NUMBER 19 – 23 June 2016

DIARY DATES

Friday 24 June
Patto PJ Day - students are invited to celebrate a wonderful term by coming to school dressed in their favourite PJ’s

Yrs 5/6 Swimming Program at PARCS
End of Term 2 - 2.30pm dismissal time

Monday 11 July
Term 3 commences 9am
Instalment #3 - Family Accounts, final payment for those families on a plan

Thursday 14 July
First day of canteen for Term 3

Friday 15 July
Foundation (Prep) 2016 & 2017 Fairytale Parade in the hall 9.30am

Monday 18 July
Yr 6 Excursion to Immigration Museum and Imax

STAFFING NEWS

Tomorrow we farewell Mrs Victoria Quirk (Prep D) who will be commencing Family Leave to prepare for the arrival of her first child. Welcome to Mrs Rene Buckett who has been appointed as the Prep D teacher for the remainder of the year. We wish Victoria and Robbie our best wishes with the arrival of their baby next month.

Mrs Emma Theodore (1D), Miss Stephanie Bensted (2D), Lindy Cross (5B) and Kellie Davis (Prep A) will be taking leave at the commencement for Term 3. Mrs Theodore will be absent for the whole term and will be replaced by Mrs Sarah Taylor. Miss Bensted will be away for 5 weeks and will be replaced by Mrs Phyllis Fernandez. Mrs Cross will be absent for 4 weeks and will be replaced by Miss Eloise Murphy. Miss Davis will be on leave for 2 weeks and will be replaced by Mrs Michelle Munyan.

TREE PLANTING DAY

Today our Year 2 students were involved in helping to plant approximately 300 indigenous plants and grasses mainly in the garden beds on the school oval. The students did a fantastic job! Thanks to Mrs Ashburn and the staff involved and to Peter Nash, our gardener, and his staff for making this possible.

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CLASS CAPTAINS AND WASTE WARRIORS

Congratulations to all Class Captains and Waste Warriors for Semester One. The school is very proud of you and the way you have undertaken your classroom role and responsibilities.

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Thank you to the large number of parents who have supported their child’s education by booking and attending last night’s Parent Teacher Meetings. Approximately 80% of our families attended which was about 5% more than last year.

YEAR 7 SCHOOL PLACEMENTS

Year 6 parents will be notified of their child’s placement for their government secondary college early in Term 3.

ACTING PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

SCHOOL DISMISSAL TIMES

School will finish at 2.30pm this Friday, 24th June. Students will be dismissed from their classrooms to go home. School will recommence at 9.00am Monday, 11th July.

On behalf of staff, I would like to wish all families a safe and happy school holiday period.

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WALK FOR WESTERNPORT

Yesterday, Mandy from the Dolphin Research Institute visited our school to present awards to three of our students in 3D who raised $165 for the Walk for Westernport 2016. Congratulations to Lara W, Meg D and Alexandra S!

GOOD LUCK TO RYAN BROEKHOFF

It was lovely for our Yr 5 students to catch up with Ryan Broekhoff an ex student at Patto before he heads off to Rio for the Olympics to play basketball representing Australia. We wish him all the best.

SPECIALIST CLASS AWARDS for the final week were: Art – All Year 2s, P.E – 2B and Music – 5C and Prep D. Congratulations to these classes on their super efforts with our specialist teachers.

OFFICE NEWS

FAMILY SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

3rd and Final Instalments are due first day Term 3 Monday 11th July 2016

If you still have an outstanding balance on your school account, a reminder statement has been sent home with the youngest student today. The final payment and balance of your family accounts is due Monday 11th July 2016.

BPAY is the school’s preferred payment options.

Thank you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Donations wanted for a garden art project.

- Bottle tops from orange juice, milk, stock containers, soft drink bottlers etc. Please wash and take out any paper insert. All colours would be great, but red, white, green, orange and black would be especially appreciated.
- Old CDs or DVDs (We need at least 50).

Donations can be left inside the school vegetable garden gate or given to Mrs Shipham in Room 13.

Thank you

Dear Families,

Congratulations to all the students participating in the Premiers Reading Challenge. They are doing an awesome job. Keep up the great effort.

Please note that the Premiers' Reading Challenge ends on FRIDAY 9 September.

No data can be entered after this date.
Issue 19: Key principles for supporting children with disabilities…

**Build strengths step-by-step**
Breaking tasks into small steps helps to ensure success and supports children’s learning. Support children’s confidence by emphasising what they can do.

