



# St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

22nd November 2019

Dear Parents

Although busy, our year is ending well. It gave me great pleasure to attend Shalom Awards Night last week. I love to see our students progress and see them represented as both award recipients and performers. I was also delighted to see Sam Freeman acknowledged as Dux of Shalom this year. He is a fine young man who has worked very hard and is very deserving of this honour.

At the Shalom Graduation, I was also very pleased to see so many of our graduates acknowledged as School and House Captains or 2020. These students really are a credit to themselves and to their families, and we are just so proud that they will help and serve others through their leadership next year.

Wednesday night we had our School Cultural Night, and it was sensational to see so many talented students have an avenue to express their musical talents. The support of parents was amazing, and I loved seeing the students feeling so proud of the progress they have made.

Last Friday, St Patrick's won the local Primary Schools cricket competition. I love that we are able to offer a breadth of learning experiences that can lead to academic success, talent development and all the character development that goes along with it.

Next Tuesday, we graduate our own Year Sixes. They are a great group, who have led well and who will be missed. Our families make up the fabric of our school and contribute to who we are, and it is always a little sad to see these often very long associations move on. Nathan and Sharon Pole for example, enrolled their first child Stephanie with us in 2001, and so with Kodee graduating Year 6 this year, we acknowledge a 19 year association. We are very grateful to so many families who have entrusted us with their children and wish them all the best for the future.

### Last Day of School Arrangements

On our last day, Friday 6 December at 9:30, we have a Whole of School Liturgy in the Covered Area. At 11:00 we have the Year 6 Farewell. At 11:50 students leave the Covered Area with their teacher. They are dismissed from their classroom by their teacher at 12:00. Students may leave with their parents – collected outside of classrooms. Children who use the pick-up-zone will be allowed to go to their pick-up area. From 12:00, teachers will be on Gate Duties and our Pick-Up –Zone will begin operation. **Any student walking or riding home, must have a note from their parents.** There will be a crossing supervisor on Mulgrave Street, but not on Walker Street. There will be staff available to supervise any children who cannot be collected at 12:00.

*Mark Fox*

- Monday**
  - Senior Strings to Retirement Homes
- Tuesday**
  - Senior Choir Rehearsal 7.30am
  - Courtyard Prayer 8.40am 2H
  - Year 4 & 5 Strings Performance to Parents
  - Year 6 Graduation & Supper 5.30pm
- Wednesday**
  - Courtyard Prayer 8.40am 2H
- Thursday**
  - Courtyard Prayer 8.40am 2H
- Friday**
  - Music Assembly 10.00am



(Junior & Senior Guitar, Junior & Senior Choir, Junior & Senior Strings & Year 6 Music Performance)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Week 8 Monday 25/11 Senior Strings to Retirement Homes
- Week 8 Tuesday 26/11 Year 6 Graduation & Supper
- Week 8 Thursday 28/11 Swimming Carnival
- Week 8 Friday 29/11 Music Assembly
- Week 9 Wednesday 4/12 Celebration Night



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## STUDENT ABSENCES



4994 8336 [spb\\_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au](mailto:spb_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au)

## MINI VINNIES' CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2019



- Prep: Christmas decorations
- Year 1: New (unused) toys and books
- Year 2: Pet food - dry and tinned
- Year 3: Non-perishable Christmas food and drinks
- Year 4: Card games, board games, sport equipment
- Year 5: School and Art supplies
- Year 6: Non-perishable Christmas food and drinks

## Saint Patrick's Catholic School Year 6 Graduation 2019



*Tuesday, 26th November*  
*5.30pm*  
*Shalom Sport Centre*

## Celebration NIGHT

*Wednesday 4th December*

Our annual Celebration Night will be held on Wednesday 4th December, which is a wonderfully relaxed evening spent on our oval watching our children perform Christmas Carols. We also take the opportunity to farewell any staff that may be leaving us.

Please note the following information:-

- Gates will open at 5pm
- All families are welcome to bring a BYO dinner and drinks. Students to wear Christmas colours and Prep to wear the prepared tie-dyed Christmas shirt.
- Performances begin at 6pm with our Prep classes
- We may even get a visit from the man in red at the end of the evening.
- Toilets—all adults and toddlers are to use the toilets at the back of the Parish Hall as student toilets are strictly for student use only.

### Parents please note:

Parents should be aware that school staff are not supervising students during this evening. All students attending should be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for their supervision, and this includes high school age children.

## FINANCE NEWS

### Fees

As the year draws to a close, a timely reminder to all families to finalise 2019 fees as well as consider payment plans and options for 2020.

