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Diary Dates

Thursday August 14

Sports Day - Students to wear sports polo

Friday August 15

Robocup Regional Competition

Maths Trail

Inter School Sports Patto vs St Joseph's Away

Whole School Assembly

Thursday August 21

Year 1 Dinosaur Detectives Incursion

Thursday August 28

2026 Foundation - A Morning in Foundation - booking essential

Friday August 29

Inter School Sports Patto vs Cornish Away

Whole School Assembly

Monday September 1

Year 5 Camp Information Evening 4:00pm

Tuesday September 2

Year 6 Market Discovery Tour

Wednesday September 3

Foundation Flying Bookworm Incursion

Thursday September 4

2026 Foundation - A Morning in Foundation - booking essential

Friday September 5

Father's Day Breakfast

District Athletics - Selected Students

Monday September 8

Patto Got Talent Final

Thursday September 11

2026 Foundation - A Morning in Foundation - booking essential

Friday September 12

Inter School Sports Patto vs Edithvale Home

Whole School Assembly

Friday September 19

Last Day Term

Footy Day Parade and Coin Line

2:30pm Finish

Principal's Report

EDUCATION WEEK

I very big thank you to the staff for their organisation of our very intense Education Week activities. This is a great opportunity for the school community to view and be involved in the programs we operate here at Patterson Lakes. We were so fortunate with the weather on

Monday to allow for the opportunity of the family picnic after the Book Character Parade it was a great success!

PARENT AND GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY

The PCGOS allows schools to actively engage with families and provides an important indicator of how well our school community is meeting the needs of students. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement.

Schools may use the survey results to inform school planning and the development of programs and initiatives to support students. The Department of Education will use the results for research purposes and to improve outcomes for students.

A link will be sent out to parents via Compass on Monday. Please consider taking a few minutes to open the link and complete the survey.

THE PARENTS BATTLE OF THE BANDS — CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

Mark Koppens and I mixed in with the parents from our school to rise on the success of our school band, the Drop Offs. The costuming, stage presence and unbelievable talent of our parents blew the audience away! The band will be playing at assembly this Friday to complete our Education Week celebrations with a bang! Please come along to enjoy their performance and help us celebrate the enormous effort they went to and winning top price!

PREMIER'S READING CHAILENGE

46 students have taken on the challenge; 22 have completed the task and between them they have read 1175 books! With 25 days to go until the challenge is completed, I wish them all every success!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who won our 'Student of the Week' awards for Week 2, Week 3 and Week 4 of this term. Students will receive their certificates at the next assembly on Friday, 15th August. Keep up the terrific work everyone!

WEEK TWO

Foundation B Phillip A for using feedback to improve your writing

Foundation C Oyku G for focusing during writing time. Your recount on celebrating 100 days of school was fantastic, Oyku. Well done!

Foundation D Grace K for looking out for her peers both in and out of the classroom. Well done, Grace!

1A Tait B for his amazing effort toward his learning. I loved reading your recount writing! You have lots to be proud of.

1B Jax M for respectfully contributing to whole class discussions. Well done, Jax!

1C Stella R for always having a calm and kind demeanour in class and listening well to instructions. Well done, Stella!

2A Stella J for always listening attentively and displaying respect to everyone in 2A. Well done, Stella!

2C Aston B for your well written procedure on How To Play Snakes and Ladders. Well done!

3A Eliza L for having a positive start to Term Three by getting along well with others and doing your best work. Keep it up Eliza!

4A Isla S for her impressive poetry and her positive effort and behaviour in class. Well done, Isla.

4B Lucy D for showing exceptional manners and respect to staff, students and your surroundings. You're shining a role model to others!

5A Scarlett A for showing fantastic skills and enthusiasm in the football team, always giving her best and supporting her teammates. In the classroom she remains focused and determined, consistently striving to do her best in all areas of her learning. Well done on a great start to Term 2!

5C Josh Q for showing a deep understanding of our topic about Civics and Citizenship and sharing insightful ideas. Well done, Josh!

6B Emmi S for ongoing excellence in all classroom activities!

