



PADSTOW NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 2 – Week 6

Dear Parents,

Respecting our neighbours

One of our new local businesses NRMA Motorserve in Watson Rd has requested that parents not park across their driveway as it impedes them in conducting their business. This would apply for any of our neighbours and common courtesy should apply at all times.

World Cup Day

Our school's major fundraiser for the year is our World Cup Day to be held on the 19th June. Sponsorship forms have been distributed already and we seek your support in raising as much money as possible for our event. For every \$10 raised each child gets a ticket in our lucky draw for some great prizes so the more they raise the more chances they get to win one of the prizes on offer. As always Mrs Rudder has organised a great day of activities for the children to participate in and there will be a sausage sizzle held as well conducted by the canteen.

Put this date in your diary and come along and enjoy the day with your children and their teachers.

Canteen Survey

Recently you would have received a survey on the future viability of the canteen for the coming years. As stated we are canvassing your views as to what the canteen should offer. If you could return the survey before June 10th your views can be discussed at the P & C Meeting that night – or just come along to the meeting and air your views then – it commences at 7.00pm in the school library and all are welcome.

Swimming Champions

At last week's gold assembly our four swimming champions for 2014 were announced and presented with their trophies. Congratulations to Phoebe Allsop-Guest, Samson Mairi, Alana Fermanov and Christian Fermanov.



District Cross Country

On a beautiful, sunny afternoon Padstow North hosted the other 10 schools in the East Hills PSSA for the running of the annual District Cross Country carnival. As always our children did us proud and we were placed a creditable 6th of the 11 schools competing. Mahsen Narvel was our only representative to make it through to the regional carnival winning the 10 years boys event. Congratulations Mahsen. As always the band of volunteers led by canteen convenor Carlie Williamson worked tirelessly to provide sausage sizzle for all our students and a full canteen for all the visitors to our school on the day.



Gold! Gold! Gold!

Caitlin Lang-Vo, Crystal Wang, Ammarah Choudhary, Josephine Xi, Jessie Roche, Jacob Paterson, Cody Wicks, Jade Pound, Brendon Gabutto, Brianna da Silva all received their gold awards along with many others at last week's Gold Assembly. Zack Pound has since qualified and will receive his award at the next assembly.

**Platinum Level**

This week I am pleased to announce that 3 more of our students have now achieved their 5th gold award and have qualified for a platinum medal which will be presented at our annual awards ceremony later in the year. Congratulations to Jessica Bian, Jack Gersbach and James Sestanovic.

Newcombeball Premiers

Congratulations to both our junior and senior newcombeball teams who both won their respective finals two weeks ago. They have continued the school's dominance of this competition in recent years. Well done to you all and the coach Mr Grinham.

Canterbury Rugby League Knockout

Yesterday 18 boys represented the school at the Canterbury Rugby League Knockout carnival. Although results did not go our way losing both games 20-0, the boys participated to the best of their ability. My thanks to Mr Isler for coaching the boys and taking them to the carnival.



K.J.Bowden
Principal

**PSSA NewcombeBall 2014 Grand Final**

Our school had the pleasure of being represented at both junior and senior levels in the grand finals for NewcombeBall. Our opposition in both games was Padstow Park PS, who also had a successful season with both their teams being in the finals. All students, from both schools, put in a tremendous effort and played confidently to facilitate a win, however, the overall skill levels of Padstow North PS's teams gave us the advantage and we dominated both games. Both our juniors and seniors won both sets of their games and finished champions for the season. I'd like to congratulate all our players for their excellent sportsmanship and tenacious playing, and also the parents for the encouragement they provided from the sideline. I was particularly impressed by the way we recognized the need to try our very best on the day as a successful season does not always translate into a win in the final. Well done both teams, we're very proud of you.

Mr Grinham
Coach

TECHNOLOGY PARENT WORKSHOP

On Tuesday 24th June, 7:00pm, a **Technology Parent Workshop** will be held in the computer lab. There will be an overview of technology at PNPS, as well as the procedures and programs of the school network, including access to the student portal/email accounts.

Added to this will be information regarding recommended iPad/tablet and online programs, which aim to enhance student learning, both in the school and home environment.

Any inquiries/requests regarding this workshop can be directed to either Mrs Morse or Mrs Byrnes, via the northern office. An invitation will go out next week, with further details.

