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Diary Dates

Friday October 31

Inter School Sports Patto

Whole School Assembly 2:45pm

Monday November 3

Pupil Free Day - No Students at School Today

Tuesday November 4

Melbourne Cup Public holiday

Thursday November 6

Year 6 Chemistry Chaos Incursion

State Athletics

Friday November 7

Environment Leaders Coastal Catchments Workshop

Inter School Sports Patto

Wednesday November 12

Crazy Hair Day

Friday November 14

Inter School Sports Patto

Whole School Assembly 2:45pm

Friday November 21

Inter School Sports Patto

Monday November 24

Pupil Free Day - No Students at School Today

Friday November 28

Year 2 Melbourne Zoo Excursion

Whole School Assembly 2:45pm

Inter School Sports Patto

Tuesday December 2

Environment Leaders Dolphin Swim

Wednesday December 3

Swimming Trials

Thursday December 4

2026 Foundation - Information Evening

Friday December 5

Year 6 Radio Excursion - Selected Students

Tuesday December 9

Orientation Day

Friday December 12

Whole School Assembly 2:45pm

Monday December 15

Roy Dore Fun Day

Wednesday December 17

2025 Foundation Graduation

Foundation and Year 1 Carp Christmas Show

Thursday December 18

Year 6 Graduation

Friday December 19

Whole School Assembly 1:00pm

Last Day Term 4 – 1:30pm Finish

Principal's Report

THE PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE 2025

Congratulations to the following students who were among 76,237 other young Victorians who successfully completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. We had a number of students sign up for the challenge. The following students who completed the challenge successfully, will receive their certificates this week at assembly on Friday.

Addie M, Ellie P, Ethan P, Morgan S, Annabelle H, Liam S, Logan E, Stella J, Bobby J, Maxwell De, Sophie E, Charlotte S, Flynn S, Zayn Z, Alivia C, Iris S, Ethan E, Madeline K, Ruby L, Sara P, Sonny P, Tim N, Millie O, Xavier P, Kyrie H-P, Tyler B, Nathan H, Olivia S, Luna I, Eve J, Olivia W, Anastasia C, Macy J and Blake S.

1: 1 DEVICES PROGRAM AT PATTERSON LAKES PRIMARY SCHOOL

As many families would appreciate, Patterson Lakes Primary School has successfully operated a voluntary 1:1 Devices program for more than a decade. This program was very helpful during the COVID 19 period, with the school also supplying families who did not have access to a device at home, with a school owned device for them to retain. The Victoria Government has brought in a new policy beginning in 2027 from Foundation to Year 6.

Under the new guidelines, schools:

1. will no longer invite families to purchase or bring their own digital devices to use at school for Prep to Grade 6
2. will follow new recommended digital device times, including minimal device time for Foundation to Year 2; and a maximum of 90 minutes per day for Years 3 to 6.

These changes are intended to support families by reducing cost-of-living pressures. They will also support students by reducing screen-time which can reduce the risk of eye strain, sedentary behaviour, and reduced peer interaction. These reforms complement Victoria's nation-leading mobile phone restrictions, ensuring an integrated approach to addressing digital distraction and the inappropriate use of technology.

This means we will be ceasing our current 1:1 program from 2027 on and we will continue to provide digital devices for use by students who did not join any of the previous program opportunities. Students who have been using 1:1 devices prior to 2027 will be able to continue to bring their devices to school, but we will be following the new recommended device use times. As you know, we already provide school-owned digital devices for student learning and this program will continue beyond 2027.

Students with disability who use a digital device as a reasonable adjustment are exempt from these changes.

You can read more about the changes on the department's website: [Digital Learning: Policy](#).

TRIVIA NIGHT SPECTACULAR!



Thank you so much to the families who supported our 70's and 80's Trivia Night last Saturday . It was a brilliant evening, with all who attended getting into the spirit of the evening. Thank you to the members of School Council, and Staff who helped to set up the hall and ensured that everyone had a great time!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who won our 'Student of the Week' awards for Term 4 Week 3 and Week 4. Students will receive their certificates at the next assembly on Friday October 31st. Keep up the terrific work everyone!

WEEK THREE

Foundation A Byron C for always contributing to classroom discussions and having interesting stories to share with the grade. Well done, Byron!

