



## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

28 April 2023

Tuesday proved to be a proud Patty's moment, for all involved. Rain bucketed down at a time when parents would have been called to question 'do we?' or 'don't we?' attend the ANZAC Day Parade, but we were happily well represented. Not only was I proud of the number of students from Prep to Year 6 that attended, but of the way they presented themselves. We received feedback to say how impressive our students were due to the manner and positive attitude that they adopted, as they marched 'shoulder to shoulder' along Bourbong Street. Thanks not only to the students, but also the parents and staff involved in such an important community event.

It was equally as pleasing to see Shalom's Treble Makers partake in the formal ceremony, singing along side one of our talented parents, Suellen Cusack-Greensill.

Mayor Jack Dempsey suggested that 'Anzac Day embodies the spirit of mateship and courage that is now intrinsically aligned with our identity and way of life'. Uncle Chris Thiesfield's Welcome to Country, really resonated with me. He started by naming the traditional owners of the land on which we marched, suggesting that their spirit continues to walk amongst us. He then went on to acknowledge the ANZACS and how they made sacrifices, so that we may continue to live freely in paradise. It was simple but effective and reminded me that we are truly blessed to live in this very special place in space.

Enjoy the long weekend in 'paradise'.

*Kim O'Shea-Hard*



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## APRE NEWS

Mid way through last term I spoke about our Mercy Charism. Namely, that we are a school founded by the Sisters of Mercy. The Sisters of Mercy were founded by Catherine McAuley, an amazing woman, who worked hard for the poor, uneducated and needy people in her community. One of our whole school improvement goals for 2023 is to explore our Mercy Charism. I encouraged you to watch this story of her life: <https://www.mercyworld.org/film-in-god-alone/>

Now, as term two is upon us I would like to share more about our Mercy Charism. Works of Mercy are actions we can take in response to need, giving and receiving the mercy of God. They have been traditionally divided into two categories, the Corporal and the Spiritual. The Corporal Works of Mercy address material and physical needs, whilst the Spiritual Works of Mercy address emotional and spiritual needs.

Over the coming weeks I will share some information from Mercy Partners (<https://www.mercypartners.org.au>), an organisation who creates and shares prayer resources and information for Mercy Schools and organisations.



## MOTHER'S DAY LITURGY

### ST PATRICK'S MOTHER'S DAY LITURGY

FRIDAY 12TH MAY  
@ 9AM IN THE MULTI

WE WOULD LOVE TO INCLUDE A 'MUMMY AND ME' PHOTO IN OUR LITURGY.  
PLEASE SEND IN ONE PHOTO PER FAMILY TO [SPBOFFICE@ROK.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU](mailto:SPBOFFICE@ROK.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU)  
NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 10TH OF MAY.

## CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL and JUNIOR OBSTACLE COURSE

The school community congratulates and applauds all students on their individual performances, sportsmanship and team spirit at the Inter-house Cross Country held on Monday and the Junior Obstacle Course held last Friday. All students showed sheer determination to finish and gain valuable points for their team.

The success of these days depends on the support of staff and once again I feel privileged to work in such a supportive school community. Thank you to the many parents and grandparents who came to support and encourage their child/ren. Also a huge thank you to Shalom College for the use of their amazing grounds for the Senior Cross Country carnival. Their support of this event is very much appreciated.

Congratulations to McAuley for winning the Senior Trophy for our Interhouse Cross Country and to our 2023 School Cross Country team who will represent St Patrick's at the upcoming District Cross Country trials at Avoca State School on Friday 12th May. The team consists of Riley F, Nathan L, Matilda K, Giorgi P, Darius S, Jace R, Flo L, Indigo B, Jake W, Grayson K, Maeve L, Natalie L and Essie M. We wish all competitors the very best at this upcoming event.

Congratulations to Xavier for winning the Junior Trophy for the Junior Obstacle Course. Based on the efforts displayed by our Prep to Year 2 students on Friday, we certainly look forward to seeing them in future years as they take on the longer distances involved with the Senior Cross Country.

