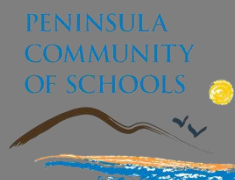




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Term 2 Week 3A

9 May 2012

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

My second week at Pittwater High School passed quickly and soon I will be returning to The Forest High School. I have had a delightful time at Pittwater and I have been most impressed by the dedicated, enthusiastic staff and the courteous, sociable students. The school has excellent facilities, experienced staff and outstanding programs and I have learned a great deal from taking on the role of Acting Principal for this short period of time.

Parent/Teacher Nights 2012

In 2012 there will be three Parent/Teacher Nights to cater for Year 7 to 11.

Thursday 24th May 4:00 to 6:30 pm

Wednesday 6th June 4:00 to 6:30 pm

Tuesday 24th July 4:00 to 6:30 pm

Parents will be able to book online. Instructions for making an online booking will be available in the next newsletter. I strongly encourage all parents to take advantage of this opportunity to communicate with your child's teachers.

NAPLAN testing

The annual National Assessment Program testing for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 takes place from 15-17 May.

Students are tested nationally in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

For more information including FAQs, a parent brochure and past results, go to: www.nap.edu.au/.

Focus on Uniform

The students are to be congratulated for the improvement in school uniform that I have witnessed this week. I would also like to thank parents for the huge support they have provided in encouraging the wearing of full school uniform, particularly black, enclosed leather shoes, which are compulsory under Work, Health and Safety regulations. I have received some very positive comments this week from the community regarding this change. To review the uniform requirements visit:

<http://www.pittwater-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/rules-policies/pittwater-high-uniform>

Week 3

Calendar Dates Term 2

Thur 10 May	School Cross Country
Tue 15 May	NAPLAN
Wed 23 May	P&C Meeting 7.30pm in the Library
Thur 24 May	Parent/Teacher night for Yrs 7 to 11 4.00pm - 6.30pm
Sat 2 Jun	EUROMANIA Black Tie
Mon 4 Jun	Y7 Vaccinations - Chicken Pox & HPV - girls Y10 Vaccinations - Diphtheria/tetanus All students
Wed 6 Jun	Parent/Teacher night for Yrs 7 to 11 4.00pm - 6.30pm
Fri 8 Jun	Bandfest #4

Stewart House Day (11 May)

The Department of Education and Communities' official charity, Stewart House, provides support for children who are in need of a break from their everyday life. Each year 1,800 public school children in need come to Stewart House from many parts of NSW and the ACT. During their stay, they are given optometric, dental and medical treatment as well as emotional support. This is balanced with health and educational programs and out of school activities to boost their self-esteem and to promote a healthier lifestyle.

This year, 11 May is Stewart House Day. We encourage you to make a donation to Stewart House to help support the great work that this charity provides. www.stewarthouse.org.au

International Composting Awareness Week (7-12 May)

This week draws awareness worldwide to the importance and value of restoring health to our soils and the natural environment.

Check with your local council for composting and worm farming workshops in your area - some offer free composting bins for completing a short course.

Get the children into the garden and grow some healthy organic vegetables for winter eating. Many vegetables can be grown in balcony gardens or by easy no-dig gardening.

So, go on, get your hands dirty and reap the benefits.

For local information, go to

www.compostweek.com.au/core/

Rosemary McDowall

Acting Principal

be responsible be respectful aspire



Canteen News

Wednesday 9th May
Kirsten Wollaston, Glenda Hanks,
Leanne Pate, Jodi Williams

Thursday 10th May
Karen Maguire, Toni Gorian – HELP
NEEDED

Friday 11th May
Tracey Carter, Peggy Armstrong, Sandra
Avedissian – HELP NEEDED

Monday 14th May
Leisa Stanack, Diana Shanks , Miriam
Bookey, Janet Howard

Tuesday 15th May
Lyn Wilson, Carolyn Helm, Robyn Stonnell,
Michelle Rubenach

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
 Pennywinterbottom1@hotmail.com
 Phone 0432 679977

The girls may choose to wear a summer weight dress in this material or a skirt with 2 box pleats, and a pale blue blouse. (Lowe's has advised they will no longer stock the white blouse as Mater Maria are changing their uniform).

