



## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

26th August 2022

This week along with some other staff members, I was invited to a Year 6 class for a 'Faith Interview'. I must admit I was thinking this would be a very simple twenty minutes of easy yes/no questions. In fact the questions were insightful and probing and within minutes I found myself answering deeply personal questions about how I live, what I believe and why. I don't have such deep conversations often, and certainly not with 11-year-olds.

The other part I realized very early in, was that these kids know me. They've talked with me, they've interacted with me personally and more importantly they've observed how I deal with others – adults and children alike, on a daily basis for nearly seven years. Eleven-year-olds have a very highly tuned and focused 'bull....' monitor. They know whether or not you're being honest with them.

It's important then, that we are always authentic. When we deal with issues, we try and deal with them in a way that reflects Catholic Social Teaching. Put simply - See, Judge and Act.

**See.** When we are made aware of an issue, we try to get a picture of what's going on. We need to know exactly what is happening and why it is happening and who are the people involved. We interview students to make sure we have a clear understanding of the issue.

**Judge.** We look at how we feel about the issue. We look at what is happening and compare it to what should be happening. In a Catholic School what should be happening is informed by Gospel values like concern for others and respectful relationships.

**Act.** What can we do to bridge the gap between what is happening and what should be happening. This informs how we move forward to address the issue.

If you watch closely when staff, Leadership Team members and particularly Mrs H deal with issues, you'll see these steps. It is extremely difficult to do well, but then not many really important things are easy. I hope in your families and your workplaces, you do something similar. Learning to do what is right and to get along really provide a foundation for good culture.

*Mark For*

## FATHER'S DAY LITURGY

## PUPIL FREE DAY

**FATHER'S  
DAY LITURGY**  
*Thursday 1st September*  
9.00am  
**Please email one photo per family  
to [spboffice@rok.catholic.edu.au](mailto:spboffice@rok.catholic.edu.au) by  
Monday 29th August to be included  
in the liturgy slideshow.**

**PUPIL FREE  
DAY**  
Friday 2nd  
September

## ICAS—MATHEMATICS

Next week the ICAS Mathematics testing window is open. For participating students in Year 3, 4 and 6, their ICAS Mathematics Test will be held on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August. For participating students in Year 5, their ICAS Mathematics Test will be held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September. If your child is participating in this, please ensure that their iPad is fully charged when arriving at school that day.

## BOOKWEEK 2022

This week St Patrick's School has embraced and celebrated Book Week. This year's theme is "Dreaming with eyes open..." Students have enjoyed reading, listening, and engaging with fun activities based on many shortlisted books like Stellaphant, Just one Bee, Amira's Suitcase, and Iceberg. Students have created their own icebergs, drawn elephants, created flowers, folded origami bees, and made grass heads. Students have also enjoyed guess which staff member is behind each of our favourite books. I wonder which staff member's favourite book is Fantastic Mr Fox?



## TUCKSHOP CLOSED WEEK 8

Please note our tuckshop will be unfortunately closed next week (Week 8) due to illness. Apologies for any inconvenience and Ms Michelle looks forward to seeing everyone in Week 9.

*Sorry, we are*  
**CLOSED**



## MOANA JR SCHOOL MUSICAL

St Patrick's Bundaberg proudly presents performances of...



Limited  
Tickets  
Available

### Performance Times

Tuesday Sept 6 @ 5pm

Wednesday Sept 7 @ 6pm

@Shalom College's Performing Arts Precinct

### Tickets



Adults \$10  
Children\students \$6

## PARENT SURVEY ON STUDENT WELLBEING AND LEARNING

2022 PARENT SURVEY

CLOSES 31 AUGUST



Catholic School Parents  
AUSTRALIA

### HAVE YOUR SAY

Catholic School  
Parents Australia  
is listening.

Catholic School Parents Australia  
(CSPA) acknowledges the funding  
received from the Australian  
Government to support this work.

Have your say on what matters  
regarding the wellbeing and learning  
of your child.

For example, has COVID or your  
partnership with the school affected  
your child's wellbeing and learning?

If you are a parent or carer with  
a child in a Catholic school, CSPA  
would love to hear from you.

Click on the survey link and share  
your feedback to assist CSPA in  
reporting to the Federal Government  
and Catholic education.

Your feedback will remain  
anonymous.

Please consider sharing this flyer  
with other parents.

The Australian government has asked Catholic School Parents Australia to enter into an agreement to inform them of existing and emerging issues that are of concern to Catholic school families, especially those issues that impact their children's health, wellbeing and/or learning.

In particular, they are keen to hear the perspectives of parents and carers from families of children with challenges around learning, and from families with children in remote school settings. As a result, CSPA, in partnership with the Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth (ARACY), have developed a parent survey which will be the key instrument for evidence gathering.

The *CSPA 2022 Parent Survey on Student Wellbeing and Learning* is now live through until Wednesday 31 August 2022.

Please click on the image if you would like to contribute to the survey.

