

Patterson Lakes Primary School

Upcoming Diary

Dates

Thursday the 3rd of September

Year 4 Urban Upcycle Incursion

Friday the 4th of September

Father's Day Stall

2:45 pm Father's Day/Special
Persons' afternoon

Monday the 7th of September

Patto's Got Talent Grand Final

Friday the 11th of September

District Athletics

2:45pm Whole School Assembly

Week beginning 14th of September

Water Safety Week

Friday the 18th of September

Last Day of Term 3

9.15am Whole School Footy Parade

1:45pm Whole School Assembly

2.30pm Finish

Monday the 5th of October

First Day of Term 4

Wednesday the 7th of October -

Friday the 9th of October

Year 4 Bayview Camp

Wednesday the 14th of October -

Friday the 16th of October

Year 5 Adekate Camp



Principal's Report

ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools)

Well done to students in Grade 3-6 who participated in the ICAS competition over the recent weeks. They are challenging assessments and you should be proud of your achievements. Thanks to Mr. Hodge for coordinating the test administration.

Water Safety Program

Our Foundation, Gr 1, Gr 2 and Gr 5 students will be participating in their Water Safety Program during Week 10. Please check the Compass Event for year level specific dates and details.

Parent/Carer Opinion Survey

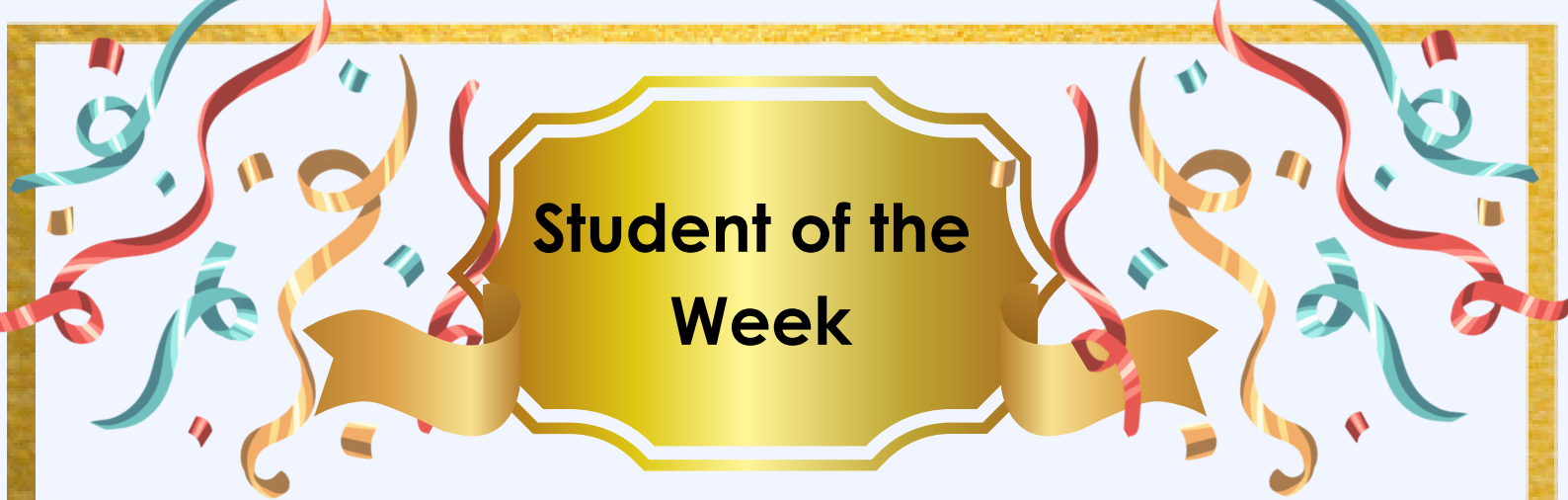
Thanks to our Parents/Carers who have already completed the annual Department of Education survey. The survey remains open until the end of this term, and you can find our school specific login details via my Compass post.

