

## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

11th February 2022

You've probably guessed that a fair amount of thought and work went into doing all we could to make the return to school as smooth and as safe as we possibly could. Even over the weekend before, we spent time ensuring that plans were in place and contingencies considered. Mentally, we had prepared ourselves to expect some challenges, but we also had the confidence to know that we had done everything possible to prepare.

You were all a part of it – so you know how the story ends. Parents complied in a way that exceeded our expectations. Students jumped straight back into routines – caring only about catching up with friends and meeting their 2022 teachers. Staff responded as they always have – rising to the challenge with minimal fuss. I really must make special mention of the Preps, their parents and their teachers. Starting 'big' school is a huge step, and parents must have prepared them so well. The way in which parents took them over, gave them a quick good-bye hug, and left was so very respectful. The kids themselves – amazing. I have seldom seen Prep classes settle so quickly.

Our staff enjoyed a presentation by Justin Coulson as a part of their Professional development before school started. We have had Justin to Bundaberg to address parents last year, and some of you will have seen him on television. One piece of advice Justin gave us, was that sometimes in life you just have to **lower your expectations**. If any of us are expecting complete 'normal' anytime soon – we will be very disappointed. We can expect challenges for a bit, and once we accept that, we can enjoy the countless good things we still have in our life. I have loved watching the students this week. They loved the new mud kitchen and the revamped sand pit. Every possible sport or game is being enjoyed and they have welcomed the chance to get back into the classroom. The trick is to make the most of what we do have, rather than complain about the things that are restricted. We can learn a great deal from our kids.

Thanks so much for joining us in 2022. If you are new to our school, know that you are very welcome here. If you are already a part of our community, thanks for your ongoing support and commitment. It will be great to share this year with you.

#### March 4th is an important date.

Our expectations are that by March 4<sup>th</sup>, decisions are made about restrictions at schools going forward. We are optimistic that they may ease, and certainly as soon as we have some clear direction, we will communicate to parents about major events.

#### Staffing in 2022

We are very pleased to welcome back Gabby Lindeman and Emma Donovan from maternity leave. Sandi Lascelles joins us in Year 3, Cath Callaghan joins us in Year 4, and Vicki Allen joins us in Year 5. Carissa Begeda, Sam Aslett, Carla Kellaway, Belle Maule, Ali Botha and Maddison Spencer have all accepted positions with us for this year in support roles and all have enhanced our staff profile. Sadly Pat Smith has advised she is unable to continue with us this year as has Mandy Gallagher. We are sorry to lose both of these wonderful members from our staff and wish them every blessing for the future.

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## ADMINISTRATION NEWS





#### ADMINISTRATION CARPARK

Parking in the Mulgrave Street Administration Carpark is for staff only. This carpark has been specifically designed for a Pick Up and Drop Off Zone and Parents are not to park in this area from 7:45am – 8:45am and 2:45pm – 3:30pm, as parking and reversing severely disrupts the Pick Up and Drop Off process during these times. The only exception to this is for our families who use our designated Disabled Parks in the staff carpark.

#### **ADULT TOILETS**

Visiting adults and toddlers **ARE NOT TO USE** student toilets within St Patrick's during school hours or while attending school functions after school hours (e.g. Welcome Dance Night). If you require toilet facilities while on campus during school hours, then please seek direction from Administration staff to use the staff toilets in A Block. If attending a school function after school hours, then the Church Hall toilet facilities will be made available for adult and toddler use. Your cooperation and attention to this matter is greatly appreciated to ensure and enhance the safety of our students.





#### SCHOOL ACCESS

External pedestrian gates on George Street, Powers Street and Mulgrave Street will be locked at 9.00am and opened at 2.50pm. School access between these times is only via through the school office on Mulgrave Street. Your cooperation and attention to this matter is greatly appreciated to ensure and enhance the safety of all our students.



#### **ABSENTEES**

Any student absentees should be notified to the office by 9am each day. Students arriving later than 8.40am should enter through the office to collect a late slip for the classroom teacher. If no notification has been received, an absentee text message will be sent out to parents each morning to advise the student absence.