[Click here for CSPA Parent Survey](#)



## IMPORTANT DATE CLAIMERS

### Year 5 Camp

Week 8

### Chaverim Campus

Monday 29th August  
to  
Wednesday 31st August

### Year 6 Camp

Hervey Bay  
Fraser Island

Week 10

Wednesday 14th September to  
Friday 16th September



### Cultural Night

Tuesday 15th November

Shalom PAP

## CELEBRATION NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER



# YEAR 6

## Graduation Liturgy

Tuesday 29th November 9:00am

## End of Year Liturgy

Thursday 1st December 1:00pm

## Year 6 Farewell Assembly

Thursday 1st December 2:00pm



## COVID-19 UPDATE

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

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School 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 quarantine of students or staff is required as a result of school based contact.

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.
- 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.

## FLU AND INFLUENZA ADVICE

As you are aware every year Queensland experiences an influenza or flu season. Qld Health has advised that it has recorded an increase in the number of influenza notifications. Therefore, is timely to remind parents and care-givers not to be complacent about the flu.

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 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.



The school requests that anyone displaying flu-like symptoms stay at home until such symptoms have passed. Families should also reinforce the recommended protective actions listed above. Increased awareness and ongoing attention to prevention and control measures, such as vaccination and good hygiene, are steps that we can all promote to reduce the impact of influenza.



## OUT AND ABOUT



St Vincent de Paul Society  
*good works*

### Did you know?

Members help families with education expenses; like uniforms, books and stationery. They look at this during August and September for the next school year, they listen to the person being assisted, help with applications, communicate with suppliers, organise payments and supply required school materials.

Any questions? Contact  
ihm4670@svdpqld.org.au or your local St Vincent de Paul Members.

ENJOY THE BEST EVER FOOTY  
FUN WITH YOUR FRIENDS!

# SIGN UP NOW

HURRY! LIMITED SPOTS



PATHWAYS:



Queensland

## SIGN UP AS AN INDIVIDUAL OR TEAM

CHOOSE YOUR COLOURS + YOU CAN KICK + NAME YOUR TEAM!

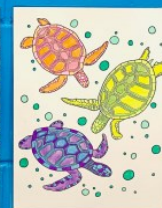
### GET YOUR TAG ON

## RSPCA BUNDABERG

### COLOURING COMPETITION

HELP US DECORATE  
OUR CAT CONDOS!  
The top 20 entries  
across all age groups  
will be framed and  
hung in the cat  
adoption pens

PLUS  
A lucky door prize will be  
drawn at random from all  
entries!



ENTRY  
\$5

LAST DATE FOR  
SUBMISSION:  
SATURDAY 27  
AUGUST

Come and visit the animals at the RSPCA  
shelter and pick up a colouring competition  
entry pack!

31 DOBLO STREET, BRANYAN |  
10am-5pm Wed-Sun | 07 4155 1736



## BUNDABERG PET MARKET

SUNDAY 28 AUGUST  
9AM-12PM

### MICROCHIPPING DOG TREATS

HYDROBATHING CUPCAKES  
SECOND HAND GOODS

PHOTO BOOTH  
FUNDRAISING  
SHELTER TOURS  
BAKE SALE  
VET ADVICE



RSPCA ANIMAL CARE CENTRE, 31 DOBLO STREET, BRANYAN

# TERM THREE PLANNER

<b>WEEK 1</b>	<b>Week 11th July - Friday 15th July</b>		
Monday	Start Term 3 2022		
Tuesday - Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4M
Wednesday - Friday	Challenge Cup	All Day	
<b>WEEK 2</b>	<b>Week 18th July - 22nd July</b>		
Monday	School Photo Day		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4K
<b>WEEK 3</b>	<b>Week 25th July - 29th July</b>		
	<b>CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK</b>		
Tuesday - Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4C
<b>WEEK 4</b>	<b>Week 1st August - 5th August</b>		
Tuesday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Prep D
Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Prep S
	District Athletics	All Day	St Luke's
Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	Prep W
	District Athletics	All Day	St Luke's
<b>WEEK 5</b>	<b>Week 8th August - 12th August</b>		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6S
<b>WEEK 6</b>	<b>Week 15th August - 19th August</b>		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6M
<b>WEEK 7</b>	<b>Week 22nd August - 26th August</b>		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5T
<b>WEEK 8</b>	<b>Week 29th August - 2nd September</b>		
Monday - Wednesday	Year 5 Camp - Chaverim	All Day	Year 5
Tuesday - Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6L
Thursday	Father's Day Liturgy	9:00am	Year 3
Friday	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>		
<b>WEEK 9</b>	<b>Week 5th September - 9th September</b>		
Monday - Wednesday	School Musical		General
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5A
<b>WEEK 10</b>	<b>Week 12th September - 16th September</b>		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5P
Wednesday - Friday	Year 6 Camp - Hervey Bay	All Day	Year 6

2022 TERM DATES			
<b>TERM 1</b>	Monday 24 January - Friday 1 April		
<b>TERM 2</b>	Tuesday 19 April - Friday 24 June		
<b>TERM 3</b>	Monday 11 July - Friday 16 September		
	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY - Friday 2nd September</b>		
<b>TERM 4</b>	Tuesday 4 October - Friday 2 December		

2022 SPORTS DATE CLAIMERS			
<b>TERM 2</b>	District Cross County	13-May	Avoca SS
<b>TERM 3</b>	District Athletics Carnival	3/4 August	St Luke's
<b>TERM 4</b>	Years 3-6 Senior Swimming Carnival	25-Nov	BSA