



Extra Extra

Read All About It!

Wow!! What a term it's been so far. Year 4 have been very busy throughout the term writing their descriptive journal entries of Herbert Kettle from "The Ghost of Miss Annabel Spoon" and a wanted poster to assist the folks from Twee in the capture of Annabel Spoon. I was left with goose bumps when I had finished reading some of the amazing stories.

Everyone has enjoyed participating in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) related tasks such as tower building and a paper table activity that required the students to think creatively and work collaboratively with others while having fun and learning at the same time. We managed to have some time on the library computers last week and dabble in some computer "Coding".

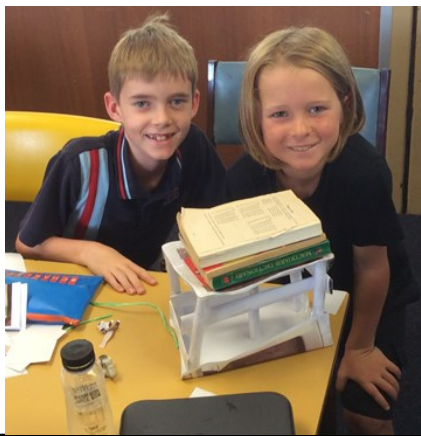
Lately in mathematics we have been looking at Area and the amount of centimetre squares our hand takes up. In science the students have been investigating the effect that different size forces have on objects and how magnets work.

During library time students have enjoyed writing about and creating visual images about the "Great Barrier Reef". Morris Gleitzman has a lot to answer for in his chapter book "MySery Guts".

Creativity was the word to describe the drama skits that our class performed at this week's assembly. I was amazed at the enthusiasm and dedication that the students showed when rehearsing for the big day.

I am so fortunate to be apart of a wonderful class and welcoming school community.

Regards, Mr Baxter



Young Leaders Conference

Last Friday 3rd March, Dylan Watts, Luke Speelman, Ella Coleman and Chelsy Huntriss attended the Young Leaders Conference in Sydney.

All the speakers were very inspiring and the best part was when we were interviewed by the Crinkling Newspaper. This can be viewed on their website.

By Luke & Ella



Term 1, Week 7

March 10th

Coming Events

March

- Tue. 21st - Sharing Culture performance for Yrs K-2
- Tue 21st - Harmony Day
- Wed. 22nd - Year 3 Assembly
- Thu 23rd - Book Club due back

April

- Wed. 5th - School Photos
- Year 5/6 Assembly
- Thu. 6th - PBL reward day
- Fri. 7th - Last day for Term 1.
- Mon. 24th - Staff Development Day
- Tue. 25th - ANZAC Day
- Wed. 26th - All students return for Term 2
- ANZAC School Service

Notes Sent home

Entertainment Book order form

Tell It From Me student survey - Yrs 4 to 6

Book Club

Harmony Day

"Everyone belongs" is the meaning behind Harmony Day every year. It's a time to celebrate our cultural diversity and respect the cultures of those who call Australia home.

Paterson Public School is proud to join the many schools across Australia in celebrating our diversity on Tuesday 21st March. As orange has been the traditional colour since the first day it was held in 1999, we are encouraging students to wear something orange on this day to embrace the meaning of Harmony Day. A reminder that enclosed footwear **must** still be worn and no singlet tops are to be worn.

Induction Course for Paterson Public School

If you are going to be working in the canteen or class you must complete a 15 minute induction course. Our next induction course for 2017 will be held on Tuesday 14th March at 2.30pm & again on Wednesday 15th March at 9.10am in the school library. You will require a 100 points of identification.

Health Care Plans for 2017

Developing and implementing individual health care plans for students with complex health needs is a priority for Paterson Public School.

An individual health care plan formalises the support for students with complex health care needs. This information is normally obtained during the enrolment process and is essential for the schools knowledge in addressing health care issues.

Individual health care plans should be developed for:

- ☐ severe asthma, type 1 diabetes, epilepsy and anaphylaxis
- ☐ any student who is diagnosed as being at risk of an emergency
- ☐ any student who requires the administration of specific medications and health care procedures

Information from the student's medical practitioner and provided by parents, will support the planning process. The plan will describe the student's needs and how the school plans to meet these needs during the school day, on excursions and in other variations to school routine, such as sport.

The plan must also detail procedures to be followed if an emergency arises. Procedures need to be agreed between the parent and the school, following consultation with the relevant medical practitioner. Plans should be reviewed annually or when the parent notifies the school that the student's health needs have changed.

