$8.00 & \$6.00 – concession, with the exception of the FREE Nan Bosler talk.

Pensioner/student cards must be shown for concession. Light refreshments provided.

Bookings essential for **ALL** talks on 9970 1600 and payment within 3 days required to confirm bookings of paid talks.

The above talks will be held at Mona Vale Library, Park Street, Mona Vale, commencing at 6.30pm