Paddington Public School

Newsletter Term 2, Week 3 12 May 2025



Message from Mrs Larkín

Welcome Back

Welcome back to what I'm sure will be another great term of learning for all our students. I trust all our families have had a restful break.

As part of their professional development, the teachers participated in a course on Monday on Highly Potential and Gifted Education. I'd like to thank Mrs Christie, Mrs Lessem and Mrs Izhik for leading the sessions throughout the day. I am very proud of the talented staff we have at PPS and their commitment to ensuring our students receive a quality education.

Communication

As a parent or carer, you are an important part of our school community. We know that you play a crucial role in helping your child become a motivated learner. Communication between our school and our community is critical for us to partner together.

To give our teachers the opportunity to recharge, spend time with their families and bring their best creative selves to work, we are setting clear expectations for when and how they respond to communication outside school operating hours. This means teachers are not required to reply to non-emergency messages or emails outside of school operating hours.

Please use the school's email address for non-emergencies in the first instance. Under normal circumstances, our staff will respond to your queries within 2 school days. For longer discussions or complex matters, we ask parents and carers to make an appointment to speak to teachers directly, at a time that works best for everyone.

Our staff will always stay in touch because open communication is what's best for your child and their education. We don't want you to stop communicating with your teachers – we still want to hear from you if you have any questions or need to discuss a matter about your child. We know it's often easier to send emails or messages after work. We will make sure we read and respond in school operating hours.

Our dedicated teachers want to help our students achieve their best - we're on the same team.

Thank you for treating our staff with kindness and respect.

Messages from the office

Sibling Enrolments for Kindergarten 2026

If you have a sibling child who will be eligible for Kindergarten 2026, the school office is now taking enrolment applications online. The 'Application to enrol in a NSW Government school' can be found by clicking on this link: https://ehub.enrol.education.nsw.gov.au/schoolenrolment/?schoolCode=7432

Walk and Talk Tours for Kindergarten 2026 Prospective Families

The next tour will be on Tuesday 20 May at 4pm. Please book into a tour by clicking on this link. https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/kjbse

Please spread the word if you know anyone enrolling in 2026!

Winter school uniforms

From today 12 May students are required to wear their winter uniform.

Size 8 long sleeve blue polos are back in stock. The uniform shop is open each Thursday morning between 8.40am and 9.10am. Alternatively, orders can be made via email or popping into the school office.

Lunchtime and before/after school activities

We have lots of happening here at Paddington during lunchtime and before/after school.

Ricky's Guitar also runs lessons throughout the school day on Wednesdays.

Monday	Chess Monday	Hip Hop 12.40pm-	Soccer
	8am-9am	1.30pm	3pm-4pm
Tuesday		Drama	
		12.40pm-1.30pm	
Wednesday			Art Class
			3pm – 5pm
Thursday		Singing Lessons	
		12.40pm-1.30pm	
Friday			Basketball 3pm-4pm
			Violin/Cello/Piano
			3pm-5pm

Please see below adverts from the some of the providers

Calendar dates for Term 2, 2025

Thursday 15 May	Year 5 & 6 Inner Sydney HS - The Addams Family Musical	
Tuesday 20 May	Walk and Talk Tour 4pm - 5pm	
Tuesday 20 May	P&C Meeting 6pm	
Wednesday 21 May	Zone Cross Country	
Thursday 22 May	Debating at Kensington Public School (Year 6)	
Monday 26 May	Athletics Carnival – Hensley Sport Field, Pagewood	
Tuesday 3 June	Debating against Rainbow St PS at PPS (Year 6)	
Friday 27 June	Last day for PSSA (Term 2)	
Tuesday 1 July	Debating against Randwick PS at PPS (Year 6)	
Friday 4 July	Last day for Term 2	
Monday 21 July	Staff Development Day – school closed	
Tuesday 22 July	Students return to school for Term 3	
Tuesday 19 August	Grandparents Day and Book Week Parade	





THANK

A special shout out to QE Food Stores Paddo for the super generous donation of all our breadrolls!











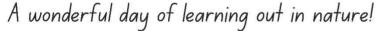


On behalf of the P+C a
HUGE thank you to all who
baked, donated +
volunteered on Saturday!
We really appreciate your
time + effort! The BBQ
was a real success - we
raised a great amount for
the students, + look
forward to sharing project
ideas with families soon!



Stage I Excursion to Buffalo Creek Reserve

On Wednesday 7th of May, Year I and Year 2 students travelled by bus to Buffalo Creek Reserve at Hunters Hill. Students engaged in bushwalking and games-based activities aligned to their geography unit of study. They learnt Dharawal language names for various wildlife that are native to the area. Mini magnifying glasses were used to investigate micro worlds which lie amongst the natural environment. Year I were also introduced to the resident blue tongue lizard.











Happy Mother's Tony 2025

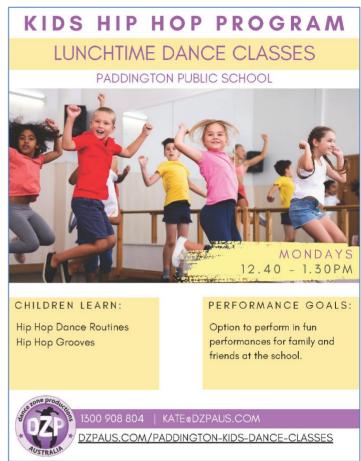
What a beautiful morning we shared on Friday 9 May as we came together to celebrate the wonderful mothers, grandmothers, and carers in our school community.

It was heartwarming to see so many smiling faces enjoying a lovely spread of baked goods, fresh fruit, and drinks.

We hope everyone had a lovely day on Sunday.







PIANO, CELLO & VIOLIN LESSONS

WITH MISS LILY

Please contact Miss Lily for more info - lilyinnis123@gmail.com

The school has violins which you can hire at a reduced fee.







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CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Paddington Public School is held on Mondays from 8:00am to 9:00am, starting on 5 May 2025.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

Each student in the Chess program will also receive access to Chess Squad https://www.chesssquad.com/ which is an online teaching/playing platform.

If your child is interested in taking part in the class, please email office.sydneyacademy@gmail.com for an enrolment form. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

