



# PATCHWORK NEWS

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### AUGUST

Mon 12th	Yr 3/4 District Basketball at Kilsyth Basketball Stadium
Wed 14th	Yr 3/4 Camp Arribri commences
Fri 16th	Yr 3/4 Camp Arribri returns
Fri 23rd	Book Week Dress Up Assembly
Fri 23rd	Final Day to Accept 2025 Prep Enrolment Offers
Mon 26th	Casual Dress Day for the Refugee Minor Program
Sat 31st	Community Action Morning in the Garden (9am - 12pm)

### SEPTEMBER

Wed 4th	District Athletics for qualified students (Yr4, & Yr5/6)
Thurs 5th	Kaboom Percussion Incursion
Fri 6th	'The Patch has Talent' Talent Show
Sat 7th	The Patch Trivia Night for parents, friends & staff
Thurs 12th	Prep Camp Afternoon - Pick up at 5.30pm
Wed 18th	Division Athletics for Qualified Students (Yr 4 & Yr 5/6)
Fri 20th	LAST DAY OF TERM 3 - Early Finish Prep, Yr1 & Yr 2 @ 2.20pm Yr3 - Yr6 @ 2.30pm

### OCTOBER

Mon 7th	FIRST DAY OF TERM 4
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## BELL TIMES

8:55am First Bell

9:00am Learning Begins

11-11:45am First Break

11:45-12pm Lunch eating time

2-2:30pm Second Break

3:20pm Prep & Yr1/2 Dismissal

3.30pm Yr 3-6 Dismissal





# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Hi Patchies!

The sun is out today and, hopefully, it is a sign of great weather ahead for the weekend.

It has been a busy couple of weeks for our Year 5/6 students. City Camp followed by interschool sports and district basketball. They have done incredibly well to get through this period positively.

Our City Camp was a fun experience. An MCG tour, Eureka Skydeck at night, The Shrine of Remembrance, ACMI, State Library and the Old Melbourne Gaol were amongst the many sites we explored around the city. Each place offered a very different experience: from fascination at our history, to enjoying retro arcade games, to pretending they were sports stars. In total, we walked 44km! And our students were amazing in their enthusiasm and respect for others throughout. Well done!

Next week will be the Year 3/4s turn to be busy. They start the week with district basketball before heading off to Arrabri Lodge Camp for 3 days. I'm looking forward to joining in with all the adventure activities!

The following week will be Book Week! The theme for this year's event is 'Magic'. We will be capping off the end of the week with a Dress-Up Day to celebrate on Friday 23rd August. I always love a good excuse for a fun dress day. As Pauleen mentioned at assembly, we will likely see a lot of Harry Potters and Hermione Grangers this year!

As always, thank you for everyone's extra patience this year as we navigate different construction works at school. The end is getting closer and it is very satisfying to see the new buildings develop so quickly. I have been informed that the new Learning Hub will have wall plastering and roof install begin within a couple of weeks. Very exciting!

Have a great weekend!

Jim

## REMINDERS

- Qkr! payments for the whole school Kaboom Percussion Incursion is due by Tuesday 3rd September.
- Don't forget to get your tickets for our Trivia Night!
- Email or drop a copy of your WWCC into Kim at the office.
- Please make sure your contact / address details, photo permission and emergency contacts are up to date with the office.

# BOOKWEEK

2024

**at The Patch.**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August at assembly.**

**This year's theme is...**

**READING IS  
MAGIC**



**Come dressed up as anything to do with magic or books about magic. We will have our parade at assembly. Can't wait to see you all and remember, not too scary... we don't want littlies to be terrified.**





THE PATCH PRIMARY SCHOOL



# COMMUNITY Trivia night

*Brush up on your capital cities and Kylie Minogue albums, The Patch PS is hosting a trivia night for parents, staff, carers and friends.*

*This is kid free event, so book your babysitter for a night of community building and shenanigans!!*

**WHEN:**  
SATURDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER AT 6.30PM

**WHERE:**  
THE PATCH SCHOOL HALL

**TICKETS:**  
\$15

(WITH OPTIONAL DRINKS PACKAGES) AVAILABLE VIA QKR! FROM NEXT MONDAY

*All funds raised will go towards some much needed outdoor furniture for the school.*

**PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS IN OUR SILENT AUCTION:**

*We are seeking donations for a silent auction to be held on the night. If you have a product or service you'd like to donate, drop an email to our fundraising extraordinaire Mikhaela at : [mikhaelaebony@gmail.com](mailto:mikhaelaebony@gmail.com)*

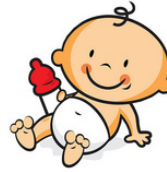
**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!**

*We're looking for a trivia task force to help schlep furniture, hang streamers, clear tables etc before OR after the event. If you can spare an hour or two please let Michelle know asap at : [michelle.rayner@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:michelle.rayner@education.vic.gov.au)*

*Keep an eye out for tickets on sale next week!*

*Thank you - The Patch School Fundraising Team*





On Monday we farewelled our lovely Erica as she prepares for the arrival of her 4th baby!