Foundation B Macy J for challenging yourself to improve your learning outcomes.

Foundation C Ruby W for her great focus during writing time and producing quality work. Your writing is outstanding, Ruby!

Foundation D Ezra W- D for his outstanding progress in reading. Keep up the amazing work, Ezra!

1B Sommer E for your amazing writing piece about why ants are so important. Well done, Sommer!

1C Nate B for being a caring and loyal friend by stepping up when his friends are needing support. Well done, Nate!

2B Lilly R-B for settling in really well at Patterson Lakes Primary and working hard on her 'Butterfly' booklet. Well done, Lilly!

2C Camille S completing your butterfly booklet with pride, care and a lot of interesting facts. An amazing effort as usual!

3B Isla O for your exquisite cursive handwriting for your Diary writing on the First Fleet. It is wonderful. You are a superstar, Isla!

3C Jude A for completing outstanding work and showing respect.

4A Zoe S for assisting the teacher to make an amazing display for our Water Theme. Thank you for doing a great job!

4B Isabela S for your quiet but considerate nature. You always listen to every detail and respond thoughtfully to others.

4C Ivy M for always working hard and showing persistence and resilience when working on difficult tasks. You are really kicking goals Ivy. Well done!

5A Oscar W for keeping 5A updated on the weather forecast and giving insight to the statistics it entails. Your wealth of knowledge is commendable.

5B Mia R for showing resilience at camp and working through challenging moments.

5C Grace C for showing kindness, resilience and persistence whilst on Year 5 camp.

5D Penny P for actively taking charge and showing excellent leadership qualities, determination and persistence throughout the Year 5 camp.

6A Dinuja G for his persistent effort and improvement to participate in class discussions. Well done, Dinuja!

6C Tilly R for your hard work, enthusiasm and excellent approach to learning. Well done!

WEEK FOUR

Foundation A Ruby S for displaying acts of kindness towards other students. Well done, Ruby!

Foundation B Emmi D for your resilience in taking on feedback to improve your learning outcomes.

Foundation C Bodhi L for his great focus and enthusiasm in Maths while learning about place value. Well done, Bodhi. You are doing an amazing job!

Foundation D Skyla M for her wonderfully detailed procedural text about 'How to Make Butter'. You should be so proud, Skyla!

1B Zakkariya R for your outstanding reading this week. Well done, Zakk! Keep up the great work.

1C Luna F for your excellent effort in lessons and towards your classwork. Well done, Luna!

2B Lexi C for having an excellent understanding of the features of 3D shapes. Great effort, Lexi.

2C Lyla H for completing an excellent butterfly booklet full of interesting facts and colourful illustrations.

3A Jayla O for displaying excellent work habits in the classroom and resilience in the playground. Keep up the good work Jayla!

3B Eve C for your wonderful writing on John Hudson. The extra details you put in were fantastic!

3C Emily T for displaying great effort in her writing and being respectful to others.

4A Mitchell M for quietly doing all his work to an excellent standard. Well done, Mitchell!

4B Lincoln D for your curiosity and enthusiasm during our Science Incursion and Integrated Studies learning.

4C Brooklyn S for always displaying our core school values in everything she does. Keep up the amazing work Brooklyn! You are a star!

5A Jude D for showing pride and care in all aspects of your learning. You continue to display responsibility and determination. Well done!

5B Mason S for coming into the classroom, being co operative and willingly completing some set tasks, it's fantastic to see! Well done Mason!

5D Harper G for trying every challenge with determination and being a caring and supportive friend throughout the Year 5 camp.

6A Asha L for an outstanding year! Your attitude, effort and behaviour has not faltered, Asha. Well done!

6B Jonathan K for an all round great attitude and effort.

6C Blake M for your great focus during Mathematics and willingness to try your best in all subjects. Well done!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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

2 November

Tim N

Layla C

4 November

Kyrie H-P

Ben W

5 November

Ethan K

7 November

Phillip A

8 November

Lily K

Mia C

Isaac R

Jeremiah B

11 November

Olli A

Kai L

12 November

Vinnie C

Linga W

Year 5 Camp



The Year Fives were both nervous and excited about going to Sovereign Hill and Log Cabin Camp in Creswick.

