



## Term 1 Week 9 ~ 28.03.2025

### Principal's Report

Welcome to the Week 9 wrap up!

I am really pinching myself here, I just can't believe we are already farewelling the end of Week 9 and about to begin the final 2 weeks of Term 1! Week 9 has been full of action with support meetings, our film making day, rugby training, busy gardeners and visits from support staff.

#### Explicit Teaching

Yesterday we hosted Dianna King, who is the Deputy Principal Explicit Teaching who works with the 20 schools within the Hunter Principal Network to assist schools in implementing Explicit Teaching. During her visit to Paterson PS, both 2/3 and 5/6 had maths lessons delivered by Di where our staff observed how to effectively utilise the principles of the explicit teaching lesson model, which follows a structure of 'I do, we do, you do'. Throughout the lessons our teachers observed expert practice which effectively utilise formative assessment (checking for understanding) throughout to ensure all learners are supported to develop mastery and confidence in application of learnt concepts. We also had 2 classes showcase our 'daily review' practices where we sought feedback on refining and improving. Overall, Di's feedback was extremely positive on what our school and teachers are achieving with their outstanding teaching practices. It's a real credit to our teachers expertise skills and willingness to continue to reflect, refine and improve practice to ensure all students have every opportunity to achieve excellence.

#### Film Making Day

On Tuesday, Paterson PS hosted our annual Film Making Day, where students and staff worked should-to-shoulder in building their expertise in film making, technology use, and story-boarding to develop and inspire their creative skills. A heartfelt thanks to Lachlan Prior from Vacy PS for running the event and sharing his knowledge, expertise and passion for film making. We are so excited to see what our students create in 2025 for the Rolling Hills Film Festival.

#### HELP NEEDED!

Our P&C are looking for a few volunteers to support our major raffle by selling tickets at Steamfest, from personal experience, it's a great job and the time flies by as the buggy gets lots of attention! Please see the flyer on the following page for more details.

Mr Lindsell | Principal

### Dates for Your Diary

#### APRIL

- Fri 4th** - 1/2 Assembly item
- Fri 9th** - PSSA Zone Cross Country
- Fri 11th** - Easter Hat Parade
- 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

**Nits Nits Nits**

Could all parents/caregivers please check their child's hair and treat accordingly.





# 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

We would like to welcome our  
Student Representative Council (SRC)

The SRC has been created to promote Student Voice at Paterson PS. The SRC will be working with Bree (Team leader) and Mrs Manderson. The SRC represents and supports the voice of the student body, advocating for their needs and interests, promoting student engagement and participation in school decision-making and activities.

WATCH THIS SPACE!!!



**PATERSON PUBLIC SCHOOL**



**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL**

*SRC 2025*





# 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](mailto: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](http://premier.ticketek.com.au)



GLENCORE  
A GLENCORE Community Partnership



HERALD  
theherald.com.au



NEWCASTLE  
WEEKLY

Graphika.  
The Branding Agency.

[www.starstruck.schools.nsw.gov.au](http://www.starstruck.schools.nsw.gov.au)



# 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  
Tocal Field Day raffle.

Please contact the school if you are  
able to assist.





**Easter is just around the corner!**

It's time to gather your cardboard, scissors, and glue to create a fabulous hat for our annual Easter Hat Parade.

We warmly invite **Parents, Carers & Friends** to join us for this special event on **Friday, 11th April**, the last day before the Easter break. The parade will begin at **11:50am**, followed by:

- The announcement of **Egg Design Competition winners** for each grade
- The drawing of the **Easter Raffle**
- An exciting **Easter egg hunt**

Your child's hat can be based on **any theme**—it doesn't have to be an "Easter Hat."

**Happy hat making!**

We look forward to seeing you there.





A colorful Easter-themed poster for a school raffle. At the top, a string of colorful triangular bunting flags (purple, yellow, pink, green, orange, blue) hangs across the page. The background is a light yellow with faint illustrations of flowers and a butterfly. The title 'EASTER RAFFLE' is written in large, bold, brown capital letters. Below the title, there are four paragraphs of text in a smaller brown font. The bottom half of the poster features a large, cute white rabbit with pink cheeks and a pink belly, sitting on a brown surface. In front of the rabbit are several colorful Easter eggs with various patterns: one with yellow and white stripes, one with yellow and white zig-zags, one with yellow and pink polka dots, and one with yellow and pink stripes. There are also some green and pink flowers and a small butterfly in the background.

# EASTER RAFFLE

Year 6 are running an Easter raffle to raise funds for the end of year gift to the school. We are seeking donations to use as raffle prizes. These donations could include but are not limited to Easter eggs, Easter rabbits and plush toys. The donations can be handed into the office.

