

Padstow North Public School



"A Quality Education in a Caring Environment"

Term 3 Week 4

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

Celebrating our achievements is a highlight for us. Last week, during Education Week 2016 we showcased what our school offers as we strive to enhance learning and teaching, and build a stronger school community. The theme for Education Week 2016 was 'Shared stories, better learning, stronger communities'. We invited students and staff from Bankstown South Infants School, parents, grandparents and community members into our school to celebrate and share the success of students, teachers and support staff. We held an Olympathon, with students from both schools representing many countries from around the world; along with a Cultural Diversity Day and special assembly. These events gave us the opportunity to share and hear stories about where we are from, languages we speak, traditional clothes we wear, and the food we eat. Education Week 2016 ended with a delicious degustation of foods from around the world!

Each year at Padstow North PS a number of our Year 4 students apply for Opportunity Class placement for Year 5; and many Year 6 students apply for a place in a selective high school. While our Year 4 students are still waiting to learn if they were successful, we can celebrate and congratulate our nine Year 6 students who were successful with their applications for selective high school in 2017. Nine Year 6 students is 20% of our total Year 6 enrolment. A fantastic achievement for our students and teachers, well done!

Do you have a child who will be starting Kindergarten in 2017? If so now is the time to enrol. Please see Mrs Peterson in the office if you would like an enrolment application. If you are a member of our local community with your first child ready to start Kindergarten in 2017 and would like to visit our school, please contact Mrs Peterson on 9773 8075 to arrange a time. I will be available to show you around, discuss what our school can offer your child and answer any questions you may have.

Thank you for taking the time to read about what's happening at Padstow North Public School, we are very excited to report what our students have been doing. If you enjoy reading our newsletter and would like to see what's happening around the school more regularly visit the website: www.padstownth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au. For day to day updates and reminders download our Skoolbag School Mobile App for your phone or tablet device. Go to skoolbag.com.au to *Get Skoolbag*.

Natalie Armstrong
Principal

Gold! Gold! Gold!

Congratulations to the following students who have qualified for Gold and will be awarded their certificates at our Gold assembly on Thursday 18 August

Kindergarten to Year 2

Zahara W
Lachlan L
Sienna H
Ronan J
Luke D
Sarib S
Lyvia P

Year 3-6

Stephanie N
Joseph J
Brianna D
Jayden P
Grace F
Saim S

Dates to Remember

August 15

Stage 3 Peer Support

August 16

Stage 3 Peer Support
ICAS Mathematics

August 17

East Hills Athletics

August 18

Gold Assembly

August 23

Book Week Parade

News from the Kindergarten Classrooms

K Tokyo

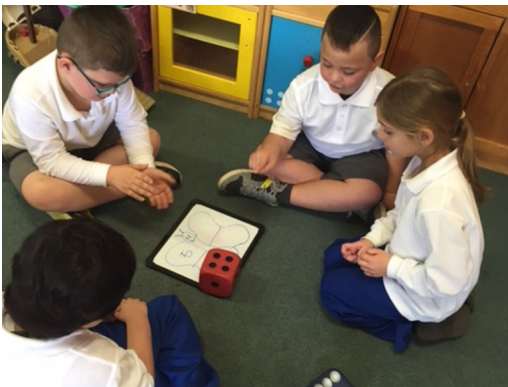
K Tokyo have returned to Term 3 eager to learn. This term we are focussing doing most of our learning in small group work. We have also changed the areas where we learn.



In Literacy we are learning to extend our vocabulary with finding words and adding them to our class wall. Students have been very excited by this, locating sight words, words that have our sound of the week in them and also brainstorming words. Students have ownership of their learning and it has been very exciting to see how many students have been participating and have become more engaged in their work.



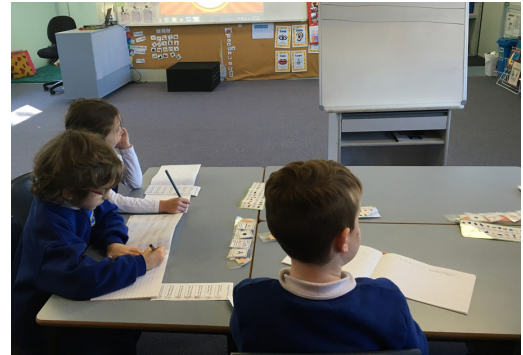
In Numeracy, students have been learning about Whole Number Addition and Subtraction. They are learning about some strategies they can use to count on. We have been discussing to start counting from the biggest number and use your fingers, nod your head, tap your feet or count in your head to find the number. Next we will be learning about Multiplication and Division with forming groups and sharing groups.



