



Patoka School Newsletter

Up and Coming Events -please put these in your diary

Year 4-8 reports go home	Thursday 2nd July
Start of Term 3	Monday 20th July
Year 7/8 Technology	Monday 20th July
BOT meeting	Monday 10th August
School Cross Country	Friday 21st August

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Another term has been and gone

It only seems like yesterday that we were beginning this term, yet here we are approaching the end of it. It has been another term that has provided many memorable moments, and great opportunities for learning both inside and out of the classroom. These have included:

- soccer coaching from Napier City Rovers
- a number of sports teams operating outside of school (Thanks to all those parents who have helped with transport)
- the school band meeting on a regular basis (Thanks Tim and Lisa)
- the continued tuition in Kapa Haka (Thanks Kerri Horton)
- a fantastic science unit that has engaged all of our students with many interesting experiments being run
- the creation of the Room 1 garden (planned last year and now being developed by Billie and Room 1 students)
- the creation of our new orchard and planter boxes (Thanks to Keri and Billie)
- the Room 3 concert
- New South Wales exams
- The National Young Leaders conference
- visits from scientists and worm farm experts
- The ANZAC unit with commemorative crosses



The highlight for me would have to be the way our students have taken the science learning home and have been trialling and experimenting in their own time. Thank you to all the students for being so keen to learn.

As we move towards the school holidays I would like to wish you all a very relaxing holiday and hope that you are able to find some time for yourselves. To all the students—remember to help mum and dad out and to make the holidays fun for them.

If you are travelling away please stay safe. I look forward to catching up with you all again in the new term.



Community Notices

BUSK OFF—Win \$500

Busking competition Market St, Napier City / Saturday 11 July 11am-4pm / groups or solos / 10 minute sets
 Limited places: register now at admin@napierinthecity.co.nz / more info: napierplayground.co.nz

Redefine

As part of the Redefine - love your op shop campaign, creative workshops for kids are being held in the Presbyterian Support East Coast and Cranford Hospice op shops during the school holidays.

Redefine is a competition and event that aims to promote creativity and waste reduction by shopping at op shops and repurposing old items. Children will be given the opportunity to create an 'astonishing hat' from items in the op shops. All hats will be entered into Redefine under the 'Hat Trick' children's category. Sponsored by Napier City Council, one of the winners of this category will get to choose a school to receive either the full term or one-day Napier City Council Waste Aware education programme held at the National Aquarium of New Zealand.

Entry to the Redefine holiday workshops costs \$15, which includes the Redefine entry fee and op shop materials used. Children under nine years must be accompanied by a parent. Email events@psec.org.nz to book your place in a workshop. Dates and times are as follows:

- Tuesday 7 July, Cranford Hospice op shop, Hastings (306 Queen St West, Hastings) 10am- 1pm
 - Wednesday 8 July, Cranford Hospice op shop, Napier (126 Dickens St, Napier) 10am-1pm T
 - Tuesday 14 July, Cranford Hospice op shop, Hastings (306 Queen St West, Hastings) 10am- 1pm
 - Wednesday 15 July, Cranford Hospice op shop, Napier (126 Dickens St, Napier) 10am-1pm
 - Thursday 16 July, Presbyterian Support East Coast op shop (14 Joll Road, Havelock North) 10am-1pm
- For more information on the Redefine competition and event, please visit www.redefine.net.nz

Are you up for a challenge! (Parents and children)

If you can work out these puzzles, write it on a piece of paper or email it to me. I will put all of the correct answers in a hat and draw out a winner who will receive a prize.

principal@patoka.school.nz

Good luck!!

This week = Adams mother had 3 children. The first child was Mary, The second child was June. What was the name of the third child?

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Quote of the Week

A holiday quote:

The tans will fade but the memories will last for ever.

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T.R.U.E - be true to yourself
 Trustworthiness Respect Unity Excellence Enthusiasm

Bollywood comes to town

Saturday evening saw Bollywood hit the Puketitiri Hall with Tarun Mohanbhai presenting his one man show -D'Arranged Marriage. This was the major fundraiser for this year organised by our P and F group. It was another fine evening of humour, socialising and I believe, some late night dancing.

