DIARY DATES

**Friday 29 April**
Special Lunch Orders due 4pm today.
(Late orders will not be accepted)

**Saturday 30 April**
School Aerobics Competition in Geelong

**Monday 2 May**
Yrs 3 - 6 ICAS Science Competition - Forms returned along with $8 today
Junior School Assembly 2.55pm

**Thursday 5 May**
Mother’s Day Stall in the hall during morning sessions - see attached flyer

**Friday 6 May**
Prep 2016 and 2017 “Fun To Be Me” production - school hall 9.30am - 10.30am

**Monday 9 May**
Senior School Assembly 2.55pm

**Tuesday 10 May**
Yrs 3 & 5 Naplan Testing - Language Conventions and Writing

**Wednesday 11 May**
Yrs 3 & 5 Naplan Testing - Reading

**Thursday 12 May**
Yrs 3 & 5 Naplan Testing - Numeracy

**Friday 13 May**
Yr 3 Moonlit Sanctuary Excursion 9.30am

**Monday 16 May**
**EDUCATION WEEK**
Special Lunch Day - No other lunch orders on this day.
Open Classroom Morning 9am - 11am
Open Classroom Night 5pm - 7pm
Whole School Assembly 2.55pm

**Tuesday 17 May**
Yrs 3 - 6 Athletics Carnival at Ballam Park Frankston 9am

**Wednesday 18 May**
Literacy Day - Book Fair / Family Picnic

**Thursday 19 May**
Numeracy Day

**Friday 20 May**
Yrs 3 - 6 District Cross Country 9.00am - 1.30pm (selected students)
Wellbeing Day - Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea. Wear a splash of yellow and bring a gold coin donation
Patto’s Got Talent - Gladesville Gladiators Auditions 12pm in the hall
Kids Disco - see attached for details

**Monday 23 May**
Junior School Assembly 2.55pm

**Wednesday 25 May**
Patto’s Got Talent - McLeod Mustangs Auditions 12pm in the school hall

**Thursday 26 May**
Yr 2 Billycart Incursion

**Friday 27 May**
Yr 6 interschool Sport - Winter Lightning Prem 9.00am - 3.00pm
Yrs 3 - 6 ICAS English and Maths Competition - Forms returned along with $8 today

**JUNIOR MAYOR**
On the 14th April four of our student leaders participated in the Junior Mayor competition at Chelsea Town Hall. There were approximately 30 ‘Kingston’ schools involved.

Congratulations to Charlotte O who was our Junior Mayor Candidate. Charlotte presented a speech on behalf of the school and was supported by Joshua B, Isabelle E and Nikita D. The winning school for 2016 was Kingswood Primary School in Dingley. Thanks to Mr Koppens for organising this activity with our leaders. For further details please see the report written by our students in this newsletter.

**1:1 PROGRAM FOR YEARS 3 & 4**
The 1:1 program for Years 3 and 4 commenced on Tuesday and all has been running relatively smoothly this week. Thanks to the high percentage of families who have supported this most valuable program. Thanks also to Helene Bearup, Leanne Walker, Paul Ewert (technician) and all the Year 3 and 4 class teachers who have spent countless hours to make it happen.

**STAFFING NEWS**
Meaghan Bainbridge will be taking Family Leave following her final day next Wednesday, 4th May. Meaghan will be replaced in Prep B each Wednesday by Natalie Groat who will be returning from Family Leave. We wish Meaghan and Jarrod every happiness for the arrival of their second baby.

**CONGRATULATIONS**
Some of our Year 6 students from 2015 have been selected as student leaders at Patterson River Secondary College. Congratulations to Hannah V, Bonnie L, Jack M and Dillon H.

**SPORTS FORUM**
Sonya Kilkenny, our State MP has organised a forum on the 12th May at Carrum Downs to look at ways to encourage female participation in sport. If you are interested there are further details in the flyer attached to this newsletter.

**SUNSMART: SUN PROTECTION POLICY**
The wearing of school hats in the playground is required up until tomorrow, Friday, 29th April. Following this teachers will encourage students to wear their hats on days where UV levels are expected to reach 3 or above up until the 1st September when the compulsory wearing of hats recommences.

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS**
Congratulations to the following students who won our ‘Student of the Week’ awards for the third week of this term. Students will receive their certificates at their next assembly. Keep up the great work everyone!

Prep B – Adam K for completing ALL the 200 Magic Words. Amazing work Adam. Well done!
Prep C – Alexander W for his persistence during diary writing. Alexander you are a star! It is wonderful to see you listen for the sounds and write them down as you hear them.
**ACTING PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS** cont.

