

Peninsula Specialist College NEWSLETTER



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Principal Report

Wow, what a fantastic Spring Fair we had. Thank you to everybody who attended our Spring Fair this week for making it such a fantastic community event. Special "Thanks" go to our organising committee, the fantastic group of parents who worked so tirelessly to support the Spring Fair, the wider community for their generous donations in support of our biggest raffle yet and of course to our students who not just enjoyed a fabulous day, but conducted themselves in a manner they can be very proud of. To sum it up with Therese's favourite word "sensational"!!



'Out of Bounds?' is a program for parents/carers of young people (11-18) who are violent or abusive in the home. This program provides the opportunity to develop strategies for managing your child's behaviour in a supportive environment. The program is held at the John Madder Hall in Frankston (close to the hospital) and starts on the 17th October for 8 weeks (8 sessions). Booking is essential through Peninsula Health-Community Health on 03 5971 9100.

SEPTEMBER IS: START PREPARING MONTH

CFA Chief Officer Euan Ferguson has called on the community to start preparing for the fire season now after early indications suggest an "above normal" fire weather risk. The seasonal outlook is an output from the [Bushfire Cooperative Research Centre](#), which brings together fire managers with climatologists and meteorologists from across Australia each year to discuss fire potential across the country. Large areas of southern Australia, especially along the east and west coasts extending inland, face above normal fire potential for the 2013-2014 fire season, despite the extensive fires in some parts of the country over the last 12 months. These conditions, coupled with above average temperatures across the country since January 2013, have resulted in a build-up of fuel in grasslands.

CAN YOUR PROPERTY REALLY WITHSTAND A BUSHFIRE?

Everyone in Victoria who lives near dense forest, bush, grassland or the coast needs to prepare their property for bushfire. Even if your plan is to leave early on fire risk days, you need to prepare your property. A well-prepared house where the vegetation is well managed has a greater chance of not catching alight in a bushfire. Regardless of property preparation, most homes will not be able to withstand fires in **Code Red** conditions. You need to consider the materials that your house is made with and its design. By making modifications you can improve the likelihood that your house will survive bushfire.

PREPARING YOUR PROPERTY

You can reduce the impact of bushfire on your home by preparing your property. These preparations must begin well before the bushfire season. You should prepare your property even if your plan is to leave early on days of fire risk. This will give your house a greater chance of getting through undamaged. For more information: www.cfa.vic.gov.au

Have a great break,

Peter



UPCOMING EVENTS

Start of Term 4

Monday 7th October

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

What a term it has been, Basketball and Netball on Fridays, lots of skipping practice for Jump Rope for Heart, Interschool Cross Country and a Netball Championship Day. We're lucky to have some excellent sports people at Peninsula S. C. Congratulations to Eric for joining our Senior Basketball team. Congratulations to Bianca R for winning her division at the Cross Country. Well done to the Senior Netball team winning the shield two years consecutively. A special mention to Jess McC (Captain) on an amazing four games. We're looking forward to our interschool Swimming Carnival and Basketball tournament in Term 4.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART



CROSS COUNTRY

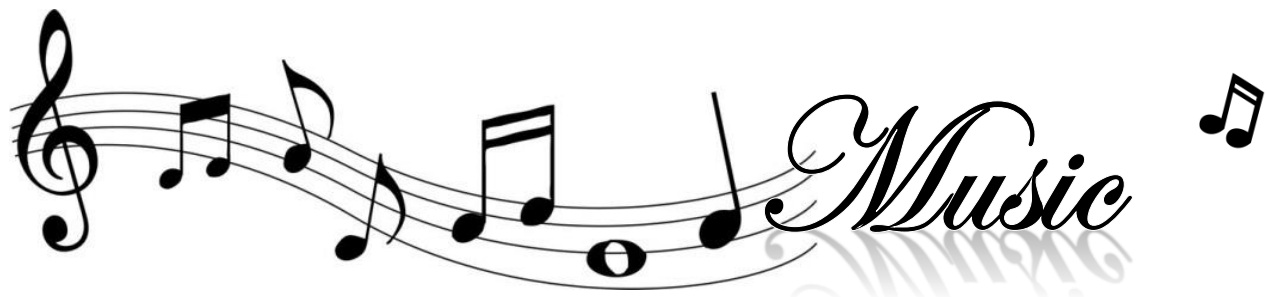


BASKETBALL



NETBALL





Music

Singing and strumming a tune in the Music Room



Above: Riley and Nakesha play along to the song 'If You Go Into The Bush',

Right: Class 6, Hayley and Scott playing the ukulele together.

Far Right: Tom sings and Lulu plays the Ukulele in class 3.

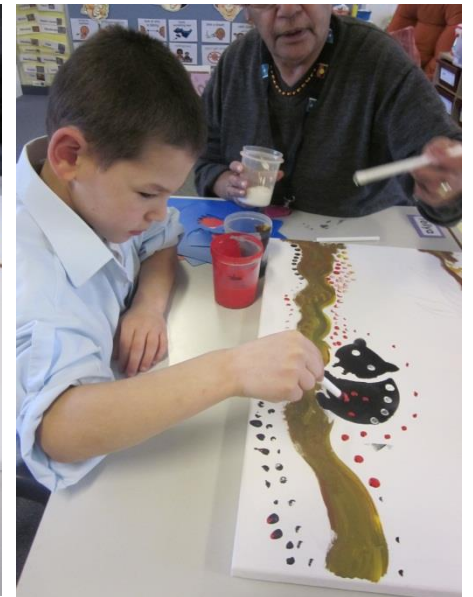


Classes 7 and 8 have been learning about the water cycle. On Monday they performed their water cycle song at assembly. Here they are moovin' and groovin' to the water cycle rap song.



CLASS 3

Aunty Marg has been working with the students to produce some fabulous Indigenous art work. We made an Australian animal mural on canvas and decorated our own boomerangs. We practised throwing our boomerangs outside, which was great fun! Thanks Aunty Marg.



CLASS 7 & 8

We had a fantastic excursion to Bunnings to take part in a DIY session to create fantastic gifts for Father's Day. Tash led the students in planting herbs, creating a key hook and personalising them. What a great day!



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Performance Art Team



Plaster Painting