Absentees can be emailed to spb\_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au or by phoning 4994 8336.

#### SPORTS UNIFORM DAYS

Please make note of the days indicated in which each class is required to wear the school's sports uniform. All students will wear the school's sports uniform on Friday as well as their allocated PE day. On all other days of the week the school's formal uniform is to be worn. The exception is PREP who will wear the sports uniform every day.

Years 2 & 6: Tuesday & Friday

Years 3 & 5: Wednesday & Friday

Years 1 & 4: Thursday & Friday

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

# Pupil Free Day

Please note a change to our Pupil Free Day this term. It is now been rescheduled to Friday 1st April.

## Events this Term

Please note we are finalising events for Term 1 and we will communicate any important dates in the newsletter next week.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY—HATS

A reminder to all families that the formal hat is to be worn with either the formal uniform and/or sports uniform.

The optional sports cap is only to be worn with the sports uniform. Thank you for your ongoing support with our school uniform expectations.





### SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Please note there will be no weekly
Sausage Sizzle until further notice.

We will advise all families when the Sizzle will resume.



## SPORTS NEWS

#### BUNDABERG DISTRICT U12 SCHOOL SPORTS TRIALS-2022

Trial information will be advised in the school's newsletter each week detailing trial information for upcoming individual and team events.

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 2010, 2011 & 2012 (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:

- 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 students 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 for sending 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 to 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**

#### **GOLF**

Boys & Girls Trials: Nominations close today 11 February and must be returned to Ms Gollshewsky via the school office. A golf handicap will be required for nomination purposes. Please see Annette Hammermeister on Monday 14 February if interested and do not have the nomination forms.



### WIDE BAY SCHOOL SPORT

#### **SWIMMING**

Swimmers must be born 2012, 2011 & 2010. The 2022 Queensland 10-12 Years Schools Swimming Championships will be held at Chandler Aquatic Centre, Brisbane over 3 days, 21 – 23 March.

Nominations close 3:00 pm 16 January. Nominations to be returned to Ms. Gollshewsky via the school office.

Selection in the Wide Bay Regional Team is gained by submitting times swum in the 50 metre pool in a QSA sanctioned meet. When times are submitted, they must be verified by printouts from Meet Manager and then stamped and signed by the club's secretary or record keeper. If this procedure is not followed, times will not be accepted.

NOTE: Due to COVID-19 restrictions and concerns while attending swim meets, and the cancellation of some swim meets it has been decided to extend the time frame that times can be submitted for consideration. Swimmers can now nominate times from January 2021 until 18 February 2022 rather than just the current swimming season.



Sacramental Families for 2022

Please click on the Facebook icon below to join the Parish's private Facebook Group for up to-date information posted regarding the Sacramental program.







# St Patrick's Instrumental Music Program 2022

Rehearsals for Junior and Senior strings and Junior and Senior Choirs will commence next week. Information regarding Senior and Junior Strings has been sent out from our musical tutors Mrs Bernadette Connolly, Mrs Kate Hardisty and Mrs Nicole Strohfeldt if your child is required for ensemble rehearsal.

Choir rehearsals will also begin next week. Both Senior Choir and Junior Choir will be held before school every Tuesday morning. New students are most welcome to join a choir, no auditions are held and everyone is welcome.

If you have any questions about the music program please enquire with the front office.

#### Ensemble and Choir Rehearsals Timetable

Junior Strings Ensemble	Monday	7.30am-8.30am
Senior Choir Ensemble Years 4-6	Tuesday	7.30am-8.10am
Junior Choir Ensemble Years 1-4	Tuesday	8.15am-8.35am
Senior Strings Ensemble	Thursday	7.30am-8.30am

## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS

School tuckshop opens Monday to Thursday every week. A warm welcome to our new tuckshop convenor Mrs Michelle Wagner. Please see the menu for the full list of options available for 2022.

Follow the St Patrick's School Tuckshop Bundaberg Facebook page for up to-date information.



