



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

2 September 2022

Many years ago when I was a young dad, my wife and I would take our kids to Sunday morning Mass. It wasn't easy. We had to wake them early, dress them, attempt to tame their hair, get shoes on their feet, convince them that it was going to be 'good', and then get them and go to Mass. Quite frankly it was a battle of epic proportions.

On the way into church, we would remind them to be quiet, sit still, listen to Father and most importantly – not annoy each other during Mass. Our optimism for how this might go was seldom realised. In fact, much of our time was spent trying to retrieve them as they escaped under the pews and headed for the altar, picking up the biscuits they had spilled across the floor and separating them as they tried to make faces at each other behind our backs or poke each other while we weren't looking.

One morning after a particularly hectic church service, I felt I should express an apology to the priest. His response was excellent. He said that he was not bothered at all and that he was really glad we were at church. He suggested that his homily was really only words, while doing your best to be good parents – well that's real. That is a truly authentic way to live out the Gospel.

Parents, I'd say the same to you. All that advice you are giving your kids – pick up after yourself, keep your room clean, don't leave your wet towel on the floor..... they're probably not going to follow much of it.

There is good news. They are absolutely going to follow your example. They are watching how you live and how you treat others. They will always remember how you made them feel about themselves and they will take on some of your advice – but only if those words match how you live.

Our Fathers' Day liturgy on Thursday morning finished with the song *My Lighthouse*. Every one of the adults in our school community is a lighthouse to one or more of our students. They are watching you very closely, and every moment, even when you're not aware of it. Guiding your children is the most important thing you can ever do.

The very fact that you have shown up for liturgies, or attended parent interviews, read nightly with your children, or clapped and cheered at Sports Days or Musical events means more to your children than you will ever know. You are shining a light on the fact that you value them, and that you value education. It is a great example to them and an excellent way to be a lighthouse.

Mrs H always reminds us to be grateful. We can be extremely grateful for the wonderful parents and grandparents who make up our school community.

Mark For

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 6 September 5pm
Wednesday 7 September 6pm

**Best of luck to all our
performing students!!!**



MOANA JR SCHOOL MUSICAL

St Patrick's Bundaberg proudly presents performances of...



Limited
Tickets
Available

Performance Times

Tuesday Sept 6 @ 5pm

Wednesday Sept 7 @ 6pm

@Shalom College's Performing Arts Precinct

Tickets



Adults \$10
Children\students \$6

PARENT SURVEY ON STUDENT WELLBEING AND LEARNING

A graphic for the CSPA 2022 Parent Survey. It features a photograph of a person sitting on a couch using a laptop. The laptop screen displays a survey interface with a QR code and the text "Parent survey is closing soon". Above the photo, it says "CSPA 2022 PARENT SURVEY". Below the photo, it says "NOW EXTENDED TO SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER". To the right of the photo is the CSPA logo (a stylized 'C' with red, yellow, and green segments) and the text "Catholic School Parents AUSTRALIA". Below the logo, it says "HAVE YOUR SAY" in large bold letters, followed by "Catholic School Parents Australia is listening." At the bottom right, there is a small text box: "Catholic School Parents Australia (CSPA) acknowledges the funding received from the Australian Government to support this work."

The Australian government has asked Catholic School Parents Australia to enter into an agreement to inform them of existing and emerging issues that are of concern to Catholic school families, especially those issues that impact their children's health, wellbeing and/or learning.

In particular, they are keen to hear the perspectives of parents and carers from families of children with challenges around learning, and from families with children in remote school settings. As a result, CSPA, in partnership with the Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth (ARACY), have developed a parent survey which will be the key instrument for evidence gathering.

The *CSPA 2022 Parent Survey on Student Wellbeing and Learning* is now live through until Sunday 11 September.

Please click on the image if you would like to contribute to the survey.

IMPORTANT DATE CLAIMERS

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Disney
MOANA
JR.

Performance Times
Tuesday Sept 6 @ 5pm
Wednesday Sept 7 @ 6pm

Tickets



Adults \$10
Children/Students \$6

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Year 6 Camp



Hervey Bay Fraser Island

Week 10

Wednesday 14th September to
Friday 16th September



**St Patrick's
Catholic Primary School**

Cultural Night

Tuesday 15th November

Shalom PAP

CELEBRATION NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER



YEAR 6

Graduation Liturgy

Tuesday 29th November 9:00am

End of Year Liturgy

Thursday 1st December 1:00pm

Year 6 Farewell Assembly

Thursday 1st December 2:00pm



COVID-19 UPDATE

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School wishes to advise you that, during the past week, we have been notified of positive cases of COVID-19 in our school community.

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School regularly consults with the Catholic Education Office and relevant authorities and continues to follow the advice of Queensland Health regarding cleaning requirements.

Queensland Health has advised that no quarantine of students or staff is required as a result of school based contact.

As COVID-19 remains active in our community we ask you to continue to monitor your child's/children's health and if they develop any flu-like symptoms:

- Keep your child/children at home
- Seek a PCR or Rapid Antigen test where it is recommended and notify the school of positive results.
- Follow the advice of Queensland Health

As we continue to navigate the pandemic, please remind your child/ren to:

- maintain good hand hygiene at all times
- cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or the inside of their elbow and dispose of tissues in the bin immediately.
- practice social distancing from others where possible
- wear masks when required

We will continue to work closely with health authorities to keep our school community informed of any developments and advice. Thank you once again for your ongoing support.