District Athletics

Good luck to our athletes who will participate in the District Athletics Event on Friday September 11th at Ballam Park. We wish you all the best for your individual or relay events.

Father's Day

We wish everyone a Happy Father's Day on Sunday and thank all of the fathers and special figures that assist our children every day.



Student of the Week

*Congratulations to the following students who earned our
'Student of the Week' Awards for Term 3 - Week 7 and 8
Students will receive their certificates at the next assembly on
Friday, September the 11th.
Keep up the terrific work everyone!*

Student of the Week.

Week 7

Foundation A: Willow H.
Foundation B: Grace G.
Foundation C: Eden B.
1A: Ollie Q.
1B: Bella S.
1C: Hudson V.
1D: Georgia L.
2A: Luna F.
2B: Ellie P.
2C: Kodie T.
3A: Caleb M.
3B: Patrick L.
3C: Maggie M.
4A: Indy P.
4B: Chloe V.
4C: Zayn Z.
5A: Tyler H.
5B: Harrison M.
5C: Xavier P.
6A: Scarlet P.
6B: Nahla L.
6C: Charlie S.

Week 8

Foundation A: Alex V.
Foundation B: Pia L.
Foundation C: Parker F.
1A: Millie B.
1B: Ezra W.
1C: Harper B.
1D: Jack S.
2A: Finn H.
2B: Archie B.
2C: Ramiel S.
3A: Amber E.
3B: Amelia H.
3C: Mason H.
4A: Harrison E.
4B: Jack S.
4C: Jackson G.
5A: Mitchell M.
5B: Millie O.
5C: Adrian B.
6A: Rayife R.
6B: Chloe D.
6C: Joel S.

Birthdays

22nd August

Kora H.

Penelope S.

23rd August

Eli B.

27th August

Savannah S.

Jaxon C.

28th August

Isla W.

29th August

Georgia W.

Conor C.

30th August

Eliza L.

1st September

Zara J.

Lily R.

2nd September

Joshua N.

Noah M.



ART JOURNEY: CELEBRATING EDUCATION WEEK

During Education Week, classes travelled around the school, followed the clues, explored the artwork, completed each challenge and celebrated our talented artists!



Throughout their Art Journey, classes were challenged to answer a variety of questions about the displays and artworks studied throughout the year. They also had the opportunity to admire and celebrate the work of our July and August Year 3 Talented Artists, Sophie E and Salvador.

Classes were invited to select their favourite display board for the Class Choice Award, with Year 6 Arranged Flowers, inspired by Margaret Preston, receiving the most votes, followed by Year 6 Graduation Portraits.



Our students also became fantastic Art Detectives, searching for displays that included a modelling activity. One display featured students modelling Magiclay cupcakes and lollipops inspired by The Very Hungry Caterpillar, written by Eric Carle. Another showcased our Primary Bird Nests, where students modelled and decorated their birds using plasticine.

At the Testing Your Knowledge display, students put their art knowledge to the test! They studied famous artworks and were challenged to name the artist and identify the portraits. The class that proved to be our most knowledgeable Art Detectives was Mrs. Roberts' 4C!

In the weeks leading up to the Art Journey, students explored Street Art. They created colourful street art monsters inspired by Phetus or the Foundations designed street hearts inspired by Chris Uphues. Their artworks were created on paper as paste-ups and displayed along our corridor on our Community Wall.



Community Paste-Up Wall!

Students learnt about graffiti, paste-up art and tagging. They developed an understanding of how street artists share their ideas in public spaces and even discovered their teacher's street art tag! Creating Street Art was certainly a lot of fun!

To complete their journey, classes Struck a Pose, inspired by the street artworks displayed in a small laneway beside the Science Room. Finally, some classes were also able to find the Purple Poodles in the office area of our school.



A big thank you to our wonderful Patto school and community for exploring, creating and celebrating the incredible artwork and artists throughout our school. The artworks are still on display, so be sure to peek with your families before or after school. What a fantastic Art Journey!



