



# Newsletter #4 26 March 2026

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### ***Term One Diary Dates***

#### ***Friday March 27***

2:45pm Whole School Assembly

#### ***Monday March 30***

Free Dress Day

#### ***Thursday April 2nd***

Easter Hat Parade

Easter Raffle

Last day Term 1

2:30pm Finish

### ***Term Two Diary Dates***

#### ***Monday April 20th***

First Day Term 2

#### ***Wednesday April 22nd***

Basketball Vic Girls' Clinic Year 3 - 6

#### ***Tuesday April 28th***

Body Education Incursion Year 6

#### ***Tuesday May 5th***

Body Education Incursion Year 6

10am School Tour

***Wednesday May 6th***

Hands On Science Natural Disasters Incursion - Year 5

Proud To Be Me Production - Foundation

***Thursday May 7th***

Kingston Junior Mayor

***Friday May 8th***

Mothers Day Breakfast - More details to come

***Tuesday May 12th***

Body Education Incursion Year 6

***Thursday May 14th***

10am School Tour

***Tuesday May 19th***

10am School Tour

***Thursday May 28th***

10am School Tour

***Tuesday June 2nd***

10am School Tour

***Friday June 5th***

Pupil Free Day

***Thursday June 11th***

10am School Tour

***Tuesday June 16th***

10am School Tour

***Wednesday June 24th***

Student Led Conference - Pupil Free Day

***Thursday June 25th***

10am School Tour

## ***Friday June 26th***

Last day Term 2

2:30pm Finish

## ***Principal's Report***

I would like to offer my congratulations to Mr Jarrod Bainbridge who has been appointed Principal at our wonderful school, starting in Term 2.

This is an exciting time for Patterson Lakes, and I wish Jarrod every success in his appointment.

With only a few days remaining in Term One, I would like to thank the staff for their outstanding work this Term.

Also, a very big thank you to the families who are helping to put together the numerous Easter Raffle baskets on Tuesday, March 31st from 9 am. If this is your first Easter Parade, then you're in for a wonderful morning. Start making your Easter Hats this weekend!

Thank you to the families who have brought back their raffle tickets, please continue bring them in up to the 31st of March as the raffle will be drawn on Thursday, April 2nd after the hat parade.

Lastly, I would like to wish everyone a safe and relaxing Easter holiday break and thank you all for your support over the past 10 years! I hope to be able to say a personal thank you to you all over the final days of the term for entrusting our school with your children.

## ***Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge***

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and Patterson Lakes Primary School is excited to be taking part!

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 and aims to help young readers develop a lifelong love of reading.

It is not a competition; it is a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 5 September 2026. Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

Since it began in 2005, more than 4.5 million young readers have taken part and together read more than 63 million books!

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit [www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge](http://www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge)

You can also contact our school's Challenge coordinators, Mrs Mayes and Ms Lynch with any questions.

Happy reading!

## ***PERCEPTUAL MOTOR PROGRAM [PMP]***

Thank you to all of the parents and staff who have been supporting the Foundation students with PMP in the hall each Tuesday mornings. The students have been enjoying their sessions with a focus on gross and fine motor skills. Please read the next Education Report to view pictures of the activities.

[Term 1 Education Report](#)

## ***STUDENT OF THE WEEK***

Congratulations to the following students who won our 'Student of the Week' awards for Term 1 - Week 7 , Week 8 & Week 9 . Students will receive their certificates at the next assembly on Friday, March 27th. Keep up the terrific work everyone!

### ***Week Seven***

Foundation A Alyssa B for her love of learning and the fantastic effort she puts into everything she does. Well done Alyssa B!

Foundation B Oakley M for always paying attention during learning.

Foundation C Zoe H for displaying our school values of integrity, respect and excellence. You are a great role model, Zoe!

1A Iona M for her efforts to stay in charge of her learning. Great focusing during our writing lesson Iona!

1B Alexis D for showing respect towards your classmates. Well done Alexis!

1C Harper B for consistently showing respect and kindness towards all of her classmates and including everyone. Great work, Harper!

1D Georgia L for always being an eager learner and sharing your fantastic ideas in class discussions! We love having such an enthusiastic member as part of our team!