The dress will be a summer weight and the skirt material will be an autumn weight suitable all year. In winter the girls may wear black stockings/tights under the skirt.

The blue blouse is a student Midford blouse with a Peter Pan collar and pin tucks, identical in style to the previous white blouse.

A black scarf may be worn in winter. The girls may combine to wear black slacks in winter in the same style as the band uniform.

SATURDAY, 2nd JUNE
AT 7:30 PM
PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL HALL



Fancy dress European

Decorate your own table --- doors open to decorate 3 to 5pm

Raffles and prizes

BYO nibbles and drinks

Tickets: \$25 per person

Tickets available from Pittwater High School

Fundraiser for PHS European Band Tour 2012

Further details call Kim Newland at the school office 9999 4035

Music News

EUROMANIA (Tour Fundraiser) featuring 'Black Tie' is on
Sat June 2nd

Organisation Meeting Wednesday 9th May at:
12 King Street, Newport at 7.30pm



PERFORMANCES & DIARY DATES:

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

TERM 2

Tue May 29th

Sat Jun 2nd

Fri Jun 8th

Sat Jul 21st

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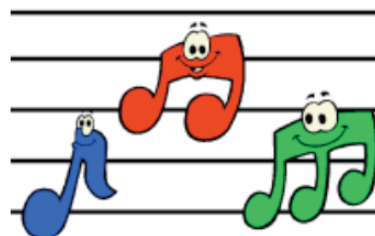
*** NEW ***

"Knowledge on Europe" –Tour meeting Students only 5.45 – 6.15pm

EUROMANIA – feat. 'Black Tie'. Decorate a table, tickets \$25 from PHS Office

BandFest #4; Tickets \$15 @ door, or school office. 5 bands, lineup coming soon!

NSW Band Festival; Concert and Symphonic bands



Pittwater Wine & Food Fair

Thank you to everyone that helped man the car park on Sunday. It raised just over \$560. That is a fantastic effort

Music Committee Vacancy – Trea\$urer

Calling all Band parents – we need someone to fill the position of Treasurer. Perhaps a new face? This is a tremendous opportunity to become part of the Band Committee and be involved in your child's music at the school. For a job description please contact Karin Krueger on 0419 991 267.

Euromania featuring 'Black Tie'

...is Saturday 2nd June at school. Fancy dress & decorate your table for prizes. Also raffles, and tea, coffee & cakes available on the night. BYO food & drink. Tickets \$25 @ PHS Office

Volunteers are required for Euromania. Please email Babette if you are available to help in any capacity small or large. Euromania meeting Wednesday 9th May at 12 King Street, Newport at 7.30pm

BandFest #4

It's on again in the PHS Hall Friday June 8th. Tickets \$15 from the office, or at the door. Line up to be announced soon!!

Band rehearsal times

Parents and students are reminded of band rehearsal times:

Mon	5.15pm – 6.15pm	Symphonic Orchestra
Mon	6.30 pm – 7.30 pm	All Strings
Tues	7.30 am – 8.30am	Senior Stage
Tues	3.00pm – 4.00pm	Concert Band
Tues	4.15 pm – 5.45pm	Symphonic Band
Wed	7.30 am – 8.30am	Concert Band
Wed	7.30 am – 8.30am	Senior Strings
Fri	7.30 am – 8.30am	Junior Stage

