



## Important Dates for Week 6

- Monday Parish Mass 9am—Year 4 & 3
- Monday Swimming—Yr 3-6
- Morning Prayer 8.45am—3M
- Ash Wednesday 8.45am—6T
- P&F AGM 6.30pm
- Friday Assembly 10.25am - 2C



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Term 1, Week 4

17 February 2017

## Principal's News

Teachers and parents are in a very special position. We have the opportunity to send a message into the future and we have conversations from one generation to the next. If we want our children to grow up in a world where there is respect, courtesy, understanding, kindness and compassion, then we must instil these values in the next generation – the children who are in our homes and school right now. They will get their values from somewhere – surely it should be from us.

I am in classrooms every day, and among the many things I love about this school, is the interest our staff show in guiding children to be their best selves. They instil a love of learning. They quietly correct poor choices. They loudly affirm good decisions, they accept mistakes are a vital part of learning and they take responsibility for progress in all aspects of their students' development. They do an ex-

traordinary job of this and it gives me hope that the generations we graduate will be good partners, good parents and good citizens. The values they learn will help them to be good employees and employers in the future.

We also want our students to learn about the benefits of community. We gather our whole school together for some time every day to share community, and next week we invite parents and family members to join us for our Welcome Dance. This community building event is our way of giving parents the opportunity to get to know each other and share in the life of our school. Please join us next Thursday evening. You will love it.

*Mark Fox*



Thursday, 2nd March  
5pm—Sausage Sizzle 6pm—Dancing

**Date:** Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March  
**Time:** Gates open 5:00pm for a Sausage Sizzle (\$2 sausage on bread - catered by the P&F) or bring a picnic tea 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. 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 show the skills developed in their Physical Education lessons.

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

**Prep & Year 1 – Cowboy & Cowgirl**  
**Yr 2, 3 & 4 – YMCA –**  
**When I grow up, I want to be...**  
**Yr 5 & 6 – 'Trolls' – bright colours**

## Expectations Regarding Behaviour in Toilets

Students are regularly reminded regarding the school's behaviour expectations when they are using the toilets. Another reminder occurred at school this week.

The focus of the discussion was:

- Ø Educating students about germs in toilets.
- Ø Hygiene practices (washing hands, not taking food into toileting area etc.).
- Ø Students should use the toilet responsibly (e.g. not waste time and keep noise to a minimum).
- Ø Discourage play in toilets (e.g. should not be a location for tiggly or hiding games).
- Ø Not a place for playing 'tricks' on others or contact with other people (minimal time in toilet).
- Ø Strict rule – one person in a cubicle at a time.

In the aim of enhancing student hygiene and safety, it would be appreciated if parents reinforce these behaviours at home with regard to not only the school toilets, but all public toilet areas.

Visiting Adults and toddlers **ARE NOT TO USE** student toilets within St Patrick's during school hours or while attending school functions after school hours (e.g. Welcome Dance Night). If you require to use toilet facilities while on campus during school hours, then please seek direction from Administration staff to use the staff toilets in A Block. If attending a school function after school hours, then the Church Hall toilet facilities will be made available for adult and toddler use. Your cooperation and attention to this matter is greatly appreciated to ensure and enhance the safety of our students.



# P&F AGM

**Annual AGM Meeting  
Wednesday, 1 February**

**6.30pm  
Staff Room**



ENJOY A DAY OUT AT THE  
**BUNDABERG**  
Catholic Schools  
**RACE DAY 2017**



Tickets on Sale At  
SHALOM COLLEGE AND ST PATRICK'S,  
ST MARY'S AND ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOLS



**SATURDAY 18 MARCH 2017**  
**THABEBAN PARK RACECOURSE**  
MARQUEE GATES OPEN AT 11.30am



- » Fashion Parade by VOVO MODELLE & INN STYLE MENSLAND
- » FASHIONS OF THE FIELD
- » HUGE RAFFLE Over \$8000 in Prizes

Limited Tickets Available!  
**ADMISSION \$60**

*Includes entrance to the Marquee Party, 2 Free Drinks, Finger food and Bus to the CBD*

## Bundaberg Zone School Sports Trials 2017



AFL Boys: 20/27 February, ATW Grounds, Claytons Rd, 4:00 – 5:30pm.



Touch Girls & Boys Trials: 3/10 March, Bundaberg Touch Grounds, 3:45 – 5:30pm.



Tennis Girls & Boys Trials: 16<sup>th</sup> March, Rotary Tennis Courts, 8:45am – 3:00pm.



GOLF: Nominations close Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Nominations to Peter Johnson, Bargara State School



Basketball Girls & Boys: 1/2 March, Bundaberg Basketball Stadium, 4:00 – 5:30pm.

Students wishing to trial must have a consent form issued by the school with authorisation from Mr Plumb or Annette Hammermeister. Students will not be able to participate in the trials without a **Bundaberg District Primary Schools nomination form**.

Do not hesitate to contact Annette Hammermeister if you have any questions or concerns regarding Bundaberg Zone trials.

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## Student of the Week