The individual health care plan will:

- ◆ specify the student's health care needs
- ◆ describe agreed actions to meet these needs
- ◆ include emergency phone numbers for ambulance, the parent and an emergency contact
- ◆ include the phone number of the student's medical practitioner(s)
- ◆ include attachments as relevant

If your child requires a health care plan or a health care plan Update please do not hesitate to contact the school.

School Council Parent Representative Nomination

Enclosed in today's newsletter is a nomination form for any willing parent from our school to be nominated as the representative of the parent community on the School Council. Your nomination needs to be returned by next Friday in time for the P&C meeting the following Monday.



If your child is interested in participating in science activities this year that are organised by the school but done at home, can you please send your SPECTRA note back by **17th March** to Mrs Halliday.



Tell Them From Me Student Survey for Years 4 to 6

We are delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the Tell Them From Me Student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. We want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 13th March & 7th April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school no later than Tuesday 21st March. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.

World's Greatest Shave

Paterson Public School are helping to make a difference to the lives of people diagnosed with blood cancer by taking part in this years Leukaemia Foundation's World's Greatest Shave! The countdown is on for Miss Potter and Mr Baxter who are clipping and colouring their luscious locks to raise some much needed funds to help fund vital research. If you wish to support this great cause you can make a donation in several ways.

If you wish to donate online go to <https://worldsgreatestshave.com> and click on the green "Sponsor" tab at the top. Click on "Sponsor a whole team" and type in Parramatta Eels as the team name. When prompted click on "Sponsor our Team" tab and add your details and donation. If you wish to donate some loose change we ask you place this in a secure envelope or bag that is clearly marked with your child's/children's name and class. This will make it easier to send out any tax receipts for any donations over \$2. Any donation will be gladly accepted.

On Friday 17th March at 2.00pm the World's Greatest Shave will happen. Parents are more than welcome to attend this momentous occasion.

Thank you for all your support.

Miss Potter and Mr Baxter



Term 1

Assembly Awards

Week 7



PBL News

This week students have been working on ensuring they are paying attention to wearing full school uniform and caring for the environment around them.

Next week's focus for PBL is "I keep myself and others safe".

Term 1 Week 7	PBL AWARD	CLASS AWARD	PRINCIPALS AWARD
Kindergarten	Brock Williams	Cody Key	Charlotte Hallinan
Years 1/2	Archie Gillespie	Atlas Hatchman	August Krick
Year 3	Cohen Hallinan	Gabriel Williams	Chloe Leadley
Year 4	Ava Byrne	Cameron Wright	Riley Watts
Years 5/6	Jadon Hicks	Tynan Palmowski	Harry Morschel

Captain's Award

Bridget Taylor for listening carefully in lines.

Entertainment Books

Once again Paterson Public School is fundraising by way of the Entertainment Book. If you are interested please order yours online to take advantage of the early bird offers.


Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to stock up on lunch box staples.

Stock up on these pantry and freezer lunch box staples to save time and money on daily packing.

Pantry:

- *Long-life, reduced-fat milk poppers.
- *Long-life custard tubs.
- *Fruit (in natural juice) tubs.
- *Baked beans (small, easy open cans).
- *Wholegrain crackers, crispbread or Corn Thins.
- *Tinned tuna or salmon.
- *Dried fruit.




Freezer:

Make healthy muffins, fruit scones, fruit pikelets, frittatas or mini quiches. Wrap individual portions in plastic, or place in an airtight container, and freeze, ready to go straight in the lunch box.

Other freezable foods include cooked meats, baked beans and sandwich breads.

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
 or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit






BOOK CLUB

due back by

Thursday

23rd March





Stressed about back to school costs?

Would \$500 help pay for uniforms, books, excursions, tutoring, a laptop or tablet?

Saver Plus matches your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to \$500!

You may eligible if:

- you have a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession card and,
- you or your partner have some regular income from work such as full-time, part-time, casual or seasonal work.

Contact Cynthia Culhane
 your local Saver Plus Coordinator:
 02 4032 4703 / 0418 699 646
 or cynthia.culhane@thesmithfamily.com.au

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Families that receive Family Tax Benefit Part A or other eligible government payments can receive \$1000 basic dental treatment for children aged 2-17 years.

For eligibility phone Medicare 132 011
 For appointments call us today!

