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Diary Dates

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 8:00am - 9:00am

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

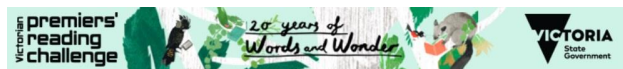
Education Week at Patterson Lakes is our opportunity to showcase the outstanding programs we have on offer. It was lovely that many families stayed on after the parade to enjoy having morning tea. Such a lovely way to spend the morning together!

The Education Report for Term 3 was distributed last week via Compass with some additional photographs and updates included.





THE PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE



I'm pleased to let you know that the 2025 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge finishes on September 5th! We currently have 46 students enrolled and they have read a total of 1307 books so far! Students who are taking part in the Challenge, have read books they wouldn't normally read. From my conversations with them, once they got started in the Challenge, they became as wild about reading as I am.

PARENT/CARER OPINION SURVEY

I would like to thank the 37 families who have already accessed and completed the Parent/Carer Opinion survey. Could I ask other if you have a spare 10 minutes, I would appreciate it if you would be so kind as to click on the link below.

This link will take you directly to the survey.

<https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

Select the School and Campus name below.

School Name: Patterson Lakes Primary School

Campus Name: Patterson Lakes Primary School

Enter the School PIN below.

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InSPIRE – PRECISE PRAISE

As in any profession, teachers are always seeking new ways to refine their practice, especially when it comes to providing meaningful feedback to students. Recently, I came across an article by Simon Breakspear that highlighted the importance of *precise praise*—a practice that has the power to transform learning.

Teaching is not simply the sharing of knowledge; it is a journey of growth and discovery—for students and teachers alike. In this journey, the conversations we have with our children matter deeply. Our words can uplift, empower, and motivate, or, if not carefully chosen, they can discourage and diminish confidence.

So, what does “precise praise” really mean? It goes beyond a simple “Well done” or “Good job.” Precise praise is about being specific, clear, and intentional. It carries energy and meaning, drawing attention to the *how* and *why* behind success. For example, instead of saying, “*That’s a great poem,*” imagine saying, “*I love how you used metaphors to make your writing more vivid.*” That kind of feedback doesn’t just congratulate—it teaches, builds trust, and boosts confidence.

Breakspear reminds us that precise praise not only affirms effort but also sparks curiosity and equips learners with concrete next steps. In a world where results and grades can sometimes overshadow growth, precise praise reminds children that their unique strengths and progress are seen and valued.

As a community, we can nurture this practice both in school and at home. Research shows that precise praise encourages children to engage more deeply, take risks, and embrace new challenges because they know their genuine effort will be noticed and celebrated.

Here are a few simple ways you can try precise praise at home:

- Be specific: Name exactly what your child did well (e.g., “*You worked hard to solve that puzzle step by step*”).
- Connect effort to outcome: Highlight the process, not just the result (e.g., “*Because you kept practising your times tables, you can recall them much faster now*”).
- Encourage growth: Link praise to the skills they’re developing (e.g., “*You’re becoming more confident in sharing your ideas with others*”).

By practising precise praise, we not only celebrate what our children achieve but also help them build the trust, confidence, and resilience they need to thrive.

- 1:1 Devices program purpose
- 1:1 Devices Policy
- Expectations and the use of the device in the classroom and E-Safety
- The purchase process of the devices for the 2026 school year and answer any other queries families may have.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who won our 'Student of the Week' awards for Week 5 and Week 6 of this term. Students will receive their certificates at the next assembly on Friday, 29th August. Keep up the terrific work everyone!

WEEK FIVE

Foundation A Lily W for always being a kind and caring member of the grade - well done Lily!

Foundation B Cindy L for taking on new challenges with a smile and determination.

Foundation C Loula G for her informative school disco recount. Your writing is improving every day, Loula!

Foundation D Chay S for challenging himself during writing by including a range of different vocabulary into his sentences. Outstanding effort, Chay!

