

Paxton & Glass

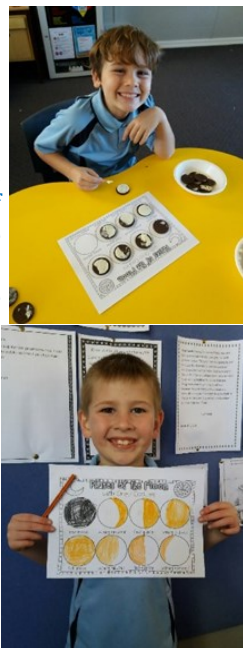


Mathematics

We have been learning about volume and capacity and mass in Paxton C and have been enjoying using hands-on activities to help us learn about concrete objects and continuous materials. The class enjoyed using sand to estimate the capacity of different containers and using various tools to compare answers.

Science

Over the past few weeks we have been very busy learning about Earth and Space. We created diagrams of how the sky changes throughout the day between sunrise and sunset and even learnt that the sun rises in the East and sets in the West. We used the recent Blood Moon to learn how a lunar eclipse occurs in space and even used Oreos to explore the different phases of the moon. We even got to eat the Oreos afterwards!



Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE)

During PDHPE Paxton C has been continuing with our Growth and Development topic and have been learning about how strongly our words and actions can affect our emotions and how we feel on the inside. We enjoyed participating in an activity where we had to anonymously write something positive about our classmates on each finger of our handprint. The results were so heart-warming!

Regards, Sarah Kennedy (University Intern)

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Science

We'd started our unit on *Earth and Space* and students will be given a project to complete at home as part of their homework. This is due into class by Friday of Week 6 31st August 2018.



Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE)

During PDHPE this term we will learn more about how the human body grows and develops. We've shared some of our baby and preschool photos and they have been so cute! Mrs Bainbridge is teaching the class about the different systems in the body such as the respiratory, circulatory and skeletal.

Music

Our Music this term will consist of practical skills such as learning to play the keyboard, drum and recorder. Students will also experiment with creating sounds digitally using Garage Band on the iPads and using Audacity to piece tracks together.

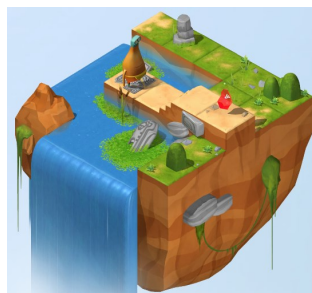


Coding - STEM

As part of our STEM program this term we've started to use a range of programs to increase our coding skills.

***Scratch:** using the computer we program our characters (known as sprites) to perform a range of commands using different blocks.

***Swift Playgrounds:** using the iPads we program our 'Byte' to collect gems and move around a range of platforms.



Both the programs/apps are free to download from the internet/App store.

Stage 3 Small Schools Canberra Excursion

We're off to Canberra next Wednesday! We have a very early morning start with our bus picking us up at 5:30am.

Regards, Michelle Murphie



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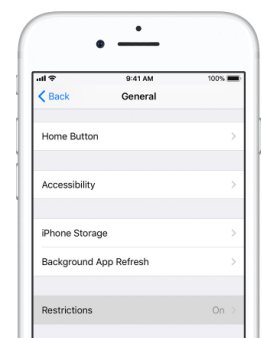
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Term 3-Week 3 Friday 10th August 2018

Principal's Report

Restricting access on the internet

Parents are encouraged to monitor their child's use of the internet through computers, Ipads and other mobile devices. Parents/carers can block certain apps and access to sites through the devices *Parental Control* settings.



Turn Parental Controls on or off

1. Go to Settings > General > Restrictions.
2. Tap Enable Restrictions.
3. Create a Restrictions passcode. You need your Restrictions passcode to change the settings or to turn off Restrictions.

NAIDOC Week

We spent a wonderful day at Kitchener on the last day of Term 2 celebrating NAIDOC Day. We created a small school graffiti art banner, watched Aboriginal dancing, participated in games and made some delicious cooking items. Thanks to our friends from Kitchener and Congewai who made the day happen. Also thanks to the students and teacher from Hunter Sports High School who ran the activities on the day.



Zone Public Speaking competition

In Week 2 our school finalists (Samantha, Chaise, Ella, Noah and Halie) delivered their speeches as part of the Zone Finals at Kurri Kurri Public School. Well done to those students for this achievement!

University of Newcastle prac students

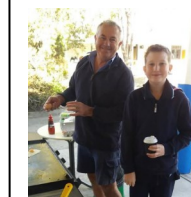
At the start of the term we welcomed Sarah Kennedy into our school. Sarah has been spending her time in Paxton C and is having a great time with Mrs Clark and the students. Sarah will be with us for 5 weeks as part of her placement with the University of Newcastle.

Zone Athletics

A big congratulations to our students who participated in the Cessnock Zone Athletics Carnival held during Week 2 earlier this term.

Back to School Breakfast

Kim Swinburn (our talented GA and cook) did another great job of providing us with a hot breakfast again on the first Wednesday of this term. The staff and students look forward to this way of starting the term. Mrs Ledbrook and Sian Membrey were kept busy with hot milos and coffees.



Term 3 staffing

We welcome Mrs Judith (Judy) Bainbridge into our school as the teacher for Literacy and Numeracy (all classes Wednesdays), Principal Release (Paxton M Thursdays) and RFF (all classes Fridays). Ms Samantha Russell is also working with us on Fridays as part of our STEM programs.