**Be an advocate for children with disabilities**
Making sure that others understand the need to include and value all children benefits the individual child and promotes a caring community.

**Focus on the child and their individual needs**
Children's needs should be assessed individually and regularly. It’s best not to assume that all children with a particular disability have the same problems and needs. An individual child’s needs may also change over time.

**Develop partnerships**
Parents and carers cannot meet the complex needs of children with disabilities or chronic illness alone. Collaborative involvement between families, schools and health professionals helps to ensure the best outcomes for children’s development and mental health.

**Act of Kindness**
Congratulations is extended to James S of 6B for being awarded with the Act of Kindness this week. James received this award for helping out a Prep child when he got hit in the head. James took the Prep child to Sick Bay and to get a drink. A wonderful act of kindness James.

**Kids Matter Parent Survey**
A recent flyer has been sent home in regards to completing an online survey. The Kids Matter Parent Action Team would love to hear your feedback. Please go to the link [www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/parentsurvey](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/parentsurvey) and complete the survey.

All feedback given will be much appreciated.

**Ready, Learn and Play…it’s PJ Day**
Tomorrow, children are invited to come to school in their comfy PJs. This is to celebrate the end of a wonderful, successful and action packed term.

Thank you and congratulations are extended to everyone on their continual enthusiasm and effort.

**Wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday break.**

**See you in Term 3.**
Fun with the Staff

Annelise and Maddie had fun interviewing Mr Canavan.

Mr Canavan (Year 4 teacher)

When did you start teaching?
1999.

Did you do anything before you were a teacher?
I was a landscape gardener.

Do you have any brothers or sisters?
No.

Do you have any pets?
A fish?

What is your favourite TV show?
Ghost Hunters.

What is your favourite food?
Mum’s roast.

What is your favourite sport?
Football.

What football team do you barrack for?
Essendon Bombers.

What do you like doing in your spare time?
Holiday, relax on the couch, walk or bike ride, build cubby house with the kids.

If you had a superpower, what would it be?
Super intelligento!
END OF TERM FUN WITH MRS MARSTON’S CAMERA
READY, LEARN AND PLAY...it’s PJ DAY

Friday 24th June, 2016

Friday 24th June come to school in your PJs!

Patto children are invited to celebrate a wonderful, action packed term in their comfy PJs.

Accomplishments this term include:

- NAPLAN
- Education Week
- Athletics (Yrs 3 – 6)
- Cross Country
- Excursions and Incursions
- Swimming

And of course...an abundance of classroom learning!

CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE ON A SUCCESSFUL TERM

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Michael Duncan our Street Artist has been a highlight and a super hit with our students this term. Michael’s street artist name is LOSOP. Most street artists develop a name to be mysterious and to create a game of guess who? He discussed the difference between graffiti and Street Art. He showed the students various spray painting techniques. Some of the techniques we learnt were: Speckle, 3D, Fade, Drip, Fill and Ghosting. Other street terms discussed were: Throwie, Ghosting and Flooding.

Students were engaged and had loads of fun. After this session most students will probably like to purchase some spray paints to further their exploration but please remind them if they do not have permission to paint where they would like to do their art work, then it is graffiti! And graffiti is illegal.

We look forward to Michael returning next semester to teach Years 3, 5 and 6. Students can’t wait!
TALENTED ARTISTS

Year 1 TALEN TED ARTISTS
Congratulations to
Antony G (1B) and Giselle L (1B)
for a creative printed hessian teddy.
Creative work!

Year 2 TALENTED ARTISTS
Congratulations to
Jade B (2A) and Maurice W (2A)
for a bright collage embellished with zentangles
and inspired by Hundertwasser. Super work!
Year 4 TALENTED ARTISTS

Congratulations to

Angelique G (4A), Blake T (4D) and Jennifer T (4A)

for a fabulous dry felted teddy.

Fantastic work!
Our Sunset, My World – A Victorian Wide Exhibition of Student Art – Year 2

Our Year 2 students will have 2 canvases exhibited at Federation Square on the 27th of July, 2016. We have created these pieces to suit the theme, ‘Our Sunset, My World’. It is a Victorian wide exhibition of student art to raise money for the children in Cambodia to attend school. We have discussed the possible meaning the theme presented with all students this semester. From this we talked about what it is like to be a child growing up in Cambodia and how it compares to our life here. Students were very thoughtful and kind.

