Principal's Report

Mr Graham White

Remembrance Day

Remembrance Day was recognised at Paxton Public School with a brief service at 11am on Tuesday. The service was led very capably by our Yr 6 students and the rest of the student body were wonderfully respectful of the occasion.

New Addition to School

Many thanks to our wonderful General Assistant, Al Blake, who organised and erected our new bike shelter. This is a great addition to the school and was contributed to in a big way by the efforts of the senior class from 2013 and 2014. Al was helped by his brother, Wayne, who as many of you may know, worked at our school in the past.

School Assembly

Please note: NO school assembly this week because of swimming. However, we will be having a catch-up assembly next week (Week 7) as well as our normal assembly in Week 8.

Books in Homes

The presentation of books to students as part of the Books in Homes program will take place as part of the special school assembly on Friday, 21st November. Family members will be invited to attend the school for lunch with the kids and the assembly will commence at 2pm and will include the Books in Homes presentation of books.

Whole School Intensive Swimming

The swimming program at Kurri is going well. A show of hands yesterday afternoon showed that nearly all the kids said that their swimming had already improved. The majority of them also admitted to getting a bit tired in the evening and you are possible seeing that at home.

School Uniform (Girls Tunic)

After much research into possible replacements for the out of production girl's tunic material, it seems that there is only one real option available and I have endorsed that option. An example is available for viewing at the school office.

Please note that this is an alternative to girls wearing our school polo shirt and shorts / skorts and is not compulsory.

 NSW departmental uniform policy states that any uniform should not limit any child’s participation in school activities so, if the tunic option is taken, it should be worn with bike pants or similar. (Please see Page 4 for a photo)
Library Stocktake

The school library will be closed from 10 November for approximately 3 weeks for our annual stocktake. Please return all library books as soon as possible. Overdue notices will be sent home in Week 7 for any unaccounted books. Should you have any concerns, please see Mrs Asquith.

NSW School Terms 2015

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Future Leaders Program

An ideal development opportunity for school Student Representative Council (SRC) or any student who shows leadership potential. To make a booking or find out more, contact Sport and Recreation on 13 13 02 or visit http://dsr.nsw.gov.au/futureleadersprimary/ for primary school programs and http://dsr.nsw.gov.au/futureleaderssecondary/ for secondary schools.

Calendar - Upcoming Events Term 4

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School Assembly Dates

- 21st November
- 28th November
- 12th December

Kindergarten Orientation Sessions

Wednesday 19/11/14 9am – 11.30am
- P & C and Canteen
- Morning Tea
- Isabelle Ireland – Speech Assessment
- Mrs Field – K/1 Information Session

Oz Tag Shirts

Anyone who took home Oz Tag shirts from our gala day, could you please return them to school as soon as possible.

Mrs Thompson
**Books in Homes**

The P&C will be holding a special BBQ lunch to celebrate our last Books in homes issue for 2014.

BBQ lunch will starts at 1.15pm next Friday (21st Nov).

Everyone is invited to come along and join in the excitement.

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**Senior Shirts**

2015

Please provide your child’s details before 21st November, 2014 so we can forward all senior shirt orders on to Badgeman. Additional senior shirts can be ordered using the same form.

Payment for additional shirts will need to be paid for in full by 5th December, 2014.

If you have not received an order form, please see Leah in the office.

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**Christmas Raffle**

The P&C has already received some wonderful prizes to go towards this year’s Christmas Raffle. However If you have an item or a service you would like to donate to go towards the raffle, your support would be most appreciated.

(Please see Catherine Dixon or Leah in the office)

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**Lunch Bags**

The P&C was pleased to present next year’s kindergarten enrolments with their free canteen lunch bags this week.

Please remember to give your child’s lunch bag a quick wipe over each week to avoid cross contamination 😊

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Thank you for supporting Paxton Public School P&C ~ Together we can make a difference ~
The P&C have been negotiating with Mr White for some time regarding the introduction of a new dress option to our uniform. The fabric used before is now unavailable and we feel that this choice best matches our current uniform.

Once approved, the dresses will be available to special order from Flanagan’s Menswear 92 Vincent St, Cessnock for $39.95. A sample dress will be available for your inspection in the school office.

Please note: the sample has piping detail and ours will not.

The sample uniform is that of Holy Spirit Infants School in Abermain which Flanagan’s Menswear readily stock. This will enable anyone interested in ordering, to identify the correct size in store, prior to placing an order. More information will become available soon...

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Kitchener Public School Fete
Saturday 22nd November
10am-4pm

Facepainting, Ruby the clown, Quorrobolong Fire Brigade, ABC Jumping Castles and Rides, Trash and Treasure, Cakes, Jams, Plants, Lucky Bucket, Guessing Comp, Shann Simpson Dance Company, Mackenzie Pringle local country singer and many more extra attractions for everyone.

HOT FOOD, COLD DRINKS, HOMEMADE CRAFTS & STALLS

And LOTS and LOTS of fun to be had by all.