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Kindergarten kicked off a big term of dance at Paterson Public School this week when they presented a bright, happy and energetic rendition of "The Mexican Hat Dance". They learnt the dance and the skills involved (such as skipping and clapping in time with the music) over the last two weeks. They even painted their own poncho costumes! Congratulations on a great performance Kindergarten!



Term 2 ~ Week 2 May 11th Coming Events

MAY

Tue 15th - NAPLAN - Yrs 3 & 5

Wed 16th - NAPLAN - Yrs 3 & 5

Thu 17th - NAPLAN - Yrs 3 & 5

- Train 4 School @ Paterson School

Fri 18th - Stewart House envelopes due back to school

Mon 21st - P&C meeting 7.00pm

Tue 22nd - Responsible Pet visit K to Yr 3

- Star Struck rehearsal

Wed 23rd - 1/2 Assembly

Thu 24th - Grip Leadership - Captains only

Fri 25th - Dance2B Fit

Tue 29th - ICAS Science

Wed 30th - Star Struck rehearsal

NOTES SENT HOME

Recorder lessons

Paterson Public School

Sports Carnival

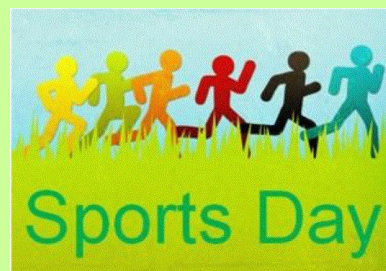
at

Paterson Sports Ground

on

WEDNESDAY

27TH JUNE



Jolly Bops Science Show Term 2

On Tuesday the 8th of May the whole school saw an entertaining Science show. There were lots of explosions, balloons, bangs, student participation and a funny robot who could act, sing and play guitar.



Zone Cross Country

30 students attended the Zone Cross Country Carnival on Wednesday 9th May at Tocal.

All the students were great representatives of Paterson Public School. Students ran the challenging 2km and 3km course in warm conditions.

Drew Saxby placed 1st in the 8/9 year old boys, Sophie Merchant placed 5th in the 10 year old girls and Kiara Merchant placed 1st in the 12 year old girls. These three students will be attending the Regional Carnival at Cessnock Race Course on Friday 1st June.



Newsletter Term 2 Week 2 – From the Principal

Last Friday I had the privilege of taking the Star Struck dancers to their first item rehearsal at Maitland High School. I have to commend not only their behaviour among many other schools, but also their aptitude and skill in learning an entire dance within a short period of time.

The staff that attended our whole school excursion to the Tocal Field Day while I was at Star Struck also reported outstanding behaviour from Paterson students. It appears a great day was had by all. While on Tocal Field Days I would like to send out a big thankyou to all the parents, carers, students, staff and friends who helped support our P&C food tent in any way, especially the Tocal Committee. A lot of work goes into this, especially behind the scenes, and it is the major P&C fundraiser for our school with the money raised supporting your child and all children across the school in a variety of ways throughout the year.

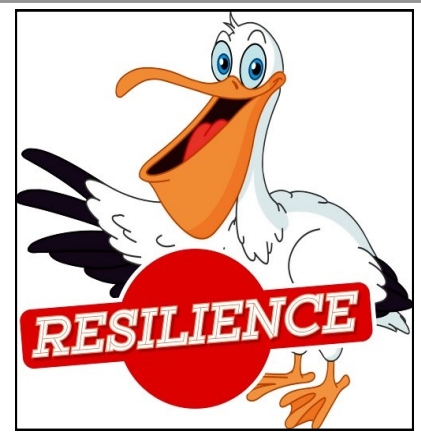
Next week Year 3 and Year 5 students will be taking part in NAPLAN testing. On Tuesday, students will do Language Conventions and Writing. Wednesday will be Reading and Thursday is Numeracy. It is important that students arrive to school on time to ensure a calm start to their day.

