

### PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

#### 21st February 2020

Most of us have had a crack at Ten Pin Bowling. If you're anything like me – you have had mixed success. I have always tried to send the ball down the centre of the lane, hoping to hit the front middle pin, and get a strike. Most often however, the result would be a few of the middle pins down, and always some remaining, always on the far left and far right side of the lanes. This of course always made it nearly impossible to finish of the last of the pins with my second bowl, and there were always some left standing.

I learned recently that competitive bowlers do it differently. They curve the bowl as they bowl it, aiming to strike the pins from the side. This is the way to knock down the most pins. It's quite an adjustment, aiming for the pins that are the hardest to hit, rather than simply aiming at the middle, but it is far more effective.

So what?

Well it's a good way to look at classroom learning. When you went to school, the teacher directed their lessons to the middle of the class – the 'average' kids, who make up the bulk of any classroom. The thought was that we would 'get' most kids. Sadly, the less able kids would miss out and the higher achieving kids were left to extend themselves if they were motivated to do so.

This year you will see that we are continuing to develop personalised learning. For a number of focus lessons each week, students are grouped according to their understanding of a particular concept or level of skill. Lessons are then personalised to challenge and extend the children within that group. Similarly, you will see classroom practices that are aimed at engaging all children—flexible learning areas, hands on activities, and opportunities for children with different talents to shine.

Accepting the challenge of growing not only the 'average' student, but also extending the capable students and supporting those with different learning needs, ensures that all of our students get the opportunities they deserve. It takes a lot of work, and an adjustment to our thinking and our practice, but the effort is well placed and ensures that our school is a great place for all students to learn.

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## KEY DATES FOR WEEK 5

- Monday—Junior String Ensemble 7.30am
- Monday—Morning Parade 8.40am
- Tuesday -Thursday Morning Prayer 8.40am—3K
- Wednesday—Ash Wednesday Liturgy—Year 6
- Thursday– School Musical Rehearsal 3.15pm
- Friday—Sausage Sizzle \$2 to classroom teacher





February 8.40am



Click our school crest to go our school website calendar.



Click the facebook icon to go to our school facebook page.

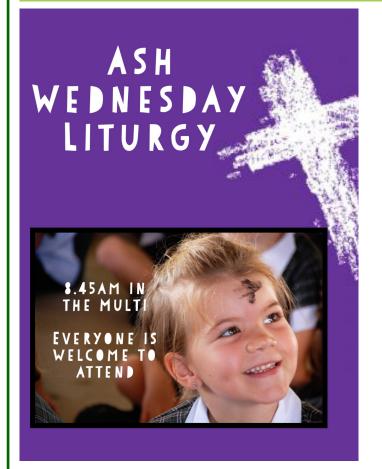


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## APRE NEWS





# PANCAKES FOR PEOPLE

Come along to the Caritas Kitchen from 8.15am on Shrove Tuesday (Feb 25) to support our Mini Vinnies team fundraising with pancakes for people.





All money raised will go toward our Caritas 2020 goal.

## CONGRATULATIONS MRS BAILLIE!!

Congratulations to Mrs Claire Baillie and her husband Dan on the safe arrival of Parker Jonathan Baillie. He arrived on the 18th of February at 11.50am weighing in at 7lb 4oz (3.289kg). Big sister Roxy is just as excited as mum and dad about the new arrival. We wish Claire, Dan, Roxy and Parker all the very best.



## CHECK JUNK/SPAM EMAIL

Can we ask that parents please check their 'Junk' OR 'Spam' email inbox. As part of sending out bulk communications it has been brought to our attention that emails may be sitting in your junk or spam email inbox. If this is the case simply move the messages to your inbox and your email should then trust further email correspondence we send.

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## SPORTS NEWS

#### BUNDABERG DISTRICT U12 SCHOOL SPORTS TRIALS-2020

Information about upcoming individual and team trial events will be contained in the school's newsletter each week. Students will also be informed on Parade. Gaining selection in a Bundaberg District Team is the first step on the pathway to representing Wide Bay and Queensland. To represent Bundaberg District, students must be born 2008, 2009 & 2010 (only exceptional 10 year old students will be given permission to trial in team sports). The majority of team sport trials occur in February and March.