PLPS STEAM Fair 2026

Look at some of our fantastic experiments! Well done, everyone.



Lamont Book Fair

Last week, we held the Lamont Book Fair in the Library as part of Education Week.

It was wonderful to see so many staff, students and parents visiting throughout the week.

Everyone was excited by the wide variety of books on offer, as well as the very reasonable prices, with many books available for under \$10.

Our sales exceeded those of any Book Fair we have held in the past. As a result, we received \$1,800 in commission, which will be used to purchase new books for the Library.

A huge thank you to everyone who took the time to visit and support the Book Fair.

Your support helped make it a fantastic success!  

Kitchen & Garden Program and Lunchtime Club

Our Kitchen & Garden Program has been busy cooking, creating and growing. As part of NAIDOC Week, students made delicious Warrigal Greens, Cheese Scrolls and Wattleseed Pikelets, learning about native Australian ingredients along the way.

Students also put their cooking skills to work preparing a special afternoon tea for Principal's Day as a thoughtful gesture to thank Mr Bainbridge, Mr Koppens and Mr Hodge for all they do to support our school community.

Alongside cooking, students have been enjoying getting their hands dirty in the garden, helping to plant, care for and maintain our garden spaces. It has been fantastic to see students developing practical skills, working together and taking pride in what they create and grow.



KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM

Warrigal Greens & CHEESE SCROLLS

Savoury scrolls filled with our garden Warrigal greens and tasty cheese.

GROUP
3

Crispy,
cheesy and
packed with
goodness!



INGREDIENTS

MAKES ABOUT 18 SCROLLS

STANDARD RECIPE

- 1 sheet puff pastry, thawed
- 2 cups Warrigal greens, finely chopped
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, minced (optional)
- 100 g cream cheese, softened
- ½ cup grated tasty cheese
- ¼ cup grated parmesan
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 egg, lightly beaten (for egg wash)
- Sesame seeds (optional)

YOU WILL NEED:



METHOD

- 1 Preheat oven to 200°C (fan forced). Line baking trays with baking paper.
- 2 Blanch Warrigal greens in boiling water for 1–2 minutes. Drain well and squeeze out excess water. Finely chop.
- 3 Heat olive oil in a pan over medium heat. Add garlic (if using) and cook for 30 seconds. Add greens and cook for 2–3 minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Set aside to cool.
- 4 In a bowl, combine cream cheese, tasty cheese and parmesan.
- 5 Roll out puff pastry sheet on a clean surface.
- 6 Spread cheese mixture evenly over the pastry, then top with the cooked greens.
- 7 Starting from the long edge, roll up tightly to form a log.
- 8 Slice into 1.5–2 cm thick scrolls.
- 9 Place scrolls cut side up on prepared trays.
- 10 Brush tops with egg wash and sprinkle with sesame seeds (optional).
- 11 Bake for 15–18 minutes or until golden and puffed. Cool slightly and enjoy!

We grow it,
we cook it,
we love it!

TEACHER NOTES



WARRIGAL GREENS

Warrigal greens (New Zealand spinach) are a native plant and a great source of iron and vitamins.



SAFETY FIRST

Blanch greens and squeeze out excess water. Use oven mitts when handling hot trays.



FOCUS SKILL

Chopping greens, spreading, rolling and slicing.

GF

GLUTEN FREE OPTION

Use gluten free puff pastry.
All other ingredients are naturally gluten free.
Ensure all equipment and surfaces are clean and free from gluten.



Year 6 Chinese – Our First Chinese Typing Task

Our Year 6 students have completed their first Chinese typing task! Students created a short piece in Chinese to introduce themselves and their family members, using the language they have been learning in class.

The learning journey began with installing the Chinese Pinyin input on their computers.

Students then learned step by step how to use Pinyin to find and type Chinese characters, gradually moving from individual words to complete sentences. Once their work was finished, they uploaded and shared it on our class Padlet. This was much more than a typing activity.

