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Term 3 – Week 10

Hello parents, carers, students and friends of Padstow North PS

What a fantastic turn out we had for our Fathers' Day breakfast and classroom visits. A school visit I am sure our students will remember always. Parent engagement in our classrooms and in their child's learning is paramount for student success!



You may have noticed a new face in our front office this week. Welcome Jodi who will be relieving School Administration Manager (SAM) for the remainder of 2014. Jodi brings a wealth of experience as she has been working as SAM at Sir Joseph Banks HS.

In my role as leading and managing the school I am often required to attend to school business off site during the school day; while I endeavour to minimise the time I am away from school there is also benefit to time spent away. September has been particularly productive. On Friday 5th I attended a conference with my Bankstown Principal colleagues where we spent time with staff from the Department's High Performance Unit to collaboratively look at the new school planning process. I was lucky enough to be invited to be an adjudicator at our combined school public speaking competition on the Tuesday 9th. On Friday 12th and Saturday 13th our schools leadership team were involved in a conference to begin planning for PNPS school plan 2015-2017. The new school planning process will involve input from our school community – staff, students and parents; with a focus on *Leading, Teaching and Learning*. You will receive an invitation to participate during term 4. On Monday 15th I was fortunate enough to spend professional learning time with colleagues from the Glenfield and Bankstown networks including Director's Jan Green and Maria Serafim. Throughout the afternoon I was involved in sessions: *'Good practice to promote good performance'*; *'Vigilant practices'*; and, *'Effective ways to promote your school'*.

Student achievers

Congratulations to our boys junior relay team, Jessica Bian junior girls shot-put and the girls Milo cricket team for making it to state level athletics. Everyone at PNPS wishes you the best. Good luck!

Gold! Gold! Gold!

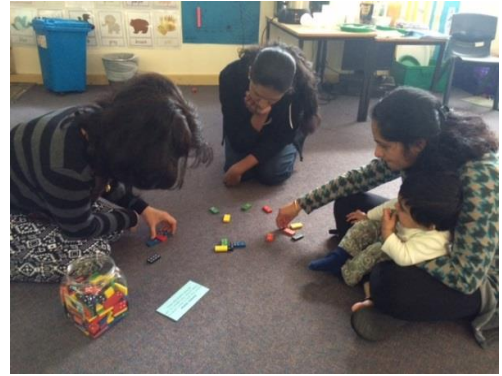
Jennifer Cazouris 1-2 Purple, Rayyan Helmy 5-6 Violet, Ashleigh Millar 1-2 Orange, Niylesh Palaniraja 5-6 Violet, Caitlin James 1-2 Green, Nikhil Warriar 1-2 Green, Alex Wastell 1-2 Green, Raymond Zhuang 3-4 Aqua, Hassan Sabra 5-6 Lime, Ben Kavazovic 5-6 Violet, Belmin Kavazovic 3-4 Copper, Alex Hu 1-2 Green, Caleb Xu 1-2 Green, Sophia Queffert 1-2 Green and Alana Fermanov 5-6 Teal have all qualified for Gold and will receive their certificates at our school assembly this Friday 19 September. Well done everyone!

Thank you for taking the time to read about what's happening at Padstow North PS, our students are very excited to report what they have been doing. If you enjoy reading our newsletter and would like to see what's happening around the school more regularly go to the website: www.padstownth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au.

Natalie Armstrong
R/Principal

The Power of Number- Parent meeting

Last Wednesday The K- 2 parents were invited to a meeting organised by Mrs Rudder and Mrs Tardent to gain insights to how Numeracy was taught at Padstow North PS. Parents were given the opportunity to understand the developmental numeracy continuum and the early arithmetical stages of development. The training enabled the parents to see maths through their child's experiences in the classroom and gain insights to how the staff at Padstow North ensure students become numerate and at ease with mathematical concepts and strategies. It was great to see so many parents sharing in their child's education.



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Mrs Tardent and Mrs Rudder
Assistant Principals K-2



Public Speaking Competition

Congratulations Olivia Guidi from Kindergarten, Aditi Salgaonkar from Year 1, Nikhil Warriar from Year 2, Sophie Faulder from Year 3 and Ruby Byrne from Year 6. These students were selected to represent our school at the East Hills/Bankstown Public Speaking Competition held at Tower Street Public School last Tuesday. They did a fantastic job presenting their speeches. It was a very close competition resulting in Olivia being selected to represent our school at the district finals at Revesby South Public School on Monday. Well done to these students!

