

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

4th March 2022

My technical skills are not as developed as those of our students. I like music playlists, but often find myself listening to songs other than the ones I thought I had selected. On the weekend I found myself listening to one such randomly chosen song. The chorus was, "What have you done today to make you feel proud?"

It's a good question and one each of us could do well to ask ourselves, and our children, at the end of each day.

Every day, we make a thousand choices, both consciously and subconsciously. Importantly, the only way we become the person we want to be, is if each day we make deliberate choices to improve ourselves. Over time, consistently making those good choices becomes a habit and habits become character – who we are. It's as true for diet or exercise as it is for relationships, religious practice, or integrity.

This week Ash Wednesday signified the beginning of Lent. It's a time when Christians have traditionally reflected on our lives and disciplined ourselves to focus on improving the way we live our faith - particularly to act with charity towards others.

Perhaps Lent is an ideal time to ask ourselves daily, "What have you done today to make you feel proud?" If every day we can answer that we have made someone else's life better in some way, we are well on our way to living the Gospel message. You can not help someone else without making yourself a better person in the process.

Mark For

TERM 1 EVENT PLANNER

WEEK 7	Week 7th March—11th March	Time	Year Level
Tuesday	Year 6 Cyber Safety Presentation	2:00pm	Year 6
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	2H
Thursday	Sacrament of Reconciliation	6:30pm	Holy Rosary
Friday	Year 6 Leadership Induction	9:00am	Year 6
	Sausage Sizzle	11:15am	Year 6
WEEK 8	Week 14th March—18th March		
Tuesday-Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	2C
Thursday	St Patrick's Day Liturgy	9:00am	Year 6
Friday	Sausage Sizzle	11:15am	Year 5
WEEK 9	Week 21st March—25th March		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	2B
Friday	Junior Obstacle Course	9:00am-9:40am-Prep 9:40-10:20am-Year 1	10:20-11:00am-Year 2
	Sausage Sizzle	11:15am	Year 4
WEEK 10	Week 28th March - 1st April		
Monday	Senior Cross Country - Shalom College	9:00am	Year 3 to Year 6
	Palm Sunday	2:00pm	Year 4
Tuesday	Holy Thursday	9:00am	Year 4
Wednesday	Good Friday	9:00am	Year 5
	Easter Liturgy	9:00am	Year 6 and Prep
Thursday	Easter Hat Parade	10:15am	Prep to Year 3
Titursuay	Mini Fair	11:00am - 12:15pm	Whole School
	School Dismissed	12:30pm	Whole School
Friday	PUPIL FREE DAY	All Day	Whole School

COVID-19 UPDATE

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School wishes to advise that during the past week, we have been notified of positive cases of COVID-19 in our school community.

St Patrick's 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 guarantine of students or staff is required.

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. Please be aware, a negative COVID test does not change the requirement to be symptom free to attend school.
- 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.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Friday Sausage Sizzle will commence again next week Friday 11th March. Each week we require 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 7	Year 6	2 Volunteers Required	
Week 8	Year 5	2 Volunteers Required	
Week 9	Year 4	2 Volunteers Required	
Week 10		NO SAUSAGE SIZZLE	

SHALOM YEAR 7 2023 PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT RESCHEDULED

For parents considering enrolment at Shalom in 2023, the information night will now be held on **Tuesday March 8 at 7pm** in the Performing Arts Theatre at Shalom.

All prospective parents and students are welcome to attend in person or on the Live Stream.

The address for the Live Stream will be available after 11am on Tuesday and will be found on the Shalom Facebook page and website.

A reminder that the Open Day will be on Wednesday March 16 commencing at 9am. All parents and students are encouraged and welcomed to attend.



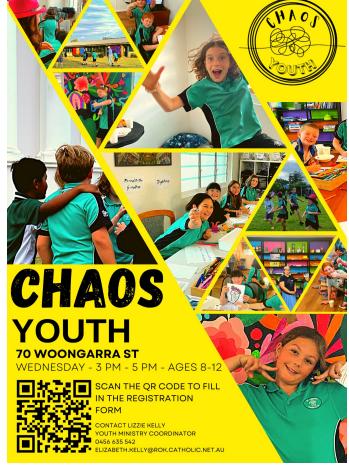


Sacramental Families for 2022

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.







