



St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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Important Dates for Week 8

- Monday— No Parish Mass
- Tuesday-Thursday—Morning Prayer 8.40am 2B
- Wednesday—Celebration Night 6.00pm
- Thursday—Swimming Prep Year 1&2
- Friday— 2M Liturgy 8.45am
- Friday— Music Assembly 10.15am



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Term 4, Week 7

17th November 2017

Principal's News

Events like Cultural Night and the Year One Nativity Play always remind me how very fortunate we are to have such amazing staff. With such extraordinary staff, it is always sad when we have to say farewell. We were very fortunate to have had John Allan join us last year on contract. John has shared a love of learning and a love of music with us all and we are very grateful for his service to our school. Sarah Massingham has had a long association with our school. A former student, Sarah did her internship with us and then joined us on staff this year. Sarah's work has been acknowledged with a permanent position in Gladstone next year, and we wish her all the best for the future. We have enjoyed having Lewis McLure with us during this semester. He has worked in classrooms and been a great support with Sport. Lewis continues his studies towards becoming a teacher. Sonya McCall joined us as a counsellor when Laura Batts commenced Maternity Leave earlier this year. Sonya is very well qualified and has been of

enormous assistance to students, parents and staff. Next year we welcome back Emma Lascelles. Emma has completed her two years of country service at Monto, and we greatly look forward to her return us. Sara Salmond will return to teaching after Maternity Leave this year, and next year, she will job-share with Chris Thompson. We are delighted that Taryn Gollshewsky has accepted our offer of an ongoing position and Taryn will teach PE to all year levels next year. We look forward to the return of Laura Batts as our counsellor, and we welcome Christine Penny who joins us from Springsure, and Angela Brand who joins us from Biloela. We are blessed with a wonderful staff for 2018.

School will conclude for us on Friday 1 December at 12:00 at the conclusion of the Year 6 Farewell. Between now and then we look forward to seeing you at one or all of our end of year celebrations.

Mark Fox

UPCOMING EVENTS



Head Lice



Head lice has been found in children's hair in all grades. To assist other parents break the life cycle of headlice, can you please check your child's hair as a matter of urgency. If head lice are found please treat immediately and advise the office of your child's grade.

Christmas Treats

At this time of year students like to exchange Christmas cards and treats such as candy canes to other students. We ask that children do not give gifts of candy canes to the other children. It is wonderful that children wish to give things to others, however we ask people to give non food gifts. Unfortunately candy canes can cause issues with a number of children on particular diets, children with allergies to some of the additives, not to mention the high sugar content. Cards, stickers and other small items can give the message that they are thinking of others.



Music News

We have had a fantastic year with Instrumental Music, and those of you fortunate enough to have seen our Ensembles perform would appreciate just how far our students have progressed during the year. We are now in the process of planning for 2018. Most of you will fully appreciate that the success of our program relies very heavily on the quality of our staff, and we are very fortunate to have retained our Instrumental Music Team for 2018.

Our Instrumental Music Team will be:

Strings – Bernadette Connolly and Kate Hardisty

Guitar – Adrian Brookes will continue to offer guitar tuition at our school. Adrian operates independently, dealing directly with parents in terms of lessons and fees. Please contact Adrian directly: at Adrian.brookes@bigpond.com or on 0431163800.

A letter regarding the enrolment process for the instrumental music program was sent home this week. Please respond via parent lounge by **Wednesday 22nd November** if you wish to enrol your Year 4 – 6 child in instrumental lessons in 2018.

Please join us for our **Music Assembly on Friday 24th November at 10.15**. All ensemble and choir groups will perform – **Junior Choir, Senior Choir, Junior Strings, Senior Strings, Junior Guitar and Senior Guitar ensembles. Students will wear their normal school uniform for performances.**

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Mathematics and English Competitions 2017

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the recent ICAS Maths and English competitions. We are very proud of all of our students who participated in these challenging competitions.

