



# St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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## Important Dates for Week 9

- Monday—Parish Mass 5W & 1N
- Tuesday -Thursday Morning Prayer 8.40am—1C
- Wednesday—Disco Night
- Friday—Liturgy 8.45am for Prep H
- Friday— 1B Assembly and Awards 10.25am

Term 3, Week 8

1 September 2017

## Principal's News

There's always a fair bit of inspiration around. Last Saturday the many hours of practice and refinement devoted by our Opti-MINDS Teams and their supervisors in their own time was richly rewarded, when each of the teams was acknowledged for their achievement, with one of the teams making it through to the State Finals. On the same day, I was lucky enough to hear Moira Kelly share her story. Moira has been awarded the Order of Australia for her international humanitarian work, and I loved her simple no nonsense approach to faith and life. With me to hear Moira were over 350 people coming together to raise funds to assist the homeless right here in Bundaberg. More inspiring people. Today I'm out at Camp with Year 5, and I've seen some real guts efforts. One young lady on the Climbing Wall

today was just amazing. She spent more than ten minutes down low making very little progress, at which stage no one would blame her for giving up. It is physically demanding. She just stuck at it until she mastered the technique, and then worked her way all the way to the top. Moira Kelly shared a quote I liked. **"One of the hardest things in life is deciding whether you should give up or try harder."** It's a choice each of us makes several times each day, and the answer we give defines us and our future. I am very sorry not to have been able to make the Fathers' Day liturgy. Thank you to all the families who attended.

*Mark Fox*



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## SCHOOL DISCO

Wednesday 6th September

4.00-5.00pm Prep to Year 3

5.30-7.00pm Year 4-6

THEME—Create your own superhero



Drinks/Chips/Lollies available for purchase  
\$2 entry fee with costume and \$3 without costume

## Opti-MINDS

On Saturday, four groups of students from St Patrick's School went to Shalom College to participate in the Opti-MINDS Challenge. Prior to this day, these students worked on solving a challenge either in the categories of Science Engineering, Social Sciences or Language Literature. Students presented their solution and then also solved a spontaneous challenge during the day.

- ◇ Team 1 – Lettuce Turnip That Beet—Jiorgie, Emily W, Josephine, Ashleigh and Tahia won a Spirit of Opti-MINDS award.
- ◇ Team 2 – Free Wi-Fi—Katie W, Mercedes, Katia, Sarah, Jarryn, Gabby J and Sam C won first place for Science Engineering and is the Wide Bay representative for Division 1.
- ◇ Team 3 –Crazy Cookies—Grier, Ryan B, Eloise R, Darcy, Genevieve, Jaslyn and Reilly B won Honours in Science Engineering
- ◇ Team 4 – Drama Llamas—Elizabeth P, Lara, Harrison, Olivia J, Olivia W, Grace and Samantha won a Spirit of Opti-MINDS award and Honours in Language Literature.

Well done to all the students who participated in Opti-MINDS and a big thank you to all the parents, grandparents and carers who supported their child throughout the past six weeks.  
Justine Blinco & Didah Morley.

### DRAMA LLAMAS



### LETTUCE TURNIP THAT BEET



### CRAZY COOKIES



### FREE WI-FI—WIDE BAY DIVISION ONE WINNER



## Bundaberg Maths Team Challenge

Congratulations to our five St Patrick's Maths Team Challenge Teams, we are so proud of the way each team approached the challenges! Thank you to Mrs Morley who has worked with these students over many weeks to learn more about problem solving and working as a team to solve these challenges. Thank you also to Mrs Esposito, Mr Connolly, Mr Rudd and Mrs Meech for your supervision at the Challenge day.



## Sports News

### ST PATRICK'S DEVELOPMENT CUP

Ben Schrader from the NRL presented the St Patrick's Development Cup team with their Wide Bay Champions trophy this week. We are so proud of this team who showed great team work and sportsmanship during each game. They were successful in all of their games in the Wide Bay region and went on to defeat Yarrilee State school from Hervey Bay in the Wide Bay finals. A huge thank you to Mr Plumb and Mr Peebles for all of your work in coaching and encouraging this team. Well done boys!



### FRASER COAST INTERSCHOOL EQUESTRIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Charlie Thorne from (Gr 4) and Tori Bowden (Gr 6) recently represented St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Bundaberg at the Fraser Coast Interschool Equestrian Championships with the following places. Congratulations to Charlie for receiving Runner Up Overall Champion for Grade 4.

#### TORI BOWDEN

- 1<sup>st</sup> Preparatory Dressage C
- 4<sup>th</sup> Preliminary Dressage I.3
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Western Dressage B
- 4<sup>th</sup> Western Dressage C
- 1<sup>st</sup> Rider Class / 2<sup>nd</sup> Hack Class / 3<sup>rd</sup> Pleasure Hack



#### Stockman's Challenge

- 4<sup>th</sup> Dry Pattern / 9<sup>th</sup> Extreme Challenge
- 11<sup>th</sup> Sporting Challenge



#### SLADE OBERHARDT

Congratulations to Slade Oberhardt who gained 2nd place in the Queensland 8-9 years Motocross Championships. This event is run over 6 races held in various towns across the state such as Townsville and Ipswich. He will now compete at the National Motocross Championships in Horsham Victoria in the first week of October. What an amazing opportunity...best wishes for an enjoyable and rewarding experience at the Nationals.



