

# St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS 6 August 2021

There is little doubt that the spread of the Delta variant of Covid has made people at least a little more anxious. Most of us are now monitoring the news more carefully, alert for the possible impacts, what might happen next and how we might respond if needed.

It has served to remind me that as far as possible, school needs to be a safe and happy place for our young students. There is enough going on in the outside world, and I love the fact that for the most part, we can insulate things and keep our school a happy place.

I know it doesn't just happen. Events like the Catholic Education Liturgy and the Mini-Fair are a lot of extra work for staff, and they are a perfect example of parents and the school working together to ensure our school can be fun. The parent support was wonderful as was the behaviour of our students.

Anyone fortunate enough to have attended Courtyard Prayer this week could also attest to our focus on gratitude. Our youngest students showed such courage when they read their parts, showed their art works and led the singing and the dancing with both skill and enthusiasm. Their gratitude and love of life was a wonderful example to us all – and no one has left Courtyard prayer this week without feeling happier for it.

Like parents, our staff always go above and beyond in their care of children and it shows in the safe space that is created. As our Prep students pointed out so well this week, we have much to be grateful for.

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## **KEY EVENTS FOR WEEK 5**

- Monday—Junior Strings Ensemble (St Patrick's) 7.30am
- Tuesday—Senior Choir (7.30am) Junior Choir (8.10am)
- Tuesday—Thursday—Courtyard Prayer 6M 8.40am
- Tuesday—Bundaberg District Primary Athletics Carnival (St Luke's) Day 1
- Wednesday—Bundaberg District Primary Athletics Carnival (St Luke's) Day 2
- Wednesday—Senior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Friday—SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2 to classroom teacher





**SCHOOL PHOTO DAY** 

Monday 6th September





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## **APRE NEWS**



#### **CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK**

Catholic Education Week was particularly special this year as 2021 marks 200 years of Catholic Education in Queensland.

4L led us beautifully in a special Catholic Education Week Courtyard Prayer. The students were very excited to be part of the whole school 'kindness crystal' challenge throughout the week.

Friday was a fantastic day. We celebrated a lovely whole school liturgy, led beautifully by Mrs Cook and the Mini Vinnies Team. During our liturgy, students lit three candles. One for the past, as we remembered our Catholic school pioneers. One for the present, as we celebrate all families, teachers, staff and students who continue to keep alive the flame of Catholic Education. One for the future, as families and students continue to shape and nurture the faith and life of Catholic Education. During the liturgy, we were reminded that we let the light of Jesus shine through all we do by living our Mission Statement.



The Mini Fair was a wonderful event. With the school community generosity, teacher and student enthusiasm, there were over 20 stalls, with all money raised donated Caritas Australia. The fair raised over \$2 500. This year, through our fundraising efforts, with our simple actions and effort to 'Be More', the money raised from Shrove Tuesday, individual Project Compassion donation boxes and our Mini Fair, we have donated over \$5500 to Caritas Australia, the amount of money needed to rehabilitate the main water supply for a village in Tanzania.

A very special thanks to the Mini Vinnie team, who spent so much of their lunch and afternoon tea time preparing and helping with the Mini Fair.

Catholic Education Week 2021 was a wonderful week of faith, love and generosity.





#### YOUTH-LED MASS THIS SUNDAY

The 5.30 Mass at Holy Rosary this Sunday is a Youth-Led Mass. If you would like to be part of the choir, please meet Lizzie, the Youth Ministry Coordinator, at the church at 4.45.

## **COLD & FLU SYMPTOMS**

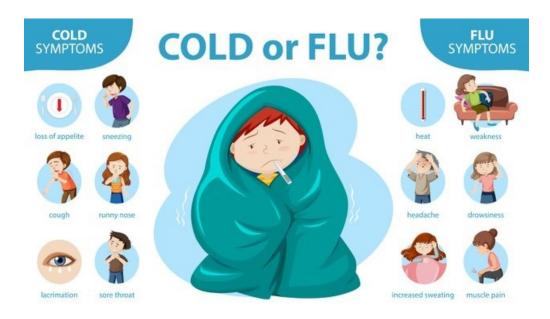
It is again timely to remind parents and care-givers not to be complacent about cold and flu symptoms.

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 cold or 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).



