



Term 4
16 November
2022

Office Hours

At Petersham, we work to provide a happy, safe and caring environment where children have the opportunity to become responsible and independent learners and achieve to the best of their ability.

The School Office hours are 8:45am—3:30pm

Ensembles

Senior Strings—Mon 7.45—8.45am

Stringlets—Mon 8.45—9.15am

Junior Strings—Mon 3.30—4.30pm

Recorder Consort—Tues 7.45—8.45am

Junior Recorder—Tues—8.45—9.15am

Training Band—Wed—8.00—9.00am

Concert Band—Fri—8.00—9.00am

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 16

Parent Workshop "Emotion Coaching & Regulation"

Tuesday 29th

Talent Show 9.30am

Wednesday 30

K-6 Movie Day
Stage 3—Amazing Me

DECEMBER

Monday 5—Friday 16

Y2-6 Swimming Program

Friday 9

Volunteer recognition afternoon tea 12.45pm

Presentation Day 1:30pm

Wednesday 14

Y6 Ten Pin Bowling
K-2 Nursing Home visit

Thursday 15

Y6 Graduation—10:30am
Stage 3 Harbour Cruise—2:00pm

Friday 16

Pizza lunch/fun day/arch

LAST DAY OF TERM 4, 2022
FRIDAY 16 DECEMBER

FIRST DAY OF TERM 1, 2023:

YRS 1-6 STUDENTS
TUESDAY 31 JANUARY

KINDERGARTEN
STUDENTS MONDAY 6 FEBRUARY

Petersham Public School

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER



Address: 25 Hunter Street, Petersham 2049

Email: petersham-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Website: www.petersham-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Phone: 9560 9665

Performing Arts Showcase

Last Wednesday, over 100 of our musicians filled Fort St High School with the sound of music, at our Performing Arts Showcase. Pieces were performed by the Junior Choir, Senior Choir, Training Band, Concert Band, Stringlets, Junior Strings, Senior Strings, Junior Recorders and the Recorder Consort. Thank you to everyone who made this wonderful event possible, including our volunteers, music captains Ellie and Nico, our incredible P&C, teachers, conductors and event coordinator, Mrs Clay.



Effective communication with teachers

We are committed to strong partnerships between home and school. If you ever have a question, the classroom teacher is your first point of contact. To speak with a teacher, we invite you to book a time by emailing petersham-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au. Speaking directly to teachers ensures that you receive clear and consistent information about your child's social, emotional and academic growth.

Student voice

Student voice promotes engagement, builds a sense of belonging and develops leadership skills. Through our Student Representative Council, students present motions to Mrs Morgan each term. These motions are assessed and selected motions are taken to the P&C for collaboration. With thanks to our students, this year the teachers and P&C have actioned the following:

- New soccer nets
- Cooking Club (thank you Mark Sinclair)
- Purchased sporting attire
- Held a sport mufti day
- Reinstated lunchtime ice-blocks
- Ordered gloves to sell in the uniform shop
- Fixed the cricket nets.

In addition, the following items are in the pipeline for 2023:

- Adding more handball squares
- Installing additional bubblers near the basketball court
- Repairing the netball court.

Thank you students for having your say and to Miss Mathews for being the SRC Coordinator.

Calmsley Hill City Farm Visit

What is a horse's favourite sport? Stable tennis!

Our kindergarten students were accompanied by their teachers and volunteers last week for a day on the farm. Clem said that her favourite part was patting the bunny and Chuck loved when the tractor went fast! The cost of the excursion was paid for by a grant from *Kids to Farms* - A Federal Government funded program aimed to increase engagement between primary school students and NSW agriculture. A big thank you Caroline for your work in obtaining the grant.





Network awards

Congratulations to Kris Golds (SAO) and Donna Macphail (Teacher), who were recently acknowledged at the 2022 Canterbury, Kogarah and Marrickville Network Awards. Both Mrs Macphail and Kris received awards that recognise the countless efforts and the hard work that they have invested into our school community. Thank you so much Kris and Donna and congratulations on your well deserved awards.

