



Patchwork News

Respect, Responsibility, Integrity

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Dates to remember

June

Fri 26th End of Term 2 – **early dismissal 2:30pm**

July

Mon 13th First day of Term 3

Thu 30th SCHOOL PHOTOS

**** Stomp the Beat sessions have been rescheduled to the first five Wednesday's of Term 4, this applies to all year levels.**

We will miss Kent for term three, he is off to the snow as he pursues his passion to teach at Diner Plains. We look forward to his return in term four.

Main entry gates blocked off over the term break

As you've notice our fancy new front fence is up and there's just a few more final finishes to be done. A strip of our main IN and OUT gates are being concreted over the break, this means they will be blocked off for the two week period. The concrete needs two weeks to fully cure, so the holiday period was our best option. OSHClub staff and parents will need to access the school via the gravel carpark.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

Thought for the week: Consider the other point of view before you make a judgment and remember to have unconditional positive regard for each other.

COVID 19 has certainly thrown us a curve, as a community we have risen to its challenges and navigated an extraordinary amount of changes in our everyday life. Now we have all of our students back together, we begin the process of re-establishing friendships, working out how to play and work together, follow our values of respect, responsibility and integrity to recommence again in a completely different way with an open mindset.

Our challenge is to see beyond what is shown and look beneath to the hidden beauty in all of us. To not judge and condone, but to trust and believe that we will look after our community. Whilst the article below refers to families living and raising children with challenging issues, this applies to all of us as we continue to navigate COVID-19 and resume normality in our lives. The words we use and the way we act towards each other can have a significant impact. We need to have unconditional positive regard for our parents, teachers, students and our community.

A great article from a parent "Have you been to Holland" by Emily Perl Kinglsey.

Please take the time to read:

I am often asked to describe the experience of raising a child with a disability - to try to help people who have not shared that unique experience to understand it, to imagine how it would feel. It's like this.....

When you're going to have a baby, it's like planning a fabulous vacation trip - to Italy. You buy a bunch of guide books and make your wonderful plans. The Coliseum, The Michelangelo David, The gondolas in Venice. You may learn some handy phrases in Italian. It's all very exciting.

After months of eager anticipation, the day finally arrives. You pack your bags and off you go. Several hours later, the plane lands. The stewardess comes in and says, "Welcome to Holland."

"Holland?!?" you say. "What do you mean Holland?? I signed up for Italy! I'm supposed to be in Italy. All my life I've dreamed of going to Italy."

But there's been a change in the flight plan. They've landed in Holland and there you must stay. The important thing is that they haven't taken you to a horrible, disgusting, filthy place, full of pestilence, famine and disease. It's just a different place.

So you must go out and buy new guide books. And you must learn a whole new language. And you will meet a whole new group of people you would never have met.

It's just a different place. It's slower-paced than Italy, less flashy than Italy. But after you've been there for a while and you catch your breath, you look around.... and you begin to notice that Holland has windmills....and Holland has tulips. Holland even has Rembrandts.

But everyone you know is busy coming and going from Italy... and they're all bragging about what a wonderful time they had there. And for the rest of your life, you will say "Yes, that's where I was supposed to go. That's what I had planned."

And the pain of that will never, ever, ever, ever go away... because the loss of that dream is a very, very significant loss.

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But... if you spend your life mourning the fact that you didn't get to Italy, you may never be free to enjoy the very special, the very lovely things ... about Holland.

I hope you have enjoyed this piece as it rings true with so many things in life. We are often expecting things to be as we have planned, but strangely life throws us many challenges to deal with. I have always believed that we are only sent what we can deal with, well most of the time, however sometimes we need a helping hand as life can easily overwhelm us.

Have a great holiday, see you all next term.

Deb
Principal

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Goodbye FlexiBuzz ...

As of the 30th June, FlexiBuzz will no longer be operating and we will need to put another communication method in place. For the interim and commencing term three, the best way to submit a student absence will be:

- ✓ Sentral Parent Portal
- ✓ Email the school the.patch.ps@education.vic.gov.au
- ✓ If the above fails, call the school office 9756 7463



One more grump

I know we have sent a few grumpy messages out lately in relation to the increased traffic issues for pick up & drop off.

