

From The Desk Of The DEPUTIES And The PRINCIPAL

Celebrating and sharing great learning

Over the last couple of weeks we have had the pleasure of sharing some of our wonderful teaching expertise with other schools.

Mansfield SS, West End SS and Windsor SS have been collaborating with our teachers and have visited our school to see Age Appropriate Pedagogies in action. Age Appropriate Pedagogies is about providing a balanced way of teaching and learning to meet the needs of the students in our classrooms. Over recent years, education in Queensland has moved from play based in the early years and project and inquiry based in the middle years towards a complete explicit teaching model. Explicit teaching is a more traditional teaching model that involves the teacher having all of the knowledge and telling it to the children and then providing the children with opportunities to practise the skills. Explicit teaching is an extremely valuable strategy, however it is not the only strategy. Age Appropriate Pedagogies allows us to create a balance of learning opportunities that enable the children to inquire, to learn through structured play, to be creative and build on their knowledge collaboratively. All these skills are necessary for students to apply in society and the workforce.

We have also hosted visits from Ferny Hills and Mount Gravatt East teachers and leaders to see how our teachers structure Warm Ups. Warm Ups are a way enable us to transfer key content into long term memory, therefore enabling children to draw on long term memory quickly and free up working memory to process new learning. For example, when presented with a mathematical problem, a child who struggles to remember basic number facts such as addition and multiplication rules will take more time to solve (if indeed they are able to solve) the problem than a child who has instant recall of their number facts. You may have heard your child's class or a different class chanting spelling and grammar and punctuation rules or number facts in the mornings. That is the sound of Warm Up.

Age Appropriate Pedagogies and Warm Ups are just some of the teaching strategies that Patricks Road SS teachers are known to excel

in across the metropolitan region.

Q & A

It was so good to talk with grade 3 parents this morning about how we teach reading. Thank you to those of you who were able to join Dale Jobling and me. In next week's newsletter we will follow up with some hot reading tips for parents to use to with their children at home. I look forward to meeting with parents of children in each cohort and hearing your thoughts and ideas.

Year 1 Q and A

Merrilyn Krohn, the year 1 coordinator and I would like to invite parents of year 1 children to join us for coffee and a chat on Thursday 24th August 8.50 am in the tuckshop/coffee cart area. If you'd like to know more about how year 1 teachers plan lessons, teach reading or any other topic, come along. Light refreshments will be provided.

Danielle Priday.

Book Week

Book Week will take place from 19-26 August. This year's theme is "*Escape to Everywhere*" – the choice of where you escape to is yours! Perhaps you will escape to the skies? To space? To the past? Or into a land of fantasy – the options are endless!

During the week there will be a variety of activities in the Library, including 'celebrity' book readings! We will also celebrate the culmination of Book Week on **Friday 25th August** with a whole school parade **at 9am** to showcase costumes from across the grades. Get ready to escape!

Science Incursion

Our students enjoyed a session of awe-inspiring experiments and laughter on Wednesday with a visit from *Crazy Science*. Here's what a few of our students thought of the experience:

"I liked the explosion...it was great!" – Connor

"When he hypnotized us it was cool." – Riley

"I like when he made the big mountain of foam. Amazing!" – Holly

"The toilet paper gun was the best!" – Jack

"He did awesome experiments, hypnotized us & his head grew bigger before our eyes!" - Ben

ADMIN NEWS

ILLNESS

We have had multiple confirmed cases of Influenza A & B in the school community. The Department of Health guidelines state children with Influenza are to be kept away from school until they are well. We ask parents to not send sick children to school to help with reducing the spread of illness to other children and staff.

EKKA MONDAY

This coming Monday, 14th August is our show day. Wednesday the 16th August is a normal school day. Junior Sports Day will be held on the Wednesday.

PAYMENTS AND EXCURSIONS

Term 3 payments were due Friday 28th July. If you have not made payment could you please do so as soon as possible. If you are having financial difficulty please contact the office to arrange a payment plan. These are strictly confidential.