Miss Davidopoulos and Ms Savva
Public Speaking Co-ordinators



Cricket Report

After the first two rounds both junior and senior teams have had a win and a loss. The seniors need to focus more on supporting each other, on and off the field, and tightening up their bowling so we don't give too many extra runs. The junior team have been a little unlucky, so will need to score more runs off the bat. With continued improvement as the season gets under way I'm sure we can work towards mastering these skills.

Milo Cricket

Congratulations go to our Girls Milo Cricket team who won every game they played and were rewarded by making it through to the State competition at Blacktown Sports Centre. We are very proud of this team which has exhibited great skill and commendable sportsmanship. They took some brilliant catches throughout the Regional competition and produced accurate bowling, which the opposition's batters found difficult to hit. We wish them all the best in the upcoming State tournament.

Welcome to

Mrs B's Tech Spot

Hi all,

On the right is an example of a cartooning application-**BITSTRIPS for SCHOOLS**- which our students have been learning about during their ICT sessions. Currently, Stage 3 students have access to new classroom activities which I deliver and monitor.

Students are expected to create an avatar of themselves and then complete set activities, which they submit for editing suggestions. This resource is a fantastic tool for enhancing literacy skills. Keep an eye on this segment for future examples of **BitStrips** by our clever students.



URGENT REMINDER-PUBLISHING PERMISSIONS

Recently, a note was sent out to all families regarding permission for publishing of photos, videos, and the use of the internet by students. **This is a most important update for the NSW DEC schools records.** We respect the fact that some families do not wish to have their children's image available for general publishing.

This means that your child's image **cannot be used in newsletters, on the school website, the school Facebook page, or in videos which are published publically.**

Also, for parent/carers who decline consent for their child to access DEC Online Services should understand the implications for their child.

The student will not be provided with a Department of Education and Communities (DEC) account.

The student would then **NOT** be able to log in to the DEC network or access:

- DEC student portal-DEC student email (facilitated via Google Apps)
- Connection to any Bring your Own Device (BYOD) to the DEC network
- Other Google Apps provided by DEC
- Log in to or participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge via the website.

Further information around Google Apps may be found

here <https://detwww.det.nsw.edu.au/it/learnsyssupport/googleapps/index.htm>

Many of the activities which teachers create or assign to students involve the use of the internet.

If you require a form to change your options for your child for image publishing or internet access please ask your child's classroom teacher.

IMPORTANT!

It should also be noted that parents/caregivers/friends who take photos/video footage at school events need to be cautious about adding these to websites, including Facebook or circulating these, as part of the Privacy in Schools directives. This is because another child's image, other than your own, could be caught on camera and that child might not have publishing permissions in place.

Mrs G.Byrnes (Technology Coordinator K-6/On Behalf of the Student Welfare Committee)

SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR 2014 EXCURSION - LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE-GET IN QUICK!



Earlier in the year some of our students were invited to participate in the Schools Spectacular Vocal Ensemble for the NSW SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR, a world-renowned performance held annually at the QANTAS Credit Union Arena (formally Sydney Entertainment Centre). This week an *Expression of Interest* for an excursion to watch the Preview Performance being held on Friday 28th November was handed out to Stage 2 and 3 students.

There are only a limited number of seats left, so students are urged to get their orders in to their classroom teacher as soon as possible. Miss Armstrong and another member of staff will supervise students on the excursion. Tickets are at the concessional price of \$25 and bus fare will be added to this amount.

Mrs G.Byrnes (Spec Vocal Ensemble Coordinator)



BANKSTOWN CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL-SEPTEMBER 13TH-PADSTOW NORTH PS SOLOIST

Last weekend we were extremely proud that one of our Stage 3 students, Helena Cazouris, sang the National Anthem at the official opening of the Children's Festival. Helena was commended for her performance by the organisers.

She was also representing TAP (Talent Advancement Program), coordinated by Wendy Tierney, which several of our students will be taking part in this year.



P&C President's Report

Our next P & C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th October 7pm in the library. We will be looking at samples of new Royal long pants for girls as part of the winter uniform for 2015.

We will also discuss introduction of an on line order system for canteen and uniform shop - anyone who is interested to find out more is welcome to come along.

Light refreshments will be available.