- **1A** – Lelani T for improving her organization skills and giving her best effort in everything she does.
- **1B** – Koutgor G for working hard to learn his numbers.
- **1C** – Keira R for always displaying the school value of respect in and out of the classroom. Keira you are a fabulous classroom role model. Keep the great work!
- **1D** – Jett B for making great improvements with his spelling. Awesome effort Jett. Keep it up!
- **2A** – Fletcher N for showing 2A how to have lots of fun when learning every day.
- **2B** – Ky C for great thinking during our Maths sessions. Good job Ky!
- **3A** – Chelsea S for being a kind, thoughtful and reliable student who enjoys helping others. Her calm and relaxed demeanor has a positive influence on the classroom climate and with the people around her. Thank you for being a wonderful student Chelsea.
- **3C** – Madeleine L for showing great resilience and a fantastic effort in the swimming program. You are a wonderful role model for our class!
- **3D** – Mathilda M for being a helpful and cooperative student who assists others to complete set tasks. Thank you Mathilda.
- **3/4Z** – Jaeda C for excellence and effort throughout the term. Well done Jaeda!
- **4A** – Lucas M for his energy and enthusiasm. Great job LMc1!
- **4B** – Eden B for trying her best in all areas and for getting along well with her peers! Well done Eden!
- **5A** – Charli M for her excellent effort and creativity when writing narratives. Well done.
- **5B** – Adam S for always being enthusiastic in everything he does. Well done Adam!
- **5C** – Jay C for showing perseverance and determination during problem solving Math tasks.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

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**BOOK CLUB**

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Book Club Orders due TOMORROW

**ANZAC DAY**

Last Friday 22nd April our Yr 5 students attended the Carrum War Memorial at the Carrum Foreshore. The students paid their respects to the soldiers who fought in WW1 and laid a wreath at the memorial site and enjoyed learning the game of 2-Up.

**KIDS DISCO**

Patterson Lakes Primary School Disco will be held in the school hall on Friday 20th May. Prep - Yr 2 commences at 5.30pm - 6.45pm and Yr 3 - Yr 6 commences at 7.30pm - 9.00pm.

We ask for your co-operation in that children are promptly dropped off and picked up in the foyer area of the hall ONLY and ask that parents do no enter the disco/school hall area. If you could simply drop your child off and leave, it would also help alleviate congestion and allow ease of moving the students through into the disco. In the event that your child becomes distressed, you will be notified.

We have a duty of care to our students here at Patterson Lakes Primary that requires us to be diligent in their safety and well being and given the popularity of our school discos, it becomes extremely difficult for us to ensure the safety of our students is being met, when parents/carers enter through the foyer and into the actual disco area.

Attached to this newsletter is the disco flyer with the option to order prepaid tickets to avoid long queues on the night.
**Parent Helpers Needed**

We require a number of parent helpers with WWCC for our upcoming Athletics Carnival.

**Ballam Park Athletics Track**
**Tuesday 17th May**
**9.15am-2.15pm**

Roles may include setting up/packing up equipment, assisting at events or recording results.

Please email conway.michelle.l@edumail.vic.gov.au if you can help.

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**SPORT NEWS**

**Yrs 3 & 4 - 1:1 Program**

A reminder to parents that students are to bring their devices to school with them each day **fully charged**. Also can all equipment be clearly labelled with your child’s name.

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**LUNCH ORDERS**

Lunch Orders are available online on Monday, Thursday and Friday.

How do I set up an account to order online:
Go to: [www.munchmonitor.com](http://www.munchmonitor.com)
Click LOGIN then REGISTER
Enter School Id: plps and Password: munch3197
Then follow the 4 easy steps to create your account:

**STEP 1**: Create a Parent Profile by entering information about yourself.

**STEP 2**: Add your Students to your account.

**STEP 3**: Transfer money to your account by clicking the Account Top-up button.

**STEP 4**: Click MY ORDERS and you’re ready to Order lunches!

Orders can be cancelled on the day as late as 8.30am and should you have any concerns with your lunch order, please call Bellbrook Catering direct on 9796 5888.

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**KINGSTON JUNIOR MAYOR ELECTIONS 2016**

On the 14th of April 28 Kingston primary schools attended the 2016 Kingston Junior Mayor elections.

Four students Charlotte, Isabelle, Josh and Nikita represented Patterson Lakes Primary School. All schools were asked to make a two minute speech based on the question, ‘How could you create a better future for young people?’ Patto’s idea was to try and create a solution to stop drugs. We presented our speech with Charlotte speaking and Isabelle, Josh and Nikita holding up posters. The winner was Isaac M from Kingswood Primary School and the runner up was from Aspendale Gardens.

