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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

29th July 2022

I was really pleased our school community took the time to celebrate Catholic Education Week. Like every other organisation, our school has been impacted again by Covid and we are experiencing a high prevalence of colds and flu within the community, afflicting both staff and students. Even a quick look at the news reveals concerns over inflation, interest rates and similar issues.

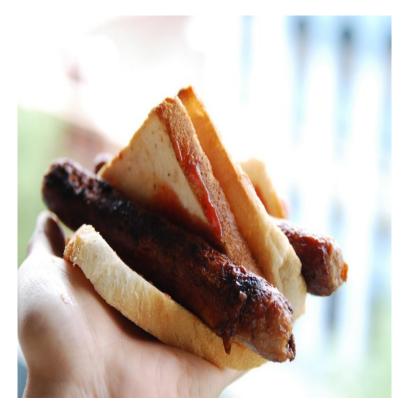
In times like these, it is more important than ever to refocus on the good things in our lives, and also to do something good for others. This week, Mrs Cook, our Minni Vinnies team and our staff have led the way with this. Students have had a heap of fun finding the mysterious Joy Gems which have appeared around the school. Funds raised from our Kindness Cupcakes will be combined with the donations from Crazy Sock day today to support homeless people in Bundaberg.

Keeping spirits up and helping others seems like a great way to acknowledge Catholic Education Week. Thank you so much for helping us to celebrate. Your support is always appreciated.

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SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Sausage Sizzle will be held each and every Friday this term. Each week we require three 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.

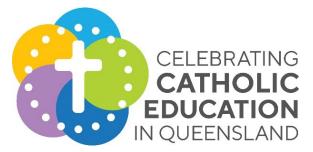


Week	Year	Volunteers Required	
Week 4	Prep	1 Volunteer Required	
Week 5	Year 6	3 Volunteers Required	
Week 6	Year 5	3 Volunteers Required	
Week 7	Year 4	3 Volunteers Required	
Week 9	Year 3	3 Volunteers Required	

APRE NEWS—CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

Catholic Education Week

24 - 30 July 2022



What an exciting week we have had celebrating Catholic Education Week. The week began with a special message from Sister Mary who set some acts of kindness challenges. We were lead in a beautiful Courtyard Prayer by 3C who highlighted how amazing Catholic schools are and how blessed we are to be involved in our wonderful, friendly St Patrick's community. Our Mini Vinnies Team have been sensational, working hard selling Kindness Cupcakes and organising our Crazy Sock Day to raise money to help homeless families in Bundaberg. Mr Dale visited and presented Mrs Walton with a special service award. A cheeky leprechaun has been hiding joy gems around the school in an effort for us to realise that when we work together we can achieve great things. There has been a certain energy and electricity in the air this week and it has been just lovely to see so many happy and excited faces. I just love how our school creates a sense of community.













SPORTS NEWS

BUNDABERG SPORTS REPRESENTATIVES

Elliott Hall, Aydah Little & Ary Podetti made the Bundaberg U12 primary schools Rugby League team to compete in the Wide Bay carnival on the 6 &7 August in the North Burnett. Brielle Czapracki was selected as a shadow player. Brielle will travel to the trials and play for another district who are short of players.



BUNDABERG DISTRICT ATHLETICS

46 students have been selected to represent St Patrick's at the District Athletics carnival to be held over Wednesday and Thursday next week at St Luke's . We wish all athletes an enjoyable and rewarding experience at this event. A 10-12 years Bundaberg District Athletics team will be selected from this carnival to compete at the Wide Bay trials to be held on the 23 August in Gympie.

FINANCE NEWS

A reminder to all families that fees have been issued and are payable **by Friday 5th August** unless you have a payment plan in place, in which case this merely serves as a statement for your records.

Upon receipt, please take time to review your invoice/statement and contact Finance Secretary Brooke if you have any queries or any time should you wish to setup a payment plan.

Please check your junk box if think you haven't received your statement.

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.

Please see the below school fee payment options available. Alternatively, payments can be made at the school by cash, cheque, EFTPOS, Mastercard or Visa Card.



School Fee Payment Options

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.

FLU SEASON AHEAD

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



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	4К
WEEK 3	Week 25th July - 29th July		
	CATHOLIC EDUCATI	ION 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		YAC	
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		