We just have one more...

Please do not park in front or on the pathway that leads to the oval from The Patch Road.

Once again, thank you to everyone who have been doing the right thing.



Kellie & 5/6A brought Italy to us

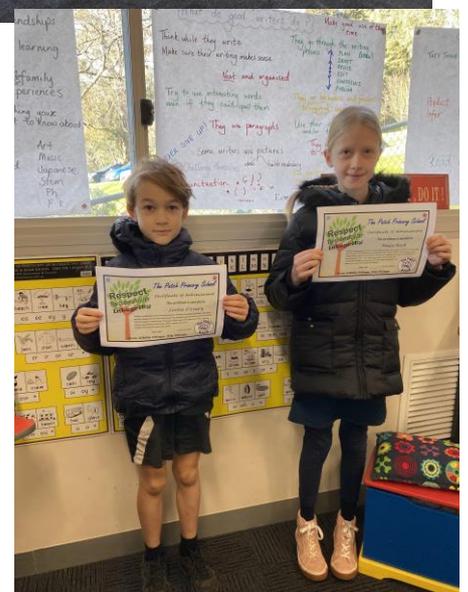
If it wasn't for coronavirus, Kellie would be soaking up the sun in Italy right now. She had booked her family a holiday to Italy and unfortunately due to Coronavirus they were unable to go. So this week 5/6A brought Italy to us!



WHAT ASSMELBY NOW LOOKS LIKE



Each week a different class gets to attend assembly in the hall, with the rest of our classes & parents watching via WebEx.



The Patch Primary School

SchoolPix is coming to photograph on:
Thursday, 30 July 2020

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Our high-quality, play-based programs, led by our qualified and passionate educators are designed to support your child's individual curiosity and imagination.

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- Large natural outdoor play area
- Collaborative partnerships with families and communities
- Play-based program
- Qualified and passionate staff

2020 Timetable

Group	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
3-Year-Old			9.15am-2.15pm		
4-Year-Old	9.15am-2.15pm	9.15am-2.15pm		9.15am-2.15pm	

2020 Term Fees

Age Group	Hours	Fees
3-Year-Old	5	\$360
4-Year-Old	15	\$460*

*Your child may be eligible for the kindergarten fee subsidy

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**2021 enrolments open
 14 April 2020
 through our website**



FREE WEBINARS FOR PARENTS



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young people
thrive online
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The presentation will cover:

Ideas to start the chat about harmful content, relationships, online bullying and harassment

Strategies for addressing common digital parenting challenges

Skills that young people need to protect themselves online

Online well being strategies

How to get help if things go wrong



WHEN: Tuesday 7 July 2020

WHERE: Online

TIME: 1830-1930

COST: Free

Register: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7225483949603172880>
or scan QR code

Queries: 0457 825 076

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Calm Parents Happy Kids

Learn How to Tame Your Temper for Better Behaved Kids

Do you want to:

- Understand what drives parental anger?
- Find strategies to reduce your frustration?
- Reduce the friction in your home?
- Let go of your guilt and shame?
- Learn valuable behaviour management strategies for your children?
- Get your children to listen to you?

Join us for 5 online sessions and learn valuable lifelong strategies, whilst taking some time out for you!

Wednesday Morning Program

15 & 22 July, 5.12 & 19 Aug (5 session course)
Time: 10:00 - 11:30 am
Bookings: Laurie on 0488 501 204

Where: Join us live online via Zoom

Cost: Free of charge for parents and carers in Melbourne's Eastern Region.

Bookings essential.

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

IMAGINE DISCOVER
CREATE
EASTERN REGIONAL LIBRARIES



EASTERN REGIONAL LIBRARIES

WINTER ONLINE HOLIDAY PROGRAM



Events will be accessible via Facebook unless indicated.

facebook.com/EasternRegional

Monday
29 June

11am

Storytime
with Hanna



Join Hanna to hear *Mrs Honey's Hat* and other stories, and sing along to some of your favourite songs.

Get your colouring pencils ready for a fun activity featuring *Mrs Honey's Hat*!

All ages

An activity sheet will be available for download.

