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Diary Dates

Friday November 28

Year 2 Melbourne Zoo Excursion

Whole School Assembly 2:45pm

Inter School Sports Patto

Working Bee 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Tuesday December 2

Environment Leaders Dolphin Swim

Wednesday December 3

Swimming Trials - 9 years old and above - Please let the office know if your child/ren will be attending.

Thursday December 4

2026 Foundation - Information Evening

Friday December 5

Year 6 Radio Excursion - Selected Students

Tuesday December 9

Orientation Day

Friday December 12

Orange Tree Concert

Whole School Assembly 2:45pm

Monday December 15

Year 6 Roy Dore Fun Day

Wednesday December 17

2025 Foundation Graduation

Foundation and Year 1 Carp Christmas Show - only students attend

Thursday December 18

Year 6 Graduation

Friday December 19

Whole School Assembly 1:00pm

Last Day Term 4 – 1:30pm Finish

Principal's Report

Last week, I sent out the final Education Report for Term 4 to all families.

During our Pupil Free Day on Monday, staff spent time reviewing the strong academic growth achieved throughout 2025, particularly in English and Mathematics. The effort and commitment shown by both staff and students in developing their learning this year has been exceptional. I sincerely thank everyone for their hard work and dedication.

We also held our final School Council meeting for the year last night. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our School Councillors for their support and valuable contributions in 2025. On behalf of our school community, I would like to make special mention of Paul Clohesy, Shannon Cooper, and Karin Smith, who have been long-serving, dedicated members of our council. We wish them and their families every success in the future. They have been an outstanding team to work with, and their commitment has made a meaningful difference to our school.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who won our 'Student of the Week' awards for Term 4 ,Week 7 and Week 8. Students will receive their certificates at the next assembly on Friday November 28. Keep up the terrific work everyone!

Week Seven

Foundation A Noah K for having an excellent ability to spell tricky words. Well done, Noah!

Foundation B Willow F for being resilient by taking on teacher feedback.

Foundation C Maeve C for being a very kind and caring class member and always following classroom expectations. You are an excellent role model, Maeve!

Foundation D Kora H-P for her brilliant vocabulary in her writing pieces. Keep up the great work, Kora!

1A Archie B for showing pride and care in all aspects of your learning. You continue to display responsibility and determination. Well done!

1B Amara K for taking great care when completing your learning. Well done, Amara!

1C Ramiel S for his amazing effort and success in a maths assessment. Congratulations, Ramiel!

2B Kyan A for his focussing on completing his tasks correctly and following our Class Code of Conduct. Awesome job, Kyan!

2C Salvi C for your wonderful enthusiasm and input into all of our class discussions. Salvi, I can always rely on you. Legend!

3A Sebastian W for working hard in class and for being a cheerful class member.

3B Oaklee H for working quietly and always to the best of your ability. Well done Oaklee, keep shining!

3C Astin T for doing fantastic work on his Inquiry project and completing it with good independence.

4A Parker S for your care and support for students in your class, and to your teacher. Thank you for your assistance and understanding.

4B Zara D for taking great pride and care in the presentation of your work and striving for excellence. Your illustrations are especially impressive.

5A Jonathan G for your growth mindset in all aspects in your learning. You continue to show up every day with the eagerness to do your best. Keep bringing your confidence and positive energy!

5B Emily H for always showing care and kindness to your younger peers.

5D Leyla O for always showing determination in everything she does. Keep it up Leyla!

6A Angus P for being a responsible and organised flag monitor this semester. Well done, Gus!

6B Montana F for your positive energy and effort!

6C Hendrix O-B for your great work in Mathematics and ongoing commitment to continuously improve your writing. Fantastic effort, Hendrix!

Week Eight

Foundation A Lily W for showing incredible confidence and bravery when sharing a personal story about her mum with the class.

Foundation B Miles L for taking feedback about your writing and applying it.

Foundation C Jack S for consistently displaying the school values of Integrity, Respect and Excellence. You are a very kind and thoughtful member of our class, Jack. Well done!

Foundation D Knox H for displaying excellent listening skills and using beautiful manners in the classroom. Well done, Knox!

