Coming Events

**Week 5**
Friday 15 August
- Stage 2 excursion – Nan Tien Temple

**Week 6**
Tuesday 19 August
- Surf Sense Years 2,4,6
Wednesday 20 August
- PBS Whole School Reward – Movie Afternoon
Thursday 21 August
- Milo Cricket – Stages 2 & 3
Friday 22 August
- South Coast Athletics
- Assembly - Choir Item
- Trivia Night – 7pm.

**Week 7**
Wednesday 27 August
- Southern Stars Dance Rehearsal
Thursday 28 August
- Southern Stars Dance Rehearsal
- Milo Cricket – Stages 1 & 2
Friday 29 August
- Southern Stars Audience Excursion

**Week 8**
Monday 1 September
- Stage 3 Camp Point Wolstoncroft all week
Thursday 4 September
- Milo Cricket – Stages 1 & 2
Friday 5 September
- Assembly – Dance Group Item
- Father’s Day Stall

From the Principal

**BOOK WEEK OPEN DAY**
Today we celebrated books and reading with our annual Book Week events. The theme for Book Week this year is “Connect to Reading”. It was wonderful to see many of our parents, carers and family members joining us today for the dress-up parade and picnic lunch. The Book Fair was also very popular with many students and visitors taking time to view and purchase the great selection of books available from Carnival Books in the library. A percentage of all money raised from the Book Fair will go directly towards the school and the purchase of additional resources for the library.

This afternoon students also attended the Book Week performance, *WORLDS APART* in celebration of *Children’s Book Week 2014*. The musical which explores that how, in an ever changing world, books remain a consistent way to connect with others and celebrate the fact that a good story is timeless featured a selection of the *Children’s Book Council 2014 Shortlisted books*. With engaging songs, audience participation and an exciting narrative, *Worlds Apart* was a wonderful theatrical experience for all our students.
Today’s activities once again highlight the many memorable opportunities our students are provided with at Pleasant Heights. Parent and community participation and support for these whole school events continues to make a significant impact to their success.

Also, activities such as Book Week Open Day involve a significant amount of planning and preparation. In particular, the Book Fair requires teacher and parent support to ensure the books are carefully displayed, packed and distributed to students. On behalf of the school I would like to thank the parents who assisted with the Book Fair, students and teachers for their committed enthusiasm for the day and the school office for their assistance with the Book Fair orders and payment for the performance. Of course I would also like to thank Mrs Ecroyd for her overall organisation of all the Book Week events, including last week’s CBCA lunch. Much time has been spent by Mrs Ecroyd to ensure that Book Week is celebrated and enjoyed by all our students, and this has certainly been very much appreciated!

PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE CHALLENGE
The much anticipated Premier’s Spelling Bee Final was held in the school hall on Thursday 7 August. Parents of students who competed in this attended along with all students in Years 2 - 6, and it was a very exciting and close competition. As we progressed through the rounds and the words became more challenging, the audience was eager with anticipation to see who would be the victorious spellers. The successful students and overall winners were: Remi and Rubin in the junior section and Eve and Ben in the senior. Congratulations to these students who will represent our school in the Regional Spelling Bee Final on Wednesday 17 September at Farmborough Road Public School. Thank you also to Mr Roberts for his organisation of this event.

SOUTHERN STARS
Southern Stars is fast approaching and the show is looking very exciting this year! Community support of Southern Stars is vital to ensure its success and future, and with that in mind we encourage everyone to support it by going to see one of the shows. Over 12,000 people are expected to attend the four performances at the WIN Entertainment Centre.

Friday 29 August 7.30pm
Saturday 30 August 2.00pm, 7.30pm
Tickets through Ticketmaster:
Child under 12 $27.00
Pensioner/Student $38.00
Adult $48.00 Family $140.00

ICAS COMPETITIONS
The ICAS competitions have now all been completed. This year we had a significant increase in the number of students participating and individual results will be presented at a K-6 Assembly as soon as they are available. Thank you to Mr Roberts for his organisation and coordination of this activity and to the teachers who supervised the tests before school.

PARKING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS
Unfortunately we have had some recurring issues with unauthorised parking in the school driveway and car park. A reminder to all parents and community members, there is strictly no parking permitted on school grounds. The top and bottom car parks are reserved for staff only. Using the top car park as a student drop-off point is also not permitted and very dangerous. Students are to be dropped off at the driveway near the canteen, where the current after school pick-up area is situated. We ask parents to assist us with this matter and be mindful of school procedures for the safety of all our students. The use of the school driveway for drop-off and pick-up is a service we provide parents due to the limited parking around the school. The continued effectiveness of this process requires the support and cooperation of all parents who use the facility.
The P&C Trivia Night will be held on Friday 22 August at 7.00pm in the School Hall.

Come along and share in a night of friendly conversation, trivia, games and a chance to win great prizes. **Tickets cost $15.00** per person and they are available to purchase through the P&C. A ticket purchase form is attached to this newsletter and payment can be made at the school office. A reminder however, the Trivia Night is only for adults. Children are not permitted to attend this event.