Everyone got a participation ribbon and certificate! It was very funny watching the new Junior Mayor in costume. Overall everyone did really well and it was great to see how much talent our community has. The day was a great experience and everyone enjoyed it.
2016 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools - Science

Sitting date: Tuesday, 31st May 2016.

27th April, 2016.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is holding the Annual School’s Science Competition. This competition is open to all students in Years 3 to 6 who wish to participate.

ICAS provides an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. It also gives parents helpful information regarding their child’s performance.

The data the school receives helps a great deal in determining the success of current programs. The school needs as many students as possible who enjoy Science to sit the exam, in order for us to get any meaning from the results.

The cost for the competition is $8.00. If you would like your child to participate, could you please complete the attached form and return it to the school no later than Monday, 2nd May, 2016.

Please note there can be no refund if your child is absent on the day of the test. However, the test can be given at a later date but the school will have to correct it when results are forwarded by the University of New South Wales for those who sat the test.

Thank you,
L. Milgate.

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International Competitions and Assessments for Schools - Science Competition

I would like my child ................................................................. of Year .......................... to sit for the Science Assessment on Tuesday, 31st May, 2016.

Enclosed is payment of $8.00.

Parent/Guardian’s Signature: .................................................................

Date: .................................................................
2016 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

English

Sitting Date: Tuesday 2\textsuperscript{nd} August, 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is holding the Annual School’s English Competition. This competition is open to all students in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 who wish to participate.

ICAS provides an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. It provides schools and teachers with comprehensive reporting of results and also gives parents helpful information regarding their child’s performance.

The cost for the competition is \$8.00. If you would like your child to participate, please complete the attached form and return it to the school with money by:

FRIDAY 27th MAY 2016.

Please note there can be no refund if your child is absent on the day of the test.

Thank you and good luck to all the participants.

Poppy Morris
English Leader

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools - English Competition

I would like my child ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

First Name  Last Name

Year………………………….A/B/C/D/Z (please circle) to sit the ICAS/NSW

Enclosed is payment of $8.00.

Parent/Guardian Name and Signature:
Dear Parents/Guardians,

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is holding the Annual School’s Maths Competition. This competition is open to all students in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 who wish to participate.

ICAS provides an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. It provides schools and teachers with comprehensive reporting of results and also gives parents helpful information regarding their child’s performance.

The cost for the competition is $8.00. If you would like your child to participate
Please complete the attached form and return it to the school with money by:

FRIDAY 27th MAY 2016.

Please note there can be no refund if your child is absent on the day of the test.

Thank you and good luck to all the participants.

Mel Bowly
Maths Leader

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International Competitions and Assessments for Schools - MATHS Competition

I would like my child ..............................................................................................................................

First ..................................................................................................................................................

Last ..................................................................................................................................................

Year........................................A/B/C/D/Z (please circle) to sit the ICAS/NSE Maths Assessment on Sitting Date: Tuesday 2nd August, 2016

Enclosed is payment of $8.00.

Parent/Guardian Name and Signature:
When children have a positive sense of belonging to both cultures, their mental health and wellbeing is supported and so is their learning.

Research in many different cultures confirms the importance of all children developing secure emotional connections with the adults who care for them. However, the ways that parents and carers go about developing these connections vary based on cultural beliefs about parenting and child development, as well as individual preferences and capacities. For example, in some cultures children are expected to always listen and respect their elders, while in other cultures children are taught from an early age to speak up for themselves. Children’s connection to their culture develops through their experiences. Having a strong sense of their own cultural history and traditions helps children build a positive cultural identity for themselves. This also supports children’s sense of belonging and self-esteem. To be able to get on well in another culture, children need to understand and respond to different expectations (e.g., school versus home). It can be complex, and sometimes confusing, for children from diverse cultural backgrounds to fit within two cultures and make sense of the different expectations. In some cases children may experience ‘cultural conflict’ and feel that they have to choose one culture or the other, even though they have to live in both. This can be stressful for children and have negative impacts on their mental health and wellbeing.

ANZAC Assembly: Friday 22nd March

Last Friday we held a special assembly in celebration of ANZAC Day. We paid our respect to the soldiers past and present, and identified why we have a Public Holiday for this day.

Junior School Council ran the assembly, with special guest Tony Galea. It was an honour to have Tony speak to the whole school.

Tony served in the Vietnam War in 1968 during the Tet period. Tony went to war serving our country when he was 19 years old. He served our country from January 1968 to January 1969 in Vietnam and also spent 3 years in the army as part of a combat supply platoon. This was an operation set up in the middle of the bush. We thank Tony for giving us his time. Patto all stood together in silence listening to the Last Post, which is always very moving.