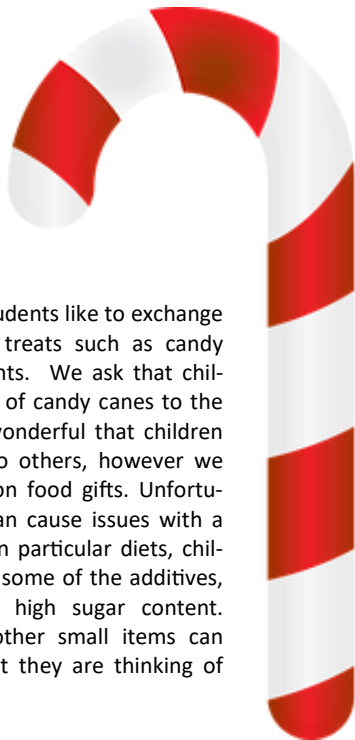
To assist in readiness for 2020 fees, Confirmation of Enrolment forms have been sent home with the youngest child in the family. This form ensures you will receive discounts if you have more than one child at a Catholic School or College in the Diocese of Rockhampton. Please complete and return to the School Office by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019 so as eligible discounts/exemptions can be prepared and applied.

### Student Banking

Final day to be able to redeem a prize in student banking will be Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November with final student banking day following Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

## CHRISTMAS TREATS

## TUCKSHOP CLOSED



### Christmas Treats

At this time of year students like to exchange Christmas cards and treats such as candy canes to other students. We ask that children do not give gifts of candy canes to the other children. It is wonderful that children wish to give things to others, however we ask people to give non food gifts. Unfortunately candy canes can cause issues with a number of children on particular diets, children with allergies to some of the additives, not to mention the high sugar content. Cards, stickers and other small items can give the message that they are thinking of others.

Please note tuckshop will be closed next Thursday 28th November due to our Senior Swimming Carnival. Normal trading the last week of school.



## STUDENT OF THE WEEK



## SENIOR SWIMMING CARNIVAL



### Senior School Swimming Carnival (Years 3-6)

*Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> November*

**Bundaberg Swim Academy, Fitzgerald Street**

The format for the carnival will be as follows:

Years 3 & 4: 9:00am – 11:00am      Years 5 & 6: 11:00am – 12:30pm

Presentations: 2:30 pm at School (Overall Points and Age Championships for students born 2007-2009 ).

Children will travel by bus to the Bundaberg Swim Academy with their class teacher who will supervise students in travel and throughout the carnival. Students may wear their school sports uniform and House coloured shirt to school on this day. Year 3 & 4 students are asked to wear their swimming togs under their uniform upon arrival to school. Year 5 & 6 students will change into their swimming gear, sun-shirt and thongs/sandals prior to leaving the school grounds. Underwear, uniform, shoes and socks will remain at school and children will change into their uniforms upon returning to school after the carnival. Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly named.

All students are required to wear a sun-shirt as this meets with sun-safety regulations. The school will provide sunscreen for students. The only items that students will take with them to the pool are goggles, towel/s, water bottle and a bag to carry their belongings. Lunch and afternoon tea will be at normal times at school with the Year 5 & 6 students eating before leaving the school.

***If your child suffers from any medical conditions which may affect your child's participation in the carnival, please advise the office of these details. All students are expected to participate unless there is a health matter that prevents their involvement on the day.***

## HOLIDAY VACATION CARE

To access holiday vacation care at St Mary's or St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, please click on the respective logo's.



## Catholic Schools Race Day 14 March 2020

As the year is coming to a close it is time to start putting in Event Dates for next year, the start of a new decade. Our 2020 Race Day event will be our 15<sup>th</sup>. How time flies. For those who are new to our Schools and aren't aware of our annual event, a committee of past and present Parents and Teacher representatives from our three Catholic Primary Schools and Shalom College combine to organise a relaxed and classy get together at Thabeban Park Racecourse.

The day is full of activity with the running of five local Races, Fashion Parade, Fashions of the Field competition, a huge Raffle with a bundle of excellent prizes, all under the comfort of our Private Marquee area with two bars catering for our 500 guests. Food supplied throughout the day is catered for by students, staff and volunteers from Shalom and the Bars and Gate are manned by volunteers from all four Catholic Schools. It is a wonderful opportunity to catch up with friends from the past and present of our Catholic School community and all money raised on the day is donated directly to the four schools for special projects of their choice. We have many very generous sponsors, some who have been supporting our event for its entire 14 years, and without them, along with our many volunteers, the day would not be the success it is.

At our upcoming event, the past students from Shalom, the 2010 and 2000 Year 12 cohorts are celebrating their 10 and 20 Year Reunions. Past students from the 1990 cohort are celebrating their 30 Year Reunion a week later here in Bundaberg, but also are welcome to double up on their celebration and join us at Thabeban Park.