The P&C would greatly appreciate any donations to be used as prizes for games, lucky dips and auctions on the night. Please assist if you can or if you have contacts with a local business, that may be able to assist with donations. For example, these may include great places to escape, subscriptions, memberships, lessons and vouchers to receive goods. Nothing is too small or too big!

For more information, donations, or how to become a sponsor, please contact the school office or the P&C, and refer to the school website for updates. We are all looking forward to a very enjoyable night!

**ONLINE PAYMENTS FOR SCHOOL EXPENSES**

To make a payment online for school related expenses, parents need to go to the front page of the school website. Click on “Make a Payment” and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner. For further information about how to make a payment online, please see the relevant information on the school website or contact the school office.

A reminder, if payment for school activities is made using the online payment method, parents are still required to sign and return the permission note.

**OPERA AUSTRALIA**

Congratulations to four of our talented students who performed as part of Opera Australia last Friday and Saturday evening at the Illawarra Performing Arts Centre in Wollongong. Amongst the 24 students selected from our region, Charlotte, Jasper, Lili and Kiya sang in the children’s chorus in *The Magic Flute*. We are very proud of these wonderful singers who are also dedicated members of our own school choir.

**PBS WHOLE SCHOOL REWARD**

Congratulations to all students in the school for achieving a whole school PBS reward! This term the PBS reward will be a special movie afternoon to be held next Wednesday after recess in the school hall. Students are permitted to bring a small amount of movie food such as chips or popcorn to eat during the movie, as well as cozy blankets or pillows to sit on.

The next PBS Mad Hatter’s Tea Party will be held next Tuesday afternoon! Students attending this will receive their invitations shortly, and I am eagerly looking forward to hosting this event.

In concluding this week’s newsletter I would like to inform parents and carers about the timeframe for my current role as Relieving Principal. Mrs Venables originally indicated that she anticipated her leave would be approximately two weeks. Unfortunately she has had to extend this leave, and will now return to school in Week 8. I will continue in the role of Relieving Principal during this time and Miss Bennie will teach 4/5P. Mr Roberts will also continue as Relieving Assistant Principal.

Should you have any concerns in relation to this, please don’t hesitate to contact me in the office.

Daliya Phipps
Relieving Principal
CHALLENGE TO ALL CLASSES

Let's see how well we can improve the school song by singing our best at the next whole school assembly. Here's a reminder of the correct words! Maybe you can even teach your parents to sing along.

School Song

We’re children from the mountains
Pleasant Heights School, Pleasant Heights School
The school we love so dearly
In our bushland so rare

Oh we work hard at learning
As for wisdom we strive
For we have to serve wisely
Our country so fair

We’re building proud traditions
In our work and in our play
For those who follow after
To respect and to heed

Duty, service and friendship
And loyalty too
Are some goals to be cherished
As through life we proceed

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Lowes – 20% Off Everything, including Schoolwear, this Thursday, 14th August 2014 for EZY-WAY Credit Card and Rewards Card Members. Discount applies both in store and online.

Lost Property – the lost property is brimming with drink bottles and lunch boxes. If your child has lost anything recently please check the lost property as all unclaimed items will be donated to charity or thrown away.

Assembly Awards

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<td>5/6C</td>
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Personal Best Awards

Congratulations to the following students who achieved Gold, Silver and Bronze recently. Gold students will receive their badges at the special Gold Assembly on Wednesday 10th September at 10.30am. Silver and Bronze students will receive their certificates at the next assembly.

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TRIVIA NIGHT

7.00pm Friday, 22nd August 2014 at PHPS Hall.
$15 per person. BYO Drinks and nibblies

Last year’s Trivia Night was a fun night and we have an even bigger, better night planned for this year – now to be held in the school hall.

Tables seat 8 people but if you can’t raise a table yourself, we can help you join one. We can even have a table for your child’s year – a great way to meet other parents of the school. Prizes will be awarded for the best dressed table. No children are permitted due to the consumption of alcohol.

To make the night successful, we need prizes for the games, lucky dip, and auctions. Please assist us by seeking local businesses for donations, or making a donation on behalf of your family. We would appreciate any prizes for the night to be handed in to the school office before 14th August.

Payment is due by Thursday 14th August. Please submit in an envelope marked Trivia Night. Contact pleasantheightspublicschool@pandcaffiliatel.com.au for more details.

Please fill in the relevant details and return this form with your payment to the School Office.

Contact name __________________________  Phone number ________________________

☐ I enclose full amount of $ ________________

☐ I would like to book __ table(s) for __ people under the name of ______________________

☐ I would like to join a table. Names of people to join ________________________________

Please add me to the year K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 table (please circle one)

☐ I cannot attend but would like to make a donation of $15 (enclosed)
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At the PHPS School Hall
3 Alvan Parade, Mount Pleasant

Friday 22nd August 2014
7pm Start
Tables of 8 BYO Drinks & Nibblies

Tickets $15 from the P&C (information on school website)
Prizes for best decorated table
Plenty of games and prizes on the night!
The canteen is introducing a range of new products. All these items are now available. All food sold in our canteen is compliant with the Fresh Tastes @ School, NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy.

Order online or through the canteen. Don’t forget the August Online Ordering Competition!!

### New HOT FOOD Menu Items

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Gluten Free Bread is now also available at $0.50 extra