The camp was amazing, with lots of fun activities like the Giant Swing, Leap of Faith, Zip Line and so much more!

We started off the day in Sovereign Hill, there was so much to explore!

Later we arrived at the Log Cabin Camp in Creswick where we were welcomed by the staff, next we were allocated our cabins...we were so happy to get all of our friends, next we started our activities which we all loved!

The night hike was amazing as was the damper and the Billy tea. Delicious!!

The rest of the camp was filled with many physical challenges that we had to show grit, perseverance and teamwork. Everyone had a brilliant time even if they didn't get enough sleep.

We want to thank the staff at Log Cabin Camp as well as all the helpers that come along to make it one of the best camps ever!!!!

Thank you to our parents who let us go too!

Congratulations to Hamarni Jakusic



Congratulations to Hamarni Jakusic for taking out first place in the regional shot put event for the Under 12 Girls category! 🏆

Hamarni will now go on to represent Patterson Lakes Primary School at the State Athletics on Wednesday, 6th November.

We'll all be cheering you on! 🎉



Play Leaders Program

The Play Leaders Program has continued to provide a fantastic environment where our Foundation to Year 2 students can come along each day to enjoy fun, physical games with their peers. The program is usually facilitated by our Year 5 Leaders, but last week we had some special guests take the lead — Year 10 students from Frankston High School! It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to mix with the high school students and to learn a range of new games that developed their ball skills, teamwork, and cooperation.





Foundation Responsible Pet Ownership Program

On Wednesday 29th October Foundation students part took in the Responsible Pet Ownership Program. Henry the Retriever x Cocker Spaniel came to visit, teaching us how to approach a dog safely!







Programing Changes!

This week we are trialling a new programming system. Each day at after school care is going to have a different focus. This is to ensure the children have the opportunity to participate in a whole range of activities. These focuses will still be guided by the children's interests and suggestions. The focuses for each day are:

- Mad Science Mondays** (STEM)
- Tranquil Tuesdays** (Wellbeing/Mindfulness)
- World Wednesdays** (Community)
- Training Thursdays** (Sports and Movement)
- Fun Fridays** (Child Suggested Fun!)

Mad Science Monday:
Dancing Ghosts with
Static Electricity



3rd of November - PFD



Join us on Monday for our exciting Pupil Free Day program. We will be making suncatchers, clay creations as well as getting active. We will also be making Fro-Yo granola cups and DIY english muffin pizza's for afternoon tea!



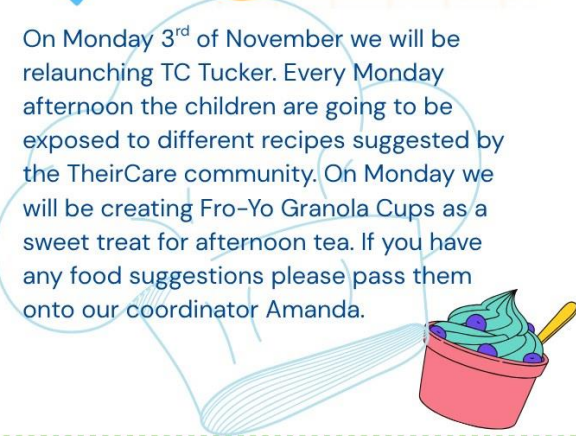
TcTitans

We started our first TC Titan 5 week program. This term we are focussing on dance! Our first session focussed on O.G dances with the Cha Cha Slide and Macarena being our favourite dances. Our next session will be this Friday where we will try and learn popular TikTok dances!



TcTucker

On Monday 3rd of November we will be relaunching TC Tucker. Every Monday afternoon the children are going to be exposed to different recipes suggested by the TheirCare community. On Monday we will be creating Fro-Yo Granola Cups as a sweet treat for afternoon tea. If you have any food suggestions please pass them onto our coordinator Amanda.



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Spanish Corner



Sunsmart



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.

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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- Space Jump Party
- Dodgem Car Party
- Sports Party
- Bubble Soccer Party
- Nerf Party
- Lasertag Party



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Sunday 16 Nov 2025-Sunday 1 Mar 2026
(Incl. breaks for holiday periods)
Competition Training Available
Age and Skill Dependant

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- Surf and beach awareness
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