## 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 5	Prep	2 Volunteers Required	
Week 6	Year 6	3 Volunteers Required	
Week 7	Year 5	2 Volunteers Required	
Week 9	Year 4	2 Volunteers Required	



## **FINANCE NEWS**

#### **School Fees**

Fees have been issued and are due 6<sup>th</sup> August unless you have a payment plan in place in which case this merely serves as a statement of account. Upon receipt, please take time to review your invoice/statement and contact Finance Secretary Maria Davies if you have any queries. Please check your junk box if you haven't received your statement and contact the office to request a copy.

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#### **School Fee Assistance**

Families may be eligible for school fee assistance under the Concession Card Tuition Fee Discount and /or the Principals' Concession Scheme.

#### Government Concession Card Fee Discount

A 70% Tuition Fee Discount is available for 'means tested' government Health Care and Pensioner Concession cards. The Concession Card information and FAQs are available on the Catholic Education website. These cards must meet eligibility criteria for this concession to apply and must be presented to the Finance Officer.

#### Principal's Concession Scheme

Total or partial exemption from the payment of fees and levies is available on application to the Principal based on individual basis and circumstances. If required, contact the Finance Officer to discuss your circumstances and make an appointment to meet with the Principal.

#### **Student Banking**

Student banking continues every Monday. Click on this link to view the parent guide for student banking. <a href="https://www.commbank.com.au/content/dam/commbank-assets/banking/school-banking/docs/school-banking-parent-guide.pdf">https://www.commbank.com.au/content/dam/commbank-assets/banking/school-banking/docs/school-banking-parent-guide.pdf</a>

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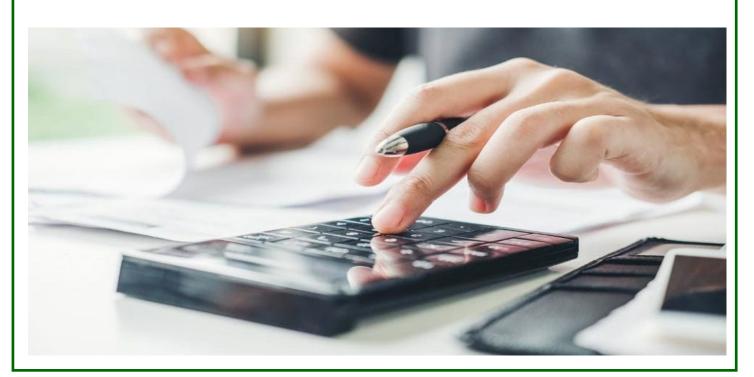
#### **Unknown Direct Deposit**

The following transaction has appeared in the school's bank account and is unable to be reconciled due to the reference used. If you made below payment, please contact Finance Officer Maria Davies.

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A timely reminder that when directly depositing payments into the school account to please use your parent code (and surname if possible) as reference for easy reconciliation and receipting against your account.



## **OUT AND ABOUT**





Bundaberg-Athletic-Club-And-West-

Bundaberg-Little-Athletics





## TERM THREE PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 12th July - Friday 16th July				
	NAIDOC WEEK				
Monday	Start Term 3 2021				
Tuesday - Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4T		
Wednesday - Friday	Challenge Cup	All Day			
WEEK 2	Week 19th July - 23rd July				
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4K		
WEEK 3	Week 26th July - 30th July				
	CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK				
Tuesday - Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4L		
Friday	Catholic Education Week Liturgy	9:00am	Whole School		
	Mini Fair	11.40am	Prep Year 1 & 2		
	Mini Fair	12.00pm	Whole School		
WEEK 4	Week 2nd August - 6th August				
Tuesday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Prep S		
Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Prep R		
Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	Prep W		
WEEK 5	Week 9th August - 13th August				
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6M		
Tuesday - Wednesday	Bundaberg District Primary Athletics Carnival	All Day	Athletics Team		
WEEK 6	Week 16th August - 20th August				
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6A		
WEEK 7	Week 23rd August - 27th August				
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6S		
WEEK 8	Week 30th August - 3rd September				
Monday - Wednesday	Year 5 Camp - Chaverim	All Day	Year 5		
Tuesday - Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1M		
Thursday	Father's Day Liturgy	9:00am	Year 3		
Friday	PUPIL FREE DAY				
WEEK 9	Week 6th September - 10th September				
Monday	School Photo Day		General		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1N		
WEEK 10	Week 13th September - 17th September				
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1G		
Tuesday - Thursday	Year 6 Camp - Hervey Bay	All Day	Year 6		

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		