Please be aware of the following points:

- No student born 2007 is eligible to trial.
- Team sports are selected in an U12 category and it is very unlikely that a 10 year old student would be selected, with the exception of Rugby League. Rugby League selects in U10, U11 and U12 categories due to the contact nature of the sport.
- Bundaberg District trials are not 'have a go' trials. St Patrick's has a responsibility to send students who we feel display high ability in the chosen sport and a high level of behaviour.
- Students wishing to trial must have a consent form issued by the school with authorisation from Mr Plumb, Ms Gollshewsky or Annette Hammermeister. Students will not be able participate in the trials without a *Bundaberg District Primary Schools nomination form*.
- Cross Country and Athletics nominations will be made by the school after our school carnivals. Swimming & Aquathlon are the exceptions Wide Bay School Sport are responsible for the selection of these teams.

#### **BUNDABERG DISTRICT SPORT TRIALS**

 SOFTBALL Boys & Girls Trials: 18 & 25 February; 3.30—5.00pm; Brothers AFL Grounds.
 TENNIS Boys & Girls Trials: 12 March; 8:45am – 3:00pm; Rotary Tennis Courts, George Street (entry off Tantitha Street). Please note these trials are held within school time and no staff member from St Patrick's will be in attendance. The manager of the Bundaberg District team will provide supervision on the day if you are unable to be present at the trials.
 TOUCH Boys & Girls Trials: 6 & 13 March; Bundaberg Touch Fields; 3:45 – 5:30pm.
 BASKETBALL Boys & Girls: 27 February & 5 March; Bundaberg Basketball Stadium; 4:00 – 5:30pm.
 HOCKEY Boys & Girls: 17 & 24 March; Hinkler Park, North Bundaberg; 4:00 – 5:00pm.

#### **SPORTS DATE CLAIMERS**

Prep - Year 2: Junior Oval, St Patrick's – Thursday, 23 April, 9:00-11:00am		
Years 3 – 6: Shalom College – Friday, 24 April, 9:00-11:00am		
Years 5 & 6: Fridays, 15 May – 12 June (5 weeks)		
St Patrick's – Monday, 15 June	(Students born 2008, 2009, 2010)	
Shalom College – Friday, 19 June	(Students born 2008, 2009, 2010 & 2011)	
St Patrick's – Monday, 22 June	(Students born 2012, 2013, 2014 & 2015)	
15-17 July (selected students from Years 5 & 6 in Rugby League & Netball)		
St Luke's, 13 & 14 August (selected students born 2008, 2009, 2010)		
Years 5 & 6: Fridays, 16 October – 13 November (5 weeks)		
Years 3-6: Bundaberg Swimming Academy – Thursday, 26 November		
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## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

## SAUSAGE SIZZLE



Friday Sausage Sizzle is held each and every Friday for the remainder of term. Each week we require up two volunteers to assist with the serving and clean up of the sizzle. If you are able to help out for your child's year level from approximately 10.45-11.45 on a Friday, please contact the office.

Week	Year Level	Volunteers Required	
Week 5	Year 2	I Volunteer Required	
Week 6	Year I	I Volunteer Required	
Week 7	Prep	2 Volunteers Required	
Week 8 Year 6		I Volunteer Required	
Week 9	Year 5	2 Volunteers Required	

## PARENT START OF YEAR CHECKLIST

Last week all families were invited to complete our Parent Start of Year Checklist for 2020 in Parent Lounge. Can we ask you login as soon as possible to update your contact details, emergency contacts, medical details, read and agree to our ICT Code of Practice, our Mission Statement and accept the Activities and Excursion Permission for the 2020 school year.



## AASTAT JUNIOR BACKPACKS/BOOK SATCHELS

On behalf of AASTAT, this is to advise that stock of the Junior Backpack and homework satchels have arrived. If you had any of these items on backorder, please call into AASTAT for collection.



