PARA HILLS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Week 2 Term 3 2023

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PYJAMA DAY

Para Hills School hosted their Pyjama Day for 2023 last week. Students and staff were able to wear and enjoy their PJ's at school. To do this students donated a gold coin for children in foster care. The class with the most students in their PJ's won a prize and the student with the best PJ's in their class won a Pyjama Day sticker. Room's 12 &13 and Room 1 won the prizes this year. Overall we were able to raise \$250.00 We all enjoyed celebrating National Pyjama Day this year!

From 2023 Media Crew 🔾



SCHOOL INTERVIEWS

Monday 7th August to Friday 11th August.

For bookings, go to your child/ren class dojo and you would have been sent a link to book.

Bookings close Friday 4th August, in the afternoon.

SCHOOL HAT REMINDER

Wearing of school hats comes back into effect **Tuesday 1**st **August.**

You are able to purchase a hat from the front office for \$10.50.

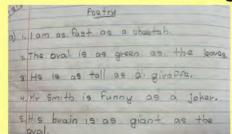
TREE PLANTING DAY RM 9







English - Poetry



* a llama is as smart as a rock.

• moth is as boring as a blank way

Poom 1 to as loud as a tisher.

When we first started discussing poetry, we could think only of rhyming. But we have begun to learn that poetry is about so much more. In poetry, we use language features to engage the reader and make our writing more exciting. Room I have created their own funky fun sentences to liven up their poems.

EXPLORING EMOTIONS THROUGH MEDIA ARTS







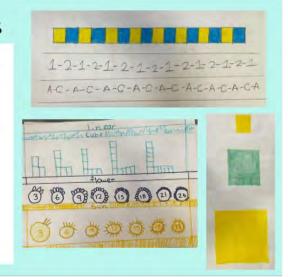
During art this term we have been learning about using media to express emotion. We've been looking at using our facial expressions, body language and movement to display emotions. We have also been using them to understand other people's emotions.

Maths

Our maths topic for this term is patterns. Patterns can be seen all around us, created in nature and also by people.

We have been learning about the different types of patterns, which are:

Repeating Linear Non–linear



Specialist Teachers Term 3

Digital Technology - Nicole Du

This term, lower primary students will embark on an amazing journey of creativity and discovery as they dive into the world of coding. With Makers Empire, they will have the chance to unleash their imaginations and create all sorts of wonderful things.

Middle primary students will have an exciting chance to code a dance robot in the commissioner's challenge and design toys for people living on Mars using Makers Empire. These hands-on experiences will foster their problem-solving skills and creative thinking as they define challenges and co-create stories.

In the upper primary, students will focus on the investigation of digital systems, with a particular emphasis on exploring their main internal components. Additionally, students will delve into the fascinating world of network formation for data transmission by engaging with coding robots.

Health and Physical Education - Dylan Smith

I hope that you all had a wonderful break and are as excited for Term 3 as I am.

During Term 3, our JP classes continue their work on the development of their fundamental movement skills, incorporating these skills into small cooperative and competitive games, whilst also unpacking the idea of movement and skill cues to assist them with learning new and unfamiliar movements. Students will also be provided with movement sessions from BEATZ dance company, a Hockey Clinic with Hockey SA and a Ninja Challenge Day with ZING Active. In Health and Well-being we'll continue to work through the Child Protection Curriculum. This term will see us moving through Focus Area 2: Relationships, exploring Rights and Responsibilities, Identity and Relationships, Power in Relationships, Trust and Networks.

In the middle and upper years, students will be exploring game play in our unit 'Games over Time' and honing their knowledge of Physical Fitness through our unit 'Fitness Fun'. As part of the child protection curriculum, we will be completing Focus Area 1: The Right to be Safe, exploring Being Safe, Warning Signs, and Risk Taking and Emergencies. The SAPSASA program has us very busy again this term, with students attending Athletics, Girls Netball, and Boys Soccer carnivals at various locations across the Northern Suburbs. Students will also be active in completing their **Premier's** Be Active Challenges, with the aim to record 60mins of moderate to vigorous physical activity on at least 5 days of the week. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the school.

Yours in Health and Fitness Education - Dylan Smith

Auslan - Tim Clark

Welcome back Students and families, I have been incredibly impressed with the enthusiasm students have shown returning to their Auslan lessons for Term 3. The skills we have focused on so far this year have been well remembered by all students. The improvement in sign recognition, sign production, confidence and fine motor skills have been clear to see across all year levels and is a result of our student's hard work in lessons.

For term 3, JP students will continue to develop their fluency, confidence and clarity when using their alphabet signs and will be using alphabet and counting songs to engage students and further develop these skills. We will also be working on our spelling skills as we continue to challenge students to share messages and communicate using the alphabet signs they know.