## St.Patrick's Tuckshop - 2022

Hot Food		
Chic's Pies Meat/Chicken	\$4.30	
Party Pie	\$1.20	
Sausage Roll	\$3.20	
Tomato or BBQ Sauce	\$0.30	
Hot Dog with Tomato sauce	\$3.20	
*Pasta Bolognese	\$3.90	
*Butter Chicken & Rice	\$4.00	
*Fried Rice	\$3.40	
*Pizza Hawaiian/Meatlovers	\$3.20	
*Hot Chicken & Gravy roll	\$3.80	
Chicken Nuggets (6)	\$3.50	
*Garlic & Cheese Bread	\$2.20	
*Beef Burger	\$4.50	
-Homemade rissole, lettuce, tom, cheese & BBQ sa		
*Chicken Burger	\$4.50	
-Schnitzel, lettuce, cheese & mayo		

\* Items made at Tuckshop

\*BLTC



Bacon, lettuce, tomato, cheese, Aioli on Toasted Turkish

\$4.50

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	Sandwich	Wrap
Chicken/Cheese	\$4.00	\$4.30
Ham/Cheese	\$3.80	\$4.10
Cheese	\$3.30	n/a
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Sandwiches	½ Wrap	Wrap
Salad		
\$4.00	\$3.00	\$4.50
Chicken or Ham	& Salad	
\$4.50	\$3.50	\$5.00
Ham & Cheese		
\$3.50	n/a	n/a
Egg & Lettuce		
\$3.40	n/a	n/a
Chicken Lettuce	& Mayo	
\$3.80	n/a	n/a
Vegemite		
\$2.30	n/a	n/a
Salad	Containers	
Lettuce, Tomato, Cuci	umber, Carrot, Beetro	oot, Cheese,
Egg.		
Chicken or Ham		\$5.20
Salad only		\$4.20
Sı	nack Food	
Jatz & Cheese		\$1.30

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Chicken or Ham	\$5.20			
Salad only	\$4.20			
Snack Food				
Jatz & Cheese	\$1.30			
Boiled Egg	\$0.80			
Ovalteenies	\$1.00			
Popcorn (Sea Salt)	\$1.00			
Deli Rock Chips (Sea Salt/Honey Soy)	\$1.40			
Gingerbread Student	\$2.00			
Jelly Cup	\$0.70			
Yog Frogs (3)	\$0.80			
Fruit Salad	\$2.40			
Pineapple Tub	\$2.40			

Apple Slinky

#### Cakes/Muffins

\*Marble Cake \$2.00 \*Chocolate Slice \$2.00 \*Muffin (Chocolate or Apple)\$2.00 \*Cookies(2)



#### Plain Milk 300ml Breaka Flavoured Milk Juice Popper \$1.70 e/Apple Blackcurrant Glee Sparkling Drink 250ml \$2.50

B/gum Grape, Rockin Rasp, Trop Treat, B.currant Blast
Water 600ml \$1.70 Lime/Lem Sparkling Water \$2.50

# Iceblocks & Frozen Yoghurts

Iceblocks	\$1.40
Choc P/Pop, Split, Icypole	
Zing Yoghurt or Sour Tube	\$1.00
Bulla Frozen Yoghurt	\$2.20
Strawberry / Mango	



\$1.50











across the waves junior Rugby League CLIb into PO Box 86 BUNDABERG OLD 461 PRESIDENT: John Paul M485 554 66 SECRETARY: Kristy Dute 4485 554 90 TREASURER: Jode Gay (A47 152 61 FACEBOOK The Waves Tigars Junior Rigby League Out-Bundaber

#### HAVE FUN AND GET FIT WITH YOUR MATES!

The Waves Junior Rugby League Club focuses on fun, fitness and family! Providing training and competition matches for Under 6 to Under 16

We are currently looking for players Turning 6 up to 12 years old

Register online at playrugbyleague.com

If you would like to be a part of our team or for more information, please contact club Secretary, Kristy Cross on 0438 514 978 or secretaryatwjrl@gmail.com





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