K/1/2 Amsterdam

The class has started the term by focusing on our writing. We have been learning to use capital letters in the correct place and remembering to finish every sentence with a full stop. The students have enjoyed typing their sentences on the computer and also using visuals to help with writing.

It was exciting to go to the athletics carnival last term as we have been developing our sporting skills to help us with the Olympathon. It was lots of fun playing all the games at the Olympathon with K Tokyo and students from Bankstown South.



K/1 Barcelona

Students in K/1 Barcelona enjoy participating in the interactive program Go Noodle every Wednesday for Fitness. This week K/1 Barcelona focused on calming exercises and followed movements and instructions to the Indoor Recess episode 'Chillax to the Max'. They practised controlled breathing exercises, Yoga movements, meditation and brain exercises. K/1 Barcelona are very excited about building up their Go Noodle Champ 'Gulps Wodda' and look forward to watching his transformation and growth after each episode!



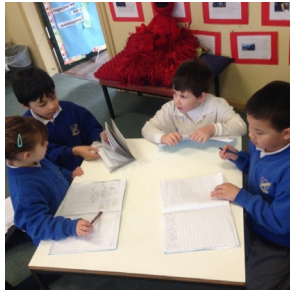
News from the Stage 1 Classrooms

1 Montreal



1 Montreal had an awesome time at the Olympathon this week! We proudly represented Canada by wearing red and white and carrying the Canadian flag during the opening ceremony. Our favourite sports were soccer and javelin, and having our friends from Bankstown South to play with. It was lovely to make new friends and celebrate the Olympics with the rest of the school. We are looking forward to Multicultural Diversity Day and trying different foods from around the world! Thanks to all the parents and carers who shared Education Week with us, it was a memorable one!

1 Helsinki



Term 3 has seen some changes in the space and way we learn in 1 Helsinki! We have opened up our classroom to include more flexible learning spaces. This has involved removing some of the tables and chairs, and replacing them with a lower table where students can sit on the floor with cushions to work. We have also decided not to have designated seats anymore, students are encouraged to think about who they work best with and where they feel more comfortable completing their learning. The results so far have shown that students are engaging with a wider variety of their class peers and that they also choose a range of places to complete their learning from! We are looking forward to seeing positive results with increased self-regulated learning.



2 Moscow

During Literacy lessons, 2 Moscow is developing persuasive writing skills while reading texts that explore this genre. When writing in class, students are encouraged to use a thesaurus to develop their vocabulary in order to use better words to make their writing more interesting.

2 Moscow is beginning to explore various materials during Science lessons. Students are experimenting whether or not a material is flexible. This is based on whether it can bend, stretch, twist and squash without breaking. They are manipulating a variety of materials to determine how they can be changed.

In Mathematics lessons, students have been actively involved in activities that develop their early numeracy skills and understanding of addition and subtraction, place value and length. They made their own rulers and measured and recorded objects that were about 30 centimetres in length.



2 Moscow had a wonderful time during Education Week and would like to thank the parents for their involvement during the Olympathon, open classrooms and Cultural Diversity Day. Congratulations to all of 2 Moscow for their effort in raising Olympathon money which goes towards our school. A fantastic effort by all students, and well done to Joshua for winning the prize for raising the most amount of money in 2 Moscow!



2 Athens

The focus of this week's maths lesson in 2 Athens was to find area using formal and informal units. 2 Athens were split into groups of 3, and needed to find the area of 3 objects around the room and choose suitable informal units. Later they recorded their findings in their books. Finally 2 Athens came back as a whole class to reflect on their findings. Some informal units the students chose were counters, dominoes, paddle pop sticks and base 10 material.

News from the Stage 2 Classrooms

Education Week in Stage 2

Week 3 has seen a celebration of public education. The theme for Education Week is 'Shared stories, better learning, stronger communities'.



Multicultural Day

A rainbow of cultural heritage in 3 Sydney showing everyone how cultures can work together to create amazing things!

Mrs Mackenzie- born in Australia to Greek and English parents.

Ramsey- born in Australia to Jordanian and Iranian parents.

Jason- born in Australia to Vietnamese parents.

Alan- born in Australia to Chinese parents.

Saim- born in Lahore to Lahore parents.

Sameera- born in Egypt to Lebanese and Egyptian parents.

Charlie- born in Australia to Australian parents.

Gerald- born in Australia to Malaysian and Vietnamese parents.

Thomas- born in Australia to Australian parents.

Ethan- born in Australia to Australian parents.

Sophia- born in Australia to Australian and Spanish parents.

Elly- born in Australia to Chinese parents.

Issa- born in Australia to Lebanese parents.

Lachlan- born in Australia to Australian parents.

Adrian- born in Italy to Italian parents.

Gabriel- born in Australia to Jordanian and Palestinian parents.

Androniki- born in Cyprus to Greek and Cyprian parents.

