

# Paxton S Class

# Paxton M

## Literacy and Numeracy Groups

We are off to a flying start in Paxton this term. The students are becoming very familiar with our group work routines. In Literacy and Numeracy, different activities are provided for each group based on interest and ability. The students have a list of 'must do' activities that they are required to complete each day and also a range of optional activities to participate in once their 'must do' activities are complete.



## Mrs Floyd

This week we welcome Mrs Floyd to Paxton S. Mrs Floyd is a Curtin University student and has chosen our school for her first placement. Mrs Floyd is also an experienced SLSO from Cessnock West and we are very excited to have her in our class for the next two weeks!

*Regards, Corrin Shoesmith*

The theme for Education Week this year is 'Every student, every voice'. In Paxton M we used the song 'This is Me' to discuss who we are and why we should all be proud of our individuality.

Here are some student responses to the questions posed:

**I am Phoenix**

**I like Nintendo**

**I want to be the very best at Pokemon**

**This is me**

**I am Shayla Jade Armstrong**

**I like spending time with my family**

**I want to be a paramedic**

**This is me**

**I am Aidan**

**I like chips and nuggets, gaming and swimming**

**I want to be a fireman**

**This is me**

**I am Noah**

**I like animals and sport**

**I want to be a famous tennis player**

**This is me**

**I am Bam**

**I like food and sport**

**I want to be a famous football player**

**This is me**

**I am Makayla**

**I like animals, lasagne and seeing my family**

**I want to be a zookeeper**

**This is me**

**I am Alana**

**I like birds, cats and the Eiffel Tower**

**I want to be an artist and a teacher**

**This is me**

**Regards, Kylie Mexon  
and Tiffany Wing**



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## Principal's Report

Welcome to Term 3! We would like to send a warm welcome to our new students Sonny, Max, Alex and Liara (all in K12) and extend that welcome to their families. It's lovely to see some new little faces around our school. As always, we have been busy at Paxton Public School. Here are just a few highlights.

## NAIDOC Week

Kitchener Public School were kind enough to invite us over for a wonderful cultural celebration for NAIDOC Week. Students from Hunter Sports High School and the Youth Pathways organisation ensured students learnt many things about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

## Public Speaking Finals

Congratulations to all of our students who participated in the school final at the end of Term 3. The stage finalists will progress to the zone final which will be held on Tuesday September 12th. Venue TBC. Well done to Bentley Horder and Thomas Price (ES1), Connor Membrey and Reef Dunkin (S1) Evan Nugent and Noah Grunsell (S2) and Tylah Shoesmith and Taylah Orlowski (S3).

## Regional Spelling Bee

Well done to our school Spelling Bee finalists who will be competing in the regional final on Monday Sep 9th at Pelican Point Public School; Evan Nugent and Alex Crawford (S2) and Jacob Ball and Shayla Gibson (S3). Awards for both Public Speaking and the Spelling Bee will be handed out at our Book Week celebrations in Week 5.

## Sporting Schools Grant

We have finished athletics with the PCYC and have now started weekly gymnastics! This is made possible because of the sporting schools grant NSW.

## Regional North Awards



Congratulations to Corrin Shoesmith who was recognised for her efforts this year in building the profile of Aboriginal Education at our school. Corrin received an award at a very warm ceremony at Maitland Office from Executive Director Mr Tim McCallum which was supported by Mr Martin Rosser. Well done Corrin and thank you!

## Term 3 Breakfast

Thank you to all of our families who joined us for our Term 3 breakfast! Even though the BBQ was not cooked by Kim (due to a cold), Mr Clark did a good job! It's always a lovely way to start the term and a nice way to catch up.

## Special Visitors

It's always great to have special visitors in our school. Late last term we welcomed Constable Michael Steele in to talk to Years 3-6 about online safety. Coach Cash from the Commonwealth Bank entertained us and educated us about financial literacy and we welcomed the Tooth Fairy from Happy Tooth Dentist into our classes in Week 1.

## Zone Athletics

Well done to Isabella Ling, Tylah Shoesmith, Noah Grunsell, Bam Shoesmith and Taylah Orlowski who showed wonderful sportsmanship at the Zone Athletics Carnival last week. We are very proud of your efforts!

## Paxton Playgroup

This year we will be having 'Paxton Playgroup' as an informal way to start the kindergarten transition process for 2020. If you know any Pre-School aged children who might be interested in attending, be sure to pass on our details. Sessions will run on Thursday mornings from Sep 5th for 4 weeks. A more formal transition will follow in Term 4.



## Education Week - every student, every voice!

A big congratulations to our 4 award recipients for Paxton Public School who received awards at the ceremony at Mount View High School this week; Evan Nugent (student achievement - writing), Corrin Shoesmith (excellence in teaching), Leanne Ledbrook (excellence in management) and Honor Grunsell (community support - Star Struck). Thank you to all of our families who came along to visit our classrooms and for attending our assembly.

## Leadership Breakfast

It was an honour to take our school captains Isabella and Tylah to the leadership breakfast last week where we listened to Damien Thomlinson's truly inspirational story of hope, courage and survival.





Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students on their achievements.



Paxton C class	
Reef Dunkin	Being kind and caring to our new students
Bentley Horder	Developing more self-confidence when reading tricky words
Alex Harvey-Noble	Showing personal strength at school
Paxton S class	
Seth Gibson	Improved listening skills
Emi-Jay Brown	Being a responsible class member
Hayley Lamplough	Great skills in gymnastics
Paxton M class	
Phoenix Dening	For a fantastic and settled start to Term 3
Kaydence Brown	Taking greater responsibility for her learning
Samantha Oxenbridge	Having a more positive attitude to her learning
Principal's Awards	
Phoenix Dening	Personal growth and maturity
Paxton Star Awards	
Quade Sands	Achievement
Sophie Parkes	Teamwork
Kaydence Brown	Respect
Gold Awards	
Jeremy Dafter	Achieving 10 Merit Awards
Connor Membrey	Achieving 10 Merit Awards
Hamish Membrey	Achieving 10 Merit Awards



Tooth Fairy Visit- Happy Tooth Dentist

Wk	Date	Upcoming Events
4	Mon 12/8	Gymnastics
	Tue 13/8	Cooking Program-Paxton S
	Wed 14/8	K-2 Oakvale Wildlife Park Excursion
	Fri 16/8	Canteen
5	Mon 19/8	Staff Development Day
	Tue 20/8	Cooking Program-Paxton S
	Wed 21/8	Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition
	Thu 22/8	Scripture 2.30pm
	Fri 23/8	Book Week Parade P&C fundraising lunch
6	Mon 26/8	Mount View High School visit Yr 6 Gymnastics
	Tue 27/8	Cooking Program-Paxton S
	Wed 28/8	Assembly 2.30pm Kullaburra Awards 4pm Cessnock HS
	Fri 30/8	Yr 6 Fundraising Lunch



Welcome back to all our families for Term 3. Hope you all had a great break.

Book Week

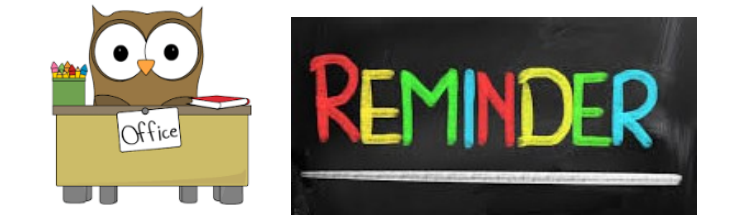
The P&C will be holding a fundraiser for the Book Week Parade so be sure you save some money aside for our delicious lunch. Further details will be sent out closer to the day. All offers of help are welcome. Please see Leeanne in the office or a committee member if you can assist.

Father's Day Stall

The P&C will be holding a Father's Day Stall again this year. If you have any suitable items to donate for the stall they would be greatly appreciated. Please leave donations at the front office. If you would like to assist on the day please see Leeanne in the office or a committee member.

Trivia Night

Plans for our annual Trivia Night are well under way. Further details will be sent out closer to the day but it will be held sometime in October. Start getting a table together, we need some competition for the Teachers' Table this year.



Woolworths Earn and Learn

Thank you to everyone who collected the Earn and Learn stickers. The school ended with a total of 7500 stickers which went towards resources for each classroom.

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.



K-2 Oakvale Farm Wildlife excursion

Notes were sent home Monday 29th July. The cost of the excursion is \$30.00 and payment and permission notes are due back on Monday 12th August.



Year 5/6 Great Aussie Bush Camp

The camp will be held on Monday 23rd September to Wednesday 25th September. Payment slips went home on Thursday 25th July which you can use if you wish to pay the camp off in multiple instalments. Full payment of the camp is due in Term 3, Week 9 Wednesday 18th September.



Year 3/4 Sydney Overnight Camp

The camp will be held on Thursday 31st October to Friday 1st November. Payment slips went home on Thursday 25th July which you can use if you wish to pay the camp off in multiple instalments. Full payment of the camp is due in Term 4, Week 2 Friday 25th October.



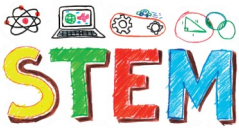
Payment

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.

MAKE A PAYMENT

Regards Leeanne Ledbrook  
School Administrative Manager

Paxton C



We have been doing some investigating and problem solving through STEM in K12 this term. Students are now familiar with Sphero Minis and have been enjoying making obstacle courses for challenges we have set up. Mrs Bainbridge has also been taking the students to the 456 classroom for STEM sessions in which they have become more familiar with Bee-Bots. In the coming weeks, we will be looking at how to code the Sphero Minis and Bee-Bots.



Edwina the Emu

This week we have been reading Edwina the Emu by Rod Clements. Students have been coming up with alternative names for Edward and Edwina's ten little eggs. Students enjoyed painting a baby emu for our classroom display. In writing, students have been composing 'work wanted' posters for Edwina, who felt she needed to provide for her drastically expanding family. Look at our fabulous artworks!



Mrs Clark and Paxton C