Principal's Report

Mrs Megan Avery

Parent Information Sessions

A reminder that next week is our Parent Information Sessions. This is a wonderful opportunity to come into your child's classroom and see what they have been learning about and what their teacher has planned for them. Parent and teacher partnerships are very important for your children, as working together will give them the best learning opportunities and outcomes possible!

When are they happening?

Monday: 5/6
Tuesday: 1/2
Wednesday: 3/4
Thursday: K/1

Books in Homes Assembly

Next week, Friday 22\textsuperscript{nd} March, all children will receive their Books in Homes books. We are the only school in our learning community who provides this for every single child and are proud of the wonderful outcomes that this initiative is doing for our children's reading skills. Many children have told me that they cannot wait to get their brand new books! They will be formally distributed during assembly with the help of Sonia Sharpe, our AECG president.

SAY CHEEEEEESE on 26\textsuperscript{th} March

School photos will be held on Tuesday 26\textsuperscript{th} March. Please help our photos reflect the professional standard we have at Paxton School and dress your children in their best school uniform.
Sporting Success!

Congratulations to Riley (absent), Ebony P, Breanna and Kyean for being elected by their peers to be our sports captains for 2013. Best of luck for your year of leading your school friends to fitness and sporting excellence, captains!

We are fit and healthy!

Yesterday our senior students participated in a variety of engaging sporting activities. Our senior girls joined Millfield PS at Cessnock Netball Courts for a day of netball skills, while our boys remained at school and rotated through Rugby Union, Rugby League and Basketball activities. The red faces, smiles and sweaty bodies said it all 😊  Fitness is fun!

Although the last two extra sporting events have fallen on a Wednesday, due to the availability of sport professionals, school sport is still scheduled for Fridays.

“It was good and it was fun. The hoops were high” – Caelli-Rose (Year 3)

“It was awesome” – Max (Year 4)

“The netball was fantastic because they taught us all different skills” – Aimee (Year 5)

“All 3 sports were extremely fun! We learnt new strategies.” – Harry (Year 6)
Easter Hat Parade – 28th March

Our school will be holding an Easter hat parade and we would love all of our families to join us for an afternoon of fun!

Where: At our school, under the COLA.

Time: 1pm – picnic lunch with your children.
2pm – Easter hat parade and performance.
2:30pm – Raffles drawn

All students will get the opportunity to make a hat during class time with their teachers leading up to the parade.

Calendar - Upcoming Events

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Assembly Dates

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Donations of Kids Bandaids

Meet Leo. He will be 3 in July 2013. Just over 12 months ago he was diagnosed with rhabdomyosarcoma in his bladder, lower abdomen and pelvic area. Since that diagnosis he has had chemo, radio and has had over 39 general anaesthetics and countless tests and scans.

In the course of all these procedures he has needed numerous bandaids as blood is taken and cannulas removed. You know how all kids respond to “kid type” bandaids as it helps distract with the pain. Well the Royal Children’s Hospital doesn’t have a budget for kids’ bandaids and the Oncology ward uses boring old bandaids. It’s a tiny thing but kids love a “fancy” bandaid.

Leo’s mum has made it her mission to supply as many children’s bandaids to the Oncology ward. All she is asking is if you could please buy a pack of kids’ bandaids when you go shopping next and donate them to the hospital.

Would you like to help? Please send your fun kids bandaids to school so together we can help make a difference and put smiles on the faces of many children as they go through their treatment/recovery.

All donations will be posted by the school.

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P & C News

Canteen Roster

15th March  Amanda & Stephen
22nd March  Stephen & Tracey
29th March  **GOOD FRIDAY**
5th April    Amanda & Nathalie
12th April   Stephen & Tracey

Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held next Thursday, 21st March at 3.15pm in the school library.

Easter Raffle

Please send in your donations of Easter Eggs for our Raffle which will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on 28th March. Any donations will be greatly appreciated.

Raffle tickets are only $1 each and have been sent home with the children today. All tickets are due back Thursday, 28th March.

Le Rêve Charity Foundation

Just a reminder – order forms are due back on Friday, 22nd March for the Le Rêve perfumes. By purchasing these fragrances you are supporting either Breast Cancer Australia or World Vision.

The perfumes cost only $5.00 each with $1 from each sale going to your chosen charity and also $1 towards Paxton Public School.