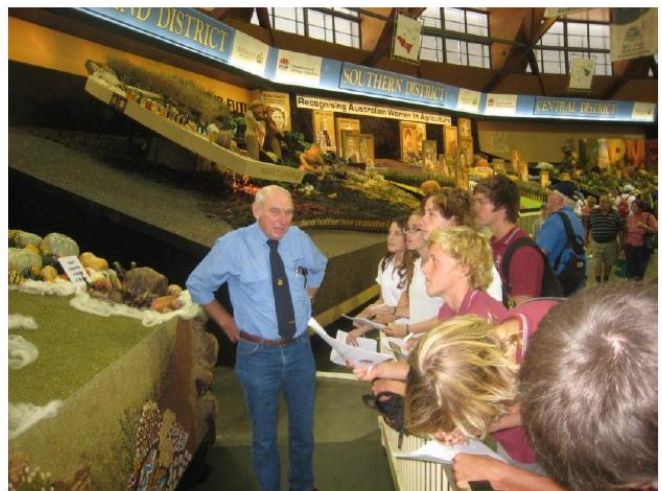
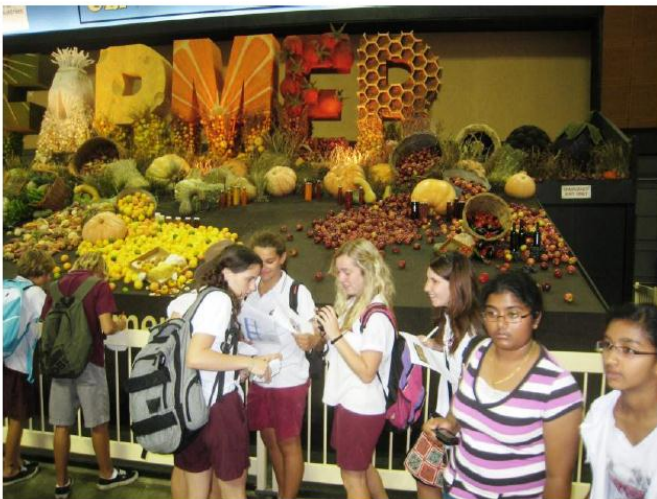
Royal Easter Show visit 2012

A huge contingent of PHS students ventured to the show on the last day of term¹. After an early start we arrived ready to see the best of NSW Agriculture on display. The key instruction given to the students and the emphasis of their worksheets was to **find out what farmers had to say**. It wasn't long before students were engaged in interesting conversations with farmers from many different parts of the state and a range of industries. Exhibitors in the District Display Pavilion were questioned about where they came from, how long it took to set up, what they grew and how they coped with the drought. Dairy goat judging was made more interesting as the judge explained, just for our benefit, the particular features looked for in a first class goat. In the sheep pavilion a long conversation was held with Miss Cahill's brother in law whose sheep was a champion. He explained many aspects of sheep farming and the strategies used to produce first class wool. Unfortunately the poultry pavilion was closed as judging was being conducted. We did not get to see our chooks get a first and fourth prize.

All parents of these children are to be congratulated on the exemplary behaviour of the students on the excursion. When teachers take students such as these it is not only a terrific learning experience but an enjoyable time too.

Our thanks go to Mr Thatcher for organising the day and supervising teachers Miss Cahill, Mr Taylor and teacher's aide Mrs Horncastle.

Stephen Rawlinson
Ag Department





Pittwater High School Uniform Shop Order Form

update march2012

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 Blue short-sleeved, pin-tucked blouse	10-22	\$25.00			
	Jnr pleated Tartan skirt - Winter	8-22	\$55.00			
	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			
	Jnr midford grey elastic waist shorts	12-18	\$28.00			
	Snr white collar short sleeved button shirt	16-26	\$28.00			
Unisex	Snr maroon school tie with PHS embroidery		\$22.00			
	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			
Sports Uniform Unisex	Snr Maroon school blazer with PHS emblem	14-24	\$110.00			
	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			
Other	Maroon & White long rugby socks		\$10.00			
	Black Winter stockings - girls	S-M-L	\$9.00			
	Scientific Calculators – required for Y7 Mathematics		\$33.00			
	Jnr maroon sweatshirt (sloppy joe)	12-22	\$27.00			
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.