1B Gemma M for always being kind and considerate towards your classmates. Well done Gemma!

1C Luca P for returning from his holiday with a great attitude, ready to learn.

2A Kairi I for showing kindness and willingness to help others. You are a highly valued member of 2A. Well done, Kairi!

2B Jed T for putting in 100% effort into improving his reading and writing. Great work Jed!!

2C Hugh D for your enthusiasm, huge effort and love of learning you demonstrate every day. Hugh, you are such a joy to teach!

3A Alexis M for settling in well to your new school and for being a happy and friendly class member. Well done Lexi!

3C Zara C for creating a fantastic Wellbeing story and displaying great effort in her work.

4A Arlo J for being an energetic and enthusiastic student who approaches each day with a happy and positive attitude. Keep it up Arlo.

4B Victoria N for using your free time wisely by completing Mathletics homework tasks. I like your responsible approach, care and effort to be your best.

4C Lucy D for being so passionate about our environmental projects this term, and taking action to help heal our planet. Go Lucy!

5A Ruarc D for your efforts in maths, showing your knowledge and skills in using effective strategies to solve subtraction worded 5B problems.

5C Alisha M for showing initiative when completing her role as 5C's Waste Warrior.

5D Charlie S for trying his best and always being a kind and caring member of the class - well done Charlie!

6A Scarlett S for consistently putting in 100% whether it's classwork, leadership responsibilities, sport or play. You are outstanding Scarlett!!

6B Nicholas M for ongoing excellence in all school activities.

6C Koen B for working hard in all subjects and for your kind and responsible approach towards others. Well done!

WEEK SIX

Foundation A Rumi A for her persistence and determination in everything she does in class. Keep up the great work Rumi!

Foundation B Harper B for your persistence and success in reading and writing.

Foundation C Bailey W for consistently displaying the school values - Integrity, Respect and Excellence. You are a very responsible and thoughtful member of our class and an excellent role model, Bailey!

Foundation D Bonnie B for always being a trustworthy and reliable member of our class. You should be very proud of yourself Bonnie!

1A Nevaya C for the determination she always shows in her learning.

1B Morgan S for the kindness you show towards your classmates. Well done, Morgan!

1C Zoe E for being a responsible and hardworking student and a kind and friendly classmate. Well done, Zoe!

2A Emily J for your neat writing and excellent attention to detail that make your work stand out. Keep up the great work, Emily!

2B Amber E for a fantastic STEAM project on butterflies! Very informative Amber, well done!

2C Evie B for an excellent couple of weeks of enthusiasm, hard work, participation in class and building new friendships. Amazing!

3A Jake H for consistently being a fantastic class member who always uphold the school values of Integrity, Excellence and respect. You are a star, Jake!

3B Henry W for your fantastic work in our Reading sessions. Your ability to make connections in a text and find clues to make inferences and draw conclusions is fantastic and shows how well you comprehend what you are reading. Well done, Henry, you are a superstar!

3C Josh N for showcasing great effort in his work and always trying his best. Well done, Josh!

4A Pippa P for her consistently positive attitude in class and always displaying excellent behaviour and effort. Keep it up Pippa!

5A Jude D For displaying Excellence, Respect and Integrity in all aspects of your work. It was great to see your involvement with your STEAM experiment. Well done Jude!

5B Zali C for your wonderful effort in Maths. Keep it up!

5C Elya T for showing respect and empathy to your peers and teachers. Keep up the fantastic work Elya!

5D Michael W for making an effort in joining whole class activities. Keep going Michael.

6A Phin T for being a diligent Flag Monitor. You are as reliable as ever, Phin! Well done.

6C Blake S for your excellent work ethic and responsible approach to learning across all subject areas. Well done!!

Talented Artist July & August



Growing with Gratitude



Respectful
Relationships

TALENTED ARTIST

This is to certify that

Cody Mayer 3C

has received this award at
Patterson Lakes Primary School



For

printmaking and drawing "Chip" the seagull,
blending observation with imagination.

