

St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS 5 November 2021

Have you ever watched one of those shows where people learn to do trapeze? They start off attached to safety harnesses with large nets under the apparatus. After they build experience and progress their skills, the harnesses are removed. When they are judged to be ready, they make that first flight where they must let go of the swing, fly through the air, and trust that their catcher is capable and there for them.

When I look at Prep Orientations, I think parents and our new students must feel very similar emotions as they transition to 'big school'. They have to have that courage to let go of things that feel very familiar and safe, and take a big leap of faith, trusting that the people waiting for them are capable and worthy of their trust. It is unsurprising that all of the children and parents involved, join us with a little fear and trepidation, but also with a sense of trust and anticipation. When the session ends, all look very happy and maybe even a little relieved, that they had made their first big jump successfully. Their feeling of accomplishment and pride is very evident, and there are many animated discussions between parents and children as they leave the school.

I love that so many beautiful families entrust us each year with their children. We are absolutely blessed to have so many new people become part of our fabric and culture and our school will be much the richer for their presence.

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KEY EVENTS FOR WEEK 6

- Monday—Junior Strings Ensemble (St Patrick's) 7.30am
- Tuesday—Senior Choir (7.30am) Junior Choir (8.10am)
- Tuesday—Wednesday—Courtyard Prayer 2C 8.40am
- Wednesday—Senior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Thursday—Remembrance Day Year 5 8.40am
- Thursday—Primary School Netball Competition 3.30pm
- Thursday—Sacramental Parent Info Session (Holy Rosary) 5.30pm
- Friday—SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2 to classroom teacher
- Friday—Interschool Sport Years 5 & 6





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ABSENTEES

Call 4994 8336

Email

spb_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au

Mini Vinnies Christmas Appeal 2021



We have already received some wonderful contributions towards this appeal. Contributions will be collected up until the end of Week 8.

Prep: Christmas decorations

Year 1: Toys

Year 2: Books

Year 3: Non-perishable Christmas food and drinks

Year 4: Board games, card games, sports equipment

Year 5: School and art supplies

Year G: Non-perishable Christmas food and drinks

These items can be left in the baskets located outside each classroom. Please open your hearts to those in our community this Christmas.

"No act of kindness, however small, is ever wasted."

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022



Year & Graduation

Just a reminder for parents to log on to Parent Lounge to advise of the number of attendees for your family. We will close this on Friday, 12 November.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST Children's Sacramental Program 2022

For parents of children 8 years and older who may be ready to prepare for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist in 2022, an Information Evening will be held on Thursday, 11th November, 5.30pm in Holy Rosary Church. To register your interest please scan the QR code and complete the form or phone the parish office, 4151 6666.







SPORTS NEWS

2021 SENIOR SWIMMING CARNIVAL—YEARS 3-6

The Senior School Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 26 November at the Bundaberg Swim Academy, Fitzgerald Street.

The format for the carnival will be as follows:

Years 3 & 4: 9:00am - 11:00am Years 5 & 6: 11:00am - 1:00pm

Presentations: 2:00 pm at School (Overall Points and Age Championships for students born 2009-2011)

All students are encouraged to nominate for an A/B/C division race in Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke events. **Students must nominate in at least one event**. Novelty events will be included in the program. The carnival will involve all students and the aim is to make the day enjoyable for all students with an emphasis on maximum participation. If your child suffers from any medical conditions which may affect your child's participation in the carnival, please advise the office of these details. All students are expected to participate in at least one event unless there is a health matter that prevents their involvement in this carnival.

'A' DIVISION RACES (Age Champion Event) – 50m event in Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke. Students nominating for 50m events need to be able to swim correctly and confidently the entire 50m. Please note that all children born 2013 are not eligible to enter A Division races and must nominate for either B or C Division only.

'B' DIVISION RACES – 25m event in Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke. Students nominating for 25m events will be starting in the pool and swim correctly and confidently the entire 25m.

'C' DIVISION RACES – 12m event in Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke. Students nominating for 12m events will be starting in the pool and swim with or without the assistance of a kickboard to a half-way rope.

Children will travel by bus to the Bundaberg Swim Academy with their class teacher who will supervise students in travel and throughout the carnival. Students may wear their school sports uniform and House coloured shirt to school on this day. Year 3 & 4 students are required to wear their swimming togs under their uniform upon arrival to school. Year 5 & 6 students will change into their swimming gear, sun-shirt and thongs/sandals prior to leaving the school grounds. Underwear, uniform, shoes and socks will remain at school and children will change into their uniforms upon returning to school after the carnival. Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly named.