By bringing together Chinese language learning and digital skills, students made connections between Pinyin and Chinese characters, developed confidence in using Chinese in a new way, and experienced the whole process of learning, creating and sharing their own work. It was wonderful to see their Chinese come to life on the screen.

Well done, Year 6!



Year 6 Typing Class
Chinese

Hello: 哦。
My name is Lexi: 我叫 Lexi。
I am 12 years old: 我十二岁。
I can speak in Chinese 我会说中文。
I can count to 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 我会一、二、三、四、五、六、七、八、九、十。
I love my Family 我爱我的家。

I love dad, I love mum, I love older brother, I love older sister, I love younger brother, I love younger sister 我爱爸爸, 我爱妈妈, 我爱哥哥, 我爱姐姐, 我爱弟弟, 我爱妹妹。
我爱美美。

Thank you, goodbye. 谢谢再见。

你好, 我叫 Alisha. 我十一岁。我爱爸爸, 我爱妈妈。我会数一、二、三、四、五、六、七、八、九、十。

Translation: Hi, my name is Alisha, I am 11 years old. I love my Dad, I love my Mum. I can count, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.

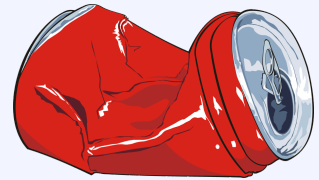
Saxon
12 days ago

Saxon 6A Chinese class

你好!
我叫 Saxon。
我是二岁。
我会说中文。
我会数一、二、三、四、五、六、七、八、九、十。
我爱♥我的家。
我爱爸爸, 我爱妈妈, 我爱哥哥, 我爱姐姐, 我爱弟弟, 我爱妹妹。
谢谢。再见!

你好!
我叫陈依雯(Yvonne)。
我十二岁。
我会说中文。
我会数一、二、三、四、五、六、七、八、九、十。
我爱♥我的家。
我爱爸爸, 我爱妈妈, 我爱哥哥, 我爱姐姐, 我爱弟弟, 我爱妹妹。
谢谢。再见!

Container Deposit Scheme Fundraiser



Starting in Week 6 until the end of Term 3, PLPS families are invited to bring eligible containers to raise money through the

Victorian Container Deposit Scheme. Containers such as aluminium cans, juice bottles and water bottles can be recycled for a 10-cent refund and funds raised will be used to support the growth of our school garden and frog bog.

Please bring empty, rinsed, non-alcohol containers in a plastic rubbish bag and place them into the yellow recycling bins next to the STEAM room.





Friday the 4th of September

**Father's Day Stall 9 - 11:30 am. Gifts
ranging from \$2 - \$ 10.**

**Father's Day/ Special Persons' Afternoon.
2:45 pm meet your student in the
classroom.**



*Your
special
day*



Ask R U OK?® ANY DAY

R U OK? Day is on Thursday 10th September

Patterson Lakes Primary School will recognise R U OK? Day.

