



Term 1 Week 11 ~ 11.04.2025

Principal's Report

Welcome to the Week 11 wrap up and my final newsletter as the proud principal of Paterson Public School. *Please see my farewell message on the next page.*

Maitland Zone Cross Country

On Wednesday, we had a team of 30 students attend the Maitland Zone Cross Country event at Tocal. It was a beautiful day for the event, the sun was shining and the fields were green. All students competed with such pride and enthusiasm and let it all out there on the track. Although, they left just enough to cheer on their mates! We are so proud of everyone's efforts today, you're all amazing.

Special congratulations to Annan, Piper, Elly and Poppy who will all compete with the Maitland Zone team at the Hunter Region Cross Country event next term!

PSSA Cricket

Today our Cricket team played their round 2 PSSA knockout match against Dungog Public School. Our team took to the pitch to bat first, they showed resilience in batting their full 25 overs, making 68 runs. Dungog chased us down after a solid batting performance, winning the match. A wonderful effort by all, and played with great sportsmanship. Thanks Mr Lowrey, for coaching our cricket team and organising their participation in the knockout competition.

Zone Trials

A big shoutout to Eddy and Cooper on their selection in the Maitland Zone **Rugby Union** team, last Friday. The boys did themselves proud and were rewarded with this great opportunity. Cooper and Eddy will now compete with the Maitland team at the Hunter Rugby Trials at the end of May. Congratulations!

Congratulations to Layla, Tayla and Daisy who were selected to trial at the Maitland Zone **Netball Trials** on Monday. All girls played with great skills and enthusiasm, we are so proud of you all!

School Holidays

We wish everyone a happy and safe Easter Break! It's been an amazing start to the year and we are very proud of the efforts of all students who've been working hard at achieving their learning goals. If you notice any suspicious activity on school grounds over the break, please contact the Police. All students return for Term 2 on Wednesday 30th April.

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Dates for Your Diary

APRIL

- Fri 11th** - Last day of Term 1
- Mon 28th** - Staff Development Day
- Tue 29th** - Staff Development Day
- Wed 30th** - All students return for Term 2

MAY

- Fri 2nd** - Stuart House envelopes need to be returned
- Fri 9th** - Mother's Day Breakfast -8.00am

Mr Lindsell says farewell...

It's with a heavy heart and mixture of emotions that I inform you that this will be my last day as the proud Principal of this amazing school.

On Monday, I was offered and accepted a Principal Position at Greta Public School, subject to a 10-day appeals period.

There aren't words that can truly express the deep gratitude I have for the entire PPS community, who I have had the great pleasure of working alongside for the past (nearly) 4 years. The beautiful community, amazing kids and inspiring staff have made Paterson PS the most special place I'll ever have the good fortune of working at. I have enjoyed every single minute of my time at Paterson, and I will take away friendships and memories that will be cherished forever more.

The decision to move onto a larger school has been a difficult one, although I am looking forward to growing and embracing new opportunities in my professional career.

Paterson PS will be in excellent hands, while Mrs Katie Manderson takes up the Relieving Principal Position until a staffing process can be formalised and finalised. Mrs Manderson and I work very closely together on all matters, and she will ensure the continuation of learning and student wellbeing will remain the highest priority.

Mrs Manderson will continue to teach Kindergarten on a Monday and Friday. Mrs Kate Greedy will stay on and cover all RFF classes while shifting into a shared Assistant Principal role with Mr Lowrey. We are confident these structures will ensure a strong depth of leadership and continuation of all key initiatives, systems and practices in place.

I will sincerely miss everyone. Paterson PS and all the beautiful people in it, will forever hold a special piece of my heart.

Wishing you all the best, see you around and stay in touch!

Mr Lindsell | Principal



Easter Hat Parade







VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

for the Raffle at Steamfest



- **TWO PEOPLE PER SHIFT**
- **KIDS ARE WELCOME TO HELP**
- **THE BUGGY SELLS THE TICKETS BY ITSELF !**

Please contact Kylie on 0439385307

**SATURDAY
12 APRIL**

8:30AM - 12:30 PM

12:30PM - 5:00PM

**SUNDAY
13 APRIL**

8:30AM - 12:30PM

12:30 PM - 4:00PM

Happy Mother's Day

mark the
9th May
in your diary
for our
Mother's Day Breakfast
commencing
at 8.00am.



