



1/2 News Flash

Term 4 has been an exciting and busy term so far. This term we have been working hard in class with our Literacy, reading groups, writing narratives, imaginative texts, poetry, procedures and Numeracy work.

PBL Resilience focus has been enjoyed by the class and our pond is filling up with pelicans for our positive behaviour choices.

We thank our mums and dads once again for their support all throughout the year. Our Geography unit is on People and Places and our Science unit is on Investigating how materials change. Children are learning new concepts, enjoying fitness, sport, cricket skills, dancing and singing in the hall and having fun.



Year 1 and Year 2 had lots of fun for the crazy colour and hair day. There were some amazing styles and colours.

Every day is a magical day with 1/2!!!!

Regards,
Miss Potter

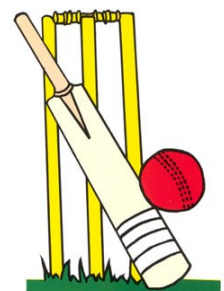


Cricket

On Friday the Paterson Cricket team competed in a gala day for the Reg Kelly Cricket competition. Paterson defeated Metford in the first game bowling them all out for 59 runs. Paterson was able to score the 59 runs in 17 overs. There was some great bowling on display during this game.

The second game saw us playing Tenambit Public School. Paterson went into bat first and scored a great total of 91. Oscar topped scored with 24 runs. Tenambit eventually scored 91 in their second last over.

Paterson displayed great bowling, batting and fielding skills throughout the day and should be proud of their efforts. Well done team.



Term 4, Week 5
November 7th, 2016

Coming Events

November

Thurs. 10th - Kinder Orientation
- Yr 6 Cake Stall

Frid. 11th - Remembrance Day
Service

Wed, 16th - PBL Reward Day

Wed. 16th - 3/4 assembly

Tue. 22nd - Spider Day

Mon. 28th - 10 days of Learn to swim

Wed. 30th - 4/5/6 Assembly

December

Thurs. 1st - School Leader speeches

Mon. 5th - Evening Interrelate
Program Years 3-6
6pm & 7.15pm

Tues. 6th - Presentation night
6.30pm @ Tocal

Wed. 14th - Creative Arts Concert

Notes sent home

Learn to Swim Permission note

P&C Meeting

Agenda:

- * P&C contribution to Technology
 - * Tell Them From Me feedback
 - * School funding for 2017
 - * PBL Team Report
 - * School Dates for 2017
- Next meeting Monday, 21st
November at 7pm in the school
library.

Term 4

Assembly Award ~ Week 4



Term 4 Week 4	Respect	Responsibility	Resilience
Kindergarten	August Krick for showing respect in all lessons.	Sophie Birdsall for a more responsible attitude towards completing her school work.	Finn Baker for practising resilience by not getting upset when he loses in a game.
Year 1/2	Brodie Wood for being respectful in the classroom.	Natasha Ellenor for demonstrating more responsibility in class and with our assembly performance.	Archer Welsh for displaying resilience in our assembly performance.
Class 3/4	Benjamin Gilbert for being respectful towards others.	Ethan Fitzgerald for demonstrating responsibility in the classroom.	Angus Gordon for always showing resilience on the sports field.
Class 4/5/6	Dylan Watts for displaying respect in the classroom.	Harry Morschel for being a responsible learner.	Mia French for always focusing on the task at hand.



Kindergarten	Charlie Yule - for a more responsible attitude towards completing his school work and more consistent positive behaviour.
Class 1/2	Imani-Rose Collyer - for working hard in Literacy and for excellent dancing.
Class 3/4	Annabelle Chapman - for upholding our school values.
Class 4/5/6	Luke Speelman - for excellent description and effort in writing.

Captain's Award

Merrin Paterson for being a kind and caring person.