Mrs Byrnes and Mrs Morse



Mrs B's Tech Spot

MATHLETICS

Any student who has recently enrolled at the school, need to see their classroom teacher for a MATHLETICS username/password. If any student has forgotten/misplaced their username/password, they can get a copy from either their classroom teacher or Mrs Byrnes.

WORLDBOOK- eBOOKS

The school pays a subscription to **WORLDBOOK** for access to their **e-Books** service. Students are able to access **e-Books**, in several text types, via the WebCom OR the school website. eBook subscribers can now download the **free World Book eBooks app** from [iTunes](#) or [Google Play](#).

STUDENT PORTAL PASSWORDS

A reminder that any student who forgets a password needs to see Mrs Byrnes to have their password re-set.

Mrs G.Byrnes (Technology Coordinator K-6)

PADSTOW NORTH SCHOOL CHOIR- EAST HILLS CHORAL FESTIVAL 2014-“SEASONS”



The school choir is currently preparing for the East Hills Choral Festival, an annual event, which has been held in our district for over thirty years. This year the festival's theme is "SEASONS" and will be performed at Picnic Point High School, on Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th August, 7-9pm. Tickets will be sold at the door, with a discount for family groupings. We have several, talented students who will be auditioning for soloist roles in the coming weeks. We wish them the best of luck!

All information regarding dates, times and price of tickets can be found on the East Hills Choral Festival 2014 website. <http://www.ehchoralfestival2014.info/>

All choir members have been given a permission note, including details of rehearsals and performances.

SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR 2014

Earlier in the year, the Schools Spectacular Vocal Ensemble and Dance Group auditioned for the **NSW SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR**, a world-renowned performance held annually at the Sydney Entertainment Centre.

This week, we learned that the Vocal Ensemble was successful in gaining a spot in the massed choir. However, we were disappointed that the dance group didn't make it in. Congratulations to **all** students who auditioned for this very competitive event.

Mrs G. Byrnes (Vocal Ensemble Coordinator, and on behalf of Ms Psaltis- SPEC Dance Coordinator)



Padstow North Public School

2014 WORLD CUP DAY



Thursday 19th June, 2014

Opening Ceremony commences at 10am

Come along for a fun filled sporting day.

Picnic lunch at 11am

*The money raised this year will go
towards the purchasing of new iPads and
Windows tablets for the school.*



2014 EAST HILLS SPORT DISTRICT NEWS

Mr Bowden, Ms Psaltis and Mrs Gaston had the pleasure of taking a team of 49 students to the District Cross Country Carnival. Great weather and a wonderful day was had by all. All the students tried their best, were well behaved and we achieved some fantastic results. Overall our school came 6th in the district. A huge THANKYOU to the canteen/BBQ volunteers on another successful Cross Country canteen. Many of our team finished in the top 20 with 1 student going through to represent our District at the Regional Carnival at Hurlstone Agricultural School.

CONGRATULATIONS

*Mahsen 1st Place 10 years
Elena 8th Place 10 years
Melinda 10th Place 12 years
Damian 11th Place 12 years
Elisa 13th Place 8/9 years
Kenta 14th Place 12 years
Yuhan 16th Place 8/9 years
Haresh 17th Place 10 years*





Applying Past Knowledge to New Situations

Applying Past Knowledge to New Situations is about accessing prior knowledge and making connections between what we already know and what we are about to learn. It means transferring knowledge beyond the situation in which it was learned.

Two common situations when students will benefit from using past experiences and prior knowledge are; when you encounter a problem or new situation and when you are about to learn a new skill or topic. When students encounter a problem they need to take the time to think about past experiences that may be similar. Think about what happened, how was it handled, how did you feel and what can I learn from it to better prepare me for tackling this problem? When learning a new topic, they need to draw on what they already know about the topic from previous lessons and personal experiences to scaffold their learning.

Applying past knowledge to new situations supports decision making and sees mistakes as opportunities rather than failures.

Ask the following each day to apply past knowledge to new situations...

What did I learn today?

What mistake did I make that taught me something?

What did I try hard at today?

Fundraising News

Thank you to everyone who purchased gifts from the Mother's day stall, we hope all the mothers enjoyed their gifts. A big congratulations to the winners of our Mother's Day Raffle:

- Gedd 4/5L
- Nina 1/2G
- J.Mansour
- Tahlia KB
- Dorian KS
- Oliver S 3/4C
- Niylesh 5/6V
- Leo 5/6T
- Dre 5/6Lime

Entertainment Books

To date we have sold 32 books, so we have raised \$448!!!