#### ALEX PARNELL

Alex will be travelling to Japan between September 9 and 21 to represent Australia at the Aoyama Gasshuku (an intensive training environment that runs for 5 days) followed by international tournament. The Gasshuku is the toughest form of training in Karate and is a cultural, spiritual and physical challenge. Delegates from 6 countries received an invitation to train and compete at the Gasshuku. Alex is also the youngest of the Australian team attending J He has worked extremely hard to receive the endorsement of his Sensei to attend.

#### CHARLIE THORNE

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prelim Dressage I.1 AND I.3
- 1<sup>st</sup> Western Dressage B
- 1<sup>st</sup> Rider Class / 1<sup>st</sup> Hack Class / 1<sup>st</sup> Pleasure Hack
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Show jump / 2<sup>nd</sup> Western Dressage D

#### Stockman's Challenge

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Dry Pattern / 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall Stockman's Challenge
- 4<sup>th</sup> Extreme Challenge
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sporting Challenge

## St Mary's Vacation Care



## Tripe P Parenting

### Tripe P to stay free for all Queensland families!

Free access to world-renowned parenting program Tripe P is here to stay – for the next three years!



More than 85,000 parents, carers and grandparents have picked up new positive parenting skills and strategies (that really work!) since the program was first offered for free two years ago. And new funding means parents of both younger children and teenagers can continue to access specialised Tripe P programs anywhere in Queensland, online or in person.

To find out more, [register for seminars and groups](#), [arrange one-on-one support](#) or do [the program online](#) visit [www.triplep-parenting.net](http://www.triplep-parenting.net)

## Protect Our Kids Online Safety - A Must For All Parents!

On Tuesday 5 September at 6:30pm in the Shalom Performing Arts Precinct, David Kobler from Protect Our Kids Online Safety will be at Shalom for a Parent Information Evening. David travels interstate each year to work with our Year 10's on the Sexual Education component of our Personal Development Program. He also delivers a very informative Parent Night for not only the parents of Year 10, but all parents interested in how to best parent and navigate their teenagers through a highly sexualised world, impacted by modern day technology and media. This is a valuable tool box for all parents and open to our Primary feeder schools as well, in preparation for the next stage of their child's life. Please see below flier for more information.

# KEEP YOUR KIDS SAFE Online



a night for parents

### RAISING CHILDREN IN A HYPER-SEXUALIZED SOCIETY

Children are Facing **REAL ISSUES**. Parents need answers.

At a time where parents can feel overwhelmed and powerless to address issues such as social media, apps, sexting, and pornography there is a huge amount parents can do. This parents night aims to address the intimate questions that parents have while empowering them to be an influential presence in their children's lives.

- How to parent your child through a sexually saturated society.
- The truth behind media, marketing and advertising and how it can affect young people.
- Sexting, apps, and the online world; the secrets parents need to know.
- Pornography; what you need to know as a parent.
- The effects of poor sexual decision making.
- Rites of passage; your sons and daughters journey to adulthood.
- The crucial role parents can play in giving their children a healthy understanding of sexuality and relationships.

**Did You Know?**

- The average age of a young persons first exposure to pornography is 11 years of age
- 1 in 5 young people struggle with an eating disorder
- 54% of students reported receiving a sexually explicit text message
- 26% reported sending a sexually explicit text message
- 74% of parents feel they are unaware of what their children are doing online

**protect our kids**  
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## TERM 3 CALENDER

<b>WEEK 3</b>		
24 July	School Photos—no Parish Mass	
26 July	Courtyard Prayer (Wednesday and Thursday only)	6T
28 July	Catholic Education Week 10am—Open classrooms	All classes
28 July	Catholic Education Week 10.30am—Liturgy	Year 6
28 July	Catholic Education Week 10.55am—Picnic on oval	All classes—Sausage Sizzle available for families also
<b>WEEK 4</b>		
31 July	Parish Mass 9am	Year 3 & 4
1 August	Courtyard Prayer (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)	5P
4 August	Liturgy 8.45am	Prep W
4 August	Assembly 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	IN Assembly Postponed
<b>WEEK 5</b>		
7 August	Parish Mass 9am	Year 2
8 August	Courtyard Prayer (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)	5W
11 August	Liturgy 8.45am	1C
11 August	Assembly 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	5P Assembly Postponed
<b>WEEK 6</b>		
14 August	Parish Mass 9am	5P & 1B
15 August	Courtyard Prayer—Tuesday	Prep H
16 August	Courtyard Prayer—Wednesday	Prep S
17 August	Courtyard Prayer—Thursday	Prep W
18 August	No Liturgy and No Assembly (due to QCMF) - Sausage Sizzle	
<b>WEEK 7</b>		
21 August	Parish Mass	5B & 1C
22 August	Courtyard Prayer (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)	1B
25 August	Liturgy 8.45am	Prep S
25 August	Assembly 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	5B
<b>WEEK 8</b>		
28 August	Parish Mass 9am	Year 6 & Prep
29 August	Courtyard Prayer (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)	IN
30 August	Prep Excursion Tinaberries	Prep
30 August—1 September	Year 5 Camp Chaverim	Year 5
1st September	Father's Day Liturgy 9am	Year 2
1st September	No Assembly—Sausage Sizzle	
<b>WEEK 9</b>		
4 September	Parish Mass 9am	5W and IN
5 September	Courtyard Prayer (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)	1C
6 September	Disco Night	
7th September	Botanical Gardens Excursion	Year 2
8 September	Liturgy 8.45am	Prep H
8 September	Assembly 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	1B
<b>WEEK 10</b>		
11 September	No Parish Mass	
12 September	Courtyard Prayer (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)	4C
12—14 September	Year 6 Camp	Year 6
15 September	No Liturgy	
15 September	Assembly 10.25am	IN