Middle and upper primary classes will continue to challenge their Auslan communication skills as they begin to be exposed to challenges and lessons that will require them to sign clearly, confidently and accurately to communicate a variety of messages and share information to complete tasks. Students will also combine their sign knowledge with their artistic skills as we work to develop resources that can be shared throughout the school.



LIFE MATTERS

On Tuesday 1st August some members of Life Matters (Daniel and Caitlin) came to our school to talk about friendships/relationships.

They got us to play some games and most of all students were involved.

They gave us tips on how to keep friends and what true friends look like.

Media Crew



CROSSING MONITORS Term 3 2023			
Week	8:25–8:50am 2:50–3:15pm	Williamson Crossing	
3	07/08/23 – 11/08/23	Rm 4 – Aliyah, Lily, Caitlyn	
4	14/08/23 – 18/08/23	Rm 2 – Skylar, Hania, Adrian	

DIARY DATES 2023

Monday 7/8/23 - 11/8/23 August - Interviews

Monday 7th August Hockey SA Clinic

Wednesday 9th August Rm 6 & 8 Growth & Development

Thursday 10th August SAPSASA Athletics

Monday 14th August Governing Council

15th August Book week Performance

Monday 21st August – Friday 25th August Book Week

Friday 25th August SAPSASA Girls Football/Boys Soccer

Monday 28th Aug. - Wednesday 30th Yr 5 & 6 School Camp

Monday 28th August Rm 3 & 5 AFL Max

Tuesday 29th August – Friday 1st Sept. Book Fair

Thursday 7th September Pupil Free day Friday 8th September School Closure Day

Monday 18th September Governing Council

Friday 29th September End of Term 2pm Dismissal

Monday 16th October Pupil Free day

Term 4 begins Tuesday 17th October 9:50am

End Term 4 Friday 15th December 2pm Early dismissal



As a special offer for your school community, we would like to extend an offer of 10% discount off Science Alive! tickets using the special discount code — ParaHills Book online.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS WEEK 2		
Rm 1	Tahlia	Always trying her best & using all Success Helpers to guide her thinking
Rm 2	Aishreet	Always showing her full attention & being ready to learn
Rm 4	Max	Using all Success Helpers in Tm 2
Rm 6	Savannah	Demonstrating all Success Helpers in Term 2
Rm 6	Jeremy	Demonstrating all Success Helpers in Term 2
Rm 8	Skye	Being successful in engaging in all learning & routines
Rm 8	Matthew	Always doing his best & helping others
Rm 9	Maia	Using all her Success Helpers every day in Term 2
Rm 11	Lachlan	Always being kind to others & working hard to improve his spelling
Rm 11	Laine	Using all Success Helper thinking to make good choices & manage her feelings
Rm 12	Lachlan	Using all Success Helper choices throughout the day
Rm 12	Gurfateh	Using all Success Helper choices & trying his best daily
Rm 13	Mohammad	Always trying his best in his learning & using all his Success Helpers
Rm 14	Orlando	For displaying all the school values



This Wednesday room 1 hosted the 1st Assembly for term 3. They told us about poetry, drama and patterns. It was very exciting and interesting to learn about what room 1 has been doing in class.

They told us about their poems they have been working on in class, it made most people laugh and made the assembly more exciting.

They also made some short comedy clips to do with emotions, it was very fascinating.

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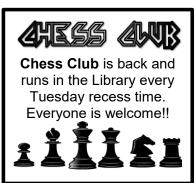


Hello! As many of you know, my name is Bec Page and I am delighted to be the Pastoral Care Worker at Para Hills Primary School. A warm welcome to children and families who have recently joined our school community, including in our preschool!! My work space is located across the corridor from Room 15 and I am at school as a pastoral care worker on Mondays and Wednesdays.

On Mondays, I am involved in facilitating a *Kimochis* group for some of our reception students (social and emotional learning curriculum), as well as facilitating groups using the *What's the Buzz* curriculum (social skills development). In *What's the Buzz*, we have been discussing how to win and lose graciously. It's not always easy to be a good sport when we have big disappointed feelings! We all love to win games, but we have been learning how we can play in a way to also win friendships.



Pop-Up Play activities are available on Mondays and Wednesdays during break times under the shelter shed. Thank you to our awesome student helpers, who help pack everything away.











Pop-Up Play Mondays and Wednesdays





Friendship Matters

We thank the SMG Life Matters team who came to our school on Tuesday and gave a presentation to students in years 3-6 on how we can build and maintain strong friendships.



The supporting churches (SHIN) represent a group of local churches who support pastoral care workers in our area. SHIN provides additional funding so that we can work more hours. Recently, members from SHIN donated funds for Welcome Packs for new families in our preschool and also donated Lego which is available for students to enjoy when chess club is running.