We will miss having Erica around but look forward to hearing her exciting news and meeting her newest edition!!

# Community Action Morning

Saturday, August 31st  
9am - 12pm

Mark the date in your calendars for our next community action morning. There will be lots of ways you can help to improve our school and grounds and meet other parents from our community.

Some of the ways you can help include:

- Placing some rocks strategically to reinforce our wetlands dam wall where the overflow and waterfall originate
- Weed our vegetable garden (just out of jail with temp fencing now behind it) and clean up the beds for spring planting
- Install the beautiful garden signs to a range of areas in the garden
- Plant some native tubestock
- Prepare some pizzas to share (we would love some donations of bases and toppings)
- Mulch our fern gully pathways
- Repair our chook shed
- Continue painting the front school post and rail fence

And much, much more.

Hopefully we will see you there 😊.



# 'Patchwork'

## Bringing Gardens Back to Life

### Year 3-4 Garden Project

The Patchwork 'Bringing Gardens Back to Life' project is a project that our year 3-6 students are working on in STEM sessions with Kim and Michelle. It will see the revegetation of two important sites at our school; our front of school/kindergarten area and an area that leads to our existing gardens, where the new accessible pathway has been installed.

The funding for this project will come from PatchFest, donations to the school especially assigned for garden restoration and many grants, including a \$1000 Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant, a \$1000 Victorian Schools Garden Project Grant and an amazing \$5000 Open Gardens Giving Program Grant.

Students began the project by measuring their sites, calculating area and perimeter, measuring angles and creating scaled maps. They then moved on to undertaking field texture analysis to see if our soil is clay, loam or sand and testing the pH of the soil. In the last week students have found that their gardens are north facing and have observed what other plants grow well in these areas, as well as the habitat that these gardens will provide to our native wildlife. Our next step in the project will be taking the data we have collated and begin the design of these areas, which students are really looking forward to! They will decide what plants are best suited to the sites, think about the budget when planning what plants to plant, and finally plant and then install interpretive signage and artwork to make their gardens a beautiful, inviting space for students in years to come to learn, play and grow in.

It has been amazing to see the connections the students have made between learning in their classroom and learning during the project. It is such a great opportunity for students to apply and extend their learning in an authentic learning experience and enable them to deepen their understandings of different concepts, particularly mathematics concepts. The opportunities for genuine problem solving and collaboration have been fantastic so far and we have loved seeing the students shine in so many different ways.



# 'Patchwork'

## Bringing Gardens Back to Life

### Year 3-4 Garden Project

I am really looking forward to actually putting things into the garden. I really liked the pH testing, that was really fun and I also liked doing STEM Cam to make a report on what I learnt and what I am doing. I have learnt that there are a lot of different types of soil in one place and that you can plant Australian native plants and other plants that also already grow around here. **Sylvie**



I think I have enjoyed doing the field texture analysis where we had to see if it was loam, clay or sandy soil and I enjoyed designing where the path will go. I have learnt about pH and that certain soil is for certain plants. I have learnt about angles and measurements. I am looking forward to making the shortcut, adding plants and adding artwork. **Hudson**



I have really enjoyed what we have done with measuring. I think it was a good task to do. I learnt a lot about area because I was still a bit stumbly in area but now it makes so much sense when I use it to work out things in the garden. I am looking forward to choosing and planting the plants. **Sable**

# Year 5/6 City Camp

We went to camp on Monday July 29th – Wednesday 31st July.

We stayed on Collins Street in Melbourne at CYC city camp. We dropped our bags at CYC camp and then we went to the MCG. It was a very long walk, when we got there, we got a tour and after the tour we got wrist bands and we used the wrist bands to play games.

We got back to CYC camp, and we had dinner then we went to Eureka Sky Dec and I hate elevators so on the elevator I felt sick and on the top when you looked out the window all you could see was lights and it was so cool. When we got back to camp, we got ready for bed and went to sleep. In the morning, we got dressed and when to breakfast, for breakfast we had pancakes, toast and cereal.

The first thing we did on day 2 was the Shrine of Remembrance and we saw the boat and the flame. Then we went to ACMI and there where games then we went to the Old Melbourne Goal. We learnt about Ned Kelly and how they were treated badly. When we got back to camp, we had dinner. After dinner we played games.

