On 17 August the girls and boys had their own Indonesian Independence day celebrations with a morning of cultural activities including art and craft, cooking and traditional Indonesian games. All students from year 1 to 6 did a rotation of four activities with the classroom teachers and a great morning was had by all! The weather was a bit wild to fly the kites the children made and a few older children felt a little sick after eating too many klepon! There was Indonesian music being played in some of the classrooms which all added to the great atmosphere around the school.

The children in year 2 and year 4 have also been very lucky to have Pak Yan and Pak Adit visit our school for the last three Wednesdays to teach them how to play the Angklung and some interesting facts about their origins. These traditional Indonesian instruments are made from bamboo by specialist craftsmen. Every instrument is unique and when played replicates a note from the C Major scale. The children played Advance Australia Fair, Waltzing Matilda and Happy Birthday.
Dear Parents and Caregivers

Excursions

It’s been great to see so many classes heading off on excursions with the latest classes out of the school being the two Year 5 classes visiting the Channel 9 studios. The children were so excited to visit channel 9 news.

School Board meeting

The board met on Wednesday 17 June 2016 and one of the issues that arose was that in 2017 we’ll require 2 new staff board members and two new parent/carer board members. Following our last board meeting I’ll call for expressions of interest for all board positions and if more expressions of interest are received than places available, I’ll hold elections.

Indonesian Day

Thank you to Ibu Ridout and all of her helpers in ensuring that Indonesian Day on Wednesday last week was such a successful day. The more we see of Ibu Ridout’s program and its holistic outcomes, the more vindicated the school board’s decision in 2014 to take on Indonesian becomes. International trading partnerships and strategic alliances ebb and flow over the course of time, but Indonesia’s proximity to Australia and the inherent importance of this bilateral relationship doesn’t. Learning the language and culture will hold our students in good stead for the future in dealing with Indonesia as good global neighbours.

NAPLAN

We’ve received these results and they are pleasing in that as a ‘snapshot in time’ they show that we are doing better than the state and Australian mean in most areas and highlight areas of particular strength and weakness for us to focus our teaching on. What they don’t provide is a realistic and authentic view of our school or an indication of future academic success or failure. I’m presenting the suit of data in a Community Forum in the staffroom on Wednesday 21 September 2016 beginning at 9.00am.

School Development Day

Last Friday we held a School Development day where we focused on Connect, Backpack (a component of Connect), Aboriginal Cultural Standards Framework and the Skips program which highlights juvenile mental health issues.

Mr Jones Army Leave

Sergeant Verne Jones ADF will be on active duty from Wednesday 24 August 2016 through to Tuesday 6 September 2016 inclusive.

Mrs Kylie Pollard

As Ibu Ridout will be taking Long Service Leave from week 7 on through to the end of the year, I searched far and wide to find a suitable replacement and in the end, the perfect answer was right in front of me. Mrs Kylie Pollard was the only candidate who possesses the skills set, knowledge of our unique school and personality to pull off this challenging role. I know that my decision will reap huge rewards for our school and I look forward to having Kylie on the team.

Peace Rangers

I’m so impressed with the work the rangers are doing out in the playground on a daily basis supporting our students to develop the interpersonal skills to solve problems. Essentially, we want to develop a community of problem solvers and allowing children this opportunity is paramount in their ongoing holistic development. I do worry sometimes that as parents and teachers we jump in too fast and attempt to solve all of our children’s issues. By doing this we are robbing them of invaluable learning experiences and possibly churning out a generation of fairly brittle souls. Life is tough, full of ups and downs and developing resilience and internal fortitude can only come from first-hand experience.

David Knox
PRINCIPAL
Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards at our assembly on Friday 12 August.

PP1: Sopie Laurence
    Brock Bates
PP2: Brynn Samiotis
    Olivia English
TA1: Tayah Granland
    Peyton Price
TA2: Hayley Gendle
    Kyron Scanlon
TA3: McGee Solomon
    Lawson Maxted
    Flynn Marcon
    Matilda Murgatroyd
TA4: Arley Pearce-Fearnall
    Tai Deeley
TA6: Marlin McPhail
    Tiara Udy
    Riley Groves
    Jasper Frost
TA7: Emily Perrie
    Bailey Pover
    Elssa Green
TA8: Riley Wall
    Lachlan McGrath
    Isabella Ma’har
TA9: Olivia Adams
    Rhys Taylor
TA10: Kaleb Sands
    Michael Bendsten
    Khayri Samsudin
TA11: Chelsea Leenaars
    Tavian Conte
    Sophie Meaden
Indonesian
    Charlotte Rodgers
    Ben Hayes
    Mia Judd

Remember to download our school app Tiqbiz to your phone or tablet. We are using Tiqbiz constantly to communicate with parents. Flyers with instructions on how to download Tiqbiz are available from the front office.

Tiqbiz have recently made some upgrades to the app which have caused a few issues with communication. The upgrade is now complete so there should not be any further problems. Please ensure you “add” all relevant boxes to your newsfeed including: Indonesian, Physical Education, Music, P&C and of course your child’s TA number.

A huge thank you to all our families who have paid school and P&C Contributions which go towards enhancing your children’s education. Statements will be sent home with each child over the coming weeks.

School Voluntary Contributions are $40 per child and P&C Voluntary Contributions are $30 per family. Payments may be made at the front office by cash or cheque or via the QKR app. Alternatively, only payments for School Contributions, P&C Contributions and school camp can be made by Direct Deposit - South Padbury Primary School BSB 306-104 Account 4187254.

Please reference your child’s surname and state what you are paying for e.g vol contributions.
Dear Parents,

Our school photo day is coming! Every student should now have received a Kapture Photography order envelope. The recommended method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture’s website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time. Alternatively you can pay by cash and return the provided envelope to the school on the photography day.