Canteen Notice

We remind everyone that all canteen orders must be submitted by **7.30am on the Friday morning.**

All orders submitted after this time will automatically roll over to the following Friday.

Thanking you

Nadine

Canteen Co-ordinator



MOTHER'S DAY GIFTS 2025

This year the annual Mother's Day Gift Stall at Paterson Public School, that the P&C organise will be done a bit differently.

Instead of an actual "Stall" where the kids pick gifts on the day for Mother's Day. All of the students will now be involved in a special project. Every student will nurture and grow their own gifts to give on Mother's Day.

Students are still able to purchase multiples of these special gifts for Mum, Nan and other loved ones at a cost of **\$5 per gift**.

Students will bring home gift on Thursday 9th May
For families buying multiple gifts they can be collected at the Mother's Day Breakfast or from the office.

Please email **hello@patersonpandc.com.au** with your child/ren's name, class and the number of gifts each child would like to purchase. Please also make payment to the PPS P&C Bank Account (see below) or in cash to the School Office by:

Tuesday 30th April

Bank details for P&C: BSB - 062 813 Account - 00905893
Reference: Child's Full Name

Star Struck



Remixed

Newcastle Entertainment Centre

Friday 13 June

11am - Cast A

7pm - Cast B

Saturday 14 June

1pm - Cast B

7pm - Cast A

Tickets through Ticketek - premier.ticketek.com.au



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NEWCASTLE
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Vacy Village Family Carp Muster



FREE



27th April

Meet at Vacy Sports Ground- 9am briefing.
Fish your favourite spots.

Meet back at Vacy at 3pm for measuring,
games, prizes, BBQ and more.

Register at www.trybooking.com/DAUTS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!
WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We are asking for volunteers to sell
raffle tickets at Steamfest
on the 12 & 13th April
and on

19th April at the
Gresford Billy Cart Derby
this will help boost sales for our Annual
Total Field Day raffle.

Please contact the school if you are
able to assist.



Come along to our **free**

Kids

**GARDENING
CLASSES**

at Flower Power

**11am
APRIL**

MONDAY THURSDAY

14 - 17

TUESDAY THURSDAY

22 - 24

ONE CLASS PER DAY!

EXCLUDES PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
& WEEKENDS



Kids of all ages must be accompanied by an adult. No bookings required, however large groups are encouraged to call your local store.

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Enjoy gardening or want to learn how?

Come and join us at Garden Club

- Make a positive impact in our school environment
- No experience necessary, and flexible days to choose from
- Young children welcome to come along with you
- Learn by doing, and ask your own garden related questions

We'd love for you to be part of the exciting things
happening in Paterson Public School's garden!

Contact Anthea 0422 075 836



STEWART HOUSE CHARITY DRIVE



Stewart House provides essential medical care, confidence-building activities, and a supportive environment where public school children in need can reset, thrive, and embrace a brighter future.

Envelopes must be returned to enter the draw!

Draw: Friday, 23 May 2025

**Envelopes due back
to school by 2nd May**



SCAN TO PAY ONLINE

Important:

Online payments ARE NOT an automatic entry into the draw.

Please return your envelope(s)
to your school with a receipt
number (if paying online) for
entry in the draw.





FREE TRIAL CLASSES

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**PCYC Maitland
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Maitland 2320**



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Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

Wednesday, 7 May 2025

9 am to 4 pm

Opposite Paterson Lodge, King Street

PATERSON



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY FILMS...