2A Luca P for being a wonderful friend to everyone in the class. We are lucky to have you in 2A, Luca!

2B Morgan S for actively participating and contributing thoughtful ideas to our classroom discussions.

2C Mia C for your wonderful, well thought out creations during our recycling topic. I admired your persistence and ability to bring your ideas to life!

3A Brooklyn C for being both an outstanding student and Class Captain!

3B Georgie P for being a responsible member of our class and contributing to class discussions. Great work, Georgie!

3C Lily W for always trying her best and showing great work in her Mathematics tasks. Keep it up Lily!

4A Jayla O for being a reflective writer and demonstrating effective use of subordinating clauses. Excellent writing Jayla!

4B Ivaan S for being such an enthusiastic helper in the classroom, completing class jobs with care and willingly assisting others with their work.

4C Alanna D for being an absolute superstar in every way! You are such an amazing classmate Alanna, you should be really proud of the effort you put into everything you do. Well done!

5A Kade C For being persistent and working hard before and during NAPLAN, well done Kade for giving it your all!

5B Zac C for his outstanding effort and determination in class. Keep it up Zac!

5C Jeremiah B for being an excellent member of our class, and always showing respect and excellence in the classroom

6A Ivy C for outstanding effort and enthusiasm at school. Keep it up Ivy!!

6B Jaxon C CAMP KING! Great enthusiasm, effort and enjoyment!

6C Mikayla V for your fantastic efforts and dedication as a learner - which is reflected in your excellent work. Well done!

## ***Week Eight***

Foundation A Hudson G for being a kind student who follows classroom routines well. Well done on a great start to Foundation Hudson!

Foundation B Mason P for always bringing a smile to school.

Foundation C Harvey P for always using beautiful manners at school. You are a superstar, Harvey!

1A Knox H for his excellent behaviour in the classroom. You are a valued member of our team.

1B Oyku G for putting great effort into learning tasks. Well done Oyku!

1C Rory G for being a sensible student who always works hard and tries his best. Great work, keep it up Rory!

1D Jack S for being well organised with your home reading each week and working on your reading fluency. Keep up the terrific effort!

2A Nate B for his fantastic contributions to class discussions. Thanks for always being willing to share your interesting thoughts, Nate!

2B Valentina C for always treating classmates, teachers, and staff kindly and politely.

2C Harlow M for being well organised with your home reading each week and working on your reading fluency. Keep up the terrific effort!

3A Stella J for being an excellent student who always pays attention and works to the best of her ability, and beyond. Well done Stella!

3B Zac D for his great focus during writing time and producing quality work. You are doing a super job, Zac!

3C Finley M for completing his work to a high standard. Well done Finley!

4A Flynn S For contributing rich ideas, knowledge, and perspective to class discussions.

4B Eve C for using your writing skills and ambition to write a passionate and persuasive letter for your friend. You are a gem!

4C Leon S for always sharing such terrific insight into class discussions and learning tasks. You should be really proud of your efforts Leon. Keep up the awesome work!

5A Peyton B for wonderful presentation skills during your Healthy Meal presentation, well done Peyton!

5B Evie A for her kindness and determination this term. We love having you in 5B! Well done Evie.

5C Annabelle D for putting in great effort in our integrated lessons, as well as assisting students with their 'sugary drinks' task.

6A Patrick C for getting that wetsuit on and having a red hot go in the surf! Excellent effort, Pat!!

6B Mia D Lightning Premiership Queen! Dominant display all day - leading the GIRLS to GOLD!

6C Emma W for your wonderful efforts in everything you do - always reflecting the values of Integrity, Excellence and Respect!! Well done Emma.

## *Week Nine*

Foundation A Ava B for always looking out for her friends and showing kindness. Great work Ava!

Foundation B Braxton B for your resilience in learning how to write the letters of the alphabet.

Foundation C Eden B for consistently putting 100% effort into everything you do. The quality of your work always reflects your dedication, Eden!

1A Eliza C for her wonderful concentration during learning.

1B Caoimhe Q for consistently showing great effort when undertaking all learning tasks. Well done Caoimhe!

1C Jack S for working quietly and consistently showing effort and care in all learning tasks. Well done, Jack! You are a superstar!