Office staff will no longer be ringing parents to chase up payments before an excursion. If payment has not been received your child will not be able to attend, regardless of whether a permission slip has been received. (This does not apply to families on payment plans).
PAYMENTS CAN NOT BE MADE ON THE MORNING OF AN EXCURSION / INCURSION.

When making payments via Bpay or Qparents, please note these do not show on your account for a day or two.

Term letters and payment sheets are emailed in the first two weeks of each term. These are sent with the same system as the newsletters.

If you are not receiving the newsletters please email the office at admin@patrroadss.eq.edu.au with your child's name and year level and we can update the system.

Respect for our neighbours

When parking in the streets around our school please ensure you do not park across driveways or in designated "no park" areas. We also ask you to remind your children not to run in the front yards of residents or pick at flowers etc. Thank you for your help in maintaining the positive relationships we have with our neighbours.

School Opinion Survey

Access details for the *Parent/Caregiver Survey* have been sent home with students, and parents/caregivers.

If you haven't received any survey access details by the end of this week, please contact the office on telephone 07 38721888 or email admin@patrroadss.eq.edu.au

CALENDAR

STUDENT WORK

Handle

Sweating, drips of salty, natural water slid down the handle of my nerf gun. Aiming at the evil infected bugs I carefully, but quickly backed away – while firing. No it couldn't be, I was running out of bullets. My last bullet, what was I going to do? As I pulled the trigger back, it clicked – the barrel was rusty! I dropped the nerf gun and the handle slid off smoothly, the thought of what was going to happen next horrified me.....

Thomas W – 5B

LIBRARY NEWS

Win BIG with The 91-Storey Treehouse at Dymocks Chermside. Design your own room for the next Treehouse expansion to go into the draw to WIN! See Mrs Fraser in the library for entry forms. Competition closes Tuesday 22nd

August.

Please send completed entry forms to Mrs Fraser in the library and they will be submitted all together as a school.

PE NEWS

JUNIOR ATHLETICS 2017

TIMETABLE – ORDER OF EVENTS: (Approx. times only)

8. 50 Children to classrooms to mark rolls

9:00 Head to the Oval

9:15 March Past All Children
(House Captains to help assemble students

to lead children and carry house flags.)

9:25 Welcome by Admin/House War Cries

9.30 Day Begins

Prep Tabloid. 8 minutes for each station. 2 minutes

will be given for movement between activities and game instruction.

Children are to move and line up at the conclusion of each activity,

and walked to the next activity by a Year 6 student or Parent Helper.

Each Station is marked with a witches hat with a number on it.

Rotation of activities will be in a clockwise direction.

Year 1 & 2 Sprints/Relays – Stay in house tent until called

10.45 MORNING TEA- ON OVAL

11:20 Classes Assemble back on the Oval- war cry

1. **Year 1 and year 2 Tabloid.**
(7 minutes for each station. 2 minutes

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Prep Sprints/Relays – Stay in tent until each class is called

1.00 Final War Cries

Announcements

Completion of Carnival

District Athletics

Congratulations to all our school Athletics competitors, who recently attended the North West District Athletics Trials. All Athletes were outstanding and showed great tenacity when representing our school. We are extremely proud of all their efforts.

A special mention to Rani M (Long Jump, 100m 200m), Charlotte I (Discus), Levi G (Shot Put), Adrienne P (Shot Put), Cian C (800m), Jessica M (Long Jump and Discus), Grace H (Discus), and Ty K (100m and Long Jump), who were selected in the North West District Athletics team, to compete at the upcoming Metropolitan North Regional Athletics Trials.

STUDENT COUNCIL CORNER

Disco

Dust off your dancing shoes! Our term 3 disco will be **Thursday 24th August**. This will be a very exciting first disco for our Preps! Session times will run as follows:

Prep/Yr 1/Yr 2 5:00 – 6:00pm

Yr 3-6 6:30 – 8:00pm

The theme is *“My Future Self”* (Who do I want to be in the future?). Entry is still just **\$8 per student**, and includes entry, ice-block, packet of jumpy's & a water. Tickets only at the door.

