This week has been very busy with our students enjoying three different elements of our interschool sports competition. On Monday, our students competed at the interschool cross country event, which had to be postponed last term due to inclement weather. All our competitors did a wonderful job representing their school and we should all be very proud of them. I would like to thank Ms Adams and Mrs Miltrup for their efforts in organising the 100 lap club which undoubtedly helped our children prepare for this gruelling event.

Yesterday, selected students represented our school at the interschool field events (long jump, triple jump and throwing). They travelled to Mullaloo Heights PS to compete and again did a sterling job, representing their school admirably.

Tomorrow students will again be involved in the track events and team games which will be held on the oval of the old Padbury SHS (now Statewide Services). I am sure the students would love to see as many parents as possible to support them.

ATTENDANCE

The school monitors the attendance of students closely and at the end of each term, audits overall attendance rates and the percentage of students who attend on a regular basis (more than 90%).

After auditing term 3 attendance I was disappointed to note a decline in both overall attendance and regular attendance. Overall attendance fell from 94% in term two to 91.7% last term. The percentage of students who attend on a regular basis fell to its lowest point this year with only 75% of students attending more than 90%. The graph below shows attendance rates through the year.

If a child misses just 1 day per fortnight this adds up to missing almost 1½ years of schooling from Kindergarten to year 12. This is the equivalent of only attending until part-way through year 11!!!

This reinforces the importance of regular attendance and parents of students whose attendance fell below 90% last term will have recently received a letter advising them of this. I look forward to an improvement during term 4.
OPEN NIGHT
The school Open Night is scheduled for Thursday 12th November (5:30 – 7:00pm). The evening will commence with a performance by the School Choir in the undercover area. At the conclusion of this performance, parents will have the opportunity to visit classrooms to see the work their children have been engaged in.

P&C – THANK YOU
I would like to acknowledge the wonderful efforts of our hard working P&C who have worked tirelessly throughout the year to raise funds to support the learning program at our fantastic little school. Recently the school invested $25000 to purchase a range of new reading materials to support the literacy program from K–Yr 6. The P&C has committed almost $6000 to fund the purchase of additional reading resources which will make our students the envy of many schools. They will now have access to a wide range of new and exciting reading books as well as on-line support programs which will enable teachers to tailor activities for individual students. This new resources will be ready for use from next year and I would like to thank the P&C for their support.

PLANNING 2016
Planning for 2016 is well underway and I will be providing parents with information for next year as it comes to hand. I am hopeful that I will be able to provide parents with an indication of classes for next year by Week 8 of term.

Neil Wood
Principal

Congratulations
I was very proud on Tuesday when I went to my sons year 12 graduation and they announced the school council for 2016 and one of our past students was named. It was even more exciting when it was announced that he would be the Head Boy for 2016.

CONGRATULATIONS: Matthew Harvey.

Upcoming Events

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“NEW READING RESOURCES”
As part of our plans for providing students at Padbury PS with the very best opportunities possible, I am pleased to advise that the school has recently ordered a range of new reading resources. Earlier this week the finance committee approved the expenditure of $25000.00 to upgrade reading resources for all year levels. Students in K-Yr 2 will have access to “Bug Club”, an online platform which is also supported by hard copy books and resources. This resource will support our focus on improving children’s comprehension skills. Students in Years 3-6 will have access to the Pearson English reading resources which will support the development of higher order comprehension skills.
Wednesday was our walk to school day, the theme was crazy socks. Parents had been asked to send in fruit with the students so all the children involved could eat together. Well Ms Atkins went one better. Room 15’s parents brought in chopped up fruit and yoghurt for the class to share. The students had a great time selecting which fruit they liked and dipping it into the yogurt they had chosen. Ms Atkins also supplied crumpets and toast and by the end of the morning the students were bursting at the seams. I must say some of our girls and boys wore interesting socks for they day as well.
On Monday our team went to the Interschool Cross Country. All students did our school and themselves proud. Their support of each other was fantastic. Well done to you all; you should be proud of your achievements. We came an overall 6th place for the Cross Country and I was extremely proud of this result.

