



# Paxton Public School

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***"Safety, Teamwork, Achievement, Respect"***

Term 4 - Week 8

Thursday, 26 November 2015



## Mini fair

Notes went home this week about the upcoming mini fair that the 4/5/6 students will be putting on next Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December. This is an annual event to raise money for the Year 6 gift to the school and also to assist with costs related to the Year 6 fun day excursion. Students in 4/5/6 have been busy organising their stall and will have a range of activities and items for sale. These include: coloured hairspray, lolly stall, sponge throwing, bakery, throwing competitions and more. The cost to buy or have a go at these activities will range from 10c through to \$1. Students have also been encouraged to donate a gold coin for coming out of uniform on the day. Parents and community are invited to attend the event which will run from 2pm through to 3pm. The P&C are also putting on another delicious lunch which needs to be ordered by Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Hope to see you then!

## Year 6 2016 school leader speeches

Our Year 5 students are encouraged to prepare a speech to be a school leader in 2016. The speeches will be conducted at our last Friday assembly for the year on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> December (Week 10). Once the speeches have been given, students and teachers will vote and then the school leaders will be announced at our Presentation Assembly.

## Presentation Assembly night

The Presentation Night will be held on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> November from 5pm. This night was originally marked in the term calendar as the Carols Night, but after talking to the P&C we have decided not to have the Carols Night this year. Students will be required to wear their school uniform on this night.

## Surf lifesaving day

Notes went home yesterday for our excursion to Nobby's Beach in Newcastle. The bus will leave school at 8:30am and we are expected to return around 3:30pm. The cost is \$10 per student and this covers the bus fare. The school will pay for the cost of the activities with Hunter Surf Life Saving through the remainder of the sporting grant. Please return notes and money by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December. As we will have some spare seats on the bus we have put out an Expression of Interest to parents who may be interested in coming along with us. Please note that parents will not be required to supervise students and that the activities are designed for the students. In saying this, we would love to involve our parents in as many school activities as we can, so if you would like to come along please fill in the form and return to the office.

## Devices at school

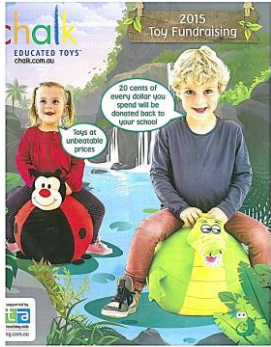
Students in 4/5/6 have recently asked me if they could bring in an iPad, tablet or iPod to use in the playground. I have spoken to the students and have agreed that they can bring in their device until the end of the year under a few guidelines:

- Devices are for music and games only – no phones, messages or photos/videos.
- Devices must either remain in their bag, in the office or my desk during class time.
- Any damage or theft of the devices is the student and parents responsibility.

*Kind regards,  
Michelle Murphie  
Principal*

## Toy Fundraiser

Orders for the Parent Direct and Chalk Toys catalogues are due on Monday. This is a wonderful opportunity to get some Christmas presents organised without leaving the house and facing the crowds!



All products are from Modern Teaching Aids, which is a Department of Education preferred supplier. Paxton School will receive 20% commission from all sales.

Please return orders and payment to the school office.

## P&C NEWS

### 2015 Christmas Raffle

Books of 10 tickets were sent home this week for the Christmas Raffle.

3 Winners will be drawn on Monday December 14<sup>th</sup> at around 6.30 pm at the conclusion of the Presentation Night Assembly.

Thanks to our sponsors West End Pharmacy & Post Office, Bunnings and Bellbird Butchery. Your support is appreciated by all those associated with Paxton Public School.

Tickets and money must be returned by 3pm Monday December 14<sup>th</sup> to be included in the draw.

Tickets will also be available for a short time on the night.

Thanks for your support!

### P&C General Meetings for 2015

The final general meeting for the year will be held on Thursday December 10<sup>th</sup> at 2pm

Meetings are held in the school library unless notified. Please note that these dates are a guide and are subject to change if required.

We hope you can join us?

### Mini Fair BBQ Lunch

To assist the Year 6 students in their fundraising, the P&C is hosting a BBQ Lunch at 1.15pm on Wednesday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, prior to the Mini Fair which commences at 2pm.

If you are interested in joining us for lunch, please return the attached order form before 9am on Tuesday December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Catering for such an event can be difficult so please understand that pre-ordering is essential.

We'll be offering steak and sausage sandwiches as well as icy cold drinks.

All profits from the BBQ will go toward assisting the Year 6 students' fundraising efforts.

We hope to see you there!

## Cessnock Carols in the Park

Proudly supported by Newcastle Permanent  
and Cessnock City Council

Baddeley Park

Friday 4 December 2015

From 6.30pm (fireworks at 8.30pm)

**FREE family event!**



MC Tara Naysmith



Markets from 4.30pm



Help us break the Guinness World  
Record from 5.30pm

Cessnock Mayor,  
Cr Bob Pynsent,  
invites you to a  
fun-filled family  
evening of local  
entertainment  
not to be missed.

Bring your picnic blanket and  
seats, but please leave your  
alcohol and glass at home.



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