By Myah

## City Camp

From Monday 29th – Wednesday 31st all of the 5/6's went to camp.

First, we get on the train, the train ride was a pain. Then we get off and walk all the walk to CYC camp where we were gonna stay.

Then we go to the MCG where we meet our tour guide called Laurie. He showed us the change rooms and all of the above, everyone was interested so everyone pushed and shoved.

Then we walk back over a couple of tracks when we got back we walk upstairs which was torture, I SWEAR!

Then we look at our cabins just for a check, then we walk to the Eureka Sky Deck. It was super fun, we saw the Ferris Wheel if only it had spun. We saw the pretty lights, it was beautiful sight. Then we go back down and walk back to CYC. Then we chill out and go to sleep.

Then we wake up pack our snacks, then we walked what was hurting was backs. When we arrived at the Shrine of Remembrance, it was really cool.

We get back on our feet and walk to ACMI, when we get there it is really sweet.

By Eden



## Year 5/6 City Camp

Camp was so much fun, but the walking and slowly dying climbing up to our level was horrible. When we went to the MCG we go to go down into the locker rooms and change rooms we even got to go into some rooms that Channel 7 can't show on camera and they were very cool. We went to camp from the 29th Wednesday - 31st of July. I got the biggest room out of the entire level 3 and I was so happy because I've only got really small rooms on my past camps. The first night for dinner we got beef burgers and wedges and for dessert we got pavlova. In the morning for breaky we got pancakes and for dinner that night we got butter chicken and for dessert we got brownies. My favourite activity was the Old Melbourne Goal. They spell it goal and not like jail because goal was a another meaning that means cage. Because they were locked up and didn't like that they felt like there where in a cage.

I also loved the State Library because were learnt a lot about Ned Kelly and that he did a lot of bad things in his life and a Judge called Redmond Barry sentenced him to death and Ned Kelly said to him, I'll see you up in hell and the Judge had a heart attack and died 12 days later after Ned Kelly died.

I didn't really enjoy ACMI I don't really like all those games there just not my thing, but I did like this thing that spined very fast around and it looked like things where moving. We walked 43km sand by the time I came home my legs where very tired, and I could not hardly walk so I had the day off. My favourite bit at the hotel was watching the Olympics and bringing our pillows down and blankets and spending time with my friends.

By Hope

### Monday

Heading to camp was really fun, because our carriage only had about 15 people and was really quiet, we along had Jim in our carriage so another bonus.

When we arrived at Southern Cross Station we had morning tea and while we ate I saw a guy Vlogging in front of a lolly store and I wondered what he filming.

It was about a 5 minute walk to our hotel so we headed there to drop off our bags we headed up to see our common room and the lady explained the rules but I didn't listen.

We started our walk to the MCG (Melbourne Cricket Ground). Which took about 35minutes to walk and we got there we got to walk onto the field and the we went into the change rooms but that was kinda of boring. Next we went into the interview room and some people got their photo taken sitting in the interviewers seats. Then we went below to 'Game On' and there was a horse racing thing where you could draw a horse, scan it and then it would race on a screen. My horse "Gold Jelly Fish" won my race. Then we went downstairs and there were a lot of sport simulations.

We walked back to the hotel and had dinner which were cheese burgers, wedges and pavlova with cream. Then we walked back to our common room and saw our bedrooms for the first time. After that we walked to Eureka Skydeck and went to the second highest floor ans went into the room where instead of glass there was a fence and was surprisingly not windy. We head back down after about 30minutes. And had hot chocolate.

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# Year 5/6 City Camp

Tuesday

We woke up and went down stairs to eat the pancakes and they were so good. When we finished we went to get our bags and walked to the Shrine of Remembrance, it was a very long walk. Where were there we meet our tour guides and went inside to put our bags away. When we were going up stairs we saw the everlasting flame lit by Queen Elizabeth the second and then we walked up the stairs and went into this room that had this little shrine in the middle which on the 11th minute of the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th Month the sun shines through a little hole and onto the word love. Our tour guide also told us that there was a dinosaur bone inside one of the pillars. Then we went to the top and saw the roof which was actually a poppy shape roof. From the ground it just looked fancy but from the top you could see it was poppy.

Then we walked to the Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI) and we got this disc that could scan on the displays and when you got home you could visit the ACMI website and put in your code and you could see everything you scanned. I scanned everything I could. My favourite thing was the cup head exhibition when the thing spun and the lights flashed and it looked like a movie. I also liked the video games and the wall with all the video games that ever existed.