6C Blake M for an excellent effort during lessons and completing challenging mathematics tasks.

WEEK THREE

Foundation A Gurfateh S - For doing an excellent job with his reading and spelling. Well done!

Foundation B Ned C - For persisting with your writing resulting in an improved outcome.

Foundation C Hugo W - For looking out for others and lending a helping hand. Hugo you are a very caring friend to your classmates. Well done!

Foundation D Noah A - For his improved focus when working independently. Keep up the great work, Noah!

1A Valentina C - For her excellent behaviour in class. Thank you for always listening during class instruction.

1B Isaac O - For showing great creativity in his narrative writing. Well done Isaac!

1C London V - For her great enthusiasm and knowledge in our maths lessons.

2B Kyan A - For fast recall of addition and multiplication facts. Awesome effort Kyan!

2C Angelo G - For focusing on your writing goals this week. When you set your mind to it, your efforts are amazing!

3A Berkan G - For being a fantastic player in our maths games. Keep up the good work.

3C Ivaan S - For being a hard worker and always helping others.

4A Olivia W - For sharing her ideas and opinions more often in class. It's been great to see her confidence grow. Well done!

4C Braxxton S - For being an absolute superstar in everything he does. Braxxton is a great role model who we are very lucky to have in our 4C team. Great work Braxx!

5A Mikayla V - For getting into the VHAP program and always being a hard worker in all aspects of your learning.

5B Jak B - For focusing on your writing goals this week and always showing terrific manners.

5C Jackson E - For using and demonstrating problem solving skills when completing tasks.

5D Layla C - For being a wonderful role model and always displaying the school values of Integrity, Respect and Excellence.

6B Jackson H - For giving improved effort across all classroom activities this week. Great work Jackson!

6C Blake M - For working hard in all subjects and especially your excellent work in Mathematics. Well done!

WEEK FOUR

Foundation A Noah B for working hard to improve his writing and spelling skills! Great effort! Foundation B Hudson V for great reasoning in maths.

Foundation C Ethan L for his excellent focus during maths. Well done, Ethan!

Foundation D Lily K for always including others during play time. You are such a kind and considerate member of our class, Lily

1A Addie Mitchell for her excellent effort when learning a challenging maths concept. It is wonderful when you keep trying and don't give up!

1B Adrian S for working hard to write interesting and engaging pieces of writing. Well done, Adrian!

1C Xavier M for showing independence in everything you do.

2A Caleb M for demonstrating creativity in his schoolwork. Well done, Caleb!

2B Lenny O for answering questions thoughtfully in class and being a friendly member of 2B! Congratulations Lenny

2C Mason H for demonstrating resilience, patience and understanding towards others in our class last week. Mason, you set a great example all week!

3A Amelia M for being a fantastic student at Moonlit Sanctuary by asking interesting and thought provoking questions. You are a star, Amelia!

3C Bonnie N for showing great bravery and being a great student at this school.

4A Lucy M for being a well-behaved, reliable, and responsible student who sets a positive example for others. Her good nature and steady influence make her a valued member of the class. Well done!

4B Tim N for always maintaining a positive mindset in all you do and approaching challenges with a fun and energetic approach. Keep shining, Tim!

4C Damien S for always being an absolute superstar in the classroom! 4C are lucky to have such an amazing classmate. Keep up the terrific work Damo!

5A Tyler B for embracing all experiences in Education Week and being so good at your role as a Waste Warrior.

5B Emmie F for working really well in maths and showing great improvement with her confidence, especially with subtraction problems.

5C Jaxon C for showing excellence by demonstrating his working out during numeracy to assist his peers.

5D Isaraela J for trying his best in class. Keep trying Isaraela!

6B Alexander B for improved work ethic and always modelling quality manners!