If you place your order online please **DO NOT** return your envelope to school.

Any parent who forgets or is unable to supply their envelope on the photo day will have five (5) days to complete an order online. Late payment envelopes cannot be accepted by the school office or by Kapture.

You also have the option to order a sibling photo package online, however please be aware there may be a limited number of sibling orders that can be placed due to time constraints on photo day. We suggest you place your online sibling order as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

Please note sibling orders close @ midday sharp Friday 2nd September 2016

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email enquiries@kapture.com.au.

All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group photo available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should **NOT** be included in the photo shoot – please contact the school office.

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We have a new payment system available. You can now pay for excursions, incursions and school contributions via the QKR app. If you prefer to pay with cash, please put your money in a clearly labelled envelope with the permission slip including student full name and TA number, and place it in the silver money box at the front office in the morning before class commences. Cash payments are no longer taken to the classroom.

Qkr Secure payment by Visa or MasterCard: This can be downloaded for free from Apple’s app store for iPhones (iPads should download the iPhone app) or from Google Play for Android phones and tablets. **This also features our incursion/excursion online permission slip!** If you are unsure if you have paid school contributions, please check with the front office before paying for this via QKR.

After downloading the app and registering, simply select South Padbury Primary School from ‘Nearby Locations’ on Qkr or type PADBURY after tapping the magnifying glass in the top right of the home screen of Qkr and select the appropriate school. Once you have made your first payment on Qkr the app will always recognise you as part of the school in future to make payments even easier.

Further instructions are available on the school website.
P&C Fundraiser - Jesters Pies

Order your frozen Jesters Pies through the SPPS P&C at a discount with a percentage of sales going to P&C fundraising.

$15 for 1 family pie or $7 for a 2 pack of individual pies, frozen and ready to cook.

Available in your favourite Jesters flavours.

Please return your order form to the red letterbox in the school office.

Pay and collect your orders at Padbury Jesters

Look out for your order form coming home with your family note representative this week.

South Padbury Student Art Exhibition

We are holding our very own student Art Exhibition on our Open Night, Wednesday 14 September.

Artworks to be displayed in the library when students work can be purchased by family on the night for $5.

Come along and make this a wonderful family night.

Pot Luck Dinner

It’s Back!!

Open Night Pot Luck Dinner

Come and enjoy a long table dinner with your South Padbury School Community at the **Open Night on Wednesday 14 September, starting at 5:30pm**.

Please bring a family sized serve of your favourite “one pot wonder” to share: Cousin Carol’s Curry, Grandma’s Goulash, Aunty Paula’s Pasta!!

Contributions can be dropped off at the canteen from 2:30pm on the day. Please ensure dishes are well labelled with your name. Empty dishes will be available for collection from the canteen on Thursday 15 September from 8:30am.

Large plates $5, small plates $3.

Please text Bek on 0439 947 376 if you are able to help out on the night.

Look forward to seeing you there.
We are very busy in the lead up to our fabulous Father’s Day Stall. Thank you to our wonderful volunteers who have helped us wrap all the gifts.

There are a number of exciting events planned for the rest of this Term.

**Jester Pies Fundraiser**— Order forms for yummy Jesters Pies have been sent home. The Family sized pies (RRP $22) are available for $15 and the twin pack small pies (RRP $8.95) are available for $7. Jesters Padbury have very kindly offered to donate a percentage of the sales of these pies to our school. So stock up the freezer! You can pay for and collect your pies directly from Jesters Padbury.

**Scholastic Book Fair Week** - We are still in need of volunteers to help at this event. This Book Fair gives our school community a chance to buy brand new books from Scholastic. For every book sold, Scholastic give SPPS points which can then be used for rewards. Last year, the library gained many new books thanks to purchases made at the Book Fair. If you are available for an hour in the morning (8:15am -9:15am) or an hour in the afternoon (2:30pm-3:30pm) please consider helping out. The Book Fair is extremely popular and can get super busy, so we really would appreciate all the help we can get. Please contact Tia (0434 417 826) if you are able to help.

**Movie Night** - We are so excited about our upcoming Movie night! The Secret Life of Pets looks like a hilarious movie suitable for both the littlies and the biggies, and has fabulous reviews. Tickets are $13 each (kids under 3 are free) and can only be bought online [here](https://www.trybooking.com/222068).

We’d love to see you all at Warwick Cinema on Friday 23 September at 6pm. Feel free to invite family, friends and neighbours to join us!

Please keep your eye on the P&C Facebook group page for updates on all our events.

The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th September at 7pm in the Staff room. Everyone is welcome.

**Entertainment Books**

For a limited time, postage is FREE to any address in Australia when you buy the NEW 2016 | 2017 Entertainment™ Book online from us! The NEW 2016 | 2017 Entertainment™ Membership is packed with thousands of up to 50% OFF and 2-for-1 offers for the best local restaurants, cafés, attractions, hotel accommodation, travel, and much more! 20% of the purchase of every Membership sold contributes towards our fundraising. Any enquiries please contact Jo Pethrick 040 222 9982.
Our Exclusive SCITECH Evening     Friday 16 September 2016, 6-9pm

After the fun we had last year, we are once again holding a P&C fundraiser at SCITECH! This is your chance to avoid the queues and explore many of the interactive displays SCITECH has, as we get exclusive use of the venue for one night! We encourage you to bring along your family and friends to join in the fun. Tickets are still just $11 each, with children under 4 free.

Like last year, we will be pre-ordering pizzas. Juice, water and soft drink as well as beer and wine will be available for purchase on the night, along with some other treats.

Forms will be sent home very soon.

Contact: Bek Watts 0439 947 376