

The Year 4 Teaching Team:

4C: Mrs Cath Callaghan

4K: Ms Cathy Keegan

4M: Mrs Amanda Modolo and Mrs Emma Donovan

Support Teacher: Mrs Clare Clarke/Mrs Leah Walton

Teacher Assistants: Mrs Jodie Philips and Mrs Donna Delaney

Welcome to Year 4, 2023

The Teachers



Mrs Callaghan



Miss Emma



Ms Keegan



Mrs Modolo



Miss Clare



Mrs Philips



Miss Donna

Our Mission Statement

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Our Mission Statement



*Learn
Love God
Live the Gospel
Witness the Faith
Celebrate Life*

We, the partnership of children, parents, teachers and parish provide an atmosphere where children reach their fullest potential spiritually, intellectually, physically and emotionally.

Uniforms

- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: Formal uniform and wide brim hat.
- Thursday and Friday: Sports uniform and cap.

Prep Students and School Sports Uniform (all students)

- St Patrick's sports shirt with logo
- Girls - black box pleated skirts or micro-fibre shorts
- Boys - black micro-fibre shorts
- Formal St Patrick's hat is a compulsory item. Sports cap is an optional item to be worn only with sports uniform.
- Black leather shoes and white socks as detailed below.



Years 1-6 Formal Uniform

GIRLS

- St Patrick's green tartan dress
or St Patrick's green tartan blouse with black box pleated skirts (no skirts with front flap). Skirts are not permitted.



BOYS

- St Patrick's green formal shirt with check trim on pockets
- Black drill shorts (not cargo)



Morning Routine

- **Before School:** Prior to 8:15 children are to wait in the area adjacent to the Prep buildings.
- **Morning Session:** 8:40, Courtyard Prayer (Tues, Wed, Thurs). Families are welcome to attend.
- If your child arrives after 8:35am please take them to the office to sign in before coming to join the class.
- Teachers are unavailable after Courtyard Prayer. If you wish to speak to us please email or message via Seesaw to arrange a convenient time.

Ipads

1. Please ensure ipads are charged each night
2. Please bring ipads to school each day
3. Students know if they forget their ipads they use one of their 5 chances, once forgotten 5 times the ipad remains at school overnight to be charged for the remainder of the term.

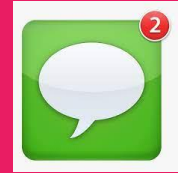


Personalised Learning



- Year 4 teachers plan collaboratively using the Australian Curriculum in 3 weekly planning cycles.
- Personalised learning in Year 4 will include a diverse variety of learning experiences, instructional processes and academic support strategies that address the distinct learning needs of the students.

Communication

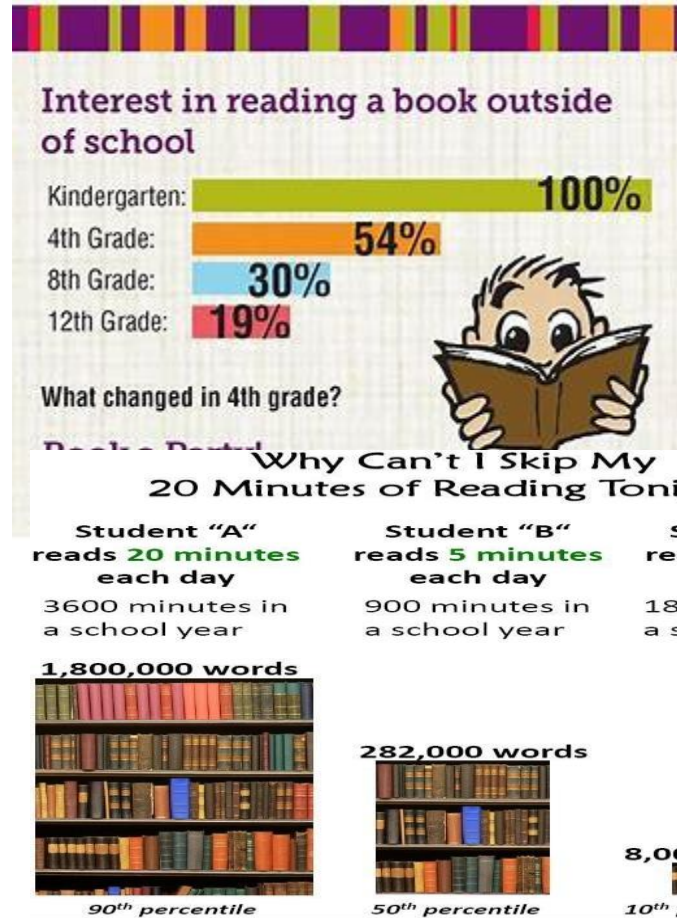


- **Seesaw/weekly wrap up:** Please ensure you have connected to your child's seesaw learning journal. This portfolio allows you to keep up to date with what your child is learning. It is also where important events and reminders are listed.
- **Teacher Emails:** Another good way to contact teachers.
- **School Newsletters:** Emailed out on Fridays.
- **School Facebook Page:** St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Bundaberg. Has lots of information and photos of school events.
- **Text Messages:** Important reminders.

Homework

Homework in Year 4 consists of:

- **Reading:** Children are encouraged to read each night for 20 minutes. This helps to develop confidence, fluency and stamina. This can include reading to an adult, reading with someone or being read to.
- **Maths Facts:** learning to quickly and accurately recall basic maths facts.



By the end of 6th grade Student "A" will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student "B" will have read only 12 school days. Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school...and in life?

Behaviour Management

- Along with our 4 school rules, the Year 4 teachers focus on encouraging positive behaviour and rewarding the good choices that students make. This could include; being on task, engaging in the learning, demonstrating persistence, trying hard to understand a new concept or the teacher may witness thoughtful behaviour.
- We value and praise both team work and excellent individual behaviour.

Specialist Lessons, Instrumental Music and Library

Specialist Lessons: Thursdays – PE (Miss G) and Music (Mrs Morley).



Instrumental Music: Timetabled by tutors weekly. Please ensure a reminder is set on ipads so students can remember their lesson time.



Library: Thursdays



Fruit Break and Nude Food

- Fruit Break is a short break during the first session. Please send a healthy snack that is quick to eat.
- As Reef Guardians our school is aiming to cut back on plastic waste from our lunch boxes. Rubbish is to be taken home in lunch boxes. This includes tuckshop rubbish



Birthdays

- We love to celebrate birthdays! Please feel free to send in a special treat to share. Individual items such as ice blocks or cupcakes are preferable as we can not use knives in the classroom.



Tuckshop and Sausage Sizzle

- Tuckshop is available Monday–Thursday. You can order your tuckshop online via the Qkr! app or by placing a bag in the tuckshop basket.
- Sausage sizzle is on every Friday unless the school notifies you otherwise.



Black Buckets

- Black buckets are located at each classroom. Any money or important messages go into our black bucket for processing at the office.
- If your child loses something and it has their name clearly labeled, it will eventually come back to your child via the black bucket.



Parent Teacher Interviews and Report Cards



- Parent Teacher Interviews: Terms 1 and 3
- Report Cards: End of Terms 2 and 4

Our School Motto: Seek Higher Things

While we strive for excellence and aim to be the best we can be; we...

- Recognise and celebrate children's achievements.
- Rejoice in the children's successes and support them in their challenges.
- Value the effort they put in, not the outcome.

Remember: Compare your child only to themselves – not peers or siblings.