FLU AND INFLUENZA ADVICE

As you are aware every year Queensland experiences an influenza or flu season. Qld Health has advised that it has recorded an increase in the number of influenza notifications. Therefore, is timely to remind parents and care-givers not to be complacent about the flu.

Flu is a virus more serious than the common cold and can be spread through talking, coughing and sneezing. Symptoms include sudden fever, dry cough, muscle aches and pains, fatigue, headache, sore throat and a stuffy or runny nose.

If your child has flu-like symptoms, the following is advised:

- Keep your child home from school
- Ensure your child washes their hands regularly with soap and water or sanitiser gel
- Encourage your children when coughing or sneezing, to cover their mouth and nose with disposable tissues which should be disposed of immediately
- Ensure they drink plenty of fluids and get lots of rest
- Consult your doctor if you are concerned about their symptoms.



The school requests that anyone displaying flu-like symptoms stay at home until such symptoms have passed. Families should also reinforce the recommended protective actions listed above. Increased awareness and ongoing attention to prevention and control measures, such as vaccination and good hygiene, are steps that we can all promote to reduce the impact of influenza.

OUT AND ABOUT

Bargara
SURF AND SUP

KIDS LEARN TO SURF
September 27, 28, 29

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ALL INSTRUCTORS ARE CERTIFIED ACCREDITED COACHES

In association with Surfing Queensland
SurfGroms programs caters for groms between the ages 5 - 12 years.
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3 lessons (2 hrs each) from \$225

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FUN
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Program Running Through School Holidays at Bargara

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- ✓ become a surfer for life
- ✓ games to equip kids with skills and encouraging participation by having fun

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CHOOSE YOUR COLOURS + YOU CAN KICK + NAME YOUR TEAM!
GET YOUR TAG ON

School Holiday Fun!

FREE Art play
outdoor art room

seed bombs
botanical badges

BUNDABERG REGIONAL ART GALLERY
Gallery Park **TUES 20 + 27**
THU 22 + 29 SEPTEMBER

Follow the Galleries on Facebook and Instagram to keep update on upcoming events.
@bundabergregionalgalleries @brgbundaberg
1 Barolin Street, Bundaberg QLD 4670 artsbundaberg.com.au

SPRING HOLIDAY
ENGINEERING, ROBOTICS & ELECTRONICS 2 DAY CAMP
WONDER KIDZ

Building 5 - CQU Bundaberg Campus
Monday 26th September 2022 to Tuesday 27th September 2022

Eligibility	Date	Time	Fee	No. of Days	Book online*
Yr 1 - 8	26 Sep - 27 Sep	9.00am to 3:00pm	\$169	2	www.trybooking.com/CCHMW

*Always consult the booking link for any changes. Every effort is made to ensure this brochure is accurate but all changes are reflected online.

STEM EDUCATION Limited spots available! Early bird discounts apply for a short time.

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Engineering & Robotics Program provides theoretical knowledge in software and mechanical engineering combined with mathematics and physics.
Electronics: Our electronic kits are specifically designed to minimise assembly time which creates more opportunity to explore the learning's behind how each experiment works. Learn to build circuits in the classroom.
Build-Up Program is designed for little children where they start from learning the basics of building Lego Models including improving them and end up building models independently with a friend and enjoying group game.

TERM THREE PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 11th July - Friday 15th July		
Monday	Start Term 3 2022		
Tuesday - Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4M
Wednesday - Friday	Challenge Cup	All Day	
WEEK 2	Week 18th July - 22nd July		
Monday	School Photo Day		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4K
WEEK 3	Week 25th July - 29th July		
	CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK		
Tuesday - Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4C
WEEK 4	Week 1st August - 5th August		
Tuesday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Prep D
Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Prep S
	District Athletics	All Day	St Luke's
Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	Prep W
	District Athletics	All Day	St Luke's
WEEK 5	Week 8th August - 12th August		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6S
WEEK 6	Week 15th August - 19th August		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6M
WEEK 7	Week 22nd August - 26th August		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5T
WEEK 8	Week 29th August - 2nd September		
Monday - Wednesday	Year 5 Camp - Chaverim	All Day	Year 5
Tuesday - Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6L
Thursday	Father's Day Liturgy	9:00am	Year 3
Friday	PUPIL FREE DAY		
WEEK 9	Week 5th September - 9th September		
Monday - Wednesday	School Musical		General
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5A
WEEK 10	Week 12th September - 16th September		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5P
Wednesday - Friday	Year 6 Camp - Hervey Bay	All Day	Year 6

2022 TERM DATES			
TERM 1	Monday 24 January - Friday 1 April		
TERM 2	Tuesday 19 April - Friday 24 June		
TERM 3	Monday 11 July - Friday 16 September		
	PUPIL FREE DAY - Friday 2nd September		
TERM 4	Tuesday 4 October - Friday 2 December		

2022 SPORTS DATE CLAIMERS			
TERM 2	District Cross County	13-May	Avoca SS
TERM 3	District Athletics Carnival	3/4 August	St Luke's
TERM 4	Years 3-6 Senior Swimming Carnival	25-Nov	BSA