## DANCE NIGHT





## FINANCE NEWS

Fees were issued 19<sup>th</sup> February and are due for payment 4<sup>th</sup> March **unless you have a payment plan in place**. If you have a regular payment plan in place this merely serves as a statement for your records. A reminder to please check your junk box if think you haven't received your statement as well as take time to review your it and contact Maria Davies in the office if you have any queries.

It is the responsibility of all parents to pay school fees when attending Catholic schools. Your contribution through school fees is essential to the continued operation of your Catholic school. Any shortfall in assessed fees for the year has to be met from the general school account which could mean less in our budget to meet our commitments. If you are having difficulty in paying school fees, please contact the finance secretary to discuss alternative arrangements.

#### SCHOOL FEE PAYMENT OPTIONS

Payments can be made at the school by cash, cheque, EFTPOS, Mastercard or Visa Card.

#### Direct Deposit

If you wish to pay by direct transfer from your bank account to ours, please ensure you use your parent code located at the top right corner of your statement as a reference. Our bank account details are noted at the bottom of your parent statement.

#### **Recurring Credit Card Billing**

If you wish to make regular recurring payments as you would normally from a bank account but prefer to use a Credit Card so as to gain advantages of frequent flyer points etc., it is as simple as completing a form. This form is available on the school website under Fees and Charges in the Menu tab, titled Direct Debit by Credit Card Form. Otherwise please contact St Patrick's School Finance Secretary Maria Davies at <u>maria davies@rok.catholic.edu.au</u> to have the form return e-mailed or call in to the office to have a printed copy provided.

#### <u>BPay</u>

BPay is the electronic bill payment service offered by Australia's leading banks and financial institutions providing a convenient, fast and easy way for debtors to pay their bills anytime/anywhere through the security of your telephone or internet banking. A BPay logo with the school's biller id and account reference is on your statement, if you choose to pay this way.

#### Parent Lounge

Simply login to the Parent Lounge Portal, select Make a Payment tab and follow the prompts to pay by credit card. An amount outstanding is automatically selected but you can amend this to pay a different amount.

#### Direct Debit

If you wish to set up direct debit from your account on a periodic basis, please do not hesitate to contact Maria Davies for assistance or simply download, complete and return the form titled Direct Debit by Bank Account Form available on the school website under Fees and Charges in the Menu tab.

#### **Centrepay**

Login to your Centrelink through the MyGov website to setup periodic payments. Our CRN is 555 053 656K and use your parent code located at the top right corner of your statement as the reference.

#### **Confirmation of Enrolment Forms**

A reminder to immediately complete and return this form if you have not already, as it is used to calculate discounts and is required for audit purposes. For those who have not returned this completed form, Term 1 fees have been generated without any applicable family discount. Diocesan policy stipulates concessions and documentation must be reviewed and updated annually as financial circumstances may change and fees and levies will vary.

#### **Student Banking**

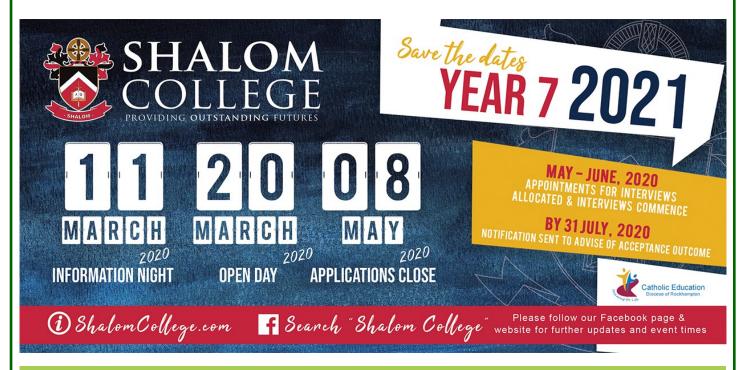
Student banking will continue each Monday. Click on this link to register your child <u>https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html</u> for student banking. The new School Banking theme for 2020 is Treetop Savers. Commonwealth developed a new range of rewards designed to appeal to all ages. In response to feedback in the Customer Experience Surveys, they have made this year's rewards more eco-friendly and sustainable. All rewards are reusable and packaged using sustainably sourced paper.