### SENIOR CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS



| Place | House     | Points |
|-------|-----------|--------|
| 1st   | McAuley   | 304    |
| 2nd   | Coolock   | 253    |
| 3rd   | Mackillop | 241    |
| 4th   | Xavier    | 206    |

### JUNIOR OBSTACLE COURSE RESULTS



| Place | House     | Points |
|-------|-----------|--------|
| 1st   | Xavier    | 113    |
| 2nd   | Mackillop | 103    |
| 3rd   | Coolock   | 94     |
| 4th   | McAuley   | 87     |



### 2023 SENIOR CROSS COUNTRY AGE CHAMPIONS

| Age Division            | Name      | House   |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------|
| 8yrs Boys - Born 2015   | Bentley A | McAuley |
| 8yrs Girls - Born 2015  | Immogen K | McAuley |
| 9yrs Boys - Born 2014   | Kelan E   | Coolock |
| 9yrs Girls - Born 2014  | Lily P    | Coolock |
| 10yrs Boys - Born 2013  | Riley F   | Coolock |
| 10yrs Girls - Born 2013 | Matilda K | McAuley |
| 11yrs Boys - Born 2012  | Darius S  | McAuley |
| 11yrs Girls - Born 2012 | Flo L     | McAuley |
| 12yrs Boys - Born 2011  | Jake W    | McAuley |
| 12yrs Girls - Born 2011 | Maeve L   | Coolock |



## FINANCE NEWS

A reminder to all families that fees have been issued and are payable **by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May** unless you have a payment plan in place, in which case this merely serves as a statement for your records.

Upon receipt, please take time to review your invoice/statement and contact Finance Secretary, Brooke, if you have any queries or you wish to setup a payment plan.

Please make sure to check your junk box if think you haven't received your statement.

It is the responsibility of all parents to pay school fees when attending Catholic schools, your contribution through school fees is essential to the continued operation of our school. If you are having difficulty in paying school fees, please contact the finance secretary to discuss alternative arrangements.

Please see below school fee payment options that are available. Alternatively, payments can be made at the school by cash, cheque, EFTPOS, Mastercard or Visa Card.

### Direct Deposit

If you wish to pay by direct transfer from your bank account to ours, please ensure you use your parent code located at the top right corner of your statement as a reference. Our bank account details are noted at the bottom of your parent statement.

### Recurring Credit Card Billing

If you wish to make regular recurring payments as you would normally from a bank account but prefer to use a Credit Card so as to gain advantages of frequent flyer points etc., it is as simple as completing a form. This form is available on the school website under Fees and Charges in the Menu tab, titled Direct Debit by Credit Card Form. Otherwise please contact St Patrick's School Finance Secretary Brooke Bone at [brooke\\_bone@rok.catholic.edu.au](mailto:brooke_bone@rok.catholic.edu.au) to have the form return e-mailed or call in to the office to have a printed copy provided.

### BPay

BPay is the electronic bill payment service offered by Australia's leading banks and financial institutions providing a convenient, fast and easy way for debtors to pay their bills anytime/anywhere through the security of your telephone or internet banking. A BPay logo with the school's biller id and account reference is on your statement, if you choose to pay this way.

### Parent Lounge

Simply login to the Parent Lounge Portal, select Make a Payment tab and follow the prompts to pay by credit card. An amount outstanding is automatically selected but you can amend this to pay a different amount.

### Direct Debit

If you wish to set up direct debit from your account on a periodic basis, please do not hesitate to contact Brooke Bone for assistance or simply download, complete and return the form titled Direct Debit by Bank Account Form available on the school website under Fees and Charges in the Menu tab.

### Centrepay

Login to your Centrelink through the MyGov website to setup periodic payments. Our CRN is 555 053 656K and use your parent code located at the top right corner of your statement as the reference.

## BOOKCLUB



Book club catalogues have been sent home with your child last week.

All orders need to be made **ONLINE via LOOP payment** on the Scholastic website, as no cash orders can be accepted.

Please go to [www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP). All orders are due by **Wednesday 3 May**.

As soon as orders are dispatched to us, we will then send home with your child.

# COUNSELLOR NEWS

There are some great programs starting soon (in April, May and June) at Uniting Care and Peirson Services in Bundaberg. This includes the Circle of Security Parenting Program which is excellent. Here is a video clip explaining more about it. [Circle of Security Animation - Bing video](#) There's also the Bringing Up Great Kids Program which includes one specifically for raising teenagers. And there is also a program for Year 4 – 6 Boys focusing on self-regulation and social skills. Please phone the agencies for more information or to book in.