6C Tilly R for working hard in all subjects and for demonstrating excellence as a House Captain. Well done!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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

Chase F 13 August

Austin S 13 August

Alia 13 August

Asha K 14 August

Kobe J 16 August

Charlotte S 16 August

Hudson S 17 August

Maddison W 18 August

Danica C 20 August

Kora H-P 22 August

Penelope 22 August

Eli B 23 August

Olivia P 26 August

Savannah S 27 August

Jaxon C 27 August

Georgia W 29 August

Zac V 29 August

Eliza L 30 August

Emmi S 30 August

Bullying No Way Week - 11th to 15th August

This year's theme: Be Bold. Be Kind. Speak Up.

It takes courage to spark change — and bullying is everyone's responsibility. Together, as a community, we can be brave and address bullying behaviours both inside and outside the school gates.

Students can show courage by being bold, kind, and speaking up to support others who are being bullied. Trusted adults are always there to help children and young people learn how to treat each other kindly and report bullying when it happens.

This **Bullying No Way Week**, we are encouraging students, families, and communities to:



Together, we can stop bullying

At Patterson Lakes Primary School we aim to create a safe and supportive school community for everyone. Parents are an important part of our work to prevent bullying and to respond effectively if it happens. Stopping bullying involves everyone.

Bullying - important conversations to have with your child.

By working collaboratively within our community, we can collectively help reduce bullying. Families play an important role in helping children understand bullying and know how to respond to it.

If your child tells you about things at school, or you observe something in public that involves conflict or bullying, take the opportunity to talk about what bullying is. You can learn more about what defines bullying at **bullyingnoway.gov.au**.

Questions you could ask:

- What do you think bullying is?
- Have you seen it? How did you feel?
- Have you ever felt scared at school or online because of bullying?
- As well as me, who are the other adults you would talk to when it comes to things like bullying?
- Have you or your friends left other kids out on purpose? Do you think that was bullying?
 Why or why not?

• Have you ever tried to help someone who is being bullied? What happened? What would you do if it happens again?

Remind your child that bullying is never okay and discuss how they can respond safely if they experience or witness it. Encourage them to seek help from a trusted adult and keep seeking support if needed. By promoting open communication, we empower children to stand up against bullying and create a safer environment where everyone can feel that they belong.

Other website you may find helpful include:

https://www.esafety.gov.au/

https://kidshelpline.com.au/

Sally Winberg & Mark Koppens

Year 6 Visit from Graham Fisher

In Week 3, our Year 6 students were fortunate to welcome Mr. Graham Fisher, one of Patterson Lakes Primary School's dedicated crossing supervisors. Graham captivated the students with stories from his fascinating life, including the thrill of flying his own small aircraft! This term, the Grade 6s are focusing on biographies as part of their Writing and Immigration unit, and Graham's visit provided the perfect inspiration. A big thank you to Graham for generously sharing his incredible life journey with us!







Foundation Fairytale Parade and 100 Days of School Celebration

The first few weeks of Term 3 have been a very exciting and busy time in Foundation.

To introduce our new Inquiry topic 'Happy Ever After', we held a Fairytale Parade in the hall and the students got to dress up in some Fairytale inspired costumes. We had many princesses, knights and unicorns running around our school for the day!

We also celebrated our 100th Day of School! The students were encouraged to dress up in lots of bright and colourful clothes to celebrate being '100 Days Brighter' and to reflect on how much they have learnt and grown as individuals. It was a fun filed morning of dancing, crown making, and cookie decorating.

We are looking forward to another awesome term with our Foundation team!

















Year 5 Camp Information Afternoon

Dear Year, 5 families,

We warmly invite you to attend our Year 5 Information Afternoon on Monday 1st September from 4pm in ROOM 8 (5B's room). This event is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about your child's upcoming camp and the activities they will be undertaking.

Our teachers will be available to answer any questions and share insights to support your child's success. We look forward to welcoming you and working together to create the best experience for your child.

Please RSVP by Thursday 28th August.

I (print name)	will be attending the Year 5 Camp
information afternoon, 4pm on Monday 1st Septen	nber 2025.
Signed	
Thank you for your continued support!	
The Year 5 Teachers	

Book Week Parade & School Disco

























Kitchen Garden Program

Welcome back to another exciting term of cooking in the Kitchen & Gardening Program!