RE: Pittwater High School Winter Uniform

UNIFORM MONITORING PROCEDURE

1. Roll call teachers are to check uniform daily.
2. Place an X in the space provided on the Roll for those students out of uniform.
3. Inform students that are not wearing the correct uniform to report to detention in A8 at lunch time. Students who fail to attend a uniform detention on two occasions will be placed on an afternoon detention by HT / DP.
4. Students with a note from home excusing incorrect uniform must see the HT or Deputy Principal for their year to collect a green card.

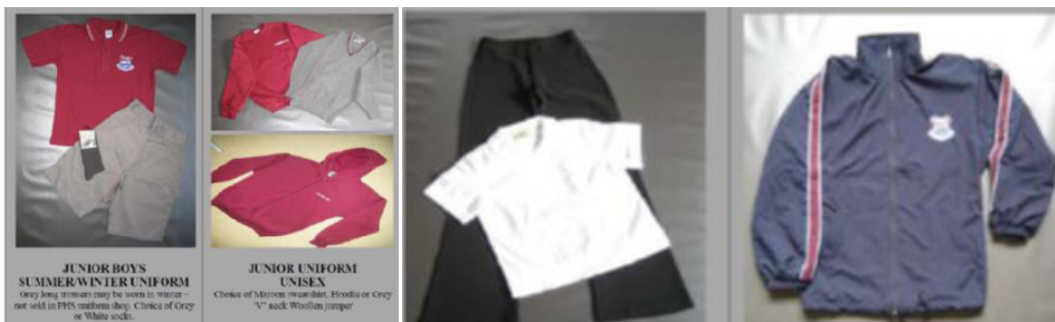
Junior Girls Year 7 – 10

- Light blue blouse or light blue polo shirt with school logo.
- White blouse is acceptable however will be phased out.
- Tartan Skirt with pleats.
- White socks or black opaque stockings.
- Grey V neck jumper or maroon hoodie / sweat shirt with embroidered PHS initials or navy blue school tracksuit zip jacket with school logo.
- Black PHS pants with logo.
- Solid black leather shoes.



Junior Boys Year 7 – 10

- Maroon polo shirt.
- Grey trousers, shorts accepted.
- White or grey socks.
- Grey V neck jumper or maroon hoodie or maroon sweat shirt.
- Solid black leather shoes.



Junior Boys and Girls Winter Sport Uniform Year 7 – 10

- Navy blue school tracksuit pants and navy blue school tracksuit zip jacket.
- White polo shirt.
- Maroon shorts.
- White socks.
- Sport shoes.



Senior Winter Uniform

Girls Year 11 – 12

- White blouse with maroon trim on collar.
- Grey A line pleated skirt.
- Maroon v-neck jumper with school logo.
- Black stockings.
- White socks.
- Solid black leather shoes.
- Year 12 jersey / jacket.



Boys Year 11 – 12

- Grey shorts or trousers.
- White, short or long-sleeved collared buttoned shirt.
- Maroon v-neck jumper with school logo.
- White socks
- Solid black leather shoes.
- Year 12 jersey / jacket

CAREERS NEWS

YEAR 12

Jetstar is offering two **pilot cadet programs** that Year 12 students can apply for : Jetstar Oxford Program (based in Australia) or Jetstar CTC Program (based in New Zealand)

Email: info@pilotaptitude.com

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

***Careers Expo:** 11th May-bring your yellow permission notes in!*

YEAR 11

***TAFE**-please notify me if you will be absent from TAFE for any reason.*

YEAR 10

***Careers Classes:** students should be updating their Careers Portfolio each fortnight!*

***Work Experience Dates:** weeks of 14th and 28th of May, and 30th July-see me for documentation!*

***Careers Expo:** 11th May-bring your yellow permission notes in!*

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

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Indeed.com