1D Sophia N for her enthusiasm to learn, take on challenges and keep improving herself. Sophia you are a superstar, and we are lucky to have you in 1D!

2A Mae C for her positive attitude and always giving new challenges a go. Well done and keep up the great effort, Mae!

2B Mason J for showing much improved focused by listening carefully to instructions and following them quickly and accurately.

2C Ramiel S for presenting your well planned project confidently and enthusiastically to your group. Well done!

3A Charlotte S for working carefully and concentrating well whilst participating in NAPLAN. Well done Charlotte!

3B Keeva D for consistently showing effort and care in all learning tasks. Well done, Keeva!

3C Lexi C for always looking out for her friends and showing kindness. Great work Lexi!

4A Mason W for showing initiative and leadership when working collaboratively with a partner or in a small group. Great work Mason!

4B Eliza L for an outstanding effort in your homework project, going above and beyond to research with passion and care.

4C Violet K for being an absolute superstar and always putting so much effort into everything you do. You are amazing Violet! Keep up the awesome work!

5A Jobe H for showing control in his learning and making positive choices in the classroom, well done Jobe!

5B Tilly B for always putting in tremendous effort. Well done Tilly!

5C Oliver C for doing an excellent presentation on his tasty, but healthy muffins for his 'healthy me' cooking project.

6A Michael W for being the Clip 'n Climb champion on camp. Excellent effort and enthusiasm, Michael!

6B Charlie Q for your coool dance moves after Hawthorn goals on CAMP footy night!

6C Saige B for your enthusiasm, confidence and effort in maths. Keep up the fantastic work Saige!

## ***HAPPY BIRTHDAY***



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*Happy Birthday to the following students who are celebrating their birthdays over the next couple of weeks*

**March 27**

Madden E

Will M

**March 28**

*Amara K*

*Evie B*

**March 29**

*Alexis D*

*Jordan M*

*Isla G*

*Oaklee H*

*Mia D*

**March 30**

Ethan E

**March 31**

Lewis M

***April 1***

*Scarlet A*

Valentina C

Grace C

***April 2***

*Amaya L*

*Zoe S*

*Elouise C*

*William H*

***April 3***

*Evie A*

***April 4***

*Isabelle*

*Eden D*

*Berkan G*

***April 6***

*Alyssa S*

*Chloe V*

***April 7***

*Izzy L*

*Pia L*

*Chloe D*

*Isla D*

***April 9***

*Archie P*

***April 10***

*Sadie D*

*Ivy M*

*Oscar W*

***April 11***

*Olivia M*

***April 12***

*Bonnie B*

***April 14***

*Liam E*

*Lachlan H*

***April 15***

*Patrick L*

*Zali B*

***April 17***

*Isabella S*

*Cohen S*

*Haven B*

*Frankie S*

***April 18***

*Parker F*

***April 19***

*Indy P*

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## *School Captains*

Congratulations to Joshua Quinn and Alia Sharp on being named Patterson Lakes Primary School's School Captains for 2026. They will be presented with their leadership badges at our next assembly on Friday 27th along with our other 2026 Year 6 leaders who were listed in our last newsletter.



## *Get ready for some Easter fun!* 🐰

We're excited for Easter Raffle Draw happening on the last day of term Thursday the 2nd April!

Tickets are just \$1 each! There are 10 tickets in each booklet, selling for \$1 each.

Please ensure that you write a name and contact number on each ticket.

If you have sold all your tickets and require more books, please come to the front office to collect some more!

We ask you to please ensure you return tickets no later than end of day **Tuesday 31st March 2026**.

If you would like your raffle tickets to be placed in a non-chocolate hamper, please write this on each ticket.

### ***Important Dates:***

Free Dress Day on Monday 30th March 2026. We ask families to support the raffle by donating an Easter Egg or Easter item for the Easter hampers. The donations from families have included Easter chocolates, cane baskets for the hampers, as well as non-chocolate items such as colouring books and activities for the school holidays.

Volunteers are required on Tuesday, March 31st from 2.00 – 3.30pm to put the hampers together.

The Easter Hat Parade will take place on the last day of school, Thursday 2nd April from 9.10am in the hall.

Be sure to bring your festive Easter hats and show them off! 🎩🐣

We're looking forward to a fantastic event and thank you all for your support in making this a special celebration!