P & C NEWS

P&C News

Got a great idea? Need a school concern addressed? Want to have your say on how our school is run? Want to be involved in what the P&C does for and with the school? Better yet – want to become a member of the PRSS P&C Association? Contact our P&C President Matt Hull at president@prss.com.au or Business and Communications Manager Cathy Preddy at operations.manager@prss.com.au

P&C Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month at 7pm in the school staff room. The next P&C meeting is Monday 21 August.

Tuckshop News



JUNIOR SPORTS DAY – We need YOU!

You're coming to the Junior Sports Day, right? You wouldn't miss it, would you?

Why not “kill two birds with one stone” and join the Tucky Team on the oval whilst supporting

your children in one of their sporting life's moments!

Help cook some sausages, assist with over the counter sales, have a laugh, chat with the P&C Executive, suggest your amazing P&C fundraiser ideas to Cathy ... the opportunities are endless! We'd love to have you for as long as you can spare – just an hour or two, or during the breaks only. Watch your kids compete and then come back to help. Just let us know what time you can spare and there will be a job for you!

Please let the Tucky Team know if you can help by emailing tuckshop@prss.com.au or come and see us!

Remember

- All pre-ordered meal deals will go out at 1st break.
- Please ensure your child has a snack and a drink bottle for 2nd break.
- The Tuckshop will be open for counter service for the senior school at both breaks on the event day.
- A pop-up Tuckshop on will operate on the oval on the event day to offer a limited quantity of substantial lunch items for parents and friends to purchase.

TUCKY ANGELS ROSTER – Week 6, Term 3

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Monday 14 August	CAN YOU HELP?	Amelie Bozin 5C Sophie Pell 5/6	
Tuesday 15	CAN YOU	Sophie Le Man	

August	HELP?	6A Lochie Higgins 5A	
Wednesday 16 August	WE REALLY REALLY NEED YOU	Rebecca Mowatt 5A Evana Paterson 5C	Lily Gilliland 5A Rani Martinez 5A
Thursday 17 August	Claire Hutchinson	Owens Osborne 5/6 Cian Courne 5/6	Lennox Blackmore 5C
Friday 18 August	Larissa Fletcher	Georgia Querido 5B Caleb Campbell 5A	

you are making a direct contribution through the P&C Association to improving our school facilities, which enhances the educational opportunities and experiences received by our children?

The P&C Uniform Shop is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday Mornings 8.30 to 9.15. Payment facilities include cash, EFTPOS or you can even order online 24/7 through Flexischools www.flexischools.com.au.

All uniform shop enquiries can be directed to our wonderful Uniform Shop Convenor Samantha Baily at Uniform@prss.com.au

Thank you for supporting your School.

CHAPPY NEWS

Bush Dance

Yeehaw!

The Bush Dance is here! Held every second year, this is primarily a fundraiser for our hard working Chaplains but mainly an opportunity for us all to get together to eat, dance and dress up.

With live music from our favourites " Beefas Bush Band " this is when Pats Rd really has some old fashioned fun.

TICKET PRICES

· Prior to the night - Family (2 adults and up to 3 children) - \$25

Adult - \$12

Child - \$7

· On the night - Family (2 adults and up to 3 children) - \$30

Adult - \$12

Child - \$7

Tickets include unlimited turns on our

INTERESTED IN ADDING A REGULAR VOLUNTEER SHIFT TO YOUR LIFE?

To register your interest in volunteering at the Tuckshop, please either sign up online at www.volunteersignup.org/D9R3W, or email your interest to tuckshop@prss.com.au.

THANK YOU!!!!

Have a great week!

The Tucky Team

Uniform Shop



Did you know – when you purchase any item available from the PRSS P&C Uniform Shop,

mechanical bull suitable for all ages.

PURCHASE OPTIONS

Tickets are available on Flexischools now and the cut-off date is 9am on Friday 25th August.

They will be available to buy at the Chappy breakfast on Friday the 25th of August.

