From The Desk Of The DEPUTIES And The PRINCIPAL

Student Resource Scheme 2017

Last year the P&C agreed that in 2017 we would collect funds through the Student Resource Scheme to purchase resources for Visual Arts and Science (approximately $5,000 each) and the remainder would go towards Digital Technology resources.

Thank you for returning your form to the office for the Student Resource Scheme. The Student Resource Scheme is VOLUNTARY.

Visual Art and Science resources (paper, paints, brushes, gloves, goo, squid and other consumables) are purchased for use by for all students with this money regardless of whether the scientist or artist in residence is working with your child’s class. Salaries for these two amazingly skilled people comes from the school budget. Our Artist and Scientist in residence offer opportunities in addition to classroom curriculum programs such as Science Club, Invention Convention, mural painting and art extension programs.

The remainder of the funds collected will go towards further enhancing our Digital Technology resources. We are planning to increase the number of iPads in each double class space and replace old PC’s in our two computer labs. Last year, we purchased Blue Bots for the lower school and Dot and Dash robots for the middle school. We hope to increase the opportunities for robotics and coding by adding to these in the future.

The form that we are required to use by DET outlines some processes that are not used at Patricks Road. Unfortunately we are not permitted to alter the form. Please be assured that:

- No student will be penalised if their parents do not pay
- You may make part payments, particularly if you have three or more children
- You should not be invoiced unless you return the form indicating that you agree to pay the
Student Resource Scheme
- We will not be engaging debt collectors

We are ever so grateful to the 85% of parents who do pay as it goes a long way to assist our school to provide additional opportunities for our students. Without this, we would not be able to offer the range of things we do.

Invitation to Leadership Induction

Parents are cordially invited to attend our Leadership Induction Ceremony on Monday afternoon from 2:15.

Our Year Six Student Leaders will receive their badges, along with our elected captains and our Student Councillors.

Students who are receiving badges will further develop their leadership skills during the coming year and we congratulate each and every one of them.

Parent Information Evening

Thank you to parents for attending and teachers for giving up their time to talk to parents. Having an authentic partnership with our parents is very important to us. Without your support we wouldn't be able to achieve the things we do for our children.

Charities

As part of our school's focus on student wellbeing, we encourage the student body to show gratitude by
Our Student Council organises four fundraisers a year. Each year they support our own schools chaplaincy program which in turn supports all of our students (whether they directly access the chaplain or not, the school is a better place for the work the chaplains do).

The student council sponsors a World Vision child and shares the success of this sponsorship on assembly.

The other two charities for each year are selected by the Student Council at the beginning of the year based on what issues are being faced by members of our community. If you have a charity in mind that you would like the Student Council to support, please send an email with details and an explanation as to why that charity is important to our school community to admin@patroadss.eq.edu.au by Wednesday 8th February 2017.

Car Movement around the School

The beginning of the year is always a busy time for traffic around the school until parents develop their routines. We have been generally pleased with the caution and respect parents are displaying. The safety of our students is our prime concern and for this reason, we would like to give parents a few reminders:-

The Parents’ Car Park below the Resource Centre is a council road. Parents using it must obey the road rules:-
Vehicles must reverse into car parks.

The roundabout at the top has a yellow line, meaning that cars cannot be parked. Please do not use this area for drop off or pick up.

The road leading from the roundabout is for school staff only. Children cross this road coming and going to the path through to Bel Air Court and often appear down a pathway or out of the gully suddenly.

The gardens around the roundabout should not be used as parking spaces.

The car park at the front of the school is for Education Queensland staff only and cannot be used by parents between 7:30 am and 4 pm.

There are two minute drop-off zones at the front of the school. Drivers are not permitted to leave cars and if your child has not arrived after a couple of minutes, we ask that you drive around the block and return.

A teacher is on duty at the bus stop, so children are not left unattended.
At this time of year, it is considerate to give parents of our Prep students the opportunity to park and collect their children by delaying your pick-up for 10 minutes or so to allow the traffic to clear.

Students are supervised by a staff member under the white tent adjacent to the parent car park until approximately 3:20 each day. Students still present at that time are taken to the office to await collection.

Police occasionally patrol the school surrounds to ensure drivers are obeying the road rules.