Emily- born in Australia to Australian and Chilean parents.

Stephanie- born in Australia to Australian and Sri Lankan parents.

Jessica- born in Australia to Australian parents.

Joshua- born in Australia to Australian parents.

Freda- born in China to Chinese parents.

Aditi- born in India to Indian parents.

Alyssa- born in Australia to Aboriginal Australian parents.

Clara- born in Australia to Chinese parents.

Lionel- born in Australia to Spanish parents.

3 London

3 London had the pleasure of welcoming many of our lovely parents into our classroom during education week. During our time we created our own puzzle piece showing why we are special. After looking back on the stories and learning we have had this year we all realised we have many skills and qualities that make us special.



4 Seoul

4 Seoul celebrated Cultural Diversity Day on Thursday. We had the privilege of seeing some Chinese handmade artwork from Daniel's grandfather.



4 Rome

What a week! The Olympathon was a great day; we were lucky with the weather and were able to compete in several activities. The favourite being Frisbee Discus. The aim was to see who could hit Mrs Gaston, it was very competitive.



It was wonderful to have several parents visit our room on Wednesday. We got to show them our artwork and books. There were even some selfies taken with the students work in the background.



News from the Stage 3 Classrooms

5/6 Rio

5/6 Rio have been working hard this term. We have been developing strategies and building confidence in public speaking in anticipation of our speeches later this term. Even though some students are nervous they have been discussing the value and importance of this skill.

In maths, 5/6 Rio have been learning about reflective and rotational symmetry by exploring artworks, patterns and interactive games that the students can manipulate. Students have enjoyed using their artistic skills during maths to increase their understanding.



5 Paris

In the first semester, our class enjoyed working in reading groups, exploring different texts and how to use expression and understand humour when reading. Students worked on iPads learning new apps and creating iMovie's on set topics. When students had a chance, they worked in their Maths text books and tried to complete 1 unit each week. The students have just starting getting used to the idea of sitting anywhere and creating interesting work areas outside and around the room.



6 Los Angeles

6LA have had a great start to Term 3. We have learnt about the Australian Government in preparation for our Stage 3 trip to Canberra. As well as learning all about how Australia's democratic government works, we have been researching different kinds of governments around the world. In creative and performing arts, we drew sketches of Parliament House. We also created artworks inspired by the mosaic that is found in the forecourt of Parliament House.



Education Week

Our school hosted a variety of events throughout Education Week to celebrate 'Sharing our Stories' theme for 2016.

What a privilege it was to take 4 talented Padstow North artists to Sarah Redfern High School for a fun, team based competition aiming to promote participation in visual arts. The theme of the event was 'Straight from the Horse's Mouth' and the students created 4 projects inspired by horses. Well done Crystal, Brinly, Edric and Charbel on your both your artworks and the way you presented yourselves. I am eagerly awaiting the results!

Emma Mackenzie



Our Olympathon was held on Tuesday 2nd August. It was an amazing day, despite the weather, to help celebrate education week.

Bankstown South Infants School joined Padstow North in our large school grounds for a fantastic day, together raising over \$11557.00 to go towards new iPads, new innovative learning areas and playground equipment. Both schools had a lovely day together for a community celebration with over 470 students and 45 teachers assisting on the day.

Thank you to our amazing parents, volunteers in the canteen and also to all our fantastic teachers that assisted throughout the day to make it such a huge success.



On Wednesday 3rd August we continued Education week with 'Open Classrooms' and had parents and family visit classrooms and participate in their child's learning. All students loved having visitors to their classrooms.



Finally to top off a great week, Cultural Diversity Day was held on Thursday 4th August with students all bringing in a plate of food for the 'Cultural Degustation Taste Testing'. Students loved tasting all different kinds of foods and had very full tummies at the end of the day.



Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, family friends and friends that came to help us celebrate Education week.

Library News

Congratulations to the following people who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge:

Year 1 Oliver, Ava, Hashim, Joel, Stephen, Josh, Yassine, Raya, Addison, Lachlan, Iris, Yvonne, Adam, Sarib, James, Elyse, Charlize, Daniel, Zahara, Daniel and Nathan

Year 2 – Andrew

Year 3 – Daniel, Emily

Year 4 – Gabrielle

Year 5 – Ethan and Darrel

Year 6 - Lachlan

The Challenge needs to be completed by the 19th August.

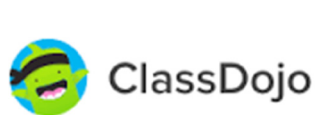
The new furniture has arrived in the library. The students have enjoyed working and reading in this new learning space.



