**Year 1 News Flash**

Term 4 is a busy and an exciting term. This term has just started and the students have been trying hard with all subject areas. They continue to work on teamwork and doing their best.

The Reptile Park excursion was awesome!!! Thank you to Miss Authers and all our wonderful parents who helped on our fabulous excursion.

My wonderful class has very creative and talented kids who enjoy performing. They are so excited to display their performing skills, puppet show and material designs at our school assembly for this term.

We all thank our mums and dads this year that help support our reading, school and listen to us every week.

Year 1 have been having fun with their Literacy and Numeracy work, learning new concepts before assessment comes along.

I treasure every opportunity and moment I have with these lovely students.

Regards,

Miss Potter

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**Parents Please Note:**

**Melbourne Cup Day**

If anyone other than a parent will be collecting your child early from school on Tuesday 4th November for Melbourne Cup, please ensure you have sent in written permission which names the adult who will collect your child.

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**Notes Sent Home**

2 x Surveys
Principal's Update  
Week 4, Term 4

Thanks
This was an unexpectedly disrupted week. My son had surgery to correct a displaced fracture of the collar bone with the insertion of a metal plate, with just one day’s notice. He is recovering well and I would like to thank you all for your kind wishes and patience as a number of meetings needed to be postponed. Thank you to the wonderful staff at Paterson Public School for all the extras they have done this week to keep things running as smoothly as possible.

Trees
As you are probably aware, the DEC has undertaken a tree safety program this year following an accident in which a child lost her life at a school following a branch fall. All trees in every school in NSW were assessed for the level of safety risk posed by their current condition and position. In the first round, the trees that were designated as posing an urgent level of risk were trimmed or removed. The second round, dealing with trees at high level of risk, has been implemented and we have had tree loppers in the playground this week planning the work. It is likely to happen at some time in the next fortnight. Our bush site is unique and we will assess the need to replace any trees at the completion of the work. Our newly formed grounds committee has a meeting next week and this will form part of the discussion of how to improve our playground.

Out of School Hours Care
I have been working with the P&C to try to find the best option for out of school hours care. The best option for our long term future is to have an OOSHC service at our own school, even though I know that there are some challenges to overcome. I understand that you have completed expression of interest forms in the past, but I am currently working with the DEC to review our options and I hope that you can complete the form which is attached to the newsletter today. We will continue to investigate all possible options for providing a service.

School Planning
We have now completed all of the face to face sessions to develop our school plan. Included with the newsletter today is an option to provide some written feedback on the future of our school. If you would like to contribute your reflections on our strengths and weaknesses, and your ideas about opportunities for the future and the challenges we will need to overcome, please return the form by next Friday, 7th November.

Pet Talk
Next Tuesday, K-2 will be having a presentation on responsible pet care. Kindergarten will have their session at 11.30am, and Year 1 and 2 will combine for a session at 12.15pm.

Have a wonderful weekend.
Sarah-Jane Hazell

Kindergarten at Work
On Monday Kindergarten had an independent learning centre called “Cup Stacking Creations”. Shelby, Chloe, Cohen and Chase worked together to create this masterpiece! It used over 130 cups! There were lots of problem solving going on, including what to do when cups were different sizes. Great work little engineers!

Kinder 2015
Do you know anyone with children starting school in 2015?
If so Paterson Public School is now enrolling and would love to hear from them on 4938 5114.
Term 4

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

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<td>Class 1</td>
<td>Name: Charni Bridge Reason: For creative artwork.</td>
<td>Name: For having a positive attitude and wonderful effort in class.</td>
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<td>Name: Lily Holman Reason: For upholding school values.</td>
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Captains Award: Mackenzie Atkins Jones for always trying hard in sport.
Term 4

Sydney Bus Trip to Birkenhead Point Outlet Shopping & Lunch @ Napoli In Bocca Restaurant Haberfield (food only) on 23rd November 2014 $85-00 per person 20 seats available Depart: Paterson Friendly Grocer 7:30am Return: 6pm Contact Rachel Homan Rachel@panoptic.com.au or 49385091 to book your seat. All money to be paid with the attached receipt by cash or cheque to the Clubs PO Box as above.

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