I certainly take my hat off to Tarun. Trying to stay in character as a 1 man show cannot be easy. And I am not sure how he manages to remember all of his lines and keeps the show moving. The highlight for me was the musical montage in the middle of the show.

For events like this to be held there are so many people who assist in the organising and running of it. Firstly I would like to thank Michelle Carswell, Kelly Dinneen, Edith Lynam and Lauren Percy for your work as the committee. The hours of organisation and numerous phone calls and trips into town are certainly appreciated.

To Kate Cracknell—thank you for organising the food. To Lee Andrews, Lauren Percy and Billie Herries—thank you for your work in managing the kitchen throughout the evening.

The curries were supplied by Kate Cracknell, Sarah Thellwell, Lee Andrews, Edith Lynam, Kelly Dinneen, Keri McKenzie and Lauren Percy. A special mention also to Rachel Train and Sally McGregor who provided curries even though their children are no longer at school. I would also like to thank Billie Herries for providing the bread, Carla Brown the venison curry, Michelle Carswell the roast lamb and Angela Sales for the rice. There were so many yummy choices it was hard to make a decision.

As you walked in you will have noticed the superb presentation of the hall. Many thanks need to go to Keri McKenzie for decorating the hall with the assistance of Kelly and Tim Dinneen and Michelle Carswell for the Taj Mahal mural.

Two fine gentleman kept the bar operating smoothly. Thank you to Greg Percy and Andrew Carswell for their assistance in managing the bar.

There were a number of people who assisted as the clean up crew -thank you for your help as I know there was a bit of time pressure with the golf tournament the next day.

Finally, a special thank you to all of those people who turned up on the night dressed up in many wonderful costumes and supported the fundraiser. Your continued support for Patoka School is appreciated so from all of us here -thanks for a wonderful night.



Wanted for the school Orchard

Can you help? We are on the lookout for old woollen carpet, plain cardboard and newspaper to line the base of the raised beds. This will help to prevent weeds like couch grass and paspalam getting established. If you have any of these items to spare can you please leave them in the storage area under Room 3.

Billie and Keri would also like to thank Corey, Kendra and the Crosses for the tractor work to prepare the orchard site and the sheep manure.

If you are out and about and feel like popping into school to see the orchard as it starts to take shape please feel free.



Crutching Day Fundraiser

Over the last two weeks two crutching days have been held. Yesterday was Hukanui Station's crutching day and prior to this Paigehill.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Toni and James Turner and Greg Percy for organising these events. We certainly appreciate the extra time that goes into getting these days running.

To all of those people who turned up and assisted with the crutching days (at either of the events) a very big thank you. Once again the school benefits from your support at these events.



Pet Day is coming

This is just a quick notice to let all of our parents and community members know that we are planning to hold a PET Day on Thursday 15th October. This is the first week of Term 4. We have decided to run with the Thursday as this will allow the Kindergarten to be involved.

While final details have not been decided on we are hoping to run a day with many fun and interesting activities. We would like to ask any parents who are interested in helping out or who may have ideas, to contact the teachers at school and join us in making this a memorable event to start Term 4. Planning for the PET Day will begin early in Term 3.



School Cross Country

Put this date in your diary for next Term. Our school cross country is being held on Friday 21st August at the Hutchinson Domain. The postponement date for this is Friday 4th September. More details will be available early in Term 3.



Lost Property

We are still managing to gather a large amount of lost property. Please come and have a look, or encourage your child to have a look on the rack. We would also appreciate it if you could take 5 minutes to label your children's clothing as this would make the task of finding the owner a lot easier.



Mid Year Reports

If your child is in Year 4 to 8 then they will be bringing home their Mid Year school report at the end of this week. These are a progress report that allows teachers to provide you with information on how your child has been working over the first two terms and includes an indication of how your child is progressing towards meeting the National Standard at the end of the year for their age.

Please take some time to read the report with your child and to go over the next steps with them.