### ***ANZAC Appeal 2026***

To support the ANZAC Appeal, which helps thousands of veterans and their families every year, our Junior School Council members will be visiting classrooms each day for the last week of Term One and the first week of Term Two, selling Anzac Day merchandise for \$2 and \$3 per item. All proceeds will go towards the RSL General Appeals Patriotic Funds.



### ***Year 6 Camp Phillip Island***

Plenty of action at Phillip Island Camp for the Year 6s! Surfing, beach games, rock pooling, penguin parade, greenfaces, clip & climb and Churchill Island. The students were sensational and their growth was pleasing.







## *Year 1 Rock Pooling Balnarring*







### ***Year 3 Moonlit Sanctuary***

Year 3 had an exciting excursion to Moonlit Sanctuary, where they explored a variety of habitats and learned about different ecosystems. Students enjoyed seeing native animals and discovering how living things depend on each other and their environment to survive.







### ***Kitchen Garden Program***

It has been a busy and exciting few weeks in our Kitchen Garden Program! The students harvested our home-grown corn and used it to make delicious crunchy corn fritters. They were very proud to cook with something they had grown themselves.

We also enjoyed some fun themed cooking sessions. For Grand Prix week, the students made Grand Prix pizzas and donut tyres, and for Shrove Tuesday we cooked pancakes with strawberry coulis and ice cream. To celebrate St Patrick's Day, we made Irish potato bread, which the students loved.

To make sure nothing went to waste, the following week we used our potatoes to make cheesy bacon and potato muffins as well as smashed potatoes and they were definitely a big hit!

In the garden, our pumpkins are growing really well and the students are excited to keep watching them grow. We are looking forward to more harvesting and cooking in the coming weeks!

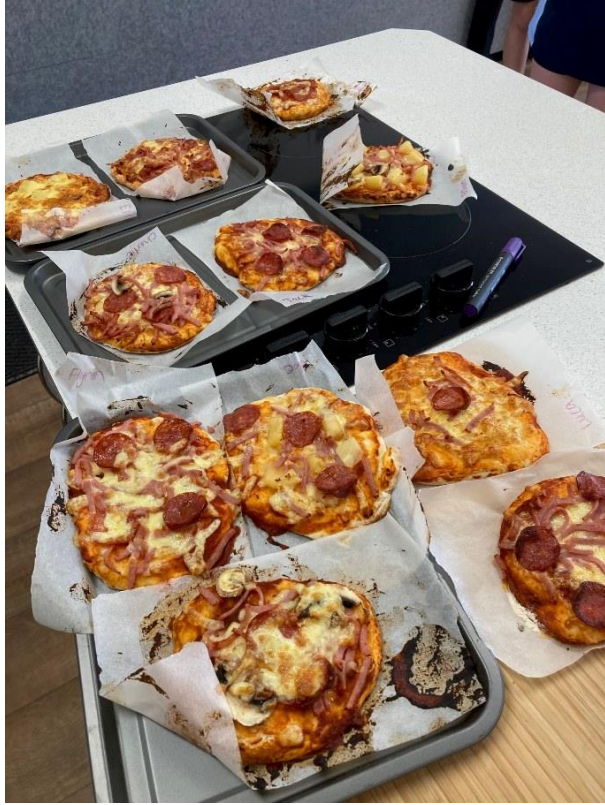














## ***Working Bee Friday 20th***

We really appreciate the small, but industrious number of families that assisted us with mulching a multitude of gardens and for filling an entire 6m Skip in an hour. We want to thank the Dickson, Goodwin, McCormack, Hogan families, Ember and Leticia Maher (sorry to anyone we've missed) for their time and generous efforts.



## ***Year 5/6 Boys & Year 6 Girls Basketball Teams onto District!***

Congratulation to the Year 5/6 Boys & Year 6 Girls basketball teams for winning gold medals at Lightning premiership on Monday 23rd of March. They will now move on to district finals, more information to come.





## ***Victorian Teacher Strike***

On Tuesday 24th March, AEU members from Patterson Lakes Primary School attended the stop-work rally in the city and forfeited a day's pay to support public education.