Curriculum Reform

The NSW Curriculum Reform is a program to deliver a new curriculum for Kindergarten to Year 12 from 2024. The new curriculum is being developed by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA). Next year, teachers in K-2 will be programming, teaching and assessing using the new K-2 English and Maths syllabuses. Over the next few years, the Science and Technology, PDHPE, HSIE and Creative Arts documents will be released for schools to plan and prepare. On 1 December, our K-2 team will be released from class to deepen their understanding of the new Maths and English documents and to plan for Term 1, 2023. For more information about the curriculum reform and release timeline, go to <https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/about/initiatives/curriculum-reform/curriculum-reform-timeline#k-6>

P&C Holiday Activity Fundraiser

The P&C is very excited to announce two enjoyable Christmas holiday activity fundraisers. Head over to their [website](#) for more details, including how to order.



Get in quick - gingerbread house kits are on sale from today until 24th November. Choose from original, chocolate or gluten free. Get the family together and have some fun building your festive village. \$45 per kit, delivery before the end of term.



Beat the holiday blues and bid on one of 20 kid friendly, boredom busting activities in our exclusive online silent auction. Great experiences available. More details coming soon... www.petershampanc.org.au

Volunteers Afternoon Tea

We warmly invite all volunteers to our *thank you* afternoon tea, to be held in the Library from 12.45pm, directly before Presentation Day on Friday 9th December 2022. We recognise that volunteers are vital to the running of many aspects of school life including our uniform shop, music program, whole school events, reading groups and much, much more! So please pop in and say hi as we thank you for supporting our little community.

RAPID ANITGEN TESTING KITS

Over the next few weeks, all students will be sent home with a pack of 5 Rapid Antigen Testing Kits. Please note that COVID numbers in our school community are rising and we recommend regular testing.



The department has announced two additional staff development days:

Monday 19 December 2022

and

Monday 18 December 2023.

As a result, we have moved some events (and added a few!) Please add these FINAL dates to your diary:

16th November	Parent workshop “Emotion Coaching and Regulation” 6.15 – 8.15pm. Babysitting available onsite. Jointly presented by PACC, P&C and the school with guest presenter, Michelle Cuthbertson. Please see the flyer below for more information
24th November	Parent workshop 2: “Managing Difficult Moments”. Please note this workshop is TBC, based on feedback from Session 1.
29th November	9.30am Talent Show
30th November	K-6 End of Year Movies
30th November	Amazing Me – Stage Three – Bodies and Puberty workshop for children and parents/carers 6pm start
5th -16th December	Swimming. Year Stage Three attend for one week each
9th December	Volunteers afternoon tea from 12.45pm Presentation Day - 1.30pm (Formal assembly acknowledging sporting and academic achievement and announcement of 2023 leaders)
14th December	Year 6 Ten Pin Bowling—11:30am-2:00pm
14th December	K-2 nursing home visit - 9.30am
15th December	K-2 concert and presentation of recognition certificates - 9.30am - 10.30am
15th December	Year 6 graduation - 10.30am
15th December	Stage 3 cruise - 2.00pm
16th December	Pizza lunch/fun day/arch
19th December	School Development Day (PACC open all day for vacation care)
20th December	School Development Day (PACC open all day for vacation care)

Please note that due to the number of upcoming events, students in Years 3-6 will receive their recognition certificate in class.

Orientation for 2023

Our Kindy orientation program has wrapped up for the year with our 38 new Apples and Bananas having a brilliant time during their visits to big school. Kindy, keep an eye on the mail for a letter from your buddy and we will see you next year! A big welcome also to Lucas who will be starting in Year 2. We look forward to seeing you all after the break.



Term 4 Activities & Consents

This term will not be sending out an Activity Statement as we have begun using School Bytes. Instead, we will be sending out separate consent notes for each specific activity.

These will include -

- **Wednesday 30 November**—K-6 Movie Day \$30
- **Monday 5—Friday 16 December**—Years 2-6 Swimming Program approx \$50
- **Wednesday 14 December**—Year 6 Ten Pin Bowling approx \$40
- **Thursday 15 December**—Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) Harbour Cruise approx \$50

Office reminders

- **Early pickups**—please remember to email the office. Also please call us 5-10 minutes before you arrive so we can have your child ready for collection.
- **Please include your child's full name and class on all emails.**
- **Parents and carers are welcome back on site.** Please keep an eye out for letters coming home from classroom teachers regarding opportunities to volunteer in the classroom.
- **Volunteers**
If you have volunteered to help in classrooms or around the school please contact the office as it is a requirement that a Working with Children Check Declaration form is completed and photo ID is shown to the office, if you have not already done so.
- **Masks are no longer be mandatory for staff**, however we will continue to support staff who choose to wear masks.
Parents and carers onsite between 9.15am and 3pm are required to sign-in at the office.
- **Drop off and pick up times**
In the morning, students can be dropped off from 8.45am until 9.15am, as this is when a teacher is on supervision duty. In the afternoon there is no teacher on supervision duty - if students are not attending PACC or an after school activity, they are to be picked up at 3.15pm.