- Terry Denton's Activity Book Term 1
- Mini Soccer Ball Term 1
- Treetop Stationery Set Term 2
- Treetop Handball Term 2
- Tomato Seed Kit Term 3
- Magic Mist Drink Bottle Term 3
- Emoji Wallet Term 4
- Snakes & Ladders Game Term 4



## SHALOM COLLEGE YEAR 7 2021

Please note that all Year 6 students will receive a personalised enrolment package in Early March. Dates for Year 7 2021 students are as below.



## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS RACE DAY 14th MARCH 2020



Tickets are now on sale for the 2020 Catholic Schools Race Day, please click on the link below to purchase your tickets online.





Our 2020 Race Day event will be our 15<sup>th</sup>. 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

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

## OUT AND ABOUT



## SEEKING MORE PLAYERS!

Our Season is due to start for both Competition and NetSetGo March 7, 2020

#### We are seeking a few players who will be turning age 7, 8, 9, 10

& 14, 15

New members to our club have created more than one team per age or division so we have some spots to fill. If interested or have questions please contact

our President, Lyn Newport 41 528 298

NETBALL IS A GREAT GAME FOR

GIRLS! Come and join Alloway! "The friendly club"

President Lyn Newport Secretary Kate Roelofs Vice President Matthew Leighton Treasurer Natasha Watt

## Come & Try Day Brothers Junior Rugby League





BROTHERS

#### RUNDARERG IRLEC

✓ Open to all new and returning players
✓ U7's to U16's Boys
✓ U7's to U12's Girls
✓ Meet our Coaches

- ✓ Learn new skills
- ✓ FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE

February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 10am – 12pm @ the Brothers Sports Club ovals

For more information contact: Sheree – 0459 278 366 Deanne – 0400 150 078



## OUT AND ABOUT



## JUNIOR CHESS TOURNAMENT

The Bundaberg Chess Club is intending to continue Sunday Junior Chess Tournaments on a regular basis for 2020. All enquiries about Bundaberg Chess Club Junior Chess competitions should be sent to mobile:- 0418686497 or email <u>president-</u>

john@live.com.au. The Junior chess competitions are held on the last Sunday of the month, on 8 months of the year.

Intended dates for the Sunday Junior Chess Tournaments in 2020 are:- 23/02 29/03 26/04 31/05 26/07 30/08 25/10 29/11

Cost will be \$8.00/day. A maximum cost of \$16.00 per family, for 3 or more players. \$7.00 for each player if you bring a new friend to chess. The cost includes 6 rounds of competitive chess each tournament plus an expert chess lesson from Mr John Harris who is a top rated chess players in Bundaberg. First round to commence promptly at 9.00am at the U3A Building (upstairs) next to Improvements Gym on Woongarra St. Could players please arrive 15 minutes early to register for the tournament. It is anticipated the session should finish approximately 12.20-12.30 pm. All children need to bring a water bottle plus sufficient morning tea.

Prizes are given on each day for 1st to 5th place, with a prize for the 2 players with the most interesting chess game, plus 2 lucky door prizes. Children can accrue points through regular attendance at these Sunday tournaments towards Grand Prix prizes that are awarded at the last Sunday Junior Chess Tournament of the year.



## TERM ONE PLANNER

WEEK 5	Week 24th February—28th February		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday & Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	ЗК
Wednesday	Ash Wednesday	8.40am	Year 6
WEEK 6	Week 2nd March —6th March		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
	Parish Mass	9.00am	Year 5
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3C
WEEK 7	Week 9th March—13th March		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3M
Thursday	Dance Night	5.00-7.00pm	
WEEK 8	Week 16th March—20th March		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday	St Patrick's Day Mass	8.40am	Year 6
Wednesday-Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	9.00am	2H
WEEK 9	Week 23rd March—27th March		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2B
WEEK 10	Week 30th March - 3rd April		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday	Palm Sunday	8.40am	Year 4
Wednesday	Last Supper	8.40am	Year 4
Thursday	Good Friday	8.40am	Year 5
Friday	Easter Liturgy	9.00am	Year 6 and Prep
	Easter Hat Parade	10.15AM	Prep to Year 3
	Mini Fair	11.00am - 12.15pm	Whole School