**PRINCIPAL REPORT**

Hi everybody,

The Mornington Peninsula Shire Youth Services offer an extensive School Holiday Program throughout April. Activities include pool competition, reptile encounter and drop in sessions. All activities are at Shed 11 Youth Centre, 11 Marine Parade, Hastings. School Holiday Opening Hours are Mon – Fri, 10am – 5pm, closed for lunch between 12.30pm – 1pm. Consent forms are required for all activities. See [www.m pys.com.au](http://www.m pys.com.au) for more details.

I would like to remind everybody that Monday the 13th April 2015 is a Student Free day for Professional Development Activities for all staff. Students return to school on Tuesday the 14th April 2015.

The newsletters are also available via our Peninsula Specialist College website. Please go to the website and have a look at [www.peninsulaspecialist.vic.edu.au](http://www.peninsulaspecialist.vic.edu.au)

Have a safe Easter break everybody.

Peter

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**Events**

**April**

Good Friday
Friday 3rd

Easter Sunday
Sunday 5th April

Easter Monday
Monday 6th April

**Term 2**

Comences
Tuesday 14th April

**ANZAC Day**

Saturday 25th April

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Music

Instrument of the week: Didgeridoo, the Yidaki

Playing the didgeridoo, learning to blow air to make a sound.

Making our own to play and take home. Students in classes 5, 6 & 7 decorated their own didgeridoo with their favourite pictures and patterns.
A lovely day for the Learning Stone Opening Ceremony was had by all. Students were absolutely magic and even the Eagle flew by for a quick look.

A big THANK YOU to all volunteers, staff and students, Aunty Fay and Aunty Marg, John Murray and Cheeky Goose for assisting in this very special community celebration. We are certainly looking forward to our future cultural journey at Peninsula Specialist College.
Class 12 have been attending the Tonic Gym, in Dromana each Thursday morning as part of our Strengthening Pathways Program. It has been fantastic and the students have really enjoyed this experience.

On Thursday our class went to the Dromana Gym. Once we got to the Gym, we got into groups and rotated to other equipment. First our group went on the Treadmill, and then we went on the Exercise bikes. After we finished using the equipment I used the rowing machine. Then after I finished using the rowing machine, we did our Gym fitness session with Lisa our gym trainer. Our class did some African drumming. Then we did some stretching on the gym mats and we packed away the weights and the balls. We chilled at the tables for a little while, then we left and caught the bus back to school.

By Jamie
IHHP visited our school last week and had our students involved in a whole school dance party. The artists use the power of hip hop, modern dance, music and media to engage and develop young people and influence positive change in their lives.

Indigenoushiphop.com
The school has been successful in obtaining funding for a Squease Vest. The wearer is able to obtain deep pressure by squeezing the hand pump. They have full control of the amount of pressure as well as when they receive the pressure. This vest is available for trial for students approximately 8-10 years of age (Chest 65-76cm, waist 60-70cm). It is envisaged that this equipment may help some students and is just another tool to be used alongside student’s individual Sensory Diets.

Lachlan was fascinated to watch the You Tube clip which explains how the vest works and who might benefit.

To watch the video or for more information, please visit their website: www.squeasewear.com

or visit their Australian stockest:
www.calmingkids.com.au

HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE EASTER BREAK!