All students are required to wear a sun-shirt as this meets with sun-safety regulations. The school will provide sunscreen for students. The only items that students will take with them to the pool are goggles, towel/s, water bottle and a bag to carry their belongings. Lunch and afternoon tea will be at normal times at school with the Year 5 & 6 students eating before leaving the school.

NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN

- Please login to <u>Parent Lounge</u> to indicate your child's race preferences by <u>Wednesday 10 November.</u>
- Please choose only one option for Freestyle, Breaststroke and Backstroke. (Maximum of 3 races)
- Students must nominate in at least one event in the program.





CULTURAL NIGHT TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE

Click on the trybooking icon below or visit



https://www.trybooking.com/BTYEH

St Patrick's Annual Cultural Night Tuesday, 16th November 2021 6.00pm at Shalom Performing Arts Precinct

STUDENTS TO ARRIVE BY 5.30PM FOR A 6.00PM START

St Patrick's annual Cultural Night will be held on Tuesday, 16th November 6.00pm<u>at Shalom Performing Arts Precinct</u>. Students performing at the 2021 Cultural night include:

- Year 3 Students
- Junior and Senior Choir
- Junior and Senior Strings

All students will be required to wear the following uniforms for performances:

Group	Performance uniform	
Year 3	White dress shirt – long sleeve button up with collar	
	· long black dress pants	
	· black socks, school shoes	
Junior Choir	Prep: school uniform	
	· Years 1-2: Formal school uniform	
	Year 3: strings performance uniform (see above)	
Senior Choir	Black shirt – long sleeve button up with collar	
Junior Strings	· long black dress pants	
Senior Strings	· black socks, school shoes	
	* Year 3 students in Junior Strings will wear Year 3 Strings performance uniform	

Following their performance, children will sit together in one of the classrooms close to the Performing Arts block, under teacher supervision. If you wish to collect your child before the end of the evening please come to this area.

At the conclusion of the evening all performing students will receive a small goodie bag from their tutors.

All performing students will travel by bus to Shalom from 11.30am onwards on Tuesday 16th November for a rehearsal on stage at the Performing Arts Precinct. Students will return to school by approximately 2.40pm. If your child is required to catch a bus at 2.45pm please inform the office or make alternative pick up arrangements on that day in the event that the returning buses are delayed.

SCHOOL SAVVY UNIFORMS

School Savvy is back for 2022!

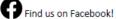
Bundaberg regional residents can once again look forward to the School Savvy CQ pop-up shops returning in 2022, with Childers and Gin Gin getting savvy shops of their very own.

From January 10, students from families facing financial struggles will be able to access second-hand uniforms and essential stationery supplies to prepare them for the new school year.

Uniform donations are now being accepted, with many convenient locations available. For a current list of donation points in your area, visit

www.centacarecq.com/donationpoints.

Support your local community and make a difference in a school student's life. The School Savvy CQ team is looking forward to seeing you!





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OUT AND ABOUT





NETBALL CLUB

TERM FOUR PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 5th October - 8th October		
Monday	QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY		
Tuesday	First Day Term 4		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4K
WEEK 2	Week 11th October - 15th October		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4L
WEEK 3	Week 18th October - 22nd October		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4T
WEEK 4	Week 25th October - 29th October		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	5M
WEEK 5	Week 1st November - 5th November		
Monday	Prep Orientation Morning	9.00am-10.30am	Prep 2022
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5G
WEEK 6	Week 8th November - 12th November		
Tuesday—Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2C
WEEK 7	Week 15th November - 19th November		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2B
Tuesday	Cultural Night - Year 3, String and Choir Ensembles	5.30pm	Music
Thursday	Guitar Showcase 2021	5.00 pm	Guitar
WEEK 8	Week 22nd November - 26th November		
Tuesday - Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2H
Friday	Senior Swimming Carnival	9.00-11.00am	Years 3 & 4
		11.00-12.30pm	Years 5 & 6
WEEK 9	Week 29th November - 3rd December		
Monday	Year 1 Nativity Assembly	9.00am	Year 1
	Year 3 & 4 End of Year Excursion	10.00am	Moncrieff
Tuesday	Year 6 Graduation	9.00am	Year 6
	Year 6 End of Year Excursion	10.30am	Norville Pool
	Year 5 End of Year Excursion	11.00am	Bundy Bowl
Wednesday	Prep & Year 1 End of Year Excursion	10.00am	Shalom PAP
	Year 2 End of Year Excursion	9.00am	Norville Pool
	Celebration Night	6.00pm	Whole School
Thursday	End of Year Liturgy	1.15pm	Whole School
	Year 6 Farewell Assembly	2.10pm	Whole School

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	
TERM 4	Tuesday 4 October - Friday 2 December	