A special congratulations to the children who achieved the following awards:

CAS English		ICAS Mathematics	
Laura Davenport	Merit	Thomas Elphinstone	Merit
Vinuka De Silva	Merit	Will Martin	Merit
Jaslyn Phillips	Merit	Ryan Blinco	Merit
Lily Esposito	Credit	Talen Chalker	Credit
George Stelmack	Credit	George Stelmack	Credit
Ryan Blinco	Credit		
Tahia Zia	Credit		



Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC)

Congratulations to all of our students who participated in the Australian Mathematics Competition this year. This was a challenging competition completed online where students had one hour to solve 30 challenging mathematical problems. Well done to all of our students for participating and thank you again to Mr de Silva for working with our students throughout the year to build their mathematical thinking skills. Some of our students received special awards and we congratulate them on their results.

Australian Mathematics Competition	
Student Name	Award
Melinda Hawe	Credit
Tahia Zia	Credit
Kay Hu	Distinction
Tori Bowden	Distinction



Mini Vinnies Christmas Appeal

Every year the St Patrick's school community, led by our Mini Vinnies Team, donates items to assist those less fortunate than themselves at Christmas. St Vincent de Paul collects these donations from us and distributes them to families in need. We are asking each year level to donate specific items for our Christmas Appeal. By each year level donating something different we will be able to make Christmas hampers for local families in need.

We ask each year level to donate the following:

- Prep: Christmas decorations
- Year 1: Dry and tinned pet food
- Year 2: School and Art supplies
- Year 3: Non-perishable Christmas food and drinks
- Year 4: Beach supplies (towels, sunglasses, sun-screen, hats, goggles etc)
- Year 5: New toys and books
- Year 6: Toiletries

A basket will be located outside each year level for the donations to be collected. Please open your hearts to those in our community who need our help this Christmas.