Principal's Update Week 5, Term 4

Tell Them From Me Survey

The Tell Them From Me survey closed on 31st October. We had 27 responses from our parents, and all staff and students in year 4 and 5 responded. At the next P&C meeting the results will be presented. In broad strokes, parents said that the things we are doing well are making parents feel welcome, staying focussed on student learning and encouraging them to do their best work, and supporting positive behaviour. Respondents reported that we need to work on continuously improving communication about student learning, behaviour and progress, finding ways to assist parents in helping their child with learning at home, and providing extra support for students with additional learning needs. If you would like a copy of the survey results in full, please feel free to request one from the office.

School Bags

Earlier in the year I attended a conference at which there was a short presentation about the impact of school bags on the spinal health of children. We now have available from the office a PPS backpack that is designed to protect the spine. Some more information is included in the newsletter today. If you wish to purchase one of these backpacks at a cost of \$45 please see the office staff. There will be one on display during drop off and pick up time this week. Please note that this is not a uniform shop item and can only be purchased from the office.



Presentation Night

Our 2016 presentation night will take place on Tuesday, 6th December commencing at 6.30pm at Tocal Hall. Could all families who have a perpetual trophy from last year please return them to school as soon as possible (many thanks to those who already have).

Year 6 Fundraising

Year 6 will hold a cake stall on Thursday, 10th November. All donations of cakes and slices would be very much appreciated. Prices will range from 50c to \$2 so save your pocket money for a yummy treat!

Planning for 2017

We are currently starting the process of planning the class structure for 2017. As in previous years, we are very close to the number required for a fifth class but it is always difficult to project our enrolments with confidence until we arrive at the beginning of the school year. If you have any information that would assist us with our planning it would be much appreciated if you could let us know as soon as possible.

Communication

We love to hear from our community when something happens that you think is great, awful, and everything in between. I don't think that the invitation to tell us what you think can be issued too often. If you have something to say, I hope that you feel comfortable in saying it. You can do so in a note sent to the office, by email, or in person. If you have any suggestions for us we would love to hear them at any time.

Congratulations Mr Viner

We would like to offer our congratulations to Deputy Captain Andrew Viner, our general assistant, who last week was awarded a Commendation for Courageous Action from Fire and Rescue NSW for his courageous actions during the April 2015 storm and flood emergency. We are very privileged to have someone with Mr Viner's skills and commitment in our school community.



PBL Week 5 Reward Day

Following feedback from the PBL team that is made up of students and parents, we are planning some changes to our PBL procedures. The first of these is that reward days will take place in week 5 and 10 of each term. Our first reward day will take place on Wednesday, 16th November. Eligible students will enjoy 'Snake Tails', in which they will enjoy learning about reptiles in an entertaining way and will be able to see (and maybe touch) some of our scaly friends. If your child is uncomfortable around reptiles and you would not like them to attend, please let us know and we will arrange an alternative reward.

Have a great week,
Ms Hazell

Cake Stall

Thursday, 10th November, 2016

50c - \$2 each

Donation of cakes to support our Year 6 fundraiser would be greatly appreciated.

All cakes can be dropped in at the office on Thursday morning.



Foster Carers Needed

If you're already thinking about becoming a foster carer, you're meant to be one. Come along to an information session to find out how you can support a child.

A big heart and the hope you can help a child have a brighter future are the two important qualities all people who care for children share.

The only other things you must be are:

- ideally over the age of 25
- an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- in good health
- without a criminal record.

At the information session, you will:

- find out more about the different types of care, including short-term (respite and emergency care) medium-term (restoration care) and long-term options (such as guardianship, open adoption and long-term fostering)
- hear from current foster carers about their experience
- meet the service providers in your area
- find out more about the ongoing support and training you'll receive.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to attend.

Fostering information sessions

Newcastle

Thursday 10th November
12–2pm and 7–9pm
Charlestown Bowling Club

Maitland

Friday 11th November
12–2pm and 7–9pm
East Maitland Golf Club



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At Paterson Public School I am Resilient in lines.



- I wait patiently and calmly.
- I stop and think how my actions affect others.
- I ignore distractions and focus on the job at hand.
- I move safely and sensibly even when others may not.