Fantastic work!

Date: May 2025

Teacher: Mrs Munnikhuis

Principal: Mrs Mayes





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TALENTED ARTIST

This is to certify that

Peylina Porch 4A

has received this award at
Patterson Lakes Primary School



For

printmaking and drawing "Chip" the seagull,
blending observation with imagination.

Fantastic work!

Date: June 2025

Teacher: Mrs Munnikhuis

Principal: Mrs Mayes



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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

29 August

Georgia W

Zac V

30 August

Eliza L

Emmi S

1 September

Lilly R

2 September

Joshua N

Noah M

4 September

Bodhi L

Lincoln C

Maggie M

Marley T

5 September

Benjamin F

Ethan H

6 September

Laynie B

Ira L

Maya S

8 September

Lara D

9 September

Nevaya C

Rory J

Tess T

11 September

Penny P

12 September

Sophia N

Zac C

Peyton B

Fathers' Day Breakfast Friday 5th September 8am



To all the Dads and Special people of Patterson Lakes Primary School

We see how hard you work every day, and in the spirit of Father's Day, we want to show our appreciation. Please join us for a Bakers Delight Pastry treat and a chance to share a special moment with your child(ren) as they give you a glimpse into their world.

Come along on Friday, 5th September at 8:00 AM to celebrate you! Enjoy some fun activities and a tasty bite to eat.

Your \$10 entry gives dad/special person a pastry and an entry into the Father's Day raffle. All profits raised from the event will go towards continuing the upgrade of our Junior Playground.

For catering purposes, you must book before 01/09/2025.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Please click on the following link to book your ticket.

<https://www.trybooking.com/DEWJC>

WIN

Weekend with a Mustang!

Father's Day Breakfast

Date: Friday 5th of September

Time: 8:00am

Cost: \$10

What it includes?

Patrics

Activities

An entry to win a weekend with a Mustang

Money raised goes towards the Junior School Playground



PENINSULA
DEALER GROUP

A big thank you to Jason Quinn for
donating this amazing prize!

Ford

It's Okay not to be Okay Incursion



On Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th, our Year 5 and 6 students took part in a powerful wellbeing incursion, **“It’s OK Not to be OK”**, led by Georgia and Tyla. The highlight of the day was meeting Tyla, a Paris Olympic boxing champion, who shared her inspiring journey and resilience. Students were not only captivated by her story but also explored a variety of practical strategies to help them face life’s challenges with strength and confidence.





Year 5 Camp Information Afternoon

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 September 2025.

Signed _____

Thank you for your continued support!

Sunsmart

As we approach spring and UV levels begin to rise, a reminder that all students must now wear school hats during any time spent outside.

Students are required to wear their hats during all outdoor activities from this week 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**.

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.



PATTO GOT TALENT Finals



70s and 80s School Trivia Quiz Fundraiser



Save the Date: Saturday, 25th of October 7-10pm

Please keep the date for families and friends to make up a table for our major fundraiser of the year. Come and get a table together in the school gym for only \$20 a head and create your favourite 70s or 80s icons or wear the fashion of the day to build the atmosphere. Not only will there be prizes for the best dressed and winning tables, but lots of other competitions and fun to be had including the auction of some great sporting memorabilia.

Mathletics

Congratulations for all your hard work on Mathletics this term everyone!

A special congratulations to our Mathletics award winners of the fortnight!

Mathletics Class - 4A

Mathlete of the Fortnight - Olivia M. From 3C

Most Improved Mathlete - Tilly R. From 6C

Stay tuned for more Mathletics awards next time and keep up the hard work!

Kitchen and Garden Cooking Program

In the Kitchen Garden program last week, our students took a culinary trip to Japan and cooked up delicious okonomiyaki – a savoury vegetable pancake whose name translates to “grilled as you like it.” It was a fun and flavourful experience, and the dish proved to be a huge hit with most of our budding chefs!