**TARGET Value Design competition**

Students are invited to enter our TARGET Values Design Competition to win one of 6 $20 iTunes vouchers – See flyer attached for details.

**CALENDAR**

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SCHOOL PHOTOS

Ivy Photography will be at school next week, from Tuesday to Friday to take class and individual photos. Students should wear full school uniform, not house shirts. House captains should bring house shirts for the photo and then change into normal school uniform.

The full Year Six photo will be taken at a later date when the Year Six shirts have arrived.

A photo timetable appears below, but classes may be rearranged on the day to suit classroom activities.

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SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

Electricity Consumption

Did you know that Patricks Road State School has an School Environmental Management Plan (SEMP)?

In recent years, we have made great steps towards reducing our environmental footprint. We have:-

- introduced our yellow-lidded recycling bins, reducing the amount of waste going to landfill
- begun using organics caddies to collect fruit scraps from Brain Break and putting them in our compost bins
- been recycling aluminium cans. Our Student Council has an agreement with P&C that for every aluminium seat they can purchase through this recycling, the P&C will purchase two
Electricity Consumption

monitoring our electricity usage. The Solar Schools site [http://www.solarschools.net/profile.aspx?id=329](http://www.solarschools.net/profile.aspx?id=329) allows us to monitor both usage and production. In recent years, we have endeavoured to keep our electricity usage at or below 600kWh per day. As you can see by the graph, this has been greatly exceeded now that our school is air-conditioned.

- encouraging the use of water bottles so taps are not constantly running
- plumbing in our water tanks to flush toilets

Our Environmental Captains will be passing on messages to students to ensure they continue the good work done in recent years.

**MUSIC NOTES**

**Beginners’ Music Camp**

Congratulations to some of our younger students who took part in Beginners’ Music Camp over the past few days. The aim of the camp is to give new students a kickstart into learning their new instrument. From all reports, the camp went very well and we look forward to hearing some of the beautiful music you will make as time goes by.

Some of our beautiful String children, rock'n Beginners' Music Camp! Mrs S is so excited to watch them grow on their musical journey! Year 3 beginner lessons begin on Monday, February 6.

**Queensland Youth Orchestra vacancies**

The QYO year is off to a flying start and we would like to alert you to vacancies in some of our orchestras and ensembles in case your students are interested:

- **Queensland Youth Orchestra 2 (Min. AMEB Grade 6):** Violin and Viola. Rehearses Saturday afternoons 1.30-4.30pm.
- **Queensland Youth Orchestra 3 (Min. AMEB Grade 5):** Violin, Viola, Bass, Oboe and Percussion. Rehearses Saturday afternoons 1.15-4.00pm.
- **Junior String Ensemble:** Violin (Min. AMEB Grade 5) and Viola (Min. AMEB Grade 4). Rehearses Saturday mornings 8.45-11.30am.
Wind Symphony (Min. AMEB Grade 7): B flat Clarinet, Alto Clarinet, Bassoon, Oboe, French Horn, Trumpet, Tenor Trombone, Bass Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba. Rehearses Friday evenings 7.00-9.30pm.

Wind Ensemble (Min. AMEB Grade 4): Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, French Horn, Trumpet, Trombone, Tuba, Double Bass, Percussion. Rehearses Friday evenings 6.00-8.30pm.

Queensland Youth Symphony and Big Band: No vacancies at present.

Queensland Youth Orchestras (QYO) provides outstanding orchestral experiences for musicians aged 8 to 25. In seven orchestras and ensembles, QYO members develop their musical skills in a nurturing environment alongside musicians of a similar age and standard. Based at the historic Old Museum Building at Bowen Hills, QYO provides an annual program of rehearsals, tutorials, concerts, camps and tours. Concerts attract large audiences in venues that include the Old Museum Concert Hall and the QPAC Concert Hall. Weekly rehearsals are scheduled during school and university terms and some orchestras undertake day trips or local tours of two to seven days duration.

If your students are interested in joining, or if you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact:

Naomi O’Reilly | Marketing Officer
Queensland Youth Orchestras | www.qyo.org.au
naomi@qyo.com.au | +617 3257 1191
+61 432 700 170 | PO Box 40, Royal Brisbane Hospital QLD 4029
Old Museum Building, 480 Gregory Tce, Bowen Hills

SPORTS NEWS

District Basketball Trials

Any boy or girl turning 11 or 12 years of age this year who would like to trial for the North West District Basketball Team, please see Mr Rogers for all relevant paperwork and information. Players MUST be of above average ability to attend these trials.

