

St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS 19 March 2021

I am saddened that we weren't able to offer Dance Night this year and I was pleased that so many parents were able to join us for both a beautiful liturgy and to share dance moves with their children on St Patrick's Day. I was also very touched by the respectful way parents vacated the Covered Area for our whole of school dances.

We have a huge undercover area, and when we spread the students out for our whole of school numbers, you do get a sense of the size of our school. My lack of dance skills is fairly widely known, so I tend to support from the sidelines. During one of the dances, the children turned to face towards me. From my vantage point, I could see the full range of students from tiny Preps to some very tall Year 6 students. I was also able to see the large number of ethnic and cultural backgrounds represented in our community. I was able to see the wonderful diversity of our learners.

Yet for all of this diversity – the whole 500 kids were moving as one - facing forward in the one direction, moving as one in time with the music and the enjoyment too was universal. United together, they were having a terrific time – being something bigger than just themselves.

Harmony day is acknowledged next week in Australia and I love the fact that our school lives the values of Harmony Day. We aim for inclusivity, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. We celebrate difference, while keeping focus on the values that unite us. Few people know that St. Patrick was one of the first people to write publicly advocating for the end of slavery. He would be pleased to know that we still advocate for the same values he stood for.

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KEY DATES FOR WEEK 9

- Monday—Junior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Tuesday—Senior Choir 7.30am
- Tuesday—Junior Choir 8.10am
- Wednesday—Senior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Tuesday—Thursday Morning Prayer 8.40am—2B
- Friday—Senior Guitar Ensemble 7.45am
- Junior Obstacle Course—St Patrick's Junior Oval
- Friday—Sausage Sizzle \$2 to classroom teacher

FINAL SIZZLE
OF THE TERM





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ABSENTEES

Call 4994 8336

Email

spb absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au

APRE NEWS

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

The sacramental preparation continues next week with a parent/child Eucharist Information session on Sunday, March 21^{st,} at 10.30 or Wednesday, March 24^{th,} at 5.30 pm. We continue to hold these parents and children in our prays as they prepare for the sacraments of their First Eucharist and Confirmation.

PROJECT COMPASSION FUNDRAISING NEWS

Across the six weeks of Lent, we share stories of resilient people trying to 'be more' for their families and communities. As we read their inspiring stories, we can see how the generous support of our fundraising project "buckets for a better future" makes a difference.

Oliva lives in Tanzania with her farmer husband, two young sons and an adopted niece and nephew. She didn't have the opportunity to go to school growing up and was embarrassed that she couldn't read, write or count. Around 25 percent of Tanzanian girls and women over 15 years cannot read or write, with many families unable to afford school fees or uniforms.

Oliva enrolled in Caritas Australia-supported literacy and numeracy classes. She also set up a classroom at home to teach her neighbours, for free, because they were too shy to attend larger classes. Oliva has now graduated, as have some of her students. Attendance at her classes is growing, her kiosk is thriving, and she can help her children with their homework. She aims to become a pastor and run for leadership in the next local election.

Oliva aspires to "Be More' and wants to help her community to achieve its vision of a better life for all.

"In the depths of every heart, love creates bonds and expands existence, for it draws people out of themselves and towards others." Pope Francis



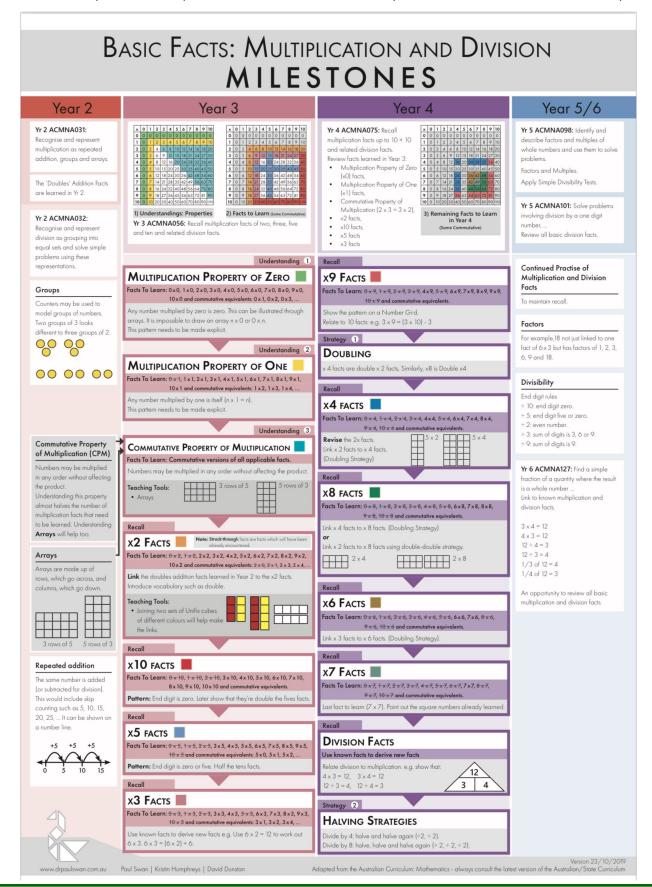


PREP ENROLMENTS 2022



CURRICULUM NEWS

Following on from our basic facts milestones last week where we highlighted that for young learners, once the foundation for counting has been set, building fluency for basic facts follows. This week we have attached the multiplication and division milestones also formulated by Dr Paul Swan. The multiplication and division milestones have been designed such that the students learn the tables from easiest to hardest. Along the way to learning the easier tables they will pick up most of the harder tables "for free", reducing the load later on. This is another helpful resource for parents to see where their older child may be in relation to their mathematical development.