1A Liam E for listening to teacher feedback and applying it to his learning. Well done for extending your report writing about Cicadas.

1B Elijah W-D for completing engaging pieces of writing about minibeasts. It's wonderful to read such interesting facts. Well done, Elijah!

1C Mason C for being well focused and working hard in lessons. Keep it up, Mason!

2B Keeva D for writing a persuasive text using convincing reasons and examples. Well done, Keeva!

2C Max U for your hard work and determination to complete all activities. Max, you have grown so much as a learner this year! Be proud!

3A Berkan G for being a cheerful and friendly class member who tries his best to complete good work.

3C Addison C for showing great resilience in her writing and completing a fantastic Inquiry project.

4A Peylina P for always doing your very best at every task, displaying a high standard of work and having a great attitude to learning.

5A Mia D for always bringing a positive energy to school and giving your best efforts in all your learning. Your dedication to your work does not go unnoticed. Well done!

5B Nathan H for showing keen entrepreneurial skills incorporating a sense of fairness and fun!

5D Lexi U for being a cheerful and friendly class member who tries her best across the curriculum. You are amazing Lexi, keep being YOU!

6A Eve J for the care and diligence she displayed all year looking after the school chickens. Your efforts have been noticed and appreciated!

6B Maddison L for consistent work habits that produce excellent work.

6C Tess T for your consistent and dedicated approach to learning in all subjects, which is reflected in your work. An amazing effort, Tess!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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

27 November

Archie B

Bella S

Lexi F

28 November

Hendrix O-B

29 November

Alivia C

30 November

Adrian S

Lenny M

1 December

Sadia M

Jude A

Astin T

Eddie H

2 December

Amber E

4 December

Kyan A

5 December

Ordaine J

Saige B

Isaraela J

7 December

Paige B

Arlo J

8 December

Archer H

10 December

Isabela S

11 December

Harrison L



PLPS WORKING BEE

After school on Friday 28th of November

THE WORKING BEE:

We are looking forward to having as many families involved as possible to help with a tidy up of the school. The working day will commence after assembly and conclude with a sausage sizzle at 4:30 PM. We will be meeting at the undercover area outside the hall. The buildings and ground committees have identified a number of items that need attention around the school that we're hoping to achieve. These include,

- Redistribution of soft fall mulch in the junior adventure playground.
- Trimming back of trees over hanging paths and seating areas.
- Tidy up the edge of the basketball court.
- Weeding of pruning our garden beds including the vegetable garden
- Sweeping and cleaning up all under cover areas and around the outside aluminum seating areas.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE YUM!



Ferguson Plarre's Patterson Lakes – Christmas Tart Fundraiser

Ferguson Plarre's Patterson Lakes is offering families the chance to purchase their delicious Christmas Tarts while also supporting our school! All funds raised will go directly towards completing our Foundation Playground.

For every 6-pack of Christmas Tarts purchased, Ferguson Plarre Patterson Lakes will donate **\$3.50** to our school. Each 6-pack is **\$13**.

To place an order, simply complete the order form and indicate the quantity and type of Christmas Tarts you would like. Please return the form **with full payment** to the school no later than **Monday 8 December 2025**. Christmas Tarts will be sent home on **Monday 15th December 2025**

A hard copy of the order form has been sent home today with the youngest student in each family, please check their school bag.

2026 Patterson Lakes Swim Team Trials

We are pleased to announce that swimming trials for the **2026 Patterson Lakes Swim Team** will be held next Wednesday the 3rd of December. These trials will help determine each student's swim events, allowing them to focus their training over the summer break. This event is open to any child turning **9 years** and above next year.

Event Details

Location: Pines Aquatic Centre – Forest Drive, Frankston North VIC 3199

Date: Wednesday, December 3, 2025

Trial Schedule

Freestyle: 9:30am – 10:20 am

Backstroke: 10:20am – 10:50 am

Breaststroke: 10:50am – 11:10 am

Butterfly: 11:10am – 11:30 am

Please note that parents and guardians are responsible for transporting their child to and from the venue on the day.

