



# St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

1st March 2019

Dear Parents

I have been in Rockhampton this week with other diocesan principals learning about leadership with quite some emphasis on governance. It has been good and it is important.

Reflecting on these days however has reinforced for me that our school community does not front up each day, excited by life and its opportunities, because of the rules, policies, accountabilities and processes we have in place.

Rather I believe I have a staff who gives their best because they welcome the opportunity to improve the lives of their students through giving them great learning opportunities and by shaping their character and values so that they can enjoy life in community. We enjoy the support of so many good families, because they want those exact same things for their children.

The Faith aspect of our school is so important in this, and thankfully we have seen a move within our Church over time. As a child, I needed to learn the rules of our Church, expressed in the Catechism, off by heart and I was held accountable to those rules. With Ash Wednesday coming up, I am always reminded of the many rules around fasting during Lent. Thankfully though, we have moved away from promoting what we shouldn't do wrong, towards what we can do right. It is all about living well. Pope Francis gives us many examples of this, and one I like is around fasting for Lent.

*Fast from hurting words and say kind words.  
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.  
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.  
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.  
Fast from worries and trust in God.  
Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.  
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.  
Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.  
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.  
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.  
Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.*

Thank you for keeping Genevieve O'Driscoll in your prayers. Genevieve and her family are very appreciative and Genevieve continues to make great progress.

*Mark For*

## KEY DATES FOR WEEK 6

- Monday—Junior Strings Rehearsal 7.30am
- Monday—Morning Parade 8.40am
- Tues-Thurs Morning Prayer 8.40am—6R
- Wednesday—Ash Wednesday 6R 8.40am
- Tuesday—Senior Choir Rehearsal 7.30am
- Wednesday—Senior Strings Rehearsal 7.30am
- Friday—Sausage Sizzle \$2 to classroom teacher



## FOR ALL ABSENTEES

Phone absentee **HOTLINE 4994 8336**  
or email  
**absentees@saintpatricks.qld.edu.au**



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Click the Parish logo to go to the Parish Newsletter.



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## APRE NEWS

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, it marks the start of the liturgical season of Lent. Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. This means it is a time where we pray, act kindly and with mercy towards other people, give up things we enjoy and give to others, as we prepare to celebrate the great feast of Easter.

For forty days, we accompany Jesus on his passionate journey to Calvary and we see the mercy he shows, despite his suffering. Like Jesus, we try to show mercy to others. Lent is a time of hope as we renew our relationship with God. During these forty days, it is an opportunity for us to take time to reflect on our lives, say sorry for any wrongdoing and focus on our relationship with God.

Every year during Lent we set the students challenges to help raise money for Project Compassion. Project Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal. Millions of Australians come together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.

This year as a school we will be aiming to give Lent 100%. On Monday students will receive their small donation boxes to take home and find a few coins to put in it during Lent. Monday will also be the day our first Lent challenge is set. Our fundraising efforts for Lent culminate in the last week of school with our annual Mini Fair (more details about the Fair will be in next week's newsletter). We look forward to giving Lent 100% this year.



## WELCOME DANCE NIGHT

Welcome Dance Night will be held on Thursday 14th March. Our annual dance night is a wonderful way to welcome new families to the school and for our students to showcase their dancing talents they have developed through their Physical Education lessons.

**Gates Open—5:00pm** Parents are welcome to bring a picnic dinner to enjoy with your family on the oval.

**Dance presentation begins 6:00pm – 7:00pm.**

The dance presentation will be held on the senior oval. Students will be seated in designated areas and supervised by teachers in their respective year levels during the performances. Students will remain with their classmates in their designated areas for the duration of the performances, with parents sitting in an area behind the children. Folding chairs are recommended for parents. Each student will be involved in three dances. Our students have worked very hard to learn their dances and are looking forward to this performance to showcase their skills.

To create a great atmosphere we encourage the children to dress in the themes to complement their performances, although this is not a compulsory requirement. Please note the following suggested themes for the night.



**Prep and Year 1**  
**Theme**  
**'Superheroes'**

**Years 2 - 4**  
**Theme**  
**'Yellow'**

**Years 5 - 6**  
**Theme**  
**'Dancers'**

## SPORTS NEWS

### BUNDABERG DISTRICT U12 SCHOOL SPORTS TRIALS—2019

Bundaberg Zone 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 Mrs Hammermeister. Students will not be able participate in the trials without a **Bundaberg District Primary Schools nomination form**.