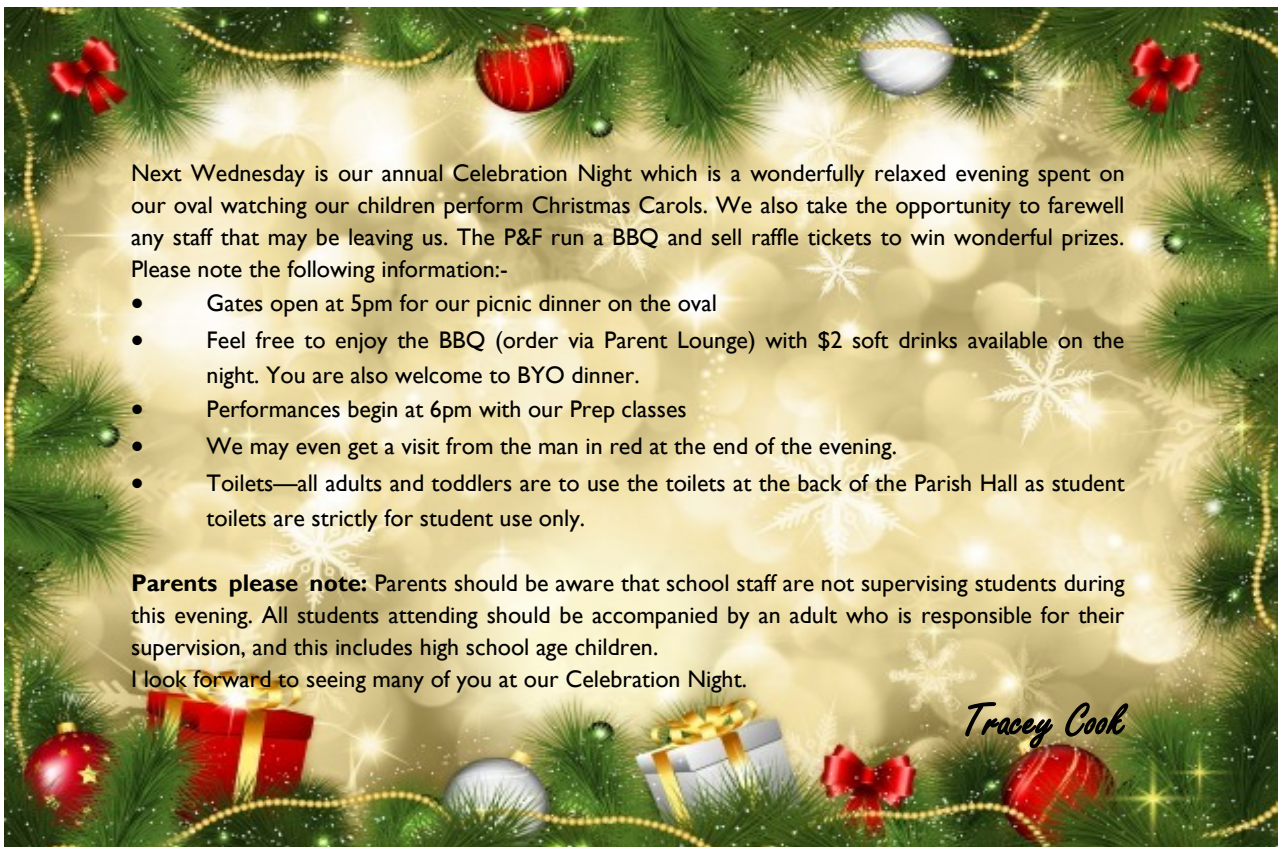
Celebration Night P&F Raffle



Prize donations can be left in the school office. Thank you for your support!



Celebration Night



Next Wednesday is our annual Celebration Night which is a wonderfully relaxed evening spent on our oval watching our children perform Christmas Carols. We also take the opportunity to farewell any staff that may be leaving us. The P&F run a BBQ and sell raffle tickets to win wonderful prizes. Please note the following information:-

- Gates open at 5pm for our picnic dinner on the oval
- Feel free to enjoy the BBQ (order via Parent Lounge) with \$2 soft drinks available on the night. You are also welcome to BYO dinner.
- Performances begin at 6pm with our Prep classes
- We may even get a visit from the man in red at the end of the evening.
- Toilets—all adults and toddlers are to use the toilets at the back of the Parish Hall as student toilets are strictly for student use only.

Parents please note: Parents should be aware that school staff are not supervising students during this evening. All students attending should be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for their supervision, and this includes high school age children.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our Celebration Night.

Tracey Cook

Student of the Week



Sports News



Prep & Year 1 and 2 Swimming

A reminder that swimming continues each Thursday up to and including Week 9 so please ensure to pack your child's swimming gear.



Prep & Year 1 PE Lessons

Prep & Year 1 PE times in Weeks 6-9 have changed to a Monday. Year 1 students are to wear their PE uniform on a Monday and Friday for the remainder of this school term.

Queensland Election—Priorities in Catholic Education



17% of funding for teaching and learning in Catholic schools comes from the Queensland Government

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Ask your local candidates how they will support Catholic schools by continuing recurrent funding



Funding needs to grow by at least the same rate that our schools and their costs are growing

Authorised by L. Perry, 143 Edward Street, Brisbane

Vacation Care

If you require vacation care over the school holidays, both St Mary's and St Joseph's are offering programs. Please click on the opposite link for further information and booking forms.

Please book early to avoid disappointment. Any queries please do not hesitate to contact St Mary's or St Joseph's.



Student Banking

Please note that with school holidays fast approaching last day of student banking for 2017 is Monday 20th November. Commonwealth Bank will not be accepting reward orders after Friday the 24th of November as they want to make sure they arrive before the end of term. Any orders received after this date will not be processed until Term 1, 2018.



Community Notices



PAGEANT OF LIGHTS

Thursday, 7th December 2017

Each year the Catholic Parish of Bundaberg takes part in the Pageant of Lights Parade ~ Come join us & walk with the Parish Christmas Float



CHRISTMAS MASS WITH CHILDREN:

Christmas Eve, 4.00pm, Holy Rosary Church:

Each year we invite young children to take part in this Mass with Children. Secondary students make excellent readers and singers. There are parts in the gospel dramatization for Joseph, Mary, angels, shepherds, sheep and cattle. If you would like to be involved in this Mass, either in the dramatization, reading, bringing forward the gifts, or singing, come to the Novakoski Centre behind Holy Rosary Church, on **Wednesday, 29 November, at 3.30pm**, where parts will be allocated. Contact Anne Sheehan at the Parish Office, 4151 6666, or Pauline Merefield, 41593272.

