



# St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

22 October 2021

For most of my life, I've stuck with the Catholic Church. Along the way, I have had issues with a great many aspects of it (and still do), and yet for the most part, I'm also convinced it has gotten better, albeit painfully slowly, and has great potential to be a force for good in the world. The Church really has had to face up to the fact that it risked becoming a useless structure, out-of-touch with people - a self-absorbed group made up of a chosen few. It was also perceived as an institution more interested in self-preservation, than in being transformative. These issues were named by Pope Francis, and he has called for change. (*Evangelii Gaudium*)

This week, our staff was addressed on the issue of Catholic Identity within our school community, and I enjoyed the challenges presented. I really like the fact that we are a community, and that we reach out to and welcome anyone who genuinely seeks a Catholic education. You don't have to be Catholic – people from all faith traditions are very welcome here.

I like that we witness to what a Catholic community can be. Our staff are genuine people who care deeply for each other and the children entrusted to us. I see it every day in their interactions, their concern for students and for each other, and in the effort they commit.

I am proud that Courtyard Prayer and liturgies are a feature of our school. These celebrations teach us gratitude and remind us of our commitment to be a force for good in the world.

I am grateful that we can work closely with parents and invest in challenging our students to become the best version of themselves so that they lead meaningful lives with success.

We are very lucky to be a part of the Parish of Bundaberg, and to work with them as an element of the Church committed to being a force for good now and into the future.

*Mark For*

## KEY EVENTS FOR WEEK 4

- Monday—Junior Strings Ensemble (St Patrick's) 7.30am
- Monday & Tuesday—Prep Vision Screening
- Tuesday—Senior Choir (7.30am) Junior Choir (8.10am)
- Tuesday—Wednesday—Courtyard Prayer 5M 8.40am
- Wednesday—Senior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Thursday—Primary School Netball Competition 3.30pm
- Friday—SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2 to classroom teacher
- Friday—World Teacher's Day 2021
- Friday—Interschool Sport Years 5 & 6



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ABSENTEES

Call  
4994 8336

Email

[spb\\_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au](mailto:spb_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au)

## APRE NEWS

### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

#### *Children's Sacramental Program 2022*

For parents of children 8 years and older who may be ready to prepare for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist in 2022, an Information Evening will be held on Thursday, 11th November, 5.30pm in Holy Rosary Church. To register your interest please scan the QR code and complete the form or phone the parish office, 4151 6666.



## SPORTS NEWS

### YEAR 4 & 5 INTERSCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL COMPETITION

What a fantastic weekend of basketball displayed by a wonderful group of year 4/5 girls from St Patrick's. The girls competed in the inaugural Year 4 & 5 Girls Primary School Basketball Cup held at the Bundaberg Basketball stadium over the weekend. The St Patrick's team was one of 7 competing teams and placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall in the competition. All 10 girls contributed brilliantly and put in their best effort each game. Previously, only 3 of the 10 girls had played basketball before this event.

The sportsmanship they showed on and off the court was amazing, encouraging each other and supporting and cheering from the sideline. The school community is very proud of these girls and look forward to St Patrick's competing next year.

Well done, girls! You were an inspiration to watch and coach.

*Candice Redgard (COACH)*



### WIDE BAY CRICKET REPRESENTATIVE

Congratulations, **Corin Driver** for being selected to represent Wide Bay School Sport in the sport of **Cricket**. The Queensland championships will be held in Bundaberg later this year. Corin recently competed at the Wide Bay trials held in Gympie where selectors were impressed with his batting and wicket-keeping skills. We wish Corin all the best for an enjoyable and rewarding experience while competing at the State carnival.



### School Fees

Fees have been issued and are due 1<sup>ST</sup> November unless you have a payment plan in place in which case this merely serves as a statement of account. Upon receipt, please take time to review your invoice/statement and contact Finance Secretary, Brooke Bone, if you have any queries. Please check your junk box if you haven't received your statement and contact the office to request a copy.

Click on this link to view available school payment options

[\*School Fee Payment Options\*](#)

### School Fee Assistance

Families may be eligible for school fee assistance under the Concession Card Tuition Fee Discount and /or the Principals' Concession Scheme.

#### **Government Concession Card Fee Discount**

A 70% Tuition Fee Discount is available for 'means tested' government Health Care and Pensioner Concession cards. The Concession Card information and FAQs are available on the Catholic Education website. These cards must meet eligibility criteria for this concession to apply and must be presented to the Finance Officer.

#### **Principal's Concession Scheme**

Total or partial exemption from the payment of fees and levies is available on application to the Principal based on individual basis and circumstances. If required, contact the Finance Officer to discuss your circumstances and make an appointment to meet with the Principal.

## BUS TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE



  
**Student Travel Rebates**  
Semester 2 

Bus Fare Assistance	Students With Disability
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Does your child attend a non-state school outside the Brisbane City Council boundary?</li><li>Does your family spend more than \$40/week* on fares to and from school (* \$30/week if you hold a concession card)?</li><li>Does your child travel on a publicly available service not owned or associated with the school?</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Does your child have a verified disability that requires transport assistance to and from a non-state school?</li><li>Has your school's learning support teacher assessed your child's travel capability rating as 'semi-independent' or more dependent?</li></ul>

Visit our website to see if you qualify for our financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and apply at [SchoolTransport.com.au](http://SchoolTransport.com.au) during October.  
Late applications cannot be accepted after 31<sup>st</sup> October.

## SCHOOL SAVVY UNIFORMS

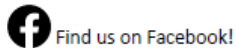
### School Savvy is back for 2022!

