Class 3/4 News

Term four has been an exciting and hands-on term. The students in 3/4 have been working extremely hard and have created some amazing work. At the beginning of the term, the class explored Dreamtime Stories. All of the students created a Dreamtime Story based around how an animal acquired a particular characteristic. Some of the titles included:

- How the albino kangaroo became white - By Jake
- How the dingo got its red fur - By Sienna
- How the emu got its long neck - By Dylan
- How the crocodile got its rough back - By Rafael
- Why the bat only flies at night - By Ariadne

We have just started a poetry unit and began by exploring palindromes (also known as mirror poems). Palindromes are words or phrases that can be read both forwards and backwards. This is Ruby’s palindrome poem about ice-creams:

Ice-cream
sizzling summer
dripping, melting
sticky and delicious
SLURP!
delicious and sticky
melting, dripping
summer sizzling
Ice-cream

In maths, we have been working hard on telling time, addition and subtraction as well as data and graphing. We have three super Times Table Challenge Champions who know all their multiplication facts to twelve. Sophie, Oscar and Zo are so amazing, they can correctly answer 50 times table questions within three minutes. I wonder if you can work out how many seconds it takes them to solve each question.....

Finally, we have Mrs Chrichton in our classroom for the next four weeks. Mrs Chrichton is a third year Newcastle University student who is training to become a teacher. We are so happy and excited to have her in our room sharing all the wonderful and exciting things that we are proud of and have achieved this year.

I love Paterson School because you get to see all of your friends and play a lot of different sports. By Jay M
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Remembrance Day Commemoration
Thank you to the families who provided flowers for our Remembrance Day Commemoration on Tuesday. It was a very solemn and moving ceremony and the students were very respectful and quiet. We very much appreciated having Major Robert Tremethick speak to the students about the meaning of Remembrance Day, and he later presented a book on the effects of war on the people who are left behind.

WOW Day
On Wednesday PPS was a sea of orange as we marked the great work of the SES in supporting our community through their volunteer work in emergency situations. We had a visit from three members of the SES who spoke about their work. The students asked a range of interesting questions and according to a snap poll, we have quite a few future SES members.

Student Leadership for 2015
Next week, letters will be sent home to all students in year 5 inviting them to nominate as school leaders for 2015. Next year there will be an expanded leadership team with a range of opportunities for senior students to develop their skills. Leadership candidates will be invited to deliver a speech in week 8, and voting will take place on Friday, 28th November.

School Planning for 2015-2017
I am currently working on the draft of our school plan for the next three years based on the feedback provided from the staff, students, and those families who attended our planning sessions or made written submissions. When the draft is complete, it will be made available to the community for review, either via our school website or from a hardcopy at school.

Presentation Night
Our presentation night this year will be held on Tuesday, 2nd December at 6.30pm at Tocal Hall. Extended family and community members are most welcome, and I look forward to an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our school in 2014 with our families.

2014 Student Reports
Student reports will be sent home on the last Friday of term 4, 12th December.

Creative Arts Assembly
This year, we will hold our second annual Creative Arts Assembly. Paterson PS has great strengths in performing arts and it is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our talents. All classes will be performing an item as will the choir, the drumming groups, and the dance groups. We hope you can join us on Thursday, 11th December. Families are welcome to arrive at 12.30pm to have lunch with the students, and the assembly will begin at 1.30pm. I hope to see you there.

Kids in the Community
It’s always exciting to hear about the success of our students in the sporting world. Well done to Blake Cork, Will White, Jarrod Homan, and Jay Malone who trialled and were selected to join the Hunter Academy Rugby Union training squad. The representative squad will be announced in the near future.
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### Principal’s Award

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| Kindergarten  | Name: Chloe Leadley  
Reason: Beautiful writing and always being kind to others. | Name: Phoenix Walton  
Reason: Excellent engineering in the sandpit. | Name: Emma Parish  
Reason: Great work with maths. | Name: Eve Cridland  
Reason: Great work with her reading. |
| Class 1       | Name: Ava Byrne  
Reason: For an improvement in Literacy. | Name: Benjamin Gilbert  
Reason: For a great effort with writing a procedure. | Name: Charlotte McNally  
Reason: Excellent effort in Literacy and procedure writing. | Name: Aidan Tremethick  
Reason: For enthusiasm with our Science experiment. |
| Class 2       | Name: Kalem Rackley  
Reason: Improvement in reading with expression. | Name: Chevelle Wynands  
Reason: A mature attitude towards learning. | | |
| Class 3/4     | Name: Chelsy Huntriss  
Reason: Going above and beyond in her research for grasshoppers. | Name: Ariadne Onslow  
Reason: Wonderful enthusiasm towards science unit. | Name: Marnie Stuckings  
Reason: Outstanding effort and sportsmanship in Oztag. | Name: Rafael Williams  
Reason: For his focus and persistence in maths lessons. |
| Class 5/6     | Name: Gemmah Lee  
Reason: An excellent Aboriginal artwork. | Name: Amelia Norris  
Reason: An excellent Aboriginal artwork. | Name: Alison Linsley  
Reason: A conscientious class member. | Name: William Cant  
Reason: Contributions to class novel study. |