## Circle of Security Parenting Program



A parenting program for understanding your children's emotional needs and building secure parent-child relationships

The Circle of Security® Parenting™ program is based on decades of research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened. Circle of Security can become a roadmap for how to respond to your child's behavior if at times you feel lost.

### Learning Objectives of the Training

- Understand your child's emotional world by learning to read the emotional needs
- Support your child's ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhance the development of your child's self esteem
- Honor your innate wisdom and desire for your child to be secure

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|---------------------|---|
| <b>When</b>         | Wednesday 26 April to 14 June 2023<br>8 week program                      |
| <b>Where</b>        | UnitingCare<br>Corner of River Terrace and Penny St<br>Millbank Bundaberg |
| <b>Time</b>         | 10am - 11:30am  |
| <b>Cost</b>         | \$5   |
| <b>Registration</b> | Phone: Karen at UnitingCare on 4153 8400                                  |

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[unitingcareqld.com.au](http://unitingcareqld.com.au)



Building Mastery over self and with others  
This is a 6 week program for boys in grades 4, 5 and 6 to learn the skills needed to gain mastery over their self and improve their relationships with others.

## Tuff Masters

### Self-regulation and social skills taught:

- Attention and Focus
- Impulse control
- Awareness of self and others
- Communication
- Working Memory
- Task initiation and follow through
- Time management and organisation



Challenges, games & focused discussion are used in equal parts to help boys learn the skills needed to be more successful at home, school and in the community.

**Tuesday afternoons**  
**2nd May - 13th June**  
**3:20pm drop off for a 3:30pm start**  
**5pm collection**

Tuff Masters is facilitated at Peirson Services. For more information please contact us on **07 4151 2299** or email [bundaberg@peirsontrust.org.au](mailto:bundaberg@peirsontrust.org.au)



## BUGK - Bringing Up Great Kids PARENTING ADOLESCENTS - A shifting Landscape



6 weekly sessions support parents /caregivers to:

- Build on and maintain the positive relationships and interactions you have with your child
- Support your adolescent to forge their own identity
- Support your adolescent as they push the boundaries whilst still being there to guide, nurture and support them
- Understanding the 'period of adolescence' and the meaning attached to behaviours and interactions
- Develop an increased understanding about the messages both you and your adolescent communicate through behaviours, actions and attitudes

**12:30PM to 2:30PM**  
Tuesday 9th May  
Tuesday 16th May  
Tuesday 23rd May  
Tuesday 30th May  
Tuesday 6th April  
Tuesday 13th April  
Tuesday 20th April

BUGK is facilitated at Peirson Services  
For more information please contact us on 07 4151 2299 or [Bundaberg@peirsontrust.org.au](mailto:Bundaberg@peirsontrust.org.au)



## BUGK - Bringing Up Great Kids



6 weekly sessions support parents/caregivers to:

- Reflect upon why you parent the way you do and what you do well
- Learn more about how a child's brain grows and influences their thoughts, feelings and behaviours
- Understanding the hidden meaning of children's behaviours and your response to it
- Reflect upon the subtle messages you send your children everyday and how they respond
- Develop effective skills around deep listening and being present in the moment
- Understand how common barriers can influence your relationship with your child
- Acknowledge how caring for self, fosters positive family relationships

**12:30pm to 2:20pm**  
Thursday 11th May  
Thursday 18th May  
Thursday 25th May  
Week off for show holiday  
Thursday 8th June  
Thursday 15th June  
Thursday 22nd June