Bundaberg regional residents can once again look forward to the School Savvy CQ pop-up shops returning in 2022, with Childers and Gin Gin getting savvy shops of their very own.

From January 10, students from families facing financial struggles will be able to access second-hand uniforms and essential stationery supplies to prepare them for the new school year.

Uniform donations are now being accepted, with many convenient locations available. For a current list of donation points in your area, visit [www.centacarecq.com/donationpoints](http://www.centacarecq.com/donationpoints).

Support your local community and make a difference in a school student's life. The School Savvy CQ team is looking forward to seeing you!



**DONATE UNIFORMS TODAY**

**school SAVVY**  
by Centacare CQ

**2022**  
Back to school appeal

Find your nearest donation point at: [centacarecq.com/donationpoints](http://centacarecq.com/donationpoints)

## AUTISM WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Free to attend

### 1 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Join other local families to learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the home-school partnership

**Learn about:**

- Autism: characteristics, impacts and strategies
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your school

**Location:**  
Burnett Riverside Hotel  
7 Quay Street  
Bundaberg QLD 4670  
*Morning tea and a light lunch are provided*

**Bundaberg, QLD**  
Tuesday 2nd November, 2021  
8.45am - 2.30pm

Interpreters available

To register, visit [positivepartnerships.com.au](http://positivepartnerships.com.au) OR, contact Rachael Dillon [rdillon@positivepartnerships.com.au](mailto:rdillon@positivepartnerships.com.au)

For help, call: 1300 881 971

## OUT AND ABOUT



Contact Dave Delpratt  
Bundaberg Table Tennis  
0418 526 568  
bundytt@bigpond.com

**Spinneroos gives kids a great first experience with table tennis!**

**8 weeks of fun!**  
Program includes a kit bag, t-shirt, bat and balls!

Commences Wednesday 13 October through to 1st December.

**Find out more and book now!**  
[Spinneroos.com.au](http://Spinneroos.com.au)




## Junior Rugby Hub

**RUGBY TOTS**  
with Katrina, Mitch and Elze  
Ages 2 to 5 years

**GET INTO RUGBY**  
with Jayden  
Ages 6 to 12 years

JUBILEE PARK,  
AVOCA ST, BUNDABERG  
**FREE**  
coaching\*

- Fun warm-up's/warm down's each session
- Passing & Catching Activities
- Evasion Skills
- Attack & Defence Games

FOUR SESSIONS RUN ACROSS  
FOUR SATURDAYS

23 OCT | 30 OCT  
6 NOV | 13 NOV  
2:30PM to 3:30pm

\*\$5 per participant for insurance purposes—payment via Explorer

### REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

[www.rugbyexplorer.com.au](http://www.rugbyexplorer.com.au)

Select Rugby Portal

Enter account details or create an account to login

"Register" under left menu

"Find a Club"

Select child or "Link a new person"

Club name "Rugby Bundaberg Junior Rugby Club"

Select "Get Into Rugby Participant" / "Active Hubs" / "Season"

Follow prompts requesting additional details - \$5 fee covers all sessions\*



e | [rugbybundabergjuniors@gmail.com](mailto:rugbybundabergjuniors@gmail.com)  
m | 0466 415 777

## Junior Chess Tournament

The 7th Sunday Junior Chess Tournament conducted by the Bundaberg Chess Club Inc is being held on 24th October 2021.

Cost for the tournament is \$8.00 for the morning. A maximum payment of \$16.00/ family with 2 or more players. The venue is upstairs in the U3A building on Woongarra St, Bundaberg. The Bundaberg Library is behind this building on Woondooma St. The competition starts promptly at 9.00 am. Could children please arrive at 8.45 am to register for the tournament. Each child needs to bring a water bottle and adequate morning tea. The morning consists of 6 rounds of competitive chess plus a chess lesson from Mr John Harris. The morning usually concludes around 12.00-12.20 pm.

Prizes are given for 1st to 5th place depending on the number of players attending. Lucky door prizes are given and prizes for the most interesting chess game. Players can accrue points towards Grand Prix prizes at the end of the year through regular attendance at the tournaments.

All enquires for Junior Chess should sent to John and Elizabeth Harris email:- [presidentjohn@live.com.au](mailto:presidentjohn@live.com.au) or Ph:- 0418686497.

## JUNIOR AFL9s - TERM 4

The Sandhills Sports Club AFL9s is a fun way to encourage health, fitness and teamwork for Bundaberg Children. Registration is just \$50 per child, places are limited.

To register, scan the QR Code or call/text Paul Timms on 0439 039 801



- Oct 12 Come and Try Session
- Oct 19 Junior AFL9s Round 1
- Oct 23 **Awesome Free Bonus 1:**  
Bundy Bowl & Leisure Fun Day
- Oct 26 Junior AFL9s Round 2
- Nov 2 Junior AFL9s Round 3
- Nov 9 Junior AFL9s Round 4
- Nov 16 Junior AFL9s Round 5
- Nov 23 Junior AFL9s Round 6
- Nov 30 Junior AFL9s Final Round
- Dec 4 **Awesome Free Bonus 1:**  
Bucca Retreat Family Fun Day



### EVENT PARTNERS



### MAJOR SPONSORS



OUT AND ABOUT



Shalom College  
Chamber Strings  
PRESENT

AN  
AFTERNOON  
OF  
BEAUTIFUL  
MUSIC

Holy Rosary Church  
Saturday  
23 October 2021  
at  
3.00 pm