MUMMA'S NEST markets

Christmas MARKETS
at the Civic Centre

FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER
5.30PM - 8.00PM

SATURDAY 25TH NOVEMBER
8.00AM - 1.00PM

BUNDABERG REGIONAL COUNCIL

2017 **Pageant of LIGHTS**

6pm - 9pm

Thursday 7 December • BUNDABERG CBD •

Parade commences at 7.00pm

Live Performances by City of Bundaberg Drum Corps - Bundy Binz, Orpheus Singers, Rhythms of the Reef and more!

Larrikin Puppets Christmas Show

Turning on the Christmas Lights Buss Park

Life size Christmas Snow Globes

Santa comes to town

Bring your own Chair

Christmas markets & food

For further information
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bundabergregionalevents.com.au

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VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Centacare CQ Bundaberg is looking for volunteers to assist with group outings and activities for clients within the Social Support Program.

The program caters for clients who live independently but may be socially isolated and benefit from the wide range of social activities and leisure experiences. Most outings/activities occur between 9am and 2pm on weekdays. We conduct activities and events at the Centacare Rooms, Cnr Barolin & Boston Streets, Bundaberg and take tours around to various locations in the greater Bundaberg area using our transport fleet. Activities include:- craft group; games mornings; special event morning teas and luncheons; picnics in the park; computer/internet kiosk; mystery tours; scrabble group; men's social group; 50+ fitness etc..

Inquiries and applications can be made by calling 1300 523 985 and asking for Mark Ennett or Maria Ebert in Bundaberg.

2017 TERM 4 CALENDER

WEEK 1	Week 2nd October—6th October	
Monday	Public Holiday	
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday—Assembly Wednesday and Thursday—Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	3M
Friday	No Liturgy—Awards only 10.45am—Sausage Sizzle	
WEEK 2	Week 9th October—13th October	
Monday	Parish Mass 9am	Year 6 and Prep
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	3T
Friday	Liturgy 8.45am	4L
	Assembly and Awards 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	4C
WEEK 3	Week 16th October—20th October	
Monday	PUPIL FREE DAY	
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday—Assembly Wednesday and Thursday—Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	3K
Friday	Liturgy 8.45am	5B
Friday	Awards 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	
WEEK 4	Week 23rd October—27th October	
Monday	Parish Mass 9am	Year 5 and Year 1
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	4L
Friday	Liturgy 8.45am	2B
Friday	DAY FOR DANIEL Assembly and Awards 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	4A
WEEK 5	Week 30th October—3rd November	
Monday	Parish Mass 9am	Year 2
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	4C
Friday	Liturgy 8.45am	5W
	Assembly and Awards 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	3M
WEEK 6	Week 6th November—10th November	
Monday	Parish Mass 9am	Year 4
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	2M
Wednesday	Cultural Night	
Friday	Remembrance Day Memorial 10.40am	5P
WEEK 7	Week 13th November—17th November	
Monday	Parish Mass 9am	Year 3
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	2C
Friday	No Liturgy	
	Year 1 Nativity Assembly 9.00am	
WEEK 8	Week 20th November—24th November	
Monday	No Parish Mass	
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	2B
Wednesday	Celebration Night 5.00pm gates open for a 6.00pm start	
Friday	Liturgy 8.45am	2M
	Music Assembly 10.15am —No Awards	
WEEK 9	Week 27th November—1st December	
Monday	No Parish Mass	
Tuesday—Thursday	No Courtyard Prayer	
Tuesday	Year 6 Graduation	
Friday	End of Year Liturgy 9.30am Final Assembly and Farewell 11.00am	