Be a mate—Be Allergy Aware

Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction that is potentially life-threatening. The most common causes of anaphylaxis in schools are food and insect allergies. The only way to prevent allergic reactions is to avoid being exposed to the allergen. Food allergy is now common in school aged children. Children can be allergic to any food, and it is not possible to completely remove all foods from our school. To help manage food allergies, our school is following the National Allergy Strategy Best Practice Guidelines (2021) which do not recommend banning foods as this is difficult to enforce and can bring a false sense of safety. Instead, we have chosen not to stock nuts and nut products in our school canteen as these foods are not staple foods in the diet. We request that parents not send nuts to school, especially for younger students. We ask you to support the school's risk minimisation strategies outlined so that we can increase safety and provide an environment that meets the needs of all our students.




PETERSHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL

Enrolments for 2023 now open

The Principal Beth Morgan invites all local parents seeking enrolment for their child in 2023 to contact us.

Please go to our website
<https://petersham-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>
to complete an enrolment.



Petersham Public School, 25 Hunter Street Petersham NSW 2049
Tel: 02 9560 9665, Email: petersham-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au, Website: petersham-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

PPS P&C

*Holiday Activity
Fundraisers*

GINGERBREAD HOUSE KITS - ORIGINAL,
CHOCOLATE AND GLUTEN FREE.
ORDER BY 24TH NOVEMBER,
DELIVERY BEFORE THE END OF TERM!

BEAT THE SUMMER BOREDOM,
BID ON 20 KID FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES
IN OUR HOLIDAY SPECIAL
SILENT AUCTION!

Head to our website for details
www.petershampandc.org.au



PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY
FREDERICO FRAGA MATOS

STONE





Information for applicants

For entry to selective high schools in Year 7 in 2024

Ready to apply?

Apply online at:

shsoc.education.nsw.gov.au

Note: there may be changes to the dates and procedures in this document.

For the latest updates visit:

education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc

Key Dates

Application website opens

18 October 2022

Application website closes

16 November 2022

Test centre and test authority advice released

20 April 2023

Selective High School Placement Test

4 May 2023

Illness/misadventure requests submitted

11 May 2023

Placement outcome expected to be released

Mid-August 2023

Sing • Act • Dance

Perform in a Show! ★

WIZARD OF OZ

Summer Holiday Camps



Marrickville Public School
Monday 16 to Friday 20 January
2023

For full details and to BOOK online
www.kidsupfront.com.au

kids
upfront
DRAMA ACADEMY



CRAFTANNOON

Afternoon
craft class
Year 3 & 4
Tues 3.15-5.15

Join Alex, Mum-artist-costume
maker, as we weave, stitch,
hammer and knot.
15 kids only
book by Dec 16th for 2023
Craftannoon_alex@hotmail.com



IT'S BACK!

Marrickville Town Hall
SATURDAY 17 Dec @7pm
SUNDAY 18 Dec @4pm
Free! Bring a picnic!


Don't miss this iconic Inner West Christmas event
in its 19th year: unplugged and unfazed.
Sing with the combined forces of the mighty
Leichhardt Espresso Chorus, their terrific
Tinsel Orchestra plus the children's
Candy Cane Choir and guests
MAXed OUT from Moorambilla Voices.
With soloists, old and new carols,
and a "loopy" Christmas installation
celebrate the season in
quintessential Inner West style.

JOIN the Children's Choir rehearsals and register online.
DISCOVER more and download a lyric sheet.
LOVE your community choir.




ESPRESSOCHORUS.COM.AU

A MARRICKVILLE HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR PRODUCTION



THE BOOK OF EVERYTHING

ADAPTED BY RICHARD TULLOCH
FROM THE NOVEL BY GUUS KUIJER



NOVEMBER 24 & 25 7PM
FLIGHT PATH THEATRE, MARRICKVILLE
EVENTS.HUMANITIX.COM/MHS-EVERYTHING