Mr. Patane and Mr. Koppens will be present to greet students and conduct the trials upon arrival.

Thank you for your continued support — we look forward to an exciting season ahead!

NB: Please contact the office on 9772 4011 and let Louise or Rachael know if your child(ren) will be attending, so they can mark their attendance accordingly.

Warm regards,

Adrian Patane

Specialist Leader and PE Coordinator

Christmas Food Appeal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are again supporting our local charity, Pantry 5000 by asking the children and our families to bring along a tin or non-perishable item to class in support of struggling families in the Carrum Patterson Lakes area. Pantry 5000 service over 250 families in our community with food deliveries each week and the holiday period can be tough on so many families. The class with the most items receive a free sports lesson; last term's winners were Ms Taylor and Ms Dyer's classes. Please get behind our appeal which runs from the 1st to the 12th of December.

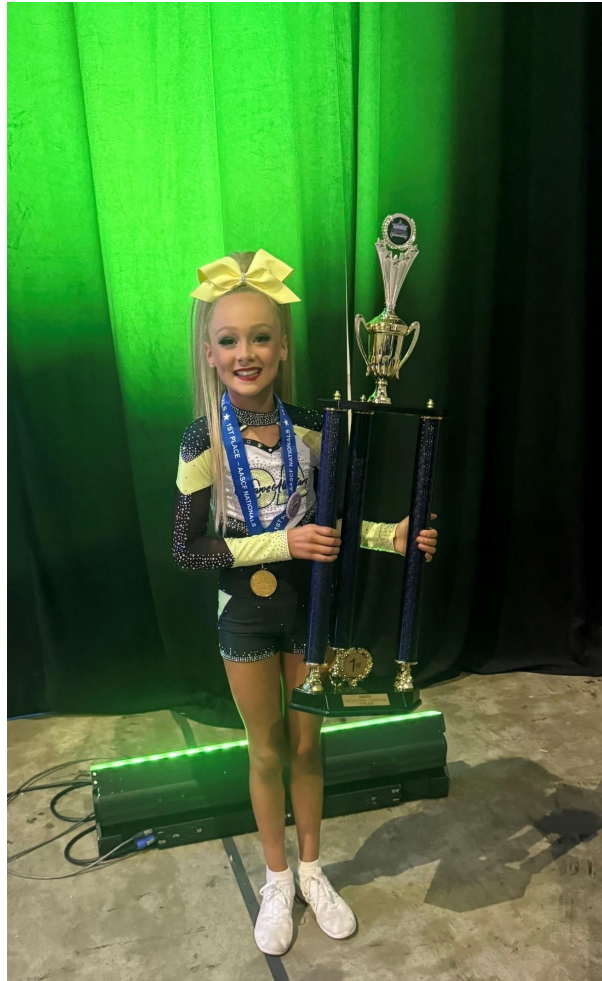
Congratulations to Montana, Amelia & Tiffany F

Congratulations to Montana, Amelia, and Tiffany F for their incredible achievements at the AASCF Cheerleading National Championships last Thursday at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre!

Montana competed with the Junior Level 2 team *Heat*, taking out **1st place** and achieving a perfect **hit zero** against 8 strong teams.

Amelia and Tiffany competed with the Youth Novice team *Jnr Ops*, also earning an impressive **1st place** finish out of 10 teams.

Amazing work!!



National Diabetes Day - A Snapshot of the life of a Diabetic.

On Friday the 14th of November it was National Diabetes Day. 5D, Miss Morris' class were lucky to get a bit on an insight into what it's like to live with this life changing condition. Thank you to Michael and Penny Putson for educating the class, on the considerations and implications someone who has diabetes has to endure 24/7.



A diabetic's life involves constant vigilance with blood sugar monitoring, insulin doses (if applicable), diet, and exercise, and can be challenging but fulfilling. They must also navigate daily, social, and travel-related aspects with their health needs in mind.