We had lunch and then we walked to the State Library and we saw these paintings which had the before and after of what Melbourne looked like before and after colonisation and there was quite a big difference between the paintings. We went into the giant reading hall called the La Trobe Reading Room and took a photo in the middle. Then we walked into this room where it had all these books and every book that has been published in Victoria is in that room including the school's photobook and small books by authors and even some non-Victorian or Australian books. Then we went to see Ned Kelly's armour and learned some information about him, and it was the real Ned Kelly armour and gun and one boot.

Then we went to Old Melbourne Goal and I got to see my old cell block. I also asked if they had bubble baths and they didn't sadly. Then we saw some copies of Ned Kelly's armour and his two pistols. We also saw a piece of scarf that stopped the police train from going off the rails. Then we waited for the other groups to finish their tours. While we waited we played charades and had a snack.

Then we walked back for dinner which was butter chicken, naan, rice and beans. Then we had the most delicious brownies I have ever eaten for dessert. Then we watched "How to Train Your Dragon" on one of the TV's and the Olympics were on the other TV and the Australian's won some medals.

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# Year 5/6 City Camp

Wednesday

First of all, we packed up our rooms and then we went to The Royal Botanic Gardens, and it was a lot more fun than anyone expected. First, we learned about all the different plants and what they were used for, one was for when the First Nations boys reach a certain age, they would have to climb it to collect fruit, another was what they used to wrap fish in and then they would cook it so it didn't burn. Then we learned how to weave and got to see an eel trap and how they made them. They would put it facing the opposite direction of the flow of the stream covered with rocks and mud and it hole at the end where the smaller eels could swim out, but the bigger ones were trapped as they can't swim backwards, or they would die. Then we learned about First Nations weapons and coats. Every piece of possum skin their coat had represented their age. We also learned about hunting boomerangs that would be aimed at the legs of the animals so they couldn't run any more and then we learned about different weapons used to kill the animals and remove their meat. Then we head back to the hotel to get our luggage and walk to Southern Cross Train station and went home on the train.

It was super duper fun but tiring.

By Alfie

## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS

Our school has an excellent extracurricular music program with 5 instrumental music teachers offering lessons on various instruments. All instrumental teachers are contractors, set their own fees and timetables. Music lessons can fill up quickly, so waiting lists are a possibility for some lessons. If you are interested in music lessons for your child/ren it is best to contact the teacher individually.

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Junior Choir, small group ukulele lessons, small group voice lessons, solo lessons (voice or ukulele)  
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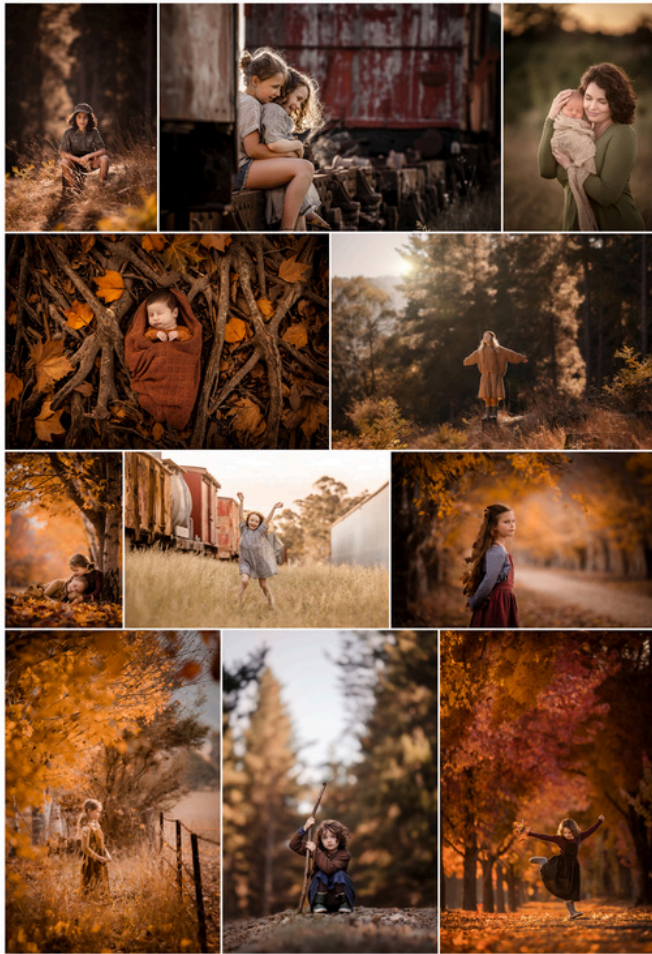
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