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# TERM TWO PLANNER

|                    |  |                |               |
|--------------------|--|----------------|---------------|
| <b>WEEK 1</b>      | <b>Week 17th April - Friday 21st April</b> |                |               |
| Monday             | School returns                             |                |               |
| Tuesday–Thursday   | Courtyard Prayer                           | 8:40am         | 2N            |
| Friday             | Junior Obstacle Course                     | 9:00am-11:00am | Prep - Year 2 |
| <b>WEEK 2</b>      | <b>Week 24th April - 28th April</b>        |                |               |
| Monday             | Senior Cross Country                       | 9:00am-11:00am | Years 3-6     |
|                    | Anzac Day Liturgy                          | 2:00pm         | Year 5        |
| Tuesday            | PUBLIC HOLIDAY - ANZAC DAY                 |                |               |
| Wednesday–Thursday | Wednesday to Thursday–Courtyard Prayer     | 8:40am         | 6L            |
| <b>WEEK 3</b>      | <b>Week 1st May - 5th May</b>              |                |               |
| Monday             | PUBLIC HOLIDAY - LABOUR DAY                |                |               |
| Tuesday–Thursday   | Courtyard Prayer                           | 8:40am         | 6M            |
| <b>WEEK 4</b>      | <b>Week 8th May - 12th May</b>             |                |               |
| Monday             | Parish Mass                                | 9:00am         | Year 6        |
| Tuesday-Thursday   | Courtyard Prayer                           | 8:40am         | 6S            |
| Friday             | Mother's Day Liturgy                       | 9:00am         | Year 2        |
|                    | District Cross Country                     | 12:00pm-2:30pm | Avoca         |
| <b>WEEK 5</b>      | <b>Week 15th May - 19th May</b>            |                |               |
| Monday             | Parish Mass                                | 8:40am         | Year 4        |
| Tuesday-Thursday   | Courtyard Prayer                           | 8:40am         | 1C            |
| <b>WEEK 6</b>      | <b>Week 22nd May - 26th May</b>            |                |               |
| Monday             | Parish Mass                                | 8:40am         | Year 3        |
| Tuesday–Wednesday  | Courtyard Prayer                           | 8:40am         | 1M            |
| <b>WEEK 7</b>      | <b>Week 29th May - 2nd June</b>            |                |               |
| Monday             | Parish Mass                                | 8:40am         | Year 2        |
| Tuesday–Wednesday  | Courtyard Prayer                           | 8:40am         | 1N            |
| Thursday           | BUNDABERG SHOW HOLIDAY                     |                |               |
| <b>WEEK 8</b>      | <b>Week 5th June - 9th June</b>            |                |               |
| Monday             | Parish Mass                                | 8:40am         | Year 5 & 1    |
| Tuesday–Thursday   | Courtyard Prayer                           | 8:40am         | 4C            |
| Friday - Saturday  | Music Camp                                 | All Day        |               |
| <b>WEEK 9</b>      | <b>Week 12th June - 16th June</b>          |                |               |
| Tuesday–Thursday   | Courtyard Prayer                           | 8:40am         | 4K            |
| <b>WEEK 10</b>     | <b>Week 19th June - 23rd June</b>          |                |               |
| Monday             | Field Events Day (Born 2011-2013)          | All Day        |               |
| Tuesday–Thursday   | Courtyard Prayer                           | 8:40am         | 4M            |
| Wednesday          | Senior Athletics Carnival (Born 2011-2014) | All Day        |               |
| Friday             | Junior Athletics Carnival (Born 2015-2018) | All Day        |               |

## OUT AND ABOUT



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## DIOCESAN FESTIVAL

*Come Holy Spirit - Fill the Hearts of the Faithful*

The faithful of the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton are invited to gather as we celebrate the launch of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan

Friday 26 May (12 noon) - Saturday 27 May (1pm)

St Joseph's Cathedral and The Cathedral College, Rockhampton

No cost to attend gathering!

Most meals and materials provided.

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Any questions please email [dpc@rok.catholic.net.au](mailto:dpc@rok.catholic.net.au)

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TERM 2  
PROGRAM  
2023

2 May -  
24 June

**BDJTA – Quick Start Tennis**  
Rotary Park, 69B George St, Bundaberg South

| WEEK | DATE           | TIME                        | ACTIVITY |
|------|----------------|-----------------------------|----------|
| 1    | Monday 1 May   | NO CLASSES – PUBLIC HOLIDAY |          |
| 2    | Monday 8 May   | 9.00 – 10.00 am             | Tennis   |
| 3    | Monday 15 May  | 9.00 – 10.00 am             | Tennis   |
| 4    | Monday 22 May  | 9.00 – 10.00 am             | Tennis   |
| 5    | Monday 29 May  | 9.00 – 10.00 am             | Tennis   |
| 6    | Monday 5 June  | 9.00 – 10.00 am             | Tennis   |
| 7    | Monday 12 June | 9.00 – 10.00 am             | Tennis   |
| 8    | Monday 19 June | 9.00 – 10.00 am             | Tennis   |



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<http://bundyjuniortennis.org.au/>



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