### Term 1 Wrap Up!

We have had an amazing term! All our new families this year have settled in well and its been great seeing how much the foundations have grown over one term! Last week the children loved our St. Patricks day activities as well as basketball games, crochet and comic book creations. Our construction zone has been very active with many amazing magnet and mobilo creations.



### Holiday Program Highlights!

Some activities we are looking forward to over the holidays are excursions to the movies, Clip N Climb and Rush HQ. We have active attitudes coming to run an active agent academy incursion. The children will also have the opportunity to take home spy fingerprint kit.



# EASTER

Join us during the last week of term for a week filled with Easter fun. Look forward to crafts, egg hunts and more!



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## *Sunsmart*



A reminder that all students must wear school hats during any time spent outside.

Students are required to wear their hats during all outdoor activities until **Thursday, 30 April 2026**. When UV levels reach 3 or above, it is strongly recommended that students wear hats and apply sunscreen to protect against sun exposure.

You can check daily local sun protection times using the **SunSmart widget** on the school's website, the **free SunSmart app**, or by visiting **[sunsmart.com.au](https://sunsmart.com.au)**.

School hats can be purchased through our uniform supplier, **PWS in Carrum Downs**.

Thank you for your support in helping keep our students sun-safe.

## *TK Tuckshop - Monday & Wednesday*

Lunch orders are available every **Monday** and **Wednesday** through TK Tuckshop.

Simply order by 8am on the day via the app (except for Sushi which needs to be ordered the day prior by 10pm for preparation) and the food will be delivered approx. 11am just prior to our lunch break at 11.30am



## ***Canteen Hub - Subway Fridays***

### **Subway Lunch Orders – Every Friday**

Subway lunch orders are available each Friday through Canteen Hub

<https://app.canteenhub.com.au/register-customer>.

Orders must be placed via the Canteen Hub app by **12:00pm on Thursday**, with lunches delivered to students by **11:30am on Friday**.

*Please note: Late orders will incur a **\$1 late fee** and will be processed subject to availability. In some cases, late orders may need to be refunded if they cannot be accommodated. If you submit a late order, please check your order status on Friday morning to ensure your child(ren) have lunch arrangements for the day.*

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✉ [help@canteenhub.com](mailto:help@canteenhub.com)

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## *Orange Tree Music*

Music lessons at Patterson Lakes PS:

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If you have any questions call Carol on 0411 402 102

## Community Organisation Ads



Register here

Please join Sonya's **EASTER EGG HUNT**

**FREE EVENT**  
pls register

**When:** Sat, 4th April at 10am  
**Where:** Carrum Downs Recreation Reserve, Wedge Rd, Carrum Downs

The advertisement features a woman in a black jacket holding a sign that says 'Please join Sonya's EASTER EGG HUNT'. The sign also includes a QR code and the text 'Register here'. Below the sign, there is a circular graphic that says 'FREE EVENT pls register'. The background is decorated with various Easter-themed illustrations, including bunnies, eggs, and a basket. The text 'EASTER' is written in a stylized font at the top right.



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**GD**

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The advertisement features a woman in a blue and red netball uniform with 'GD' on her chest, raising her fist in a celebratory gesture. The background is dark blue with white and red accents. The text 'CARRUM NETBALL CLUB' is at the top left, followed by '2026 NETBALL' in large white letters. Below that, it says 'WINTER SEASON REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW!' in white and red. A QR code is located in the bottom left corner. On the right side, there is a diagonal banner that says 'NET SET GO -> SENIORS'. At the bottom, it says 'MORE INFORMATION' and provides the email address 'enquiries@carrumnetballclub.com.au'.



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## 'Show & Tell'

7pm, Tuesday 28 April, 2026

A student-led information night  
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## GOOD CLEAN FUN

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AUSKICK CENTRE**

**BONBEACH RESERVE**

STARTS SATURDAY, MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>  
9:30AM - 10:30AM

### Season Calendar

Week 1	Sat 2nd May
Week 2	Sat 9th May
Week 3	Sat 16th May
Week 4	Sat 23rd May
Week 5	Sat 30th May
Week 6	Sat 13th June
Week 7	Sat 20th June
Week 8	Sat 11th July
Week 9	Sat 18th July
Week 10	Sat 25th July
Week 11	Sat 1st Aug





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