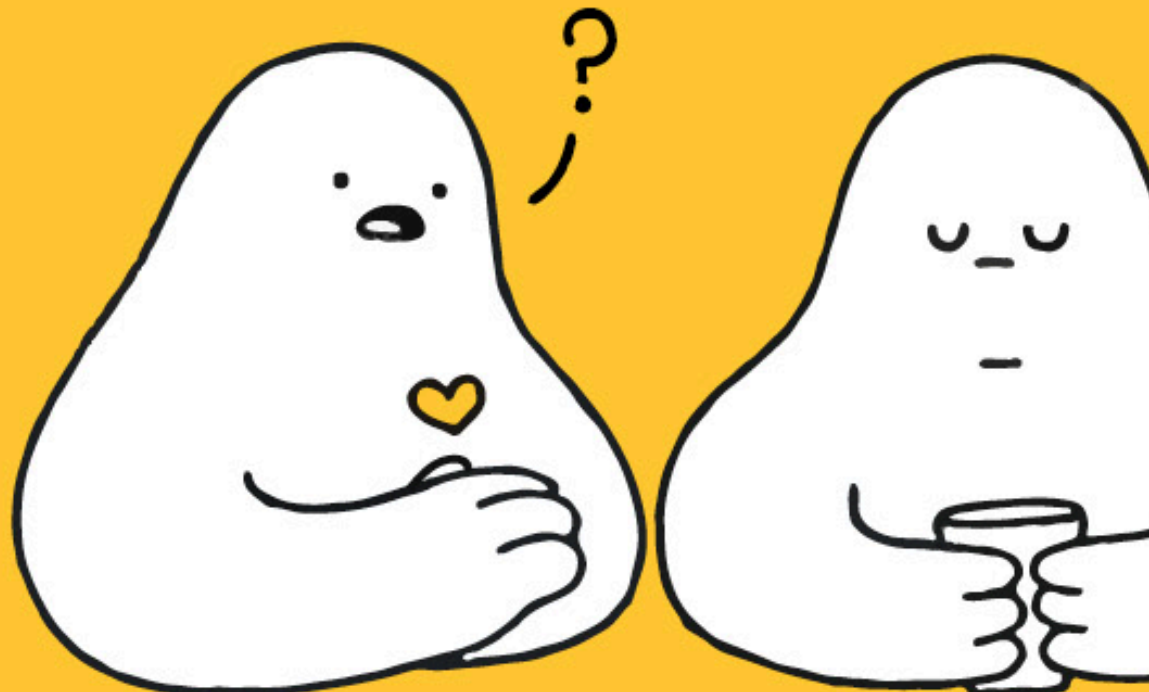
This important national day of action reminds us all that any day is the perfect day to check in on our friends, classmates and family members. It provides a wonderful opportunity for our students to learn about the importance of looking out for one another, recognising how others may be feeling and knowing how to start a supportive conversation.

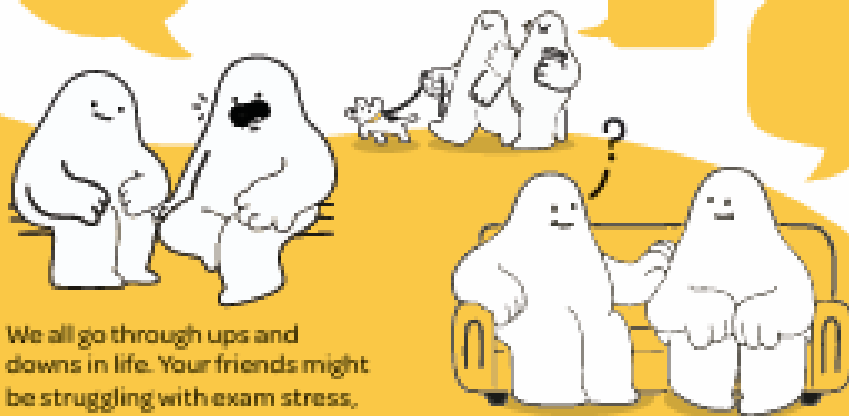
To mark the occasion, students will engage in a range of R U OK? Day activities.

These activities will encourage students to think about kindness, connection, friendship and the importance of asking, “Are you OK?” R U OK? Day aligns closely with our school values and our commitment to creating a safe, responsible and supportive school community where we look out for one another.

We encourage families to continue the conversation at home by checking in with each other and reminding children that asking someone how they are feeling can make a real difference.

Remember any day is the day to ask, “Are you OK?”.





We all go through ups and downs in life. Your friends might be struggling with exam stress, a family breakdown, self-esteem, uncertainty about the future, mental health or any number of other things.

You might not be able to fix things, but one thing you can do is ask, 'are you OK?' and have regular, open conversations about what they're going through and how they're feeling.



If you think something's not quite right, that's the time to start a conversation – you don't have to wait for them to bring it up.

If you need some tips about what to say and do during these chats, flip this over and use the 4 steps of an R U OK? conversation as your guide.