Our canvases were; Hundertwasser inspired landscapes to spread the joy and peace nature brings in an individual unique environment which is a part of all our sunsets even though our worlds can be so different.

Year 2 students have enjoyed creating and making these canvases. We hope that they sell and our donation to this charity will help students in Cambodia. Keep your eyes peeled for the promotion poster in our newsletter to provide more information.

Please attend the exhibition to support our students and children in Cambodia.
‘OUR SUNSET, MY WORLD’

Victoria Wide Exhibition of Student Art
Federation Square July 23rd 2016

Dear Parents...

We are so excited that your child’s school is participating in this very special Event. Let me share with you about this Exhibition and why it is such a special one. This is the first ever public ‘Exhibition of Victorian Schools Art’ for students from primary and secondary schools to be held at FEDERATION SQUARE. We will be using both the Atrium and The Edge Gallery. The Exhibition will form part of the Cambodia Australia New Zealand Friendship Festival. We are delighted to be working with this group with the shared vision… to make a huge difference to Cambodia through Education (our Exhibition) and exploring opportunities for Trade and Tourism (the Festival).

The Exhibition now has over 100 schools participating. Your student’s artwork is a gift to the children of Cambodia. All the student artwork will be silently auctioned on Saturday July 23rd at Federation Square. There will also be a LIVE AUCTION of a selection of paintings by the children from ODA and amazing photos from a student saved from the streets of Phnom Penh through FLAME CAMBODIA/Bong Paoun.

The theme of the Exhibition, ‘Our Sunset, My World’, is to inspire our children to appreciate and value the rich diversity of ‘their’ world appreciating how ‘lucky’ and blessed they are to live in a country like Australia. The Exhibition will have the dual purpose of highlighting our children’s art while raising awareness and funds for disadvantaged children in Cambodia, providing them with much needed opportunities for education and a future. We will be supporting two remarkable organizations: ODA (Opportunities for Development Thru Art) in Siem Reap and FLAME CAMBODIA/formerly known as the Bong Pouan Project in Phnom Penh. To read more see our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/haveaheartforcambodia.

There is NO charge to enter artwork or attend the Exhibition. The Exhibition will be open from 10.00am on SATURDAY JULY 23 2016. We will have an Official Opening at 3.00pm featuring performances and the LIVE Auctions.

Please support your school and this Event, raising funds for the disadvantaged children of Cambodia by joining us at Federation Square on SATURDAY JULY 23rd.

Kind regards

Julie Lach

Director: Have a Heart for Cambodia
enquiries@haveaheartforcambodia.com

Have a heart for Cambodia

INDIVIDUALLY, WE ARE ONE DROP.
TOGETHER, WE ARE AN OCEAN
“Individually, we are one drop... Together we are an ocean”

FEDERATION SQUARE
23 JULY, 2016

OUR SUNSET MY WORLD
A VICTORIA-WIDE EXHIBITION OF STUDENT ART

CELEBRATING WORKS by VICTORIAN STUDENTS - FOUNDATION TO YEAR 10
CREATED WITH OUR HEARTS FOR THE DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN OF CAMBODIA
AS PART OF THE CAMBODIA AUSTRALIA—NEW ZEALAND FRIENDSHIP FESTIVAL 2016

LIVE AUCTIONS - VICTORIAN STUDENT PAINTINGS - PHOTOS AND PAINTINGS by
YOUNG CAMBODIAN STUDENTS - BY VICTORIAN TOP AUCTIONEERS iSELL GROUP

VIEWING FROM 10AM - OFFICIAL OPENING FEATURING PERFORMANCES AND LIVE AUCTION AT 3PM

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**KidsMatter at Patterson Lakes Primary School**

KidsMatter Primary is a mental health and wellbeing framework for primary schools and is proven to make a positive difference to the lives of Australian children. KidsMatter Primary provides the methods, tools and support to help schools work with parents and carers, health services and the wider community, to nurture happy, balanced kids.

KidsMatter Primary is a flexible, whole-school approach to improving children’s mental health and wellbeing for primary schools. It can be tailored to schools' local needs. Through KidsMatter Primary, schools undertake a two-to three-year cyclical process in which they plan and take action to be a positive community; one that is founded on respectful relationships and a sense of belonging and inclusion, and that promotes:

- social and emotional learning (including evidence-based social and emotional learning programs)
- working authentically with parents, carers and families
- support for students who may be experiencing mental health difficulties.
- When schools take on KidsMatter, they build on the work that they are already doing in these areas.