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 Mrs 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

Sport		Age Group	Date	Venue	Time
Basketball	Boys & Girls	U12	Tuesday 8 March Thursday 10 March	Bundaberg Basketball Stadium	5:15- 6:15pm
Touch	Boys & Girls	U12	Friday 11 March	Bundaberg Touch Association	3:45- 5:30pm
Tennis	Boys & Girls	U12	Friday 18 March	Rotary Tennis Courts	8:45- 3:00pm
Softball	Boys & Girls	U12	Tuesday 8 March	Bundaberg Softball Grounds	3:30- 5:00pm
Netball Two teams selected 10-11 years and 11-12 years	Girls	Born 2011 and exceptional 2012 (must attend both days) Born 2010 (must attend both days)	Tuesday 8 March and Thursday 10 March Monday 15 March and Thursday 17 March	St Luke's Anglican School Multi-Purpose Court	3:30- 5:00pm
Football	Boys	Boys Born 2010 Boys Born 2011 & 2012 All boys invited back from the previous week	Tuesday 8 March Wednesday 9 March Tuesday 15 March	North Bundaberg State High School	4:00- 5:30pm
	Girls	Players expected to attend both trials	Monday 7 March Monday 14 March	North Bundaberg State High School	4:00- 5:30pm
Rugby League (All players must wear mouthguard)	Boys	10 years Born 2012 11 years Born 2011 12 years Born 2010 In consultation with Mr Plumb, exceptional 9 year olds born 2013 may trial for the 10 years team.	Monday 14 March Monday 21 March Monday 28 March	Waves Sporting Complex – Thabeban Rd	3:30- 5:30pm

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SPORTS DATE CLAIMERS

- Prep-Year 2 Obstacle Course: Friday, 25 March (Week 9, Term 1) St Patrick's Junior Oval
- Year 3 6 Cross Country: Monday 28 March (Week 10, Term 1) Shalom College, 9 11 am
- Senior (students born 2010, 2011 & 2012) Field Events: Monday, 20 June (Week 10, Term 2) St Patrick's
- Senior (students born 2010, 2011, 2012 & 2013) Athletics: Wednesday, 22 June (Week 10, Term 2) Shalom College
- Junior (students born 2016, 2015, 2014 & 2013) Athletics: Friday, 25 June (Week 10, Term 2) St Patrick's Senior Oval
- District Athletics: 3 & 4 August St Luke's
- District Cross County Friday, 13 May—Avoca State School, 12:00pm
- Year 3-6 Interhouse Swimming Carnival: Friday, 26 November (Week 8, Term 4)

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

The St Patrick's Inter-House Cross Country Carnival will be held at Shalom College on Monday, 28 March. A detailed information letter has been emailed to parents of students in Years 3-6 today. Please follow the instructions in this letter to nominate your child in their chosen event. Students in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 are expected to compete unless there is a medical condition that precludes their participation. Expected event times are as follows:-

- 9:10am: Boys & Girls Born 2011 (10yrs) 2km A Division
- 9:40am: Boys & Girls Born 2010 & 2009 (11 & 12yrs) 3km A Division
- 10:10am: Boys & Girls Born 2013 (8yrs) 1km A Division
- 10:20am: Boys & Girls Born 2012 (9yrs) 1km A Division
- 10:30am: Boys & Girls Born 2011, 2010 & 2009 (10-12yrs) 1km Fun Run

We look forward to an enjoyable and supportive event for all competitors.



Cross Country Training: Years 3-6

Training has already begun in PE lessons and extra training sessions will be offered each Tuesday and Thursday morning beginning in Week 7 commencing 8:00 am. Students are to meet Ms G in the multi-purpose shelter. Students are to wear comfortable training clothes and can change into their school uniform at the end of the training session. The training sessions will be offered to all students in Years 3-6 and cater to all ability levels.

FINANCE NEWS

SCHOOL FEES

Fees have been issued and are due 4th March 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 Brooke Bone 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. Click on this link to view available school payment options school-fee-payment-options-docx.pdf (saintpatricks.qld.edu.au)

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.

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