We will also be selling tickets over the counter at the Uniform Shop on the 28th and 30th of August and 1st of September.

BUSH DANCE FAQ'S

What do I wear?

This year we have themed it "Boots and Tutus" as you can never have enough of either at any age.

What happened to the Carnival this year?

We alternate the Bush Dance with the Carnival each year. This way we have a whole school community event every year whilst raising money for some pretty important people.

Do I just drop my kids and leave?

Noooo! This is different to the Discos – it is a family event and your children are your responsibility.

What happens when I get hungry and thirsty?

The Tucky Team are there serving hot food with healthy options plus cold drinks; Susan Smith is running a Dessert Stand (just desserts!) and the Coffee Cart will also be there.

Do I have to dance?

Yes please. You won't be able to stop yourself with Beefas Bush Band.

I only ever carry \$50 notes.

We have limited change and only one Eftpos machine on the night so please consider smaller notes and loose change.

How can I volunteer?

We will need help on the day setting up and packing down. Plus the Tucky Team will need help turning sausages and serving.

Email Larissa and Gayle at bushdance@prss.com.au and we will happily fill your time.

SCHOOL BANKING

PREP GRANDPARENT HELP WANTED

Grandparent Helpers for Prep Reading Groups

As you all know, our Preps are working very hard on developing their reading and writing skills. Our dedicated Prep teachers plan activities in small group rotations to make sure they meet the needs of all of our students. It is really important to have extra adult support to help the children make the most of the program.

We understand that many parents are unable to assist because of work commitments but what about our **grandparents**? Helping young students learn to read and write is very rewarding. If you think you know a grandparent who may be able to help, please encourage them to fill out the form attached and return it to the office. No experience necessary, the school will assist interested parties in applying for a Voluntary Worker's Blue Card.

Community News

Spring Fertiliser Drive

The Mount Bruce (Camp Hill) Scout Group will be undertaking its Spring Fertiliser Drive, with delivery on Saturday 9 September 2017. A product list and order form is attached - return by **25 August 2017**.

Holiday Workshops at Your Local Library (Prep-6)

You're sure to find workshops to suit you at Moreton Bay Region Libraries these school holidays. The best bit is they're FREE!

At Arana Hills we have:

- The Cat in the Hat in Colour (Grades 1-3)
- Explore Dr Seuss illustrations and create your own Cat in the Hat painting.

- Discover Dashes and Dots (Grades 3-6)
- Meet Dash and Dot robots and find out how to use introductory drag and drop programming to solve puzzles and complete challenges.

- Bird Brains (Grades Prep-6) - Meet and find out about, owls, parrots and frogmouths.

- Arty Party (Children 2 years-Prep and their caregivers) - Play and discover through stories, songs, movement and art.

- Out Back in the Aussie Bush Show (Ideal for Grades Prep-3 - All welcome) - Sing along and be part of an interactive children's show with puppets stories and dancing.

And at other branches; Clay Cone Monsters (Grades 2-4), Clay Birds (Grades 2-4), Lego Challenge (Grades 2-6), Weird and Wonderful Sea Creatures (Grades 3-6) and many more. Or just come along to the Library and enjoy our Library hunt and quizzes - enter our school holiday competitions to win prizes! Membership is required for most of our activities and services however joining is easy and FREE!

Online bookings open 10am, Tuesday 29th August. For more information go to www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/libraryschoolhols. Please do not hesitate to contact myself, Sally (Branch Librarian) or Alex (Operations Supervisor) on 3351 3401 or reply to this email if you require further information.

We look forward to hearing from you and hope to see you soon!

Michelle Mitchell - Book Launch

On August 27th, Michelle is hosting her high tea book launch at Victoria Park in the Ballroom. Michelle is particularly encouraging educators and mothers of teen and pre-teen daughters for an afternoon of insightful discussions.

Michelle draws upon decades of experience and in the book delves into ways to engage with teen and pre-teen girls and develop key strategies for social media, sexuality, disrespect, drugs, anxiety & more. ?

If you would like to book tickets please see

below link.

<https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=300766&>

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