Thursday 17 April, 11 am

SNOW WHITE

PG • 1h 49m • Family/Fantasy



Thursday 24 April, 11am

DOG MAN

G • 1h 34m • Comedy/Adventure



Saturday 26 April, 4 pm

A MINECRAFT MOVIE

PG • 1h 48m • Family/Adventure/Action

James Theatre, 6 Brown Street, Dungog



Australia's
**Biggest
Morning
Tea**

at The Farmers

**THURSDAY 22ND MAY
11AM**

Morning Tea 🍊 Raffles
Fun games & prizes

To take part in our fabulous games and raffles
please bring cash along with you

For more
information or
to RSVP,
please contact
Maddie on
49388106



**\$20 PER
PERSON**

includes all food &
a glass of bubbles,
soft drink or beer
on arrival



Cancer Council
Australia's Biggest
Morning Tea



TIPS TO SAVE MONEY \$\$

Packing an everyday lunchbox doesn't need to be expensive. In fact, everyday foods can be cheaper than sometimes foods. Here are some tips to make your everyday lunchbox budget friendly.

1. SHOP THE SEASONS

- Choose vegetables and fruit that are in season. They are usually displayed at the front of the supermarket and are often on special. [See our seasonal vegetable and fruit guide.](#)

2. BUY IN BULK

- Buy in bulk and pack into smaller portions at the start of the week.
- Great everyday options include baked beans, reduced fat yoghurt, corn cakes, tinned fruit in natural juice, dried fruit, cheese and crackers.

3. MAKE YOUR OWN

- Pre-packaged snacks are quick, easy and convenient but can increase the price of your shopping trip.
- [Popcorn](#), [flavoured yoghurt](#) and [pikelets](#) are simple to make yourself.
- Instead of pre-packaged cheese and biscuits, make your own by cutting slices of reduced fat cheese and adding wholegrain crackers in a small container.

4. GO FROZEN OR CANNED/TINNED

- Try canned or frozen vegetables and fruit. These can be equally nutritious and can be stored for much longer.
- Frozen berries make a great addition to reduced fat natural yoghurt. They also help keep the yoghurt cooler for longer.

5. LEFTOVERS FOR THE LUNCHBOX

- Using leftovers from dinner the night before is a great way to reduce costs.
- Use leftover roast meat on a sandwich, baked sweet potato as a snack with hummus or leftover pasta or fried rice as the main item instead of a sandwich. Remember to pack an ice brick to keep the food safe.

6. CREATE A TASTING BOX

- You may find yourself running low on everyday lunchbox items by Friday. Instead of packing a traditional 'main' or ordering from the canteen, make a 'tasting box' with a combination of all your leftover ingredients from the fridge. Waste not – want not!

7. SHOP THE SPECIALS

- Look out for specials on everyday products like reduced fat yoghurt, hummus, roasted chickpeas or fava beans and different varieties of bread. This will add interest in the lunchbox and is a great time to try new products.





CANTEEN SNACKS



ICY CUBES - JUICE OR MILK
20c



FROZEN ORANGE QUARTERS
20c



FROZEN PINEAPPLE SLICES
20c



MUFFIN
\$2.50



PANCAKE
30c



CHOCOLATE MOUSSE CONE
\$1.00



POTATO STIX
\$1.00



QUELCH STICK
70c



FROZEN YOGHURT ICEBLOCK
\$1.50



JUICY TUBE
\$1.50



ICE CREAM CUP
\$1.20



CHILL J DRINK
\$2.00



MILK POPPER
\$2.00



BOTTLED WATER
\$1.50



JUICE POPPER
\$1.50



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Add your student information

STEP 4



Top up your account

STEP 5



Start ordering !

Students can order
lunch via the app



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GRESFORD VACY FOOTBALL CLUB

SOCCKER REGISTRATIONS OPEN

All levels
and
abilities

Under-5s
to
over-35s

Mixed &
all-girl
teams

Active Kids Vouchers accepted

AGE GROUP	EARLYBIRD REGO (Offer ends Feb 28)
Miniroos (5-7)	\$100
Miniroos (8-11)	\$120
Interdistrict (12-18)	\$170
Seniors	\$350

* Regular rego fees are \$120 Miniros (5-7), \$140 Miniros (8-11), \$190 Interdistrict (12-18) and \$370 Seniors

* Regos for pre-school kick-off program to open at a later date

Sign-on freebies

- ☐ No weekly game fees
- ☐ Training ball (juniors only)
- ☐ Playing shirt (all players)
- ☐ Dress polo (new players)
- ☐ Socks & shorts (new players)



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