I can be contacted on my Mobile 0419787279, or alternatively Mrs Teresa Cameron at Shalom College On 41558137 if there are any enquiries in relation to our Race Day regarding sponsorships, volunteering or ticket sales. Any past students looking for information in relation to their 10, 20 or 30 year reunions can contact the following representatives through the Facebook pages set up for their event or phone:



2010 Kurt Dempsey 0498 066 555  
2000 Nadine Zunker 0409 060 366  
1990 Claire Lawrence (nee Woods) 0418 147 035

**Peter O'Beirne**  
Catholic School Race Day Committee  
Mobile 0419787279



## OUT AND ABOUT

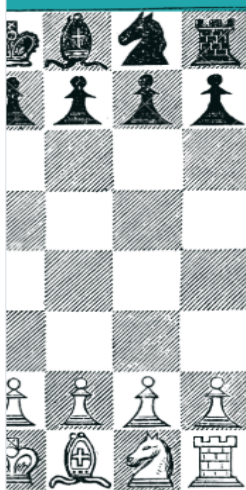
**BUNDABERG REGIONAL COUNCIL**  
**2019 Pageant of LIGHTS**  
5.30 - 9 pm  
Thursday 5 December • Bundaberg CBD  
Parade commences at 7pm  
Live performances  
Turning on the Christmas lights in Buss Park  
Santa comes to town  
Bring your own chair  
Christmas markets & food

For further information  
Please visit Council's website  
or phone the Call Centre  
1300 883 699  
[whatsonbundaberg.com.au](http://whatsonbundaberg.com.au)

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## CHESS TOURNAMENT



The final Sunday Junior Chess Tournament run by the Bundaberg Chess Club Inc is scheduled for Sunday 24th November 2019 at 9.00 am.

Cost will be \$8.00/day. A maximum of \$16.00 per family, for 3 or more players. The day consists of 6 rounds of competitive chess plus an interesting chess lesson from Mr John Harris. The day will commence promptly at 9.00 am, please arrive 15 minutes early to register. These junior chess tournaments are rated. The tournaments are held at the U3A Building upstairs next to Improvements Gym on Woongarra St. All children need to bring a water bottle and morning tea. The day should conclude approximately 12.20-12.30 pm.

Prizes are given for 1st to 5th place, plus 2 lucky door prizes and 2 prizes for the most interesting chess game. Grand Prix prizes for 2019 will be awarded at this tournament.

All enquiries for Junior Chess can be sent to mobile:- 0418686497 or email:- [president-john@live.com.au](mailto:president-john@live.com.au).

## SHALOM COLLEGE—YEAR 7 UNIFORM FITTING REMINDER



**SHALOM  
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If you have a student commencing Year 7 at Shalom College in 2020 please ensure that you have made an appointment for a uniform fitting prior to the completion of the school year.

Bookings can be made online via the link <https://shalomcollege.youcanbook.me/>

Uniforms do not need to be purchased on the day of fitting, the Uniform Shop does provide a Lay –By service.

Payment options include: - Cash, Eftpos or Credit Card via phone. All enquiries please call Leanne on 41 558 121 at the Uniform Shop.

## TERM FOUR PLANNER

<b>WEEK 6</b>	<b>Week 11th-15th November</b>		
Monday	Remembrance Day Memorial	8.40am	Year 5
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2B
Friday	Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	4W
<b>WEEK 7</b>	<b>Week 18th November-22nd November</b>		
Monday	Parish Mass	9.00am	Year 5
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards/Notices	8.40am	
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2C
Wednesday	Cultural Night - Year 3 Strings/Junior & Senior Strings/Junior & Senior Choir/Guitar	5.30pm	
Friday	Year 1 Nativity Assembly	9.00am	Year 1
<b>WEEK 8</b>	<b>Week 25th November-29th November</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards/Notices	8.40am	
Monday	Senior Strings to Retirement Homes		Senior Strings
Tuesday	Year 6 Graduation Night	5.30pm	Shalom Sports Centre
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2H
Thursday	Senior Swimming Carnival		Years 3-6
Friday	Music Assembly - Year 3 Strings/Junior & Senior Strings/Junior & Senior Choir/Guitar	10.00am	
<b>WEEK 9</b>	<b>Week 2nd December - 6th December</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards/Notices	8.40am	
Wednesday	Celebration Night	5.00-7.30pm	
Friday	End of Year Liturgy	9.30am	
	Year 6 Assembly	11.00am	Year 6
	School Dismissal	12.00pm	