Just reminding anyone who has yet to purchase or return their books, please do so by Fri 6th June. Also, if there is any parent who would like any more books, please let us know ASAP.

We will be having a very exciting McDonalds Family Dinner Fundraiser night later in the term, the date will be confirmed soon. This will be a fun and easy way to raise funds by coming along on the night and having dinner with your family and school friends. The funds raised go directly to the school.

Thank you for your support.

Emily Baker

Fundraising Co-coordinator

0401 787 571

P&C President's Report

Our next P&C meeting is on Tuesday 10th June 7pm in the library. Please remember to send back the canteen survey that came home last week **before the meeting**, or come along on the night to have your say. We would like to hear as much feedback as possible as we try to decide how to move forward with the canteen. Please help us make the right decision by letting us know your thoughts now, before the decision is made.

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P&C President 2014
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FOR YOUR DIARY


WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7	9 June QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY LONG WEEKEND	10 Last day book club orders P&C Meeting 7pm Library	11	12 Regional Cross Country	13
8	16 UNSW Writing Test	17 Choral Festival rehearsal day UNSW Spelling Test	18	19 PNPS WORLD CUP DAY	20
9	23 KATTS	24 Kindergarten Excursion Parent technology information session 7.00pm	25	26 SRC Mufti day	27 Gold Assembly LAST DAY OF TERM 2
Term 3 1	14 July Staff Development Day	15 Children return for term 3 NAIDOC Performance	16	17	18

Please be safe around our School!

Some helpful tips from Bankstown City Council



Kiss 'n' Go



Understanding
the rules

How do they work:

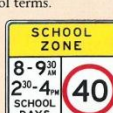
- Kiss'n'Go zones are a safe place to be dropped off or picked up outside your school.
- There is a 2 minute time limit for stopping in the zone. (Kiss 'n' Go zones are enforceable as they are a designated No Parking zone).
- Watch out for all children using the Kiss'n'Go zone.
- Two minutes gives the kids time to get in and out of the car without holding up too much traffic.
- Ensure children always exit and enter the vehicle from the footpath side.
- Be courteous to other drivers.

In the afternoons:

- Follow your school's procedures for the Kiss'n'Go zone.
- Delay your arrival until after release time. If you arrive early, you cannot park in the Kiss'n'Go zone!
- Drivers are to stay in the vehicle unless assisting with the loading of baggage and passengers.
- Do not park for more than 2 minutes during hours of operation. If others abuse the zone, don't follow their lead.
- Do not block intersections or driveways, if the Kiss'n'Go zone is full, drive around the block again or park legally.
- Watch out for all children using the Kiss'n'Go zone.
- Ensure passengers have secured seatbelts before driving off.

Driver tips

- Never double park to pick up children. It is illegal and dangerous.
- Double parking blocks the vision of other drivers, forces the children onto the road and obstructs the flow of traffic.
- Never call out to your child from across the road.
- Do not park in the Kiss'n'Go zone and walk away from your vehicle.
- Park only where parking is permitted.
- Obey the school zone speed limit 40kph during school terms.



Safety around schools

Safety around schools is everyone's responsibility. Children are often unpredictable and less able to recognise and process the dangers or risks around them.


Children are constantly on the move and

- May zip out into traffic;
- Have trouble judging the speed of cars;
- May behave differently when they are with other children, and forget about the traffic;
- Have difficulty judging where noise/sounds are coming from and make incorrect decisions.

With these thoughts in mind, set the right example - *the life you save may be your child's!*


No Parking signs

Drivers must not stop unless you are dropping off, or picking up passengers. Maximum stopping time is two minutes. The driver must stay within three metres of the vehicle. Minimum penalty \$169 and two demerit points.




No Stopping signs

Drivers must not stop in an area to which a No Stopping sign applies. Minimum penalty \$304 and two demerit points.



Double Parking

Double parking is illegal and dangerous. Minimum penalty \$304 and two demerit points.



Child Restraint Rules

Children under 7 years of age must be restrained in a suitable and approved child restraint or booster seat for their age when travelling in a vehicle. Always make sure your children are 'Buckled up' before driving off.

Minimum penalty \$304 and three demerit points.

For further information please contact:

The Road Safety Officer
Bankstown City Council. Ph: 9707 9999.

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