Congratulations to Josh, Charlotte, Jackson and the JSC for the leadership and awareness they created about ANZAC day.

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them."
Fun with the Staff
Rachael (First Aid)

Welcome back Rachael!!

When did you start at Patto?
October 2012.

Did you do anything before you were at Patto?
I worked in radio for Triple M for nearly 10 years and I also worked in Real Estate for 10 years.

Do you have any brothers or sisters?
2 sisters and 1 brother.

Do you have any pets?
2 dogs named Ruffles and Tobey.

What is your favourite TV show?
Any reality TV show.

What is your favourite food?
Thai food.

What is your favourite sport?
Basketball.

What football team do you barrack for?
St. Kilda.

What do you like doing in your spare time?
Going shopping with my girls.

If you had a superpower, what would it be?
I would clone myself because I often have to be in many places at the one time.
PLPS - Mothers Day Stall

Thursday 5th May - School Hall

Our annual Mothers Day stall will be held in the School Hall on the morning of Thursday 5th May. Students will be able to visit the stall during their allocated class time with a teacher and purchase a range of lovely gifts for mums, grandma’s and carers.

$3 per gift, or 4 gifts for $10.

We hope you enjoy the selection of gifts available this year. Please bring correct money where possible to assist your child with their gift selections.
KIDS DISCO

WHEN:       Friday 20th May 2016
WHERE:     School Hall
TIME:       Prep to Yr 2: 5.30pm - 6.45pm
            Yr 3 - Yr 6: 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Cost includes: Entry to disco, bottle of water, packet of chips and a python snake.

Cost: 1st Child $10, 2nd Child $10 3rd & 4th child $5

Please note discounts are only offered to FAMILIES, not friendship groups.

To avoid long queues we are pre-selling tickets for the night. Please fill in the form below and return it with your money and the tickets will be sent home to you. If you choose to pay on the night the cost will be $15.00 per child, no discount will be offered.

Glow products will be sold on the night, prices ranging from $1 to $4 but there will be no canteen.

TICKETS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

PREPAID TICKETS ARE ONLY AVAILABLE UNTIL MONDAY 16TH MAY. AFTER THE 16TH MAY TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE NIGHT AT THE EXTRA COST.

KIDS DISCO TICKET BOOKINGS

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CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

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Cardholder Signature:......................................................... Date..........................
Program background
As part of the Victorian Government’s Affordable Uniform Program, every Prep government school student who is a recipient of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) automatically qualifies for a uniform pack voucher. Each year, State Schools’ Relief (SSR) provides tens of thousands of children with school clothing, shoes and other essential items. For the first time SSR has received government funding so that it can help more families needing financial assistance, and ensure no one is left behind.

Eligibility requirements for CSEF can be found at www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

What uniform support is provided?
SSR will provide:
- A basic windcheater and tracksuit pants
  OR one of the following
- A bomber jacket, rugby top, hoodie or zip jacket

How can parents apply for the uniform?
Parents must apply for CSEF by the closing date listed at www.education.vic.gov.au/csef before they approach the school to apply. Primary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents at www.ssr.net.au/schools.

Once approved, the voucher will be dispatched electronically to the school, uniform shop or uniform supplier. The school will provide the voucher to the parent/student to present at the uniform retailer (and not at SSR).

What if parents have already purchased their child’s uniforms?
Eligible parents who have already purchased their child’s uniforms for the year can select items of a larger size from the retailer.

Can parents who are ineligible for CSEF or, who have children in other year levels receive assistance from SSR?
Yes. Applications for parents requiring financial assistance for uniforms, text books or shoes are encouraged via the regular SSR services – www.ssr.net.au/schools. SSR only responds to requests from schools (not from parents directly). Parents are encouraged to talk to their school principal, assistant principal or student welfare coordinator about their situation and they will assess their eligibility.

Terms and conditions
- Only CSEF recipients are eligible for the uniform packs.
- Each student is eligible for a single uniform pack.
- A voucher is dispatched electronically to the school, uniform shop or uniform supplier on approval. The school will provide the voucher to the parent/student to present at the uniform retailer (and not at SSR).
- The order is valid for 45 days from date of issue.
- Once expired, a new application must be lodged.
- Expired vouchers cannot be redeemed.
- Each voucher specifies the individual items funded by SSR.
- No change to the items can be made unless through the school.
- Changes made in store will not be honoured by SSR.
- The maximum voucher value is $57 and any short fall will not be covered by SSR.
- The value of the voucher is a maximum value rather than an entitled amount. Should the value of the items be less than $57 the difference will not be credit towards other items.