**TENNIS** Boys & Girls Trials: 14 March 8.45am – 3.00pm  
Rotary Tennis Courts, George Street.

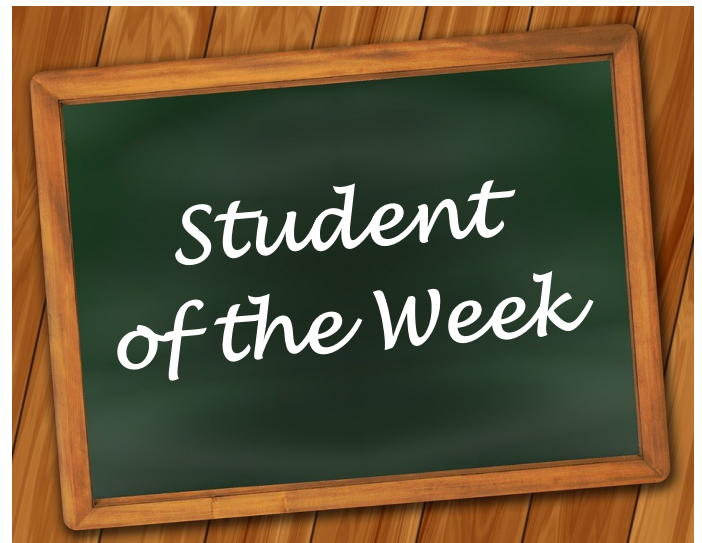
**TOUCH** Boys and Girls Trials: 8 & 15 March 3:45 – 5:30 pm  
Bundaberg Touch Association Grounds.

### BUNDABERG DISTRICT SPORT REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to Shannon Boyd and Charlie-Anne Trace for being selected as Bundaberg District representatives in the sport of Softball.



## STUDENT OF THE WEEK



## SAUSAGE SIZZLE

If you are willing to help out with serving and clean up for our weekly Friday Sausage Sizzle from 10.45-11.45 please see roster below for the Year Level we require assistance for and contact the office. Thank you to the year levels who have volunteered so far!

Thank you to Year 3  
parents for helping  
out this week!



Week	Year Level	Volunteers Required
Week 6	Blanket Buddies	No Volunteers required
Week 7	Year 2	No Volunteers required
Week 8	Prep	No Volunteers required
Week 9	Year 1	1 Volunteer required

SHALOM COLLEGE INFORMATION DATES



**SHALOM COLLEGE**  
PROVIDING OUTSTANDING FUTURES

*Save the dates Year 7 2020*

**13** **15** **03**  
**MARCH** **MARCH** **MAY**  
2019 2019 2019

**INFORMATION NIGHT** **OPEN DAY** **APPLICATIONS CLOSE**

**MAY - JUNE, 2019**  
APPOINTMENTS FOR INTERVIEWS  
ALLOCATED & INTERVIEWS COMMENCE  
**BY 31 JULY, 2019**  
NOTIFICATION SENT TO ADVISE OF ACCEPTANCE OUTCOME

 Catholic Education  
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OUT AND ABOUT

**OVER 18 EVENT**

ENJOY A DAY OUT AT THE  
**BUNDABERG**  
*Catholic Schools*  
**RACE DAY 2019**



**SATURDAY 16 MARCH 2019**  
THABEBAN PARK RACECOURSE  
MARQUEE GATES OPEN AT 11.30am

*Tickets on Sale at*  
Shalom College and St Patrick's,  
St Mary's & St Joseph's Primary Schools

- » **FASHION PARADE**
- » **FASHIONS OF THE FIELD**
- » **HUGE RAFFLE**

*Limited Tickets Available!*  
**ADMISSION \$60**  
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**Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> of March**  
8am to 11am

# TERM ONE PLANNER

<b>WEEK 1</b>	<b>Week 28th January—1st February</b>		
Monday	<b>AUSTRALIA DAY</b>		
Wednesday-Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	
Friday	No Liturgy		
<b>WEEK 2</b>	<b>Week 4th February—8th February</b>		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5W
Friday	<b>Sausage Sizzle</b> Opening School Liturgy and Year 6 Induction	9.00am	6L
<b>WEEK 3</b>	<b>Week 11th February—15th February</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5P
Friday	<b>Sausage Sizzle</b> No Liturgy		
<b>WEEK 4</b>	<b>Week 18th February—22nd February</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>		
Wednesday-Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5G
Friday	<b>Sausage Sizzle</b> No Liturgy		
<b>WEEK 5</b>	<b>Week 25th February—1st March</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6L
Friday	<b>Sausage Sizzle</b> No Liturgy		
<b>WEEK 6</b>	<b>Week 4th March—8th March</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer (including Ash Wednesday)	8.40am	6R
Friday	<b>Sausage Sizzle</b> No Liturgy		
<b>WEEK 7</b>	<b>Week 11th March—15th March</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3K
Friday	<b>Sausage Sizzle</b> St Patrick's Day Liturgy	8.45am	6C
<b>WEEK 8</b>	<b>Week 18th March—22nd March</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3S
Friday	<b>Sausage Sizzle</b> No Liturgy		
<b>WEEK 9</b>	<b>Week 25th March—29th March</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3B
Friday	<b>Sausage Sizzle</b> No Liturgy		
<b>WEEK 10</b>	<b>Week 1st April - 5th April</b>		
Monday	Senior Swimming Carnival BSA Years 3-6		
Tuesday	Palm Sunday	8.40am	Year 4
Wednesday	Last Supper	8.40am	Year 4
Thursday	Good Friday	8.40am	Year 5
Friday	Easter Liturgy	9.00am	Year 6 and Prep
	Easter Hat Parade	10.00am	Prep to Year 3
	Mini Fair	11.00am - 12.15pm	