In Week 4, we travelled to Lebanon, where students prepared hummus dip and kofta wraps. The kitchen was filled with delicious spices and flavours – and there wasn't a single bite left at the end of the session!

Meanwhile, in our Lunchtime Club, students got busy baking choc chip cookies – a sweet treat that was enjoyed by all.









I enjoy Social Stencil a lot because it helps me be better at team work and communication. It helps me make friends and I have some friends in the group. Mason 5B

**I like Social Stencil, I like learning how to control my anger and the tips with friends.
Josh 3C**

SOCIAL STENCIL

**I have been enjoying going to Social Stencil on Thursdays. I love spending time with my friends at Social Stencil because it is fun to learn about emotions and how to control our feeling. I also enjoy all the fun activities we do together. I look forward to this session every week .
Flynn 3A**

**Social Stencil helps with many personal and social problems, it gives ,me an opportunity to make new friends and meet new people. It gives us methods to calm down and problem solve.
Mitch 5C**

Patterson Lakes Primary School Concert



We're excited to share that the students are busy preparing for the Term 4 concert!

It will take place on **Tuesday 14th October**, in two timeslots: **10am-11:30 and 2:45-4:15**. Please mark this date in your calendars – it's going to be a fun and lively event! Your child has probably been talking to you about it and is excited to perform.

Each class already knows their song and is preparing for the performance, so if you would like to add any extra details to their costume to match the theme, feel free to do so! However, please remember to keep the outfit practical for the whole school day (think free dress day). Students will be wearing their costumes all day, so please ensure that their outfit is comfortable and appropriate for school. For example, **closed-toed shoes** and **sun-smart clothing** are a must.

To make things easier on the day of the concert, students will come to school dressed in their class outfits. This will help save time and keep things moving smoothly. Below are the colours each class should wear:

- **OA + OB:** Black (pants, shorts, or skirt) and Pink top (Barbie and Ken theme)
- **OC + OD:** Blue (pants, shorts, or skirt) and Blue top (dressed as baby sharks)

- **1A + 1B:** Black (pants, shorts, or skirt) and Green top (jungle theme)
- **1C + 2A:** Black (pants, shorts, or skirt) and Gold top
- **2B + 2C:** Blue (pants, shorts, or skirt) and Yellow top (Minions theme)
- **3B + 3C:** Lobster theme: Black or Red (pants, shorts or skirt), red top. Rock star theme: Dress in a rock star themed outfit (think sunglasses, sparkly top etc).
- **3A + 4A:** Fluoro colours (80's theme)
- **4B + 4C:** Black (pants, shorts, or skirt) and a top in Red, Purple, or Pink (any shade) with a touch of sparkle (Dressed like a formal choir with touches of glitter on top)
- **5A + 5B:** Black (pants, shorts, or skirt) and Red top
- **5C +5D:** Black (pants, shorts, or skirt) and Orange top (tiger theme)
- **6A + 6B + 6C:** Fun Bright Colours (think Colour run outfits-such as white t-shirt decorated with bright colours)

We would prefer plain t-shirts, but if there are any pictures or writing on them, we'll simply turn them inside out or wear them back to front so the focus stays on the colours. Also, if you have any **hats, sunglasses, or sparkly accessories**, feel free to send them along to add some extra fun to their costume!

Thank you for your support. We can't wait to see you at the concert on **Tuesday 14th October**. It's going to be an amazing event for everyone!

Warm regards,

Ms Scarlett

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:

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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.

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Simply enrol using the link:

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/OrangeTreeMusic/OrangeTreeMusicStudentEnrolmentForm>

If you have any questions call Carol on 0411 402 102



ALL GIRLS BASKETBALL CLINIC & LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

WHEN Wednesday 24 September
6-12 years old: 9:30am-11:00am
13-18 years old: 11:30am-1:00pm

WHERE Bonbeach Sports Complex
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