More information
Parents: For CSEF application details please visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
Schools: For SSR applications please visit www.ssr.net.au/schools
CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 - Eligibility

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;

  a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR

  b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;

  c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27 January 2016) or term two (11 April 2016).

Closing Date

Parents are encouraged to lodge the application form by 29 February 2016, so that payments can be made from March 2016. However schools can accept parent applications up until 03 June 2016.

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: $125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: $225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child’s school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

Victorian Government Year 7 and Prep students (in 2016) who are CSEF recipients are also automatically eligible for uniform support. For more information please see the State Schools' Relief website: [www.ssr.net.au](http://www.ssr.net.au)

How to complete the application form

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
   Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.

   If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.

2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.

3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.
CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name: ____________________________
School REF ID: ____________________________

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname: ____________________________
First name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
Town/suburb: ____________________________  State: _________  Postcode: _________
Contact number: ____________________________

Centrelink pensioner concession OR Health care card number (CRN)

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☐ Foster parent* OR  ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner

* Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

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I authorize the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorize the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

• DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.

• This consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.

• I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.

• If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.

• Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and for State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child’s school.

Signature of applicant: ____________________________  Date ______/____/____

Victoria State Government
PATTERSON LAKES PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPECIAL LUNCH DAY
16TH MAY 2016

On 16TH MAY 2016 the canteen will be holding a Special lunch day for the whole school. If you would like to order a Special lunch please complete the form below and return with payment to your canteen.

• NO LATER THAN 4pm ON 29TH APRIL 2016
• NO OTHER LUNCH ORDERS ON THIS DAY
• LATE ORDERS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED
• PLEASE WRITE YOUR CHILD’S FULL NAME AND GRADE VERY CLEARLY ON THE PAYMENT FORM BELOW AND ENSURE YOU PROVIDE EXACT MONEY AS NO CHANGE CAN BE GIVEN

CHILDS NAME: ___________________ GRADE: _____

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Cash Only (No cheques accepted)
Due to the food and drinks being pre-ordered, money cannot be refunded.)
Patterson Lakes Primary School now have stock of the 2016 Entertainment Book in both hard copy and electronic copy for sale. The book retails for $65 with 20% of sales going toward PLPS fundraising. The Entertainment™ Book, and the Entertainment™ Digital Membership, are your guide to the most popular restaurants, attractions, shopping, travel and more, all with valuable up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers.

Which would you choose for your child - I.Q. or persistence?

It will impact heavily on your child’s success at school, his future levels of achievement and eventually income as an adult.

Imagine at the birth of your child you are given a choice between bestowing great intelligence or great persistence on your baby. Which would you choose?
Take your time and think about it!

Your choice will make a profound difference.
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Smarts or persistence? What would you choose?
If you chose persistence then you are on the money. You are giving your child a significant leg-up for future success.
This is the finding of the ground-breaking research into factors determining children’s achievement levels by Professor Charles Desforges from the University of Exeter in the UK.
Desforges found that the greatest individual characteristic that determined children’s success at school was persistence. It was number one by far.

In fact, persistence was a staggering seven times more significant than intelligence as a determinant of a child’s achievement.

SEVEN TIMES!! THAT’S HUGE!!
Now the good news is that persistence is not merely an inborn trait. It is the one aspect of a child’s temperament that can be impacted by people.
Desforges found that parents, rather than teachers, are the people most likely to impact on a child’s persistence.
This is consistent with many other studies in the area.

What does a persistent child do?
Persistent kids do some or all of the following:
✓ They stick at tasks until the end.
✓ They set goals and work toward them.
✓ They are not easily distracted.
✓ They don’t let failure stop them.
✓ They are more likely to take risks as learners.
✓ They can sometimes be seen as stubborn or unwilling to bend

There are heaps of ways you can encourage your child to persist. But the BIG strategies all revolve around MODELLING, ENCOURAGEMENT and VOCABULARY.

As a parent think how you:
1. Model persistence on a daily basis so your child sees what persistence is
2. Actively foster and promote persistence so your child sees it is possible
3. Develop a set of words and phrases about persistence that your child hears routinely so that persistence becomes part of your child’s frame of reference
4. Make a fuss when your child sticks at a task regardless of their success so they know that it is something you value.
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**PLEASE JOIN US**

**DATE:** Thursday, 12 May 2016
**TIME:** 6.00PM – 7.30PM
**LOCATION:** Lyrebird Community Centre
203 Lyrebird Drive, Carrum Downs
**RSVP:** 9773 2727

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