Kilometre Club

Kilometre Club will commence in Week 3 of this term and will be run on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 8am on the oval. All children from Prep to Year 6 (plus parents) are invited to come along and have some fun and prepare for our school cross country later this term. There is no cost involved for this activity. Children are asked to bring a water bottle, old clothes, towel and wear comfortable shoes and must change into their school uniform prior to class time. Hope to see you all there!

Mr Rogers
(PE Teacher)

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Week 2 Tuckshop News
Welcome to our new and returning families. The Tuckshop reopened this week and we’ve already had a great response from the community! Along with our amazing volunteers – our Tucky Angels – we are very excited to have this service available to you.

Our Tuckshop is owned by the Patricks Road State School community, operated by the P&C Association, and aims to provide:

- a variety of nutritious food at reasonable prices
- a wealth of experience for our children
- an opportunity for parents and community members to be involved in their child’s school

We are open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and available to the whole school community providing pre-ordered lunches and over the counter sales during breaks:

- Before School: 8.30am - 8.45am
- First Break: 11.00am - 11.40am
- Second Break: 1.20pm – 1.40pm

*All profits from our Tuckshop are re-invested into our school!* 

The preferred method of ordering from the Tuckshop is through our great online system. It’s so easy:

2. Click “Register Now” and follow the prompts to create your account
3. Top-up your balance
4. Start ordering immediately

Flexischools orders can be placed up until 9.00am on the day of ordering. Manual orders with cash or credit card can also be taken over the counter up until 9.00am on the day of ordering.

Lunch orders for first and second breaks will be delivered to your child via a class basket.

**Returning families – REMEMBER:** it is important before ordering Tuckshop online this year to update the new class for your student(s) via each student’s Profile link in Flexischools. You can also add a student(s) through Flexischools.

**Tuckshop Volunteer Sign On Morning**

It’s the volunteers – our Tucky Angels – that make the Tuckshop great and we look forward to welcoming our new and returning Angels. To register your interest in volunteering, please either sign up online at [www.volunteerssignup.org/D9R3W](http://www.volunteerssignup.org/D9R3W), or email your interest to tuckshop@prss.com.au. Better
yet, come and say hello this Friday 3 February between 8.15am-9.30am at our volunteer sign-on morning. Meet the team, try some Tuckshop Tucker and find out how you can be involved!

Any questions please feel free to email us at tuckshop@prss.com.au or come in and see us.

Wishing everyone a wonderful year!

The Tucky Team

(Cathy, Glenn, Tanya & Jeanette)

SCHOOL BANKING

COMMONWEALTH BANK STUDENT BANKING

For new families to the school we offer Commonwealth Bank Student Banking every Thursday.

School Banking encourages children to regularly deposit money into their Youthsaver account and earn stars, which can then be redeemed for a reward through the Rewards Program.

Rewards

To keep students motivated and encourage participation, every year the bank introduces a new savings adventure. This year the students will get excited about the future, as they follow the new-look Dollarmites towards the Savings Hover Park – a fantastic playground up in the clouds of a hi-tech city. There are eight new reward items to choose from the Future Savers range!

- Cyber Handball (Released Term 1)
- Colour Change Markers (Released Term 1)
- 3D Chalk Set (Released Term 2)
- Tablet Case (Released Term 2)
- Smiley Emoji Keyring (Released Term 3)
- Volt Handball (Released Term 3)
- Pencil + Tech Case (Released Term 4)
- Epic Earphones (Released Term 4)

How the Rewards Program Works – refer attached document

To Open a Youthsaver Account - refer attached document

Competition – Tokyo Disneyland! To enter, students have to make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3, 2017. Refer attached document.

Banking is a great fundraiser for our school. We receive $5 when children make their first deposit at school and a 5% commission on every school deposit. Last year over $1800 was raised!
Finally, school banking is run by a small group of parent volunteers. Rest assured we have no access to your child’s personal details or account balance. We greatly value the work these ladies do each week!

COMMUNITY NEWS