Thursday
2 July

2pm

Draw Manga
characters
with Kenny



Learn some basic techniques to draw your own manga style characters. Manga is the popular Japanese style of drawing comics, which has spread across the world

Ages 7 plus



Tuesday
30 June

11am

Interactive Reading
Hour with Sue and
Fiona - via Zoom

Sue and Fiona will read a selection of storytime favourites. Get comfortable and listen to stories with other families online. **Ages 3 - 8**

Bookings essential to receive your Zoom invite prior to the session.

Note: Access to Zoom is required. Participants will be muted during the stories, but we will invite participation between books.

2pm Weave a friendship bracelet with Bernadette - via Zoom

Join Bernadette and learn how to make a friendship bracelet using a simple cardboard circle loom. **Ages 8 plus**

You'll need: a piece of cardboard to cut a circle approx 9cm in diameter, pencil, ruler, scissors, beads (optional) and 7 pieces (50cm long) of wool or acrylic yarn in various colours.

Bookings essential to receive your Zoom invite prior to the session. Access to zoom is required.

Friday
3 July

2pm

Cooking for Kids
with Sharni

Join Sharni in the kitchen for a special Christmas in July episode of 'Cooking for Kids'. Learn how to make yummy mini Christmas puddings and turkey meat balls. **All ages**



Wednesday
1 July

11am

Carp Productions
presents...
Treasure
under the sea



Join us for a Treasure Hunt with a difference! Sea Biscuit the Sea Horse and Pirate Puffy Pants are searching for the most valuable treasure on King Neptune's Island! Come with them deep under the sea, to discover all the amazing creatures that live there - you may just discover that the most valuable treasure isn't diamonds and jewels, but our beautiful ocean life! A show for everyone who loves the sea.

All ages

Saturday
4 July

11am

Sustainable Saturday
with Knox Community
Gardens



Join Susan from Knox Community Gardens Society for a quick and easy sustainable activity you can complete at home.

Ages 5 plus

An instruction sheet will be available for download.

Sunday
5 July

11am

What's in Your
Backyard?
- Scavenger Hunt



Have you ever really looked in your backyard? Join us for a scavenger hunt where we'll be trying to find creatures big and small and discover the world around us. We'll be free for questions and answers afterwards.

Ages 7 - 13

Wednesday
8 July

11am

Science
with Steph
- Edible Experiments



Try these easy science experiments in the kitchen. We'll test some tasty treats and learn some chemistry and physics as we do. Watch what we do and then try it for yourself at home!

Ages 5 plus



Monday
6 July

11am

Digital Drawing
with Chelsea
& Tanisha



Join us for a fun kids digital drawing session! We'll be using iPads, but feel free to follow along with any device you have, or even a pencil and paper. **Ages 7 plus**

Thursday
9 July

11am

Lego Builder's Quest
- via Zoom

Let your imagination run wild on our Lego building quest! You will have an hour on the clock to create your very best Lego creation and become a Lego master. Share your creations and get inspiration for your future builds.

Note: Participants are not required to use voice or camera functions and as default, all communication between children will be turned off.

Bookings essential: Zoom invites will be sent one day before the event. Requirements: Lego! Access to Zoom.



Ages 7 - 13

Tuesday
7 July

11am

Winter paper
plate craft
with Sharon



Join Sharon for a fun craft activity and make cute animals using paper plates! **All ages**

An instruction sheet will be available for download.

Friday
10 July

11am

Boredom Busters
Craft with Sarah
- Infinity Cubes



Using origami, create an Infinity Cube and be amazed by how it constantly moves and never has to stop. Paper folding and science join in this really fun and challenging activity.

Ages 8 plus

Community Notices

Piano & Guitar with Chris Walker

Tuition in piano, guitar and bass guitar during school hours and after.

Phone 0407 049 012 or email chrisw7@ymail.com

Violin & Viola Lessons

Private violin/viola lesson available for all grades from prep.

Please contact Hiro (0423 765 312 or hiro1656@hotmail.com)

Private Ukulele Lessons

The Patch School students now have the opportunity to take private ukulele lessons. The Patch School parent, Jess Dunn, has had 6 years' experience teaching ukulele to kids and adults and loves teaching at The Patch. For more information, please call or email.

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