Year 6 students are asked to sell raffle tickets to family and friends outside of school.

Raffle tickets will also be on sale at lunch time at a cost of \$1 per ticket or 3 for \$2. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 11th April during our Hat Parade.

Thanking you for your support.

Mr Lowrey and Year 6



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.

For more information go to [flowerpower.com.au](http://flowerpower.com.au)

**flower  
power**

All Ages Event

Youth Express

2025 YOUTH WEEK

# Community Event & Youth Art Exhibition

Join us for a **FREE** fun evening of food, workshops, live music & Youth Art Display!



Time:  
4 PM  
Until 7 PM

Thursday  
**10**  
April 2025

1/12 Ken  
Tubman Dr,  
Maitland



Be sure to follow us on socials for event details & updates.

*\*\*All Children MUST be accompanied by an adult.*

Scan me







## 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



## ICEBLOCKS FOR SALE

Ice Blocks will be available for sale every Wednesday for cash only.

Thank you Grandma Judy for making this possible.



### PPS P&C ASSOCIATION UNIFORM SHOP WEBSITE

For all of your PPS uniform needs!

[WWW.PATERSONPANDC.COM.AU](http://WWW.PATERSONPANDC.COM.AU)

All orders delivered to the school.

[hello@patersonpandc.com.au](mailto:hello@patersonpandc.com.au)



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

### 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 into the draw.





# FREE TRIAL CLASSES

## FREE G TRAMPOLINE GYMNASTICS



**BOOK NOW**

**MUST HOLD A CURRENT PCYC  
MEMBERSHIP**

**PCYC Maitland  
3 James St  
Maitland 2320**





# TIPS TO SAVE TIME 🕒

Follow our time saving hacks to help busy parents and carers send a healthy lunchbox full of everyday foods.

## 1. PLAN AHEAD AND BE PREPARED

- Planning ahead will save you time in the morning. It's much quicker to pack the lunchbox if you already know what's going in it. Try our '[SWAP It Everyday Lunchbox Planner](#)'.
- Stock the pantry, fridge and freezer with everyday snacks. If you don't have 'sometimes' snacks in the house your children won't be able to ask for them. Out of sight, out of mind.
- Make an assembly line and prepare the lunchbox the night before while you are making dinner. Store perishables in the fridge and non-perishables in the lunchbox ready to go.
- Boil and peel eggs either the night before or on the weekend. Eggs will last in the fridge for about a week if they are kept in a well-sealed container with damp paper towel.
- Cut vegetable sticks the night before and store in the fridge.

## 2. KEEP IT SIMPLE

- Buy fruit that can be packed whole. Try apples, grapes, bananas and mandarins.
- Choose snack sized vegetables like baby cucumbers, snow peas and cherry tomatoes that are ready to go.

## 3. HAVE THE RIGHT GEAR

- Choose a lunchbox that is easy to clean, seals well and fits in the school bag.
- Have plenty of different sized containers ready to go for everyday snacks such as rice crackers, hummus, pikelets, cheese and vegetable sticks.

## 4. LUNCHBOX STATION

- Set up a lunchbox packing station at home with a container for fruit, vegetables and savoury snacks that are ready to go. Ensure it is topped up over the weekend, making it quick and easy to assemble the lunchbox during the week.
- The lunchbox can be packed the night before and stored in the fridge so it's ready the next day.
- Don't forget to add an ice brick from the freezer in the morning.

## 5. THE FREEZER IS YOUR FRIEND

- Make a batch of everyday snacks on the weekend such as [zucchini slice](#) or [fruit scones](#) and pop them straight from the freezer into the lunchbox in the morning.
- Pre-make sandwiches and store them in the freezer until they are ready to be packed in the lunchbox. Fillings such as cheese, vegemite, roast meat and egg freeze best. Pack salad in a separate container so it can easily be added onto the sandwich at lunchtime.





# 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





# MY SCHOOL TUCKSHOP

## OUR TUCKSHOP IS NOW ONLINE!



Follow these quick & easy steps to get started

### STEP 1



Download the My School Connect app or visit  
[myschoolconnect.com.au](http://myschoolconnect.com.au)

### STEP 2



Join today & create your account

### STEP 3



Add your student information

### STEP 4



Top up your account

### STEP 5



Start ordering !

Students can order  
lunch via the app



Download the My  
School Connect  
app from Google  
Play or the App  
Store

Download on the  
 **App Store**

Get it on  
 **Google play**

# GRESFORD VACY FOOTBALL CLUB



## Soccer 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

### Sign-on freebies

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

\* 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



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