

St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS 23 April 2021

I was really pleased that Year Six M used this week to present some beautiful reflections on ANZAC day as they led Courtyard prayer.

Children wrote much of the prayer themselves. On Wednesday, Megan said, "I am grateful that in Australia we can get an education and be free to go outside." And from Shyla, "I am grateful for having a safe place to call home and for having a safe place where I can strive for my best."

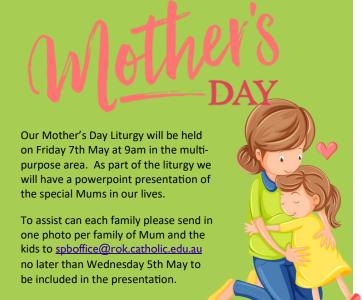
I couldn't help but think that right now, in many countries, girls are not permitted an education. As I looked across at the more than 300 female students and staff members, it seemed inconceivable to me that there were countries where only those of a particular gender, status or faith could have the opportunity of a quality education. I imagined for a moment how our school would look without female students or staff. I considered how much poorer our school and community would be in every respect.

I am pleased to know that our students understand and appreciate what we have in Australia today, because it also reflects that they have an appreciation of the importance of ANZAC Day. We owe a great debt to those who have fought and continue to fight for the freedoms we enjoy as a nation. There is no better way to evidence our gratitude than to turn up to ANZAC Day marches as a tangible sign of respect and to promote the value of freedom. Please show up to one of our local services and please, if you can, bring your children to march with us on Sunday morning at 8:00am.

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KEY DATES FOR WEEK 2

- Sunday—ANZAC DAY March assemble at 8am
- Monday—ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- Monday—Junior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Tuesday—Senior Choir Ensemble 7.30am
- Tuesday—Junior Choir Ensemble 8.10am
- Tuesday-Thursday Morning Prayer 8.40am—6S
- Wednesday—Senior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Wednesday—Felise Kafusi Rugby League Shield 4.00pm
- Friday—Senior Guitar Ensemble 7.45am
- Friday—SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2 to classroom teacher



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ABSENTEES

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APRE NEWS

SACRAMENTAL NEWS

Next week, a very special Mass will be held at Holy Rosary to celebrate the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation. We warmly welcome Bishop Michael to Bundaberg as he presides over these very special Masses. We congratulate these students on making their sacraments, and we hold them close in our prayers and hearts.

Noah Alex, Luis Begeda, Hamish Cook, Keira Hawe, Illiana Hunt, Darcy Mead, Lachlan Rae, Ben Siby, Joel Xavier, Donal Xavier, Talitha Aplin, Jack Dever, Lucy Harden, Hung Nguyen, Adelaide Wagner and Isla Walters.





MOTHER'S DAY LITURGY

We warmly invite you to join us in our whole school liturgy, led by the Year 2 classes, as we say thank you and celebrate the blessed gifts of mothers and all special women who are like mothers to us.

Friday 7th May, 9.00 am. Multi-Purpose Area

BUCKETS FOR A BETTER FUTURE

At the beginning of Lent, we asked the question – who wants to make the world a better place? From the overwhelming generosity of our Project Compassion fundraising efforts, it is clear that the community of St Patrick's do as we strive to make the world a better place.



FLU SEASON REMINDER

As you are aware every year Queensland experiences an influenza or flu season. As we enter this season it is timely to remind parents and care-givers not to be complacent about flu. Queensland Health advises that where possible, people need to be vaccinated for the flu every year.

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.

Queensland Health Guidelines advise that individuals displaying flu like symptoms should stay at home until such symptoms have passed (normally 5-7 days).

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.



BOOKCLUB



BookClub catalogues have been sent home with your child this week. If you would like to participate, please order online by **Wednesday 5th May.** It is important to note, **no cash orders can be accepted.** Book orders will be sent to the school and distributed as normal.

BOOKCLUB WEBSITE

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Friday Sausage Sizzle will be held each and every Friday this 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 2	Year 4	3 Volunteers Required	
Week 3	Year 3	2 Volunteers Required	
Week 4	Year 2	1 Volunteer Required	
Week 5	Year 1	3 Volunteers Required	
Week 6	Prep	3 Volunteers Required	
Week 7	Year 6	2 Volunteers Required	
Week 8	Year 5	3 Volunteers Required	
Week 9	Year 4	No Volunteers Required	

STUDENT WELLBEING CONFERENCE



SPORTS NEWS

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Congratulations to the following students who have earned the opportunity to represent our school at the District Cross Country Trials to be held at Avoca State School on Friday 14th May. We wish all students an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

1o Years				
Boys: Fred Lewis & Jake Wilkinson				
Girls: Charli Pollock & Natalie Lamont				
11 Years				
Boys: Lachlan Rae & Lucas Cunningham				
Girls: Elliott Hall & Keira Hawe				
12 Years				
Boys: Bradley Lamont & Toby Buckland				



BUNDABERG DISTRICT SPORT REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations Cameron Callaghan, Sophie Aitkenhead and Hamish Cook who have been selected to represent Bundaberg District in the sport of Hockey at the Wide Bay Trials to be held at Hervey Bay on 6-7 May. It is always a privilege to see students being rewarded for the effort and commitment they give to being their very best.



