



St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

28 May 2021

Dear Parents

I was looking for something to share about the 200 year celebration of Catholic Education in Australia. Loathe as I am to admit it, Dan McMahon, Shalom's Principal provided a very good editorial to his community and I have adapted it very slightly to share with you below.

This year we celebrate 200 years of Catholic education. This enterprise, of which St. Patrick's is very much a part, started very, very humbly. Priests, Brothers and Nuns as well as lay men and women have worked very hard, in often very trying conditions, to ensure that the students and staff enjoy the quality facilities and pedagogy that is now part and parcel of our school. For most of our history, Catholic Education continued with no support from Governments. Funding from Government for Catholic schools was achieved initially, after a dispute arose over a dilapidated toilet block.

This came about because a Bishop in Goulburn in 1962 was brave enough to close all the Catholic schools in that town and directed parents to present their children for enrolment at the local State schools. St Brigid's Primary school was told by the State Government that their toilet block had to be closed to bring it up to acceptable standards. There was no money for repairs so the Bishop took pretty drastic action. The Federal Government then found a way to start contributing some dollars for Catholic schooling.

Catholic schools have been committed, for 200 years, to giving young people a better start in life. Catholic schools have helped young people secure jobs and futures beyond their parent's dreams. Catholic schools also try to ensure that the young people who graduate our schools are inspired by the story of Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saw oppression and poverty and responded to those needs. In doing so, he challenged the accepted wisdom and traditions of the time. He demanded that people do their utmost to make the 'Kingdom of God' a reality now, and not in some distant future. No wonder he got crucified.

Catholic Education in Australia has so much to celebrate and some things for which to beg forgiveness. I love the diversity and plurality of our Catholic schools. We welcome students of diverse faiths and none but we are very clear about our Gospel commitment. We pray every day. We all get challenged to be better than we thought we could be. We ask forgiveness when we get it wrong. Thank you for your support of Catholic schools. Monday was the feast day of Our Lady Help of Christians – the Patron Saint of Catholic Education, and we celebrated with Year 6 at Mass in our parish. I hope that Catholic Education will be so much better again in another 200 years.

Mark For

IMPORTANT REMINDER—SPECIALIST LESSONS

PE LESSONS

YEAR 2—SPECIALIST LESSONS ARE NOW ON TUESDAY

YEAR 5—SPECIALIST LESSONS ARE NOW ON WEDNESDAY



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ABSENTEES

Call
4994 8336

Email

spb_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au

KEY EVENTS FOR WEEK 7

- Monday—Junior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Monday—AUSKICK 3.15pm
- Tuesday—Senior Choir (7.30am) Junior Choir (8.10am)
- Tuesday—Thursday Morning Prayer 8.40am—1N
- Wednesday—Senior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Friday—Senior Guitar Ensemble 7.45am
- Friday—SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2 to classroom teacher
- Friday—Interschool Sport 5 & 6

SAUSAGE SIZZLE—YEAR 5 PARENTS

Looking for three parent volunteers to help with Friday Sausage Sizzle in Week 8. If you are able to help out for your child's year level from approximately 10.45-11.45 on a Friday, please contact the office on 4152 1380.



CAMP DATES FOR 2021

YEAR 5 CAMP

**MONDAY 30 AUGUST—WEDNESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER
CHAVERIM OUTDOOR EDUCATIONAL CENTRE**

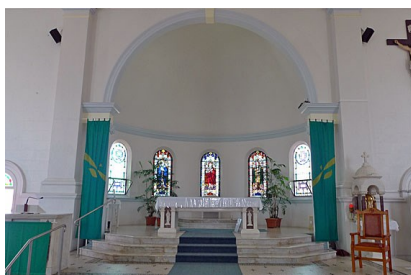
YEAR 6 CAMP

**TUESDAY 14 SEPTEMBER—THURSDAY 16 SEPTEMBER
CAMP PIALBA—HERVEY BAY**

APRE NEWS

Youth Led Masses are beautiful celebrations of the Eucharist where children lead the choir, singing familiar songs and read some of the Prayers.

This Sunday, 30th May and Sunday, 13th June, will be Youth Led Masses at the Holy Rosary Church, starting at 5.30. Father Peter has extended the invitation to any young people interested in singing with the choir are more than welcome. The choir rehearses an hour before the Mass, starting at 4.30pm.