Phill Allsop-Guest
P&C President 2014
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FUNdraising News

Thank you to the parents, grandparents and teachers who helped with the Father's Day Breakfast, it was a great morning where dads/grandads were able to see the kids in their school environment and enjoyed a BBQ breakfast too.

The prize winners from the Father's Day raffle were:

Meat hamper - James Setanovic

3 x \$20 Bunnings vouchers - Dre Morgan, J Guilfoyle & Phill Allsop-Guest

Darrell Lea Chocolate Bag - James Setanovic

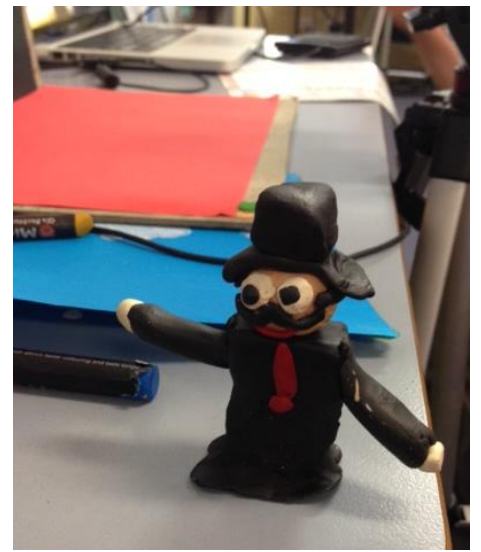
Hampers - Caitlin Vo-Lang, Fabian Olivera, Emily from 3/4 Aqua & William Tran.

We hope you all have a great school holiday break and look forward to a productive term 4 with many FUNdraising activities. Don't forget there is only 14 weekends before Christmas (YIKES)!



Thank you,
Jaime Wong
Fundraising Co-ordinator

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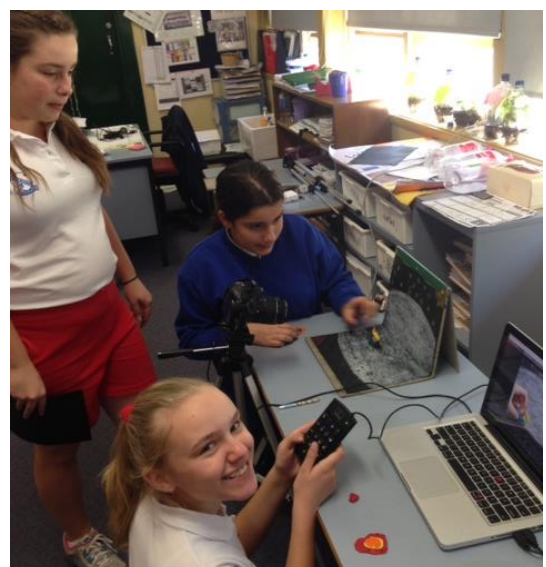
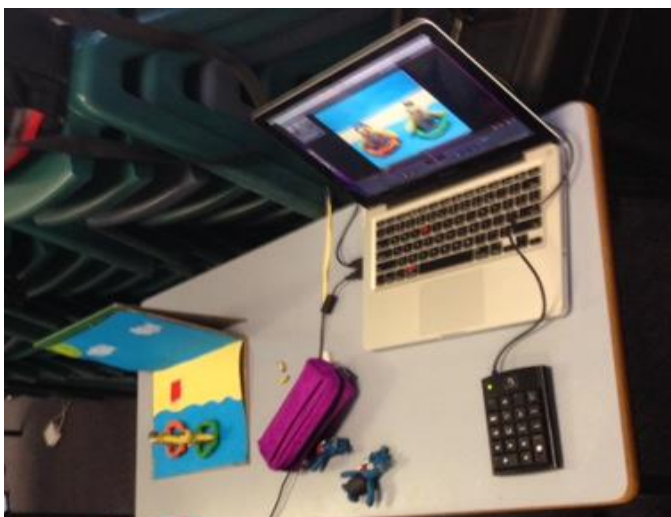


Using clay to make the characters and drawing the backgrounds





Shooting the Claymation. It takes a lot of time, patience and team work!



FOR YOUR DIARY

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	6 October LONG WEEKEND	7 School resumes	8	9	10
2	13	14	15	16	17 "Olivia" Play performance
3	20	21	22	23	24
4	27	28 School Spec Rehearsal	29	30	31

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STAGE 2 EXCURSION – GOAT ISLAND