Wednesday we headed over to Mullaloo Heights Primary School for jumps and throws. The students again participated to the best of their ability and should be proud of the results achieved.

Best of luck to the Interschool Athletics team on Friday 23/10/2015.
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**Library News**

Book Fair will be coming soon to Padbury Primary School and will be held in the Library! This is a great time to buy those extra Christmas gifts for your child or family and friends.

Thursday (morning) 5th November we will set up the Fair. Thursday afternoon Padbury classes will view the book fair and on Monday the LDC classes. On these days the classes will come to the library to look at the books and write a “Wish List” to bring home. There are NO Sales on these days.

**Sales start Tuesday 10th November** and will finish on **Friday 13th November**.
The Fair will also be open on **Thursday Evening for Open Night**!

If you wish your child to purchase a book they have chosen and you cannot attend the Book Fair there is a section on the wish list you can fill out to pay by credit card or just send in cash or a cheque made out to the school.

We thank you for your support of our Book Fair. Through the sale of the books and other merchandise at the Fair we are hoping to receive many free books for the library from the Commission.

We will be celebrating Book Fair next term in week 4 and 5. We will celebrate this in full fanfare with a dress up day. Children will dress up in their favourite book character on Thursday 12th November. We are encouraging parents to dress up and do a parade as well on assembly morning.

**Come and join in the fun!!**

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**Pay for Daniel**

Wed 28th October

The Daniel Morcombe foundation sees it’s role in the community as assisting educators and parents in the education of children about their personal safety, by funding the development of child safety educational resources; assisting young victims of crime through financial support in addition to that provided by Government agencies; and empowering all Australians to make their own local communities safer places for children.

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**The little Feast Company Fundraiser:**
First delivery is in week 3, Wednesday 28th October, Please have your orders in by Tuesday 27th October at the latest. For pick up from the canteen on Thursday 29th October.

How to place your order: online at [www.littlefeast.co.au/shop](http://www.littlefeast.co.au/shop)

This is a great way to have a night off cooking knowing your family is getting a health meal. Or to stock your freezer for when you just need a quick meal and do not want to leave home!!

**Halloween Disco:**
When: Friday 30th October Time: 6pm till 7:30pm RSVP: Wednesday 28th October
Tickets: $5 per child (adult must stay and supervise your child)

To Purchase a ticket: put $5 cash in an envelope with your student’s name and class room. Correct money please, no change given. Return payment to the front office and put in the Disco box. A Ticket will be given to your child via their class room.

If you would like to volunteer at the disco please write your name and contact detail on an envelope and leave it at the front office in the disco box.

**Halloween Disco Colouring in competition:**
All entry needs your child’s name and year on the back, each entry accompanied with a gold coin and returned to the Disco box at the front office. Entries close 28th October to allow time for the entries to be judged.

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Tarryn has been running our school banking for the past 2 years. It has been quite some time since Padbury Primary School has had banking, so Tarryn felt it a good opportunity for the students to learn about money and saving. The School Banking is also a small fundraising activity for the P&C. School Banking is run on every Wednesday morning before school starts, in the school Library. Look out for pat the Dog who is called woof!! Tarryn looks forward to seeing the students!! The Students love Banking day, especially if it’s their week to receive a reward for so many deposits banked!! Plus they are able to see their saving progress each week by their sticker chart and tokens. If you would like to start banking for your child please see Tarryn for the forms or go to Whitfords Commonwealth bank. If you start your child’s banking through Whitfords Bank your money stays supporting the local bank. Forms sent away are processed interstate. At Assembly this week a representative from the Commonwealth Bank will talk with the school Students and surprise one of our student bankers. Tarryn joined the P&C last year and is enjoying the opportunity to get involved at our school and meeting new people. Tarryn states “its lots of fun finding ways to fundraise and be active within the school community”. Please feel free to attend our next meeting to see how the P&C runs. We would love to see you!!
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