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CHAOS YOUTH GROUP

BUNDABERG CATHOLIC PARISH



To Register please click on the following link
<https://forms.gle/IEHPJYTSRcCsdoGs6>

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON
3PM - 5PM**

70 Barolin Street
(Holy Rosary Church Carpark)
Phone or text Lizzie 0456 635 542
or Maddie 0434 991 623

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DO YOU SING OR PLAY AN INSTRUMENT?
COME AND JOIN...

RESONATE

A youth band for all ages and all people
who enjoy singing and playing beautiful
music

**PRACTISE EVERY TUESDAY AT
5:30PM**

LOCATION: ST PATRICKS CHURCH

Contact Elizabeth for more info!
#: 0456 635 542
Email: Elizabeth.Kelly@rok.catholic.net.au

CHESS TOURNAMENT

The 4th Children's Sunday Junior Chess Tournament run by the Bundaberg Chess Club is on 30/05/2021. Cost is \$8.00/child. A maximum cost of \$16.00/family for 3 or more players. The cost includes 6 rounds of competitive chess plus a chess lesson from Mr John Harris. All enquiries about Bundaberg Chess Club Junior Chess should be sent to mobile:- 0418686497 or email presidentjohn@live.com.au



1st round commences promptly at 9.00 am at the U3A building (upstairs) next to Improvements Gym on Woongarra St, Bundaberg. Players to arrive 15 mins early to register for the tournament. The session should finish approximately 12.00-12.20 pm. All children need to bring a water bottle and sufficient morning tea.

Prizes are given on each Sunday for 1st to 3rd place, with 2 lucky door prizes and 2 prizes for most interesting game. Children can accrue points through regular attendance at the Sunday Tournaments towards Grand Prix prizes at the end of the year.

Join Shalom Rowing
for a fundraising

High Tea

Saturday,
29th May 2021
11am-2pm
Shalom Sports Hall



Please join us for
High Tea
in support of Shalom Rowing

Get together with your family and friends to enjoy a perfect afternoon of delicious food, live entertainment and fashion parades. Start with a glass of bubbles on arrival followed by a scrumptious high tea.

Cost \$42.00 pp All proceeds go directly towards the purchase of new boats to replace the aging Shalom Rowing racing fleet.

Raffle and lucky door prizes!

Tickets available in person from:
Elegant Events - 126 Barolin Street, Bundaberg

Tickets available online:
Scan QR code for link.



TERM TWO PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 19th April - Friday 23rd April		
Monday	Start Term 2 2021		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6M
Friday	Anzac Day Liturgy	9.00am	Year 6
WEEK 2	Week 26th April - 30th April		
Monday	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - ANZAC DAY		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6S
WEEK 3	Week 3rd May - 7th May		
Monday	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - LABOUR DAY		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6A
Friday	Mother's Day Liturgy	9.00am	Year 2
WEEK 4	Week 10th May - 14th May		
Tuesday-Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2H
WEEK 5	Week 17th May - 21st May		
Tuesday-Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1G
WEEK 6	Week 24th May - 28th May		
Tuesday—Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1M
Thursday	BUNDABERG SHOW HOLIDAY		
WEEK 7	Week 31st May - 4th June		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1N
WEEK 8	Week 7th June - 11th June		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3S
WEEK 9	Week 14th June - 18th June		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3Z
WEEK 10	Week 21st June - 25th June		
Monday	Senior Field Events (students born 2009, 2010 & 2011)	TBA	St Patrick's
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3C
Wednesday	Senior Athletics Carnival (students born 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012)	TBA	Shalom
Friday	Junior Athletics Carnival (students born 2013, 2014, 2015 & 2016)	TBA	St Patrick's

2021 TERM DATES

TERM 1	Wednesday 27 January – Thursday 1 April
TERM 2	Monday 19 April - Friday 25 June
TERM 3	Monday 12 July - Friday 17 September
	PUPIL FREE DAY - Friday 3rd September
TERM 4	Tuesday 5 October - Friday 3 December

2021 SPORTS DATE CLAIMER

TERM 4	Senior Swimming Carnival - Friday 26 November 2021	Years 3-6	BSA
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