SPORTS NEWS

BUNDABERG DISTRICT U12 SCHOOL SPORTS TRIALS—2021

Trial information will be advised in the school's newsletter each week detailing trial information for upcoming individual and team events. Students will also be informed on Parade. 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 2009, 2010 & 2011 (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:

- · No student born 2008 is eligible to trial.
- 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 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

HOCKEY: Boys & Girls; 23 March 4:00—5:00pm. Hinkler Park North Bundaberg. Mouthguards compulsory.

RUGBY LEAGUE: Boys; 22 March & 29 March. 3:30—5:30 pm. Waves Sporting Complex (Thabeban Road).

Mouthguards compulsory.

SPORTS DATE CLAIMERS

Prep-Year 2 Obstacle Course – Friday, 26 March (Week 9, Term 1) – Junior Oval
Year 3 – 6 Cross Country – Monday 29 March (Week 10, Term 1) – Shalom
Senior (students born 2009, 2010 & 2011) Field Events – Monday, 21 June (Week 10, Term 2) – St Patrick's
Senior (students born 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012) Athletics – Wednesday, 23 June (Week 10, Term 2) – Shalom
Junior (students born 2016, 2015, 2014 & 2013) Athletics – Friday, 25 June (Week 10, Term 2) – St Patrick's
Year 3-6 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, 29 March. A detailed information letter was emailed to parents of students in Years 3-6 last week. 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 8 commencing 8:00 am. 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.

BUNDABERG DISTRICT SPORT REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to represent the Bundaberg District in their chosen sport at the upcoming Wide Bay selection trials. We wish them an enjoyable and rewarding experience at these carnivals.

JORDAN GALEA – Touch Football LACHLAN RAE – Tennis BIANCA FENNER, OLIVER MARTIN & JACOB LYNCH – Basketball.

A further honour was awarded to *Lachlan Rae* at the Bundaberg District Tennis trials when he was ranked the number one player in the U12 Bundaberg Tennis competition, outplaying all other competitors. Congratulations Lachlan!



Please note Jacob Lynch and Oliver Martin were absent for photo



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PRESIDENT: John Paul 0488 554 65
SECRETARY: Kristy Cross 0438 514 97
TREASURER: Jodie Gray 047 152 67
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Have run and get fit with your mates!

The Waves Junior Rugby League Club focuses on fun coordination games, fitness and activity, game training and competition matches.

The Waves Junior Rugby League Club is currently seeking players aged U8.

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.







Introduction of cane toads to Queensland

including:

- an overview of the cane beetles as sugarcane pests
- ★ life before cane toads
- * scientist research
- the breeding and release program
- the results

View this interesting display as part of your tour of the Fairymead House Sugar History Museum!*

*this exhibition is included in the normal ticket entry price to the museum.

This is a Queensland State Archives touring exhibition.

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Fairymead HouSe



Cost is \$8.00/child. A maximum cost of \$16.00/family for three or more players. The cost includes six rounds of competitive chess plus a chess lesson from Mr John Harris who is a top-rated chess player in Bundaberg.

Ist round commences promptly at 9.00 am at the U3A building (upstairs) next to Improvements Gym on Woongarra St, Bundaberg.

Could players please arrive 15 mins early to register for the tournament. The session should finish approximately 12.20-12.30 pm. All children need to bring a water bottle and sufficient morning tea.

Prizes are given on each Sunday for 1st to 3rd place, with 2 lucky door prizes and 2 prizes for most interesting game. Children can accrue points through regular attendance at the Sunday Tournaments towards Grand Prix prizes at the end of the year.

All enquiries about Bundaberg Chess Club Junior Chess should be sent to mobile:- 0418686497 or email presidentjohn@live.com.au.



SHALOM YEAR 7 2022



Year 7 2022 Applications Close

MONDAY, 19 APRIL 2021

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PROCESS FOR ENROLMENT

- 1. Completing an Expression of Interest via > https://bit.ly/2ZjGvaE
- 2. Enrolment Interviews

All students applying for enrolment will be required to attend the enrolment application interview at the discretion of our College.

These will take place at our College and at least one parent/carer will be required to attend the interview with the student.

TERM ONE PLANNER

WEEK 9	Week 22nd March—26th March		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2B
Friday	Junior Obstacle Course—St Patrick's Junior Oval	9.00-9.40am	Prep
		9.40-10.20am	Year 1
		10.20-11.00am	Year 2
	Sausage Sizzle		Year 6
WEEK 10	Week 29th March - 1st April		
Monday	Senior Cross Country - SHALOM COLLEGE	9.00am	Year 3 to Year 6
	Palm Sunday	2.00pm	Year 4T and 4K
Tuesday	Last Supper	8.40am	Year 4L
Wednesday	Good Friday	8.40am	Year 5
Thursday	Easter Liturgy	9.00am	Year 6 and Prep
	Easter Hat Parade	9.45am	Prep to Year 3
	Mini Fair	11.00am - 12.00pm	Whole School
	School Dismissed	12.00pm	Whole School

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
TERM 4	Tuesday 5 October - Friday 3 December