Daily management involves:

- Blood sugar monitoring: People with diabetes often use technology like continuous glucose monitors (CGMs) or traditional blood glucose meters to track their levels.
- Insulin management: Those with Type 1 diabetes require lifelong insulin therapy, delivered via injections or an insulin pump, based on their blood sugar readings and food intake.
- Diet and exercise: Consistent healthy eating, regular mealtimes, and exercise are crucial for managing the condition.
- Conscious planning: Every activity, from a simple walk to a social outing, requires awareness of how it might affect blood sugar levels.





Kitchen Garden

Over the past three weeks, our students have been busy cooking, creating and learning in the Kitchen Garden Program. Using fresh produce from our garden, they prepared a delicious selection of dishes that showcased both new skills and lots of teamwork.

In Week 1, students made **baked ricotta and spinach gnocchi**, learning how to mix, roll and shape the dough before baking it to golden perfection. Week 2 saw the class dive into fresh pasta making, creating **handmade fettuccine with Alfredo sauce**, accompanied by warm, crunchy **garlic bread**. To finish our three-week block on a sweet note, we celebrated a fun **birthday-themed cooking session**, where students decorated **cupcakes** and made colourful **fairy bread**.

As always, students also spent time in the garden caring for our herbs and vegetables, exploring where their ingredients come from, and building confidence through hands-on experiences.

It has been a wonderful few weeks filled with creativity, new flavours and plenty of smiles!









Evergreen Christmas Tree Farm

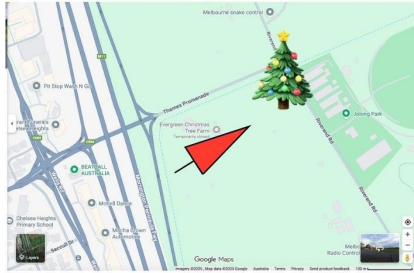
It's that festive time of year —time to choose your fresh Christmas tree!

Visit **Evergreen Christmas Tree Farm** and see Lou for a beautiful tree to take home.

Don't forget to mention that you're from **Patterson Lakes Primary School** — the farm will generously donate **10% of your purchase** back to our school!

HOHOHO!
IT'S NEARLY THAT
TIME OF YEAR AT
Evergreen Christmas
Tree Farm

240 Thames Promenade, Bangholme



Opening weekend
Saturday November 29th

Opening weekend come down and enjoy some
breakfast with the Chelsea Rotary Club being
back serving up bacon and egg rolls!



Lego Therapy





What's Happening

Our pupil free day was so much fun. It was also National Fairy Bread Day! To celebrate this we baked our own damper and butter to make home made fairy bread. We also did salt pictures and colourful water colour paintings before ending the day with a movie.



Reminder

As we head into Summer, we would like to remind families to ensure they are packing a hat for their child. We follow strict SunSmart policies and if your child does not have a hat they will miss out on going outside.



We finished off our dance program with a talent show. The children showed off a range of talents such as singing, dancing, hula hooping, skipping, guitar playing, drawing and joke telling.



Over the last 2 weeks we explored Australian and English culture through food. We created damper and spoke about the settlers and enjoyed scones with jam and cream while discussing England and the royal family.



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Mad Science Monday



Building Challenges

Tranquil Tuesday



Bubble Blowing

World Wednesday



Cherry Blossom Tree Inspired
Pictures - Japan

Highlights

Training Thursday



Beanbag Toss Games

Fun Friday



Dance Mat Fun

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 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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- 3 Search for your school via postcode or name
- 4 Select your class
- 5 Head to Order Now
- 6 Select the person you are ordering for
- 7 Select items from the approved menu & finalise your order
- 8 To place orders for multiple people. You will be asked when you finalise your first order if you would like to place another order for another profile (person)

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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**

Simply enrol using the link:

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

If you have any questions call Carol on 0411 402 102



Chelsea Heights
Netball Club
Players & Coaches
Wanted for 2026!

Chelsea Heights Netball Club is looking
for Players and Coaches across all
age groups for our 2026 season.

Under 9s: Born 2017–2018

Under 11s: Born 2015–2016

Under 13s: Born 2013–2014

Under 15s: Born 2011–2012

Under 17s: Born 2009–2010

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or form your own, we'd love to chat and
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