From the Principal

We have come to the end of the term. It has been a settled and productive start to the year. The students are very fortunate to have families who care so well for them; who make sure they have what they need and who send their children to school everyday well-fed and dressed smartly. Thank you for your hard work supervising homework, listening to your children read and answering their endless questions.

If you are taking a break over Easter, then I hope it is relaxing and rejuvenating!

On behalf of the staff we wish you all a safe and happy holiday from the school routine.

Lindy Bryant

We are very versatile here at Padstow Heights PS! Not only do we have talented sports’ people but we also many students talented in the creative arts. These two students, Sienna C. (5J) and Angelina S. (5C) have been chosen to represent the region in the Cross Network Girls’ Dance Ensemble.

WORKING BEE

This has been scheduled for Saturday 2nd May from 9:00am. Jobs include cleaning around the sandpit, developing the newly cleared area behind the brick classrooms and developing the front garden area.

If you can help for even an hour or two it will make a difference. More details will be sent home after the holidays.

The East Hills District Girls’ Soccer Team won the Regional carnival last week. Monique and Zeina, the two Padstow Heights representatives, are pictured holding the shield. The team was coached by our own Ms Christine Oliveri. Well done!

Easter Hat Parade

tomorrow from 11:10am.

Calendar of March events

Mar 31st Combined scripture assembly for Easter 9:20
Apr 1st Easter Hat parade
Apr 1st Red Day and Reward Recess
Apr 2nd Last day Term 1
Apr 21st Students return for Term 3
Apr 24th School ANZAC service. All welcome.
May 2nd Confirmed date for our Working Bee! Details to come
May 6th Mothers’ Day Stall
Assembly Merit Awards for Week 9 Term 1

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PSSA SPORT Round 1

Rugby League

PHPS Juniors were defeated by Panania North 32-16
PHPA Seniors defeated Panania North 32-20

Jayden G, Khodr M, Joshua I and Joshua B continue to impress in the junior team. Jackson Sl had a fantastic game in defence and attack for the senior team.


Touch Football

Junior Touch:
In a very close match, Padstow Heights defeated East Hills 4-3. A great effort my Mac W with a diving try to seal the win. Great effort boys.

Senior Touch:
In what was the boys best performance so far, Padstow Heights defeated East Hills 5-0. A fantastic try by Kosta S, running a full length of the field, dodging and weaving around the opposition. Great work boys, keep it up!

Newcombe ball had a bye this week

Netball

Junior A’s: We had great people in defence. We did great passes and our shooters were good. Better luck next round. Padstow Park won 15-5. (by Sophie, Abby & Charlize)

Junior B’s: Good passing, defending and shooting. We won against Revesby and we had an awesome time! 2-0. (by Jessica)

Senior A’s: We had good defence and we moved into spaces. We beat Padstow Park 27-11. (by Tiarne, Abi)

Senior B’s: We tried our best but we lost against Padstow Park 20-5. We had some good defence. (by Sofia & Daniella)

Band News

Morning band rehearsals are now held in the new hall.

Wednesday tutorials have been changed to cater for the Hat parade. Please take note of your new time for tomorrow.

Thursday tutorials this week have been postponed – make up time is Friday Week 1.

Congratulations to our new band members who have been working hard to learn to play their instrument. Don’t forget to keep practising during the holidays!
URGENT!!

PARENT HELPERS NEEDED

Special Religious Education (SRE) is the opportunity for SRE teachers to go to their local state school and teach about their faith. Most of the SRE teachers at Padstow Heights are currently teaching well past their retirement age, and they will continue to teach the Catholic children at Padstow Heights, so they do not miss out on learning about their faith. However, we urgently need more Catholic scripture teachers and helpers.

Are you available to assist in this most important of tasks? Classes take place on Tuesday mornings at 9.20am, during school terms where we teach a 30 minute lesson to the children about the love of Jesus. No qualifications are needed except the love of talking to children, and it does not feel hard, it feels amazing and wonderful. Resources are provided.

If you can assist or would like further information, please leave your details at the school office. Hoping to hear from you!

Mrs D'acciaro
Parish Catechist Co-ordinator

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DRAMA lessons in Term 2

Students in Years 3 and 4 have enjoyed the drama lessons this term. They have been very engaged and new skills and confidence have been gained.

Next term it will be time for Kindergarten, 1C and 1H to have drama classes during RFF on Mondays. You will be invoiced at the beginning of the term for $40 to cover the cost of this program.

Correction

There seems to be more than one black ute in the area. Please note that the ute mentioned last week was driven by a man who may or may not have been a parent from our school. The close call happened in the Henry Kendall area. It is a reminder for everyone to drive cautiously around drop off and pick up times.

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ANZAC DAY, SATURDAY 25 APRIL 2015

A message from Bankstown Council

On Anzac Day we are hosting a very special event, and invite you to be part it.

This free event at Bankstown Memorial Oval will run from 11am till approximately 2pm on Saturday 25 April and will include a live screening of the Anzac Day Service in Gallipoli on the electronic cricket scoreboard.

A large number of local residents and community groups are expected to attend and we encourage all of your students and their families to join us.

Local schools are invited to play a role in the event program by laying a wreath. Your wreath would be supplied free of charge.

We hope to see your school community on Saturday 25 April to mark this important and historic community event.

If you are in Year 5 or Year 6 and you are going to attend this function, please let Mrs Kolodziej know. You may be chosen to lay the wreath for our school.

School Holiday Activities

Please find a list of school holiday activities for children and young people in the Bankstown LGA at www.bankstown.nsw.gov.au

Parents Online Payments

This service has been installed for your convenience. All school payments (except weekly PSSA) can be made online via our school website.

Update on Wendy Brown (Teacher Librarian)

Wendy is gradually improving. She is due to be moved out of intensive care shortly. She is up and moving around for a short time each day and is expected to be in hospital for another two weeks.

While Wendy is on sick leave her role is being taken by Ms Serena Bourke.

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