

Pet Day

A reminder that Pet Day is scheduled for Thursday October 15th. Next week we will be asking the children to make a commitment if they are planning to bring a pet. They will be given a form to fill out so that we can track who is intending to bring one. We are asking our children not to panic if they do not have a pet to bring as there will be plenty of other options. The wording on the template will state....**I am most likely to have the following pet for Pet**

Up and Coming Events

Year 7/8 Technology	Monday 17th August
School Cross Country	Friday 21st August
Daffodil Dress Up Day	Tuesday 25th August
BOT Meeting	Monday 7th September

Community Notices

Parts Wanted

Hi my name is Sophie and I have recently bought a Bedford K type Truck. I am in need of parts so if you happen to have a truck on the property with parts that you would like to sell, could you please contact me or my dad Neil on 8395775.

Thank you,
Sophie Hammond



Free to a Good Home

10 month old Kelpie / Boarder Collie cross male. Please phone Karl on 0275300917.

DELICIOUS FREE RANGE EGGS FOR SALE - \$5.00 per dozen Chicken eggs or \$4.00 for half a dozen Duck eggs... yummy to eat and fabulous for baking!

SERVICES AVAILABLE Child care, weekdays during and after school as required.

Have you got a special occasion coming up, or just feel like you deserve a treat? How about having your nails done in the comfort of your own home... wide range of colours available in both regular nail varnish or much longer lasting Gel Polish. Introductory trial offer \$20.00 for either hands or feet, or go all out and have both for \$35.00!

Phone Deb 8398914 or 0211716137.

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

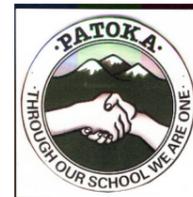
If you can work out these puzzles, write it on a piece of paper or email it to me. I will put all of the correct answers in a hat and draw out a winner who will receive a prize.

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Good luck!!

This week = How can you hold onto both ends of a rope and tie a knot in the rope without letting go of either end of the rope?

Which is correct...eight and eight is fifteen, or eight and eight ARE fifteen?



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Room 2 and 3-People Savers

Last week we had the Red Cross running two People Saver first aid courses at school. After our staff completed their first aid courses we were offered the opportunity to have the Red Cross run two full day courses for our students. This was a wonderful opportunity for our children to develop an understanding of how they might be able to help someone in need of basic first aid treatment. The courses were a mixture of theory and practical tasks.

The session involved learning all about DRS ABC, practising putting people in the recovery position, and having a go at putting bandages and slings on each other. There were opportunities for the children to share their own stories of things that had happened to them and for them to ask questions.

In listening to the children talking about the sessions they were involved in it was clear they had a lot of fun. I did hear from some parents that their children came home and wanted to put them into the recovery position and practice some of the skills they had learned on them.



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Quote of the Week

Laughter is the best medicine.
But, if you are laughing without any reason, you need medicine.

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Daffodil Day dress up



Once again we have the Daffodil Day event coming up. This is always a very worthy cause. Last year the children at Patoka dressed as a book character. For this year's event we are asking the children to come dressed in Yellow or Green or both.

We will be holding this event on **Tuesday 25th August**. Children will need to bring a gold coin with all the money raised going to the Cancer Society. We will also set up a coin trail for those who have loose change

We will be running an art competition this year. All children will have the same brief with winners in each class being given a prize. The art work will be done on the day.

Start going through your wardrobes now to see what you can find. We will send more information next week.

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

Patoka School Cross Country



Date: Friday 21st August
Friday 4th September (Postponement date)

Schools: Patoka, Meeanee, Pakowhai

Venue: Hutchinson Domain - Corner of Puketitiri Rd and Hukanui Rd

Directions: Drive 50km up Puketitiri Rd from the beginning of Puketitiri Road in Taradale. Hutchinson Domain is on the right hand side of the road at the intersection of Puketitiri and Hukanui Road (approximately 45 - 50 minutes drive time)

10:00 Children Arrive
10:30 Welcome / House Keeping
10:35 Walk the courses
11:15 Start of Cross Country Races

Food Available...
Sausage Sizzle, drinks, juices and chocolate bars

Order of Running Events (All times are approximate starting times and may be adjusted depending on numbers in each event)

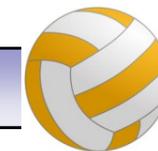
Please note: The buses will not be running on this day. Parents please arrange transport for your child to and from the venue. They need to be at the venue by 10am with their

Start Times	Age Group	Distance
11.15	Boys 12 & 12+ year olds	2500m
11.18	Boys 5 year olds	500m
11.28	Girls 12 & 12+ year olds	2500m
11.31	Girls 5 year olds	500m
11.41	Boys 11 year olds	2000m
11.44	Boys 6 year olds	500m
11.54	Girls 11 year olds	2000m
11.57	Girls 6 year olds	500m
12.05	Boys 10 year olds	1500m
12.15	Girls 10 year olds	1500m
12.23	Boys 7 year olds	1000m
12.31	Girls 7 year olds	1000m
12.39	Boys 9 year olds	1500m
12.47	Girls 9 year olds	1500m
12.55	Boys 8 year olds	1000m
1.03	Girls 8 year olds	1000m

Patoka Sports shirt (these will be handed out the day before). Please also ensure that your children are collected from the venue as soon as it finishes. We will also be looking for some parents to act as marshals.



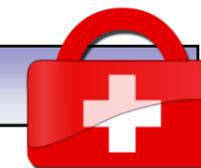
Fair Play



I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Ashleigh Hammond who was nominated as the Patoka School Netball Teams 2015 Unison Medal winner. Well done Ashleigh—we are very proud of you.

I would also like to thank all of those parents who have assisted this team in some way—whether it was coaching or organising transport. Without your commitment this team would not have been able to participate. I am sure the girls appreciated your help.

First Aid kits



Thank you to all the room 3 children who have been selling these kits to raise money for their school camp. Could orders and money please be back at school **Monday 24th August**. Money can be paid into the P&F bank account: 01-0646-0246157-00, please put your surname and First Aid Kit into the reference.

Spooner Shield



Last week Liam Williams and Kobey Gregory attended the Spooner Shield sports day. They were helping out Puektapu School for their Year 6 boys soccer team. Here is what they had to say.

Liam and I went to the Soccer Tournament (Spooner Shield). We played for Puketapu because they were two players down so we filled in. We went quite well. We won one, drew three and lost three. Our team faced teams such as Arthur Miller, Tamatea, Taradale, Porritt, Bledisloe and some other schools. We had a great time. Thanks Mr Ward for organising this (Kobey)

Last Friday Kobey and I went to the Spooner Shield Soccer Tournament. We played for Puketapu School. We had a person in our team called Joe. He didn't speak English because he was from Japan. Kobey was the only one who got a goal. It was really hard to score. We had seven games. We won one, drew three and lost three. The hardest team we faced was Taradale. They won the whole thing. It was fun and hard (Liam)

Paige Willems - Travelling to school

Paige wrote the following description of children in another country crossing a broken bridge to get to school.

I heard the rattling of the clanky bridge. I heard the tingling and the softness of the trees.

I saw the people clamber across the broken bridge. I saw the clinging of the monkeys climbing onto the branches.

I left the bridge swaying from side to side. I felt the river flowing to and fro.

I wondered if the bridge was going to break down. I wondered if I could make it to the other side.