For more tips and resources, scan the QR code or head to ruok.org.au/friendbetter



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Call 13 11 14
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If you are ever concerned for your safety or the safety of others, seek immediate assistance by calling Triple Zero (000).



Confidential 24/7 counselling for 5-25 year olds
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Chat: kidshelpline.com.au



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How to have an R U OK? conversation with a friend



1 Ask R U OK?

- Choose a time and place where they'll be comfortable opening up.
- Ask in a way that works for you. You don't have to use the exact words, 'are you OK?'.
- You could even gently point out what you've noticed or mention something that's going on for them.



2 Listen

- Take what they say seriously and don't interrupt or rush them.
- Don't judge their experiences or reactions but acknowledge their feelings.
- Encourage them to explain by asking open ended questions like: "How are you feeling about that?" or "How long have you felt that way?".



3 Encourage action

- Ask them what have they've done in the past to manage similar situations.
- Encourage them to think of something that could help them lighten the load.
- If they've been feeling really down for an extended period of time or they seem to be really struggling, encourage them to seek professional support.
- Offer to help them research appropriate services.



4 Check in

- Set yourself a reminder to check in with them again soon.
- You could say: "I've been thinking of you and wanted to know how you've been going since we last chatted."
- You might need to repeat the above steps.
- Your ongoing, genuine care will help them feel supported.



The background of the poster features red curtains with gold tassels and a string of warm white lights hanging across the top. Several gold starburst graphics are scattered around the central text.

Patterson Lakes Primary School
presents

A large, rectangular sign with a red border decorated with gold dots. The sign has a dark grey center where the words "GRAND FINAL" are written in a bold, red, stylized font with gold outlines.

**GRAND
FINAL**

Patto's Got Talent
2026

Monday 7th September

12:30-2:00pm
In the school hall



Wowee it's September!

We have had a taste of spring weather already and have been spending a lot of time outdoors. The playground and sports games are always huge hits outside and as the weather improves we will try and take craft/drawing activities outside too!

As we come into September please remember to pack a hat for your child otherwise they will be unable to play outside. We understand that the teachers like the children to keep their school hats at school. Please pack a separate wide brimmed hat if this is the case.



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

21-SEP TO 2-OCT | 8AM-4:30PM

age 5-12

- Multi-sports
- Inflatables
- Arts n' Crafts
- Nerf
- Face Painting
- Bumper Cars
- Circus Workshop
- & MUCH MORE

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\$10./day w/ CCs

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party food incl.

JUDO

SEAFORD

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FOR UNLIMITED **FREE** TRAINING.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TRAINING

	5pm to 5:45pm: Tinies (4-6 years)
	5:45pm - 6:45pm: Juniors (7-14 years)
	7pm - 8:45pm: Seniors (15 years +)

We're a community dojo in Seaford offering free high quality Judo training for everyone, removing any financial barriers that might otherwise prevent members from training. Including a free loan program for a GI (Judo uniform).

Scan to register

KERRY MITCHELL

SCHOOL HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CAMP!

GIRLS ONLY!

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Assistant Coach for the New Zealand Tall Ferns currently competing in the Olympic Qualifying Tournament in Mexico
- Basketball Australia Performance Coach - Level Three
- NBA Academy Next Generation Camp Assistant Coach
- WNBL Southside Flyers Assistant Coach, 2022 - 2024
- Sandringham Sabres NBL1 Head Coach
- Victorian Women's U20 State team Assistant Coach, 2019 - 2021
- Frankston Blues YLW Head Coach 2021
- U20 Victorian Women's State team, Head Coach 2022
- Basketball Australia Elite Female Coach Advantia Program 2021
- Bendigo Spirit WNBL Melbourne based individuals coach 2020
- Former State and National Junior representative

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CAMP INFO

WED 23RD SEPTEMBER

9:30AM TILL 12:00PM → U12 & U14

1:00PM TILL 3:30PM → U16 & U18

WED 30TH SEPTEMBER

9:30AM TILL 12:00PM → U12 & U14

1:00PM TILL 3:30PM → U16 & U18

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