Book Week

Book Week will be held in Week 6 20th August till 25th August. We will be holding a Book Week Parade on Tuesday 23rd August for all students K-6, and having Bankstown City Library visit for a talk to students about the theme of Book Week "Australia! Story Country". More information will come home shortly.

ICT Team - Technology Update



Every class at Padstow North is now using ClassDojo or Seesaw! Recently the ICT committee helped teachers set up ClassDojo or Seesaw to ensure every class is now online. Every parent is able to see what is happening in your child's classroom. If you do not have ClassDojo or Seesaw on your phones go to the APP store or Android store and download the one your child's class is using. The teacher can give you a code to view the class page.

It has been wonderful to see all classes posting photos of the students working, and with Seesaw the students are able to show their work to the rest of the class. These applications are helping to strengthen connections between school and home by allowing parents to see into the classroom.

KATTS

KATTS has continued to be a tremendous success in first semester with students energetically beautifying our gardens and making our school grounds a cleaner, nicer and safer place. Students carefully removed storm debris recently, placing leaves, sticks and branches in bins and working on their project which is on track to be finished by the end of this term. Bankstown City Council has donated over a forty plants and shrubs for students to plant around the school which will contribute to our playground environment. Thank you to all the students who are working hard and having lots of fun in the process.

Mr Grinham



PSSA Soccer

After having the first week of Term 3 washed out, both Junior and Senior teams were keen to have a run. Both teams are sitting in 4th place and can't afford another washed out game. Our senior team played well against Padstow Park, pushing the ball around and setting up some good shots on goal. It was a good opportunity for Zack, our goalkeeper, to have a run on the field. The junior team had a tougher game and managed to hold onto a 3-1 win. We had to reshuffle our players and trial a new goalkeeper, but by the second half the boys settled down and played good soccer. Well done to both teams and congratulations on displaying good sportsmanship.

Mr Grinham

AFL

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the GWS sports program. Over the last 4 weeks students practiced kicking, passing and how to take a mark. Everyone participating in the program had fun learning different skills and taking on new challenges. The coaches even got the parents involved so they could learn some of the rules. Well done to all the students for their best behaviour and good sportsmanship.

Mr Grinham



P&C Report

I will like to thank you all again for your patience during the transition of moving our uniforms across to Panania. I am happy to announce that the transition is now complete. For any parent who is unaware of the location the shop's address is Shop 34 Anderson Avenue Panania.

We are hoping for more volunteers for the canteen this term. If you are able to help please contact Phill Allsop-Guest on 0451 522 117. Phill is happy for any parent who wishes to find out what is involved in helping in the canteen to come along on Monday or Wednesday to see how things work.

Our next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th September at 6:30pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome.

Faye Cazouris
P&C President 2016
0402 077 736

Message from the Office

Hello from the office,

A note was sent home last week outlining payments to the school for the upcoming transition to the schools' new finance system and bank account on 17 October 2016. Please ensure you have made any outstanding payments before 23rd September 2016, if you are unsure about any outstanding fees please contact the office on 9773 8075.

The P&C have lots of things happening for father's day in the coming weeks. Please ensure you put all payments in a sealed envelope or plastic bag with your child's name clearly labelled. All payments must be in **separate** envelopes not multiples in the one envelope. Please have payments to class teachers by the due dates as late payments will not be accepted.

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Saturday 20 August	Woolworths Revesby	9 am – 12 pm

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Andrew Divan 0400 211 362

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School Calendar

8/8 Stage 3 Canberra Camp WEEK 4	9/8 Stage 3 Canberra Camp	10/8 Stage 3 Canberra Camp	11/8 Assembly	12/8 PSSA Round 9	13-14/8
15/8 Stage 3 peer support training WEEK 5	16/8 Stage 3 peer support training ICAS Maths	17/8 EHPSSA District Athletics carnival	18/8 Gold Assembly	19/8 PSSA Round 10	20-21/8
22/8 Book Week WEEK 6	23/8 Book Parade	24/8 Peer support	25/8 3-6 Author visit Assembly	26/8 K-2 Author visit	27-28/8
29/8 Police Talks SAS Week WEEK 7	30/8	31/8 Peer support	1/9 Assembly	2/9 PSSA Round 1	3-4/9
5/9 WEEK 8	6/9 Jolly Joops	7/9 Peer support	8/9 Stewart House collection pick up Assembly	9/9 PSSA Round 2	10-11/9
12/9 WEEK 9	13/9 Menai High School testing. 6.30 P&C meeting	14/9 Peer support Joey's Cup challenge	15/9 Year 5 Makers Mindset Assembly	16/9 Disco 4.30 to 6.30 PSSA Round 3	17-18/9
19/9 WEEK 10	20/9	21/9 Peer support	22/9 Gold Assembly	23/9 Year 6 girls day in at SJBHS PSSA Round 4	24/9