### CARE AWARDS - Week 6

**EARLY STAGE 1:** Eve Cridland & Saige Treloyn

**STAGE 1:** Angus Gordon & Charni Mulheron

**STAGE 2:** Tynan Palmowski & Luke Speelman

**STAGE 3:** Elena Norley & Keely Kerr

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| Kindergarten  | Name: Xavier Krick  
Reason: Excellent work with his "Friends to Ten" number combinations.  
Name: Saige Treloyn  
Reason: Fantastic effort in handwriting. |
| Class 1       | Name: Kieran Watts  
Reason: An excellent effort in all areas.  
Name: Stevie-Lee Banister  
Reason: Lovely handwriting in all subjects. |
| Class 2       | Name: Oliver Smith  
Reason: A positive attitude towards learning.  
Name: Kiara Merchant  
Reason: Excellent presentation of all written work. |
| Class 3/4     | Name: Xander Ryall  
Reason: Overall improvement in behaviour and attitude towards school  
Name: Joshua Gorman  
Reason: Wonderful writing in all areas. |
| Class 5/6     | Name: Jesse Leadley  
Reason: A great attitude to all school activities.  
Name: Ella Holmes  
Reason: Consistent effort in handwriting. |

**Captain’s Award**

Name: Jakson Smith for participating in the Snake Tails day.
Sydney Bus Trip to Birkenhead Point
Outlet Shopping
& Lunch @ Napoli In Bocca Restaurant
Haberfield (food only)
On 23rd November 2014
$85-00 per person full payment required on booking 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.

AFFORDABLE, FRIENDLY AND FUN
DANCE CLASSES
Coming to Paterson in 2015!
♦ Girl's classes from 3 years to Seniors
♦ Boys hip-hop from 5 years
♦ Ladies classes
More details to come, Watch this space!
Contact: Sarah-Jane Gerada

It’s November
Farmers Hotel Cricket Club are Celebrating!
We are holding a charity cricket match on the evening of 29th November
Event commences around 5.30pm
We will be cooking a BBQ for dinner
There will be:
plenty of slushies and ice-cream for the kids a few local entrepreneur’s selling their goods and donating to the charity a xmas hamper raffle, chicken ham and seafood raffle
Plus much more ....
Come along and support the event, have a great time and raise money for Men’s health.

A SNAPSHOT FROM DUNGOG HIGH SCHOOL - NO. 2 -
Hello Year 6, when you come to Dungog High School next year you will study many different subjects (in many different rooms and with many different teachers!). The subjects you will study are: English, Maths, Science, PDHPE, HSIE, Design and Technology, LOTE, Music, and Visual Arts. This gives you a chance to find out which subjects you really enjoy and are good at. In Year 8 you will get to have some choice in your elective subjects. There will be lots of people around to help you work out your timetable so that you know where you are meant to be and where you should be going. Don’t be afraid to ask for directions or assistance. Students and staff will be more than happy to help. There are 6 periods in the day, so there is a lot to fit into the day!

It’s a great idea to use your diary to keep a copy of your timetable in, write down any homework or assessments and to remind yourself of anything else that is happening that is important to you.

If you like to sing, dance, act, draw, paint, or construct we have something for you. Dungog High School students are known not only for their academic achievements but also for their involvement in extra-curricular activities. This year we have had many students participating in extra activities, to extend themselves in their interest areas and academic abilities. These include activities such as: Maths and Science competitions, displays for Science week, Engineering challenges, Public Speaking, Debating, High Achievers Camp and Short Story competitions.

We also participate in Starstruck each year, Drama competitions / camps, Music performances at local events and assemblies, Cattle Judging, Improvisation Challenges, and fundraising events. Whatever your interests may be, there is a wide range of activities available for you to extend and enrich yourself.

Mrs Judd

Book Club
Please return all book club orders by Friday, 21st November, 2014.