**KidsMatter Parent Survey**

Welcome to the KidsMatter Parent Survey for Patterson Lakes Primary School. An important aspect of implementing KidsMatter in our school is the consultation process with parents and carers. This short survey asks about your perceptions of the school in relation to the school’s work in the area of mental health and wellbeing.

- Your responses are anonymous and only summarised results are reported.
- It is important that you give your honest views and not be overly positive.
- Although not every question may seem relevant to you, please answer each question as best you can.

Please follow the link below to complete the survey:

Friendship skills are generally developmental. That is, kids grow into these skills given exposure to different situations and with adult help.

Kids can be picky about who they play and mix with. Popularity should not be confused with sociability. A number of studies in recent decades have shown that appearance, personality type and ability impact on a child’s popularity at school. Good-looking, easy-going, talented kids usually win peer popularity polls but that doesn’t necessarily guarantee they will have friends.

**Those children and young people who develop strong friendships have a definite set of skills that help make them easy to like, easy to relate to and easy to play with.**

Here are twelve essential skills that children have identified as being important for making and keeping friends:

1. Ability to share possessions and space
2. Keeping confidences and secrets
3. Offering to help
4. Accepting other’s mistakes
5. Being positive and enthusiastic
6. Starting a conversation
7. Winning and losing well
8. Listening to others
9. Starting and maintaining a conversation
10. Ignoring someone who is annoying you
11. Cooperating with others
12. Giving and receiving compliments

Friendship skills are generally developmental. That is, kids grow into these skills given exposure to different situations and with adult help. In past generations ‘exposure to different situations’ meant opportunities to play with each other, with siblings and with older and younger friends. They were reminded by parents about how they should act around others. They were also ‘taught’ from a very young age.

**Arrested development**

The NEW CHILD grows up with fewer siblings, fewer opportunities for unstructured play and less freedom to explore friendships than children of even ten years ago.

A parenting style that promotes a high sense of individual entitlement rather than the notion of fitting in appears to be popular at the moment.

These factors can lead to delayed or arrested development in these essential friendship skills, resulting in very unhappy, self-centred children.

Here are some ideas if you think your child experiences developmental delay in any of these essential skills or just needs some help to acquire them:

1. Encourage or insist that kids play and work with each other: Allowing kids the freedom to be kids is part of the message here but parents have to be cunning with the NEW CHILD and construct situations where kids have to get on with each other. For some kids “Go outside and play” is a good place to start!
2. Play with your kids: Interact with your kids through games and other means so you can help kids learn directly from you how to get on with others.
3. Talk about these skills: If you notice your kids need to develop some of these skills then talk about them, point out when they show them and give them some implementation ideas.

Kids are quite ego-centric and need to develop a sense of ‘other’ so they can successfully negotiate the many social situations that they find themselves in.

As parents we often focus on the development of children's academic skills and can quite easily neglect the development of these vital important social skills, which contribute so much to children’s happiness and well-being.

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For more ideas, support and advice for all your parenting challenges visit: www.parentingideas.com.au

While you are there subscribe to Happy Kids, Michael’s hugely popular email newsletter.
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
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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**Mordialloc College - World Challenge Fundraiser**
A night with Gabriel Gate ….. Join us for a fun night of food, food, wine & entertainment. Wednesday 3rd August 7pm - 9pm at Mordialloc College. For more details contact Alice Leppin at leppin.alice.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

**Basketball School Holiday Camp - GESAC, East Bentleigh**
All levels, boys and girls, aged 6 - 14 yrs. Run by Damien Ryan, former Australian Boomer, European Pro Basketball and NBL player. $135 for 2 days, early bird special. Phone 0406 488 313 or email admin@hoopsmart.com.au for details.

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**AFL Victoria Holiday Program - Term 2 School Holidays**
The program is for boys and girls aged 5 -12yrs, 9am - 3pm. Venues include Box Hill, Essendon FC, Footscray, Moorabbin and many more. Register at www.aflvicholidayprograms.com.au

**Kingston Arts**
Kingston Arts have got creative kids covered for the Winter school holidays! For details on what they have on offer call 9556 4440 or visit kingstonarts.com.au

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**Chelsea Heights Community Centre**
The Centre will be running Wed Playgroups from 10am - 11.30am. Meditation for Life - a new class Wed afternoons. Ring 9772 3391 or visit www.chelseheightscommunitycentre.com.au for further details and the term brochure.