WIDE BAY SPORT REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to **Oliver Martin** and **Jacob Lynch** who recently represented Bundaberg in the sport of Basketball and based on their performance have made the Wide Bay School Sports Basketball team. The school community is very proud of your achievement boys and we wish you all the best representing Wide Bay when you travel to Coomera for the State Championships late May.



AUSTRALIAN ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Taryn Gollshewsky competed in the Australian Athletics Championships and Olympic Selection trials recently.

Taryn came second with a new personal best of 61.05m, giving her a current ranking of 24th in the world. If Taryn remains in the top 32 until June, she will represent Australia at the Olympics. It is a phenomenal achievement for a thousand reasons – fitting in training and competitions around her role with us, being based in Bundaberg are just examples. She is a wonderful role model for our students and we wish her continued success going forward.



NATIONAL CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA (NCCD)



As a parent, guardian or carer, what do I need to know?

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD) is a yearly count of students by all Australian schools across the country. The aim of the NCCD is to provide the Australian Government with information about the number of students with disability in Australian schools and the type of adjustments they need in order to access and participate in education on the same basis as other students. From 2018, the NCCD will be used by the Australian Government to inform funding for schools, known as the 'student with disability loading'.

If you are a parent, guardian or carer of a child with disability who requires ongoing adjustments at school, a teacher or another school staff member will consult with you to understand your child's needs. This collaborative approach ensures the most appropriate adjustments are chosen to support your child's learning and participation at school. In some cases, an individual education plan (IEP) or personal learning plan (PLP) may be developed to document specific educational goals and to review your child's progress over time.

Your child will be included in the NCCD if they require ongoing adjustments at school due to a disability as defined by the <u>Disability Discrimination Act 1992</u> (the DDA). This is a very broad definition of disability, which includes physical and intellectual disabilities, learning disorders such as dyslexia and dysgraphia, and mental health conditions such as anxiety and depression.

The Disability Standards for Education 2005 (the Standards) set out the obligations of schools towards students with disability. Information for parents, guardians and carers on the DDA and the Standards about how schools can work with students and their families is available at Disability Standards for Education: A practical guide for individuals, families and communities.

If your child has a disability, your child's school will provide information about them for the NCCD, including:

- your child's year of schooling
- the category of disability that best describes your child's difficulties (one of four categories is chosen by the school team to reflect your child's greatest area of need: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional)
- the level of adjustment your child receives at school (one of four levels is chosen by the school team to reflect the type of support your child requires: quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary adjustment, substantial adjustment, or extensive adjustment).

The information collected by schools for the NCCD will ultimately be provided to the Australian Government Department of Education. In some cases this will involve the school passing the information directly to the Department. In other cases the school will provide it to its state or territory government agency (or other relevant body) in the first instance, and that agency will then provide the information to the Department

While it is not possible for schools or families to 'opt out' of the NCCD, the privacy and confidentiality of all students and their families is treated with utmost importance. Data is collected within each school, and personal details, such as student names and other identifying information, are not provided to local or federal education authorities.

Related resources

<u>Fact sheets for parents, guardians and carers about the NCCD</u>
<u>Disability Standards for Education: A practical guide for individuals, families and communities</u>

For More Information Click Here

TERM TWO PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 19th April - Friday 23rd April			
Monday	Start Term 2 2021			
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6M	
Friday	Anzac Day Liturgy	9.00am	Year 6	
WEEK 2	Week 26th April - 30th April			
Monday	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - ANZAC DAY			
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6S	
WEEK 3	Week 3rd May - 7th May			
Monday	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - LABOUR DAY			
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6A	
Friday	Mother's Day Liturgy	9.00am	Year 2	
WEEK 4	Week 10th May - 14th May			
Tuesday-Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2H	
WEEK 5	Week 17th May - 21st May			
Tuesday-Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1G	
WEEK 6	Week 24th May - 28th May			
Tuesday—Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1N	
Thursday	BUNDABERG SHOW HOLIDAY			
WEEK 7	Week 31st May - 4th June			
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1M	
WEEK 8	Week 7th June - 11th June			
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3\$	
WEEK 9	Week 14th June - 18th June			
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3Z	
WEEK 10	Week 21st June - 25th June			
Monday	Senior Field Events (students born 2009, 2010 & 2011)	TBA	St Patrick's	
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3C	
Wednesday	Senior Athletics Carnival (students born 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012)	TBA	Shalom	
Friday	Junior Athletics Carnival (students born 2013, 2014, 2015 & 2016)	TBA	St Patrick's	

2021 TERM DATES		
TERM 1	Wednesday 27 January – Thursday 1 April	
TERM 2	Monday 19 April - Friday 25 June	
TERM 3	Monday 12 July - Friday 17 September	
	PUPIL FREE DAY - Friday 3rd September	
TERM 4	Tuesday 5 October - Friday 3 December	

2021 SPORTS DATE CLAIMER				
TERM 4	Senior Swimming Carnival - Friday 26 November 2021	Years 3-6	BSA	