To finish off Term 2, students celebrated NAIDOC Week by preparing a delicious Lemon Myrtle Cheesecake, giving them the chance to explore and appreciate the unique flavours of native Australian ingredients.

We kicked off Term 3 with a fun and tasty start – Mars Bar slice! Students enjoyed this sweet treat while beginning conversations about food from around the world. Together, we brainstormed a variety of cultural dishes we'd love to try cooking this term.

In Week 2, we travelled (with our taste buds!) to China, making fresh and crunchy Spring Rolls. Alongside learning some fun facts about Chinese culture, students practised important kitchen skills like grating, rolling and careful knife work. Cooking cultural foods not only builds confidence in the kitchen but also helps develop a deeper appreciation for diversity and traditions from around the globe.

We are looking forward to more delicious discoveries as the term continues!

























Beading Club!



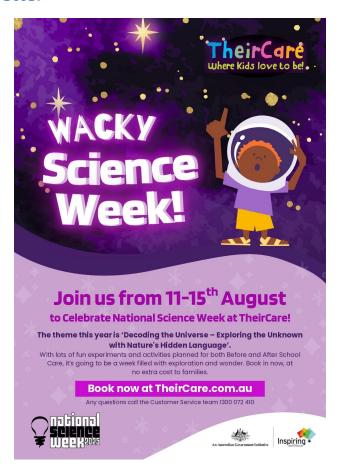








TheirCare Newsletter



Battle of the Bands

The Drop offs were the first band to be perform on Friday 1st of August, setting the standard very high for the rest to follow.

An immaculately curated 12-song mash-up, the glitz and glam of the costumes, the energy and vibe of the choreography and lights and an adoring crowd.

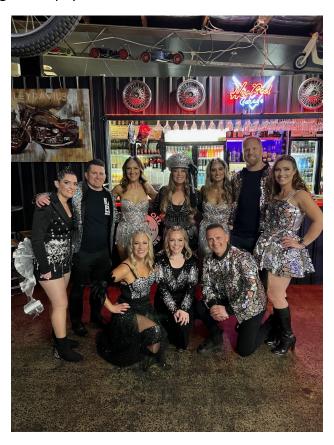
A big thank you to the amazing parents who worked so hard to make it all happen:

James Bell, Naomi Bell, Jackie Short, Lauren Carter, Alex Pilcher, Sarah Stephens, Angelique Everett, Renee Michelle, Anthony Bartolo, and Karen Goodwin.

A very special thanks goes to **Nia McLelland** for glamming up the band with hair and makeup on the day.

And finally, thank you to all the parents who bought tickets and came along to cheer them on. Your support means so much!

'The Drop Offs' will be performing at the school assembly this Friday and they will announce the winning prize and bring the trophy to show.











Spanish Corner



Michael Wagner Visit



TK Tuckshop - Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

Lunch orders will be available every **Monday, Tuesday** and **Wednesday** through TK Tuckshop and of course we will be continuing with our Subway lunch orders each Friday through Canteen Hub.

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

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Orange Tree Music

Music lessons at Patterson Lakes PS:

PIANO, GUITAR, UKULELE, VIOLIN, DRUM and VOICE

Lessons are offered during and after school hours with Orange Tree Music.

Lessons are \$44 for half an hour (private lessons) or \$18 for group lessons.

**all instruments are available for hire

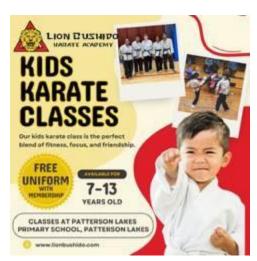
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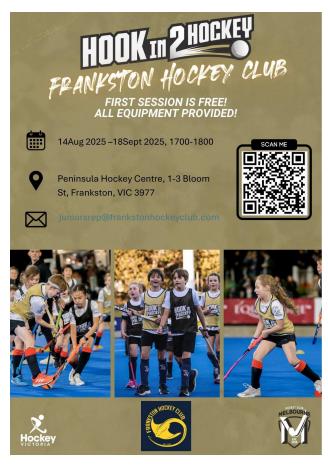
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