Tomorrow our teaching staff will join Lochinvar Public School to participate in a whole day course looking at furthering our 'Critical and creative thinking across the curriculum' in line with our Strategic Plan to improve our teaching around creative thinking and problem solving. This has been scheduled for a Saturday to reduce the cost and due to the availability of the presenters. Staff will attend this day in lieu of a Staff Development Day usually held at the end of Term 4 on Friday 21st December.

Today saw the beginning of our Term 2 sport program 'Sport2BFit'. This is an engaging fitness program which supports our PE Syllabus.



Term 2 Assembly Awards Week 2



Term 2 Week 2	PBL AWARD	CLASS AWARD	PRINCIPAL'S AWARD
Kindergarten	Taj for showing more responsibility with finishing tasks.	Summer for enthusiasm and self motivation in learning numbers to 20.	Frankie for excellent work with his sounds.
Years 1/2	Alayna for taking more responsibility with her learning.	Halle for recognising a crotchet and quaver pattern in music. (Mrs Burgess)	Lucas for improved focus with all learning.
Year 2/3	Archie for always being a happy, kind and caring class member. Archie always shows respect to his peers and is willing to help in any way.	Indigo for becoming an active participant during class discussions. Indigo often has insightful contributions to make.	Tess for her consistent effort to improve work on a daily basis. As a result Tess produces outstanding pieces of work.
Year 4/5	Brodie for trying hard and demonstrating respect towards everyone.	Eve for being a pleasure to teach because she always does her best, treats others fairly and kindly and is willing to learn.	Bridget putting her 'best forward' when practising and sitting assessment tasks.
Years 5/6	Flynn for improved responsibility in the playground.	Chloe for a positive attitude to all tasks.	Chevelle for being a courteous and cooperative class member.

Captain's Award

Drew for determination at Zone Cross Country.

PLEASE NOTE

No P&C payments to be made using the schools website.

All money for P&C payments must be in the form of cash or cheque.

Good for Kids good for life

7 REASONS TO LIMIT SMALL SCREENS

Nearly half of all children aged between 5-15 years spend more than 2 hours every day on small screen entertainment such as TV, smartphones and tablets.

Children who spend more than 2 hours on screen time per day are more likely to:

- Have an unbalanced diet.
- Be less physically active.
- Have sleep problems.
- Drink more sugary drinks.
- Snack on foods high in sugar, salt and fat.
- Have fewer social interactions.
- Develop poor posture.



Setting up good habits while children are young can make all the difference to their habits and health in later life.

Source: Murrumbidgee Local Health District Quick Bites



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Entertainment Books

If you wish to purchase an Entertainment Book. For just \$65 they make a great present for Mother's Day and also raises money for our school.

Printed versions are available from the school and digital versions are available on line at <http://www.entbook.com.au/348h59>

Make Mum feel special all year round!



Opportunity Class 2019

Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2019 at Rutherford Public School? If so applications are now open. To apply go to <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

How to make Online Payments to Paterson Public School

Go to the schools website

<http://www.paterson-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Click on \$ Make a payment link. By selecting the link you will be taken to a secure Westpac Quickweb payment page. Then follow the prompts.

An envelope for Stewart House donation drive went home with last weeks newsletter. All they ask for is a gold coin donation and your child will go into the draw for some fantastic prizes. Please return your envelope with a gold coin by Friday 18th May.



Train 4 School

HELPING FAMILIES GET READY FOR SCHOOL

Do you have a little one starting school next year?

Train 4 School is a free 8 Session School Readiness Program for families in the Gresford, Vacy & Paterson area running fortnightly throughout the year before your child starts school.

Find friendly & practical help to prepare your child for school life
- emotionally, physically, socially & academically.
Come & connect for informal group discussion, input from professionals & fun activities to help your little one be on track to learn!



First Session – Ready for School?!

Thursday, 17th May
10:00am - 11:30am

Paterson Public School Hall

Webber's Creek Rd, Paterson

No cost. Children welcome.
Morning Tea provided.
Transport available.



For more info contact Ali on
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Community Centre 4992 1133.