Kindergarten in 2019

Our transition program for our Kindergarten students starting in 2019 starts on the first Wednesday of Term 4. If you have a child (or know of a child) who is ready to start school in 2019 please pass the following information of dates onto them and get in contact with our school.

Kind regards, Michelle Murphie

Rocket off into Kindergarten in 2019 at Paxton Public School

Is your child ready to start school in 2019? Join us for our kindy orientation sessions that are starting this October.

Our school provides students with numerous opportunities to succeed through academic achievement, creative arts, information technology and sport. Other programs include: cooking, drumming, camps, excursions and much more...

17th October 8:30am - 11am (Join us for our Back to School Breakfast at 8:30am. Parents/carers then stay for a chat and morning tea from 9am-11am)
24th October 9am - 11am
31st October 9am - 11am
7th November 9am - 12noon
14th November 9am - 12noon
21st November 9am - 12noon
28th November 9am - 3pm
5th December 9am - 3pm
12th December 9am - 3pm (Mini Fair afternoon)

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Assembly Awards

Paxton S class	
Boyd Gibson	Being organised and helpful in maths groups
William Brown	Improvement in reading
Kaitlyn Ball	Improved pencil control when tracing
Paxton C class	
Evan Nugent	A great effort in writing
Ella Russell-Crowley	Working hard in Mathematics
Reide Blyton	Focusing during reading groups
Paxton M class	
Taylah Orlowski	Improvement in reading
Shayla Gibson	Improvement in writing
Dominic Peace	Working well in STEM activities
Principal's Awards	
Tyler Boorman (Kindergarten)	Working hard in all areas of learning
Grace Jobson (Year 1)	Doing her best in all writing tasks
Tyler Armstrong (Year 2)	Achievement in Mathematics
Noah Grunsell (Year 3)	Achievement in all areas
Makayla Ball (Year 4)	Consistently high effort in all areas
Kaydence Brown (Year 5)	Consistently high effort in all areas
Benjamin Ling (Year 6)	Dedication to learning and improvement
Paxton Star Awards	
Seth Gibson	Achievement in Mathematics
Bam Shoesmith	Achievement in class
Hamish Membrey	Consistently displaying STAR behaviour
Home Reading	
25 Nights	Hayley Ball, William Brown, Benjamin Ling and Emi-Jay Brown
50 Nights	Makayla Ball
75 Nights	Tyler Boorman
150 Nights	Ella Russell-Crowley and Jeremy Dafter

Wk	Date	Upcoming Events
Term 3		
4	Tue 14/8	ICAS Maths Science Fair 2-3pm
	Wed 15/8	Stage 3 camp
	Thu 16/8	Stage 3 camp Book Week Roadshow K-4 at 11.40am
	Fri 17/8	Stage 3 camp
5	Thu 23/8	Book Week Parade 2-3pm Book Fair
	Fri 24/8	PBL reward
6	Mon 27/8	Stage 2 camp
	Tue 28/8	Stage 2 camp
	Wed 29/8	Hockey Gala Day 9.30am-1.30pm Assembly 2.30pm
	Thu 30/8	Father's Day activities 2-3pm
	Fri 31/8	Cessnock Netball Gala Day (Yrs 5 & 6)



Stage 3 camp-Canberra

The camp is being held in Term 3, Week 4 on Wednesday 15th August to Friday 17th August. Payment for the camp was due on Friday 3rd August if you have not paid for the camp in full please do so as soon as possible.



Stage 2 camp-Outdoor Education Camp, Morisset

The camp is being held in Term 3, Week 6 on Monday 27th August to Tuesday 28th August. The total cost of the camp is \$181.50 which can be paid in instalments. Full payment is due by Tuesday 14th August.



Online Payment

Payment for excursions and events can be made via the school's website. On the home page click the **Make a payment tab** which will then take you to the payment details. All you need to do is fill out the information and follow the instructions. Once payment has been processed an email is sent to the school advising us of this payment.

Student banking

Student banking day is every Friday. If you would like information on joining your child up with a Youthsaver account please see Leeanne in the office.

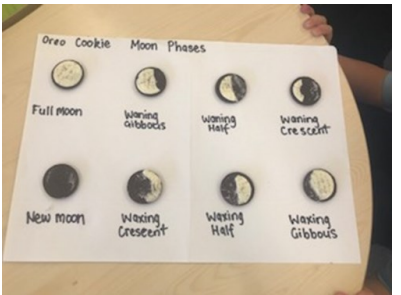


Paxton S class

It has been a busy and productive start to term 3 in Paxton S. The children have been busy enjoying the topic Earth and Space and many different activities relating to this. In literacy groups the students will decorate some golf balls using bright coloured paint and glitter, to represent our planets. We are going to set these up in two large trays with kinetic sand, space astronaut figurines and earth and space flash cards. We learnt about the moon's phases using the delicious Oreo space activity. Students recreated the lunar phases using the frosting from Oreo cookies, they learnt terms such as 'New Moon', 'Waxing crescent', 'Waning Gibbous' and 'Full Moon'. We have seen an increased interest in ocean animals through discussions about sea turtles and how we can help animals that are being affected by our plastic usage. We are continuing to explore the concept of the ocean through learning about different animals and the layers of the ocean.

Along with lots of fun learning we have been mastering skills such as cutting, strengthening our fine motor muscles and further developing our literacy and numeracy recognition and understanding. We have been learning about ways we can be a good friend and discussing and role playing what makes us a good friend and why it is important to be a good friend. We will also talk about what emotions we feel when a friend does something we don't like.

We are looking forward to another fun filled term with lots of learning and growing to be done.



Regards,
Corrin Shoesmith