

NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPAL REPORT

Hi everyone,

Welcome back for Term 3 / 2015. We had a good start to the term and I'd like to welcome our new students and their families to Peninsula Specialist College who joined us for the beginning of Term 3.

The mid-year Student Support Group meetings are in full swing and I encourage you to make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss their progress and future goals.

Each year 40 families are randomly selected to participate in the Parent Opinion Survey. The survey is designed to take no longer than 20 minutes and your responses are completely confidential. Should you receive a survey as part of the 40 participants, please return your survey to school by Friday, 31st July 2015.

We temporarily said goodbye to Jessica McCulloch, one of our senior students, as she makes her way to Los Angeles as part the Australian U17 Disability Basketball Team. We wish her a safe journey and success with her team. A tremendous achievement for Jess!

Please be reminded to observe the No Parking signs around the school premises.

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

Have a good weekend

Peter



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Strengthening Pathways



Don't forget to keep collecting 'earn & learn' tokens to help supply the school with new resources. Look out for our collection at Rosebud Woolworths

Events

August
Wednesday 12th
Special Schools
Music Festival

August
Monday 17th
Science
Week

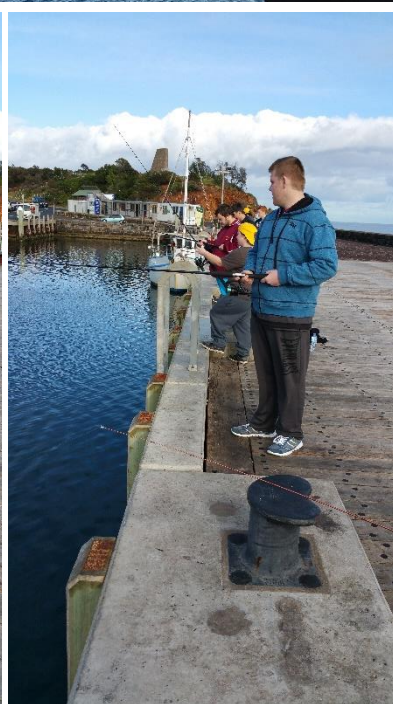
September
Tuesday 8th
Springtime
Fair

September
Friday 18th
Last Day of Term 3

Class 14



Class 14 have been enjoying our Wellbeing and Leisure unit as part of Strengthening Pathways. In week 1 of Term 3 we enjoyed going fishing with volunteers from the Australian National Sportsfishing Association. Darren, Charlie and Nick shared lots of tips on the best fishing spots around the Peninsula and donated 13 rod and reel combos to the school. We didn't catch anything this time, but are looking forward to heading over to Hastings to try our luck in September.



Class 1



It's been a fabulous week of celebration in Class 1. We all enjoyed Bianca's 18th Birthday and experiencing sensory activities such as the foot spa! Well done Class 1!!!



Occupational Therapy

A HUGE thank you to Jan Findley, Tom's grandmother and her friend Marg Humphrey for making our weighted lap bags as well as specially designed sensory items. The lovely rainbow fish has velcroed scales to provide work for busy fingers. Penina loves the special scarf which has crinkly material inside.



Dental Health Services Victoria



Free Dental Check-Up & Treatment for Students

Dental Health Services Victoria's School Based, Special Services Dental Van will be in Frankston in August 2015.

We will be based at the Naranga School for a number of months & will be offering care to students attending Peninsula Specialist College. If you would like your child to have a **free check-up**, please contact and collect a form from the general office at Peninsula Specialist College before **Friday August 21st 2015**.

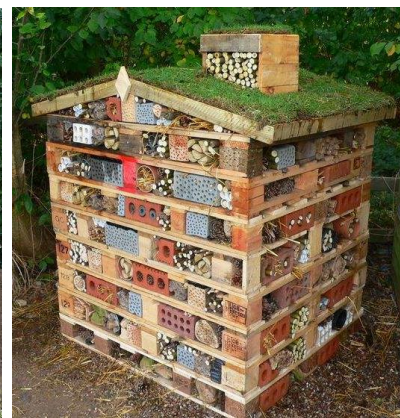
Dental treatment in the dental van is also **free of charge**. Our friendly, patient and highly experienced team consists of a Dentist, Dental Therapist and Dental Nurse. We look forward to seeing your child for **free**, dental check-up.



**Dental Health
Services
Victoria**

WANTED

Senior classes are wanting any donations of Wood, Masonry, pipe off cuts, Pine Cones etc. to construct an Insect Hotel. It will be part of our new rain garden and pond area. Any queries please contact Chris at the school. Thank you





A teacher, an older woman with short grey hair wearing a blue vest over a patterned top, is holding a book titled 'The Parts of a Flower'. She is looking down at the book, which features various colorful flowers. The book's text includes the title 'The Parts of a Flower', a sub-header 'Can you see the different parts?', and a list of parts: 'petal', 'stamen', 'pistil', 'seed pod', 'root', 'stem', 'leaves', 'flower', 'fruit', 'seed', 'bud', 'blossom', 'petal', 'stamen', 'pistil', 'seed pod', 'root', 'stem', 'leaves', 'flower', 'fruit', 'seed', 'bud', 'blossom'. A young boy in a maroon school uniform is in the foreground, looking at the book. Another boy in a maroon uniform is sitting in a wheelchair in the background, also looking at the book. The classroom has a bulletin board with various papers and a window with colorful decorations.







Mexican Art



ART



Strengthening Pathways



Classes 10, 11, 12 & 13 have been involved in the volunteer community planting of indigenous trees with the Mornington Peninsula Shire. Our efforts over the last fortnight have seen the introduction of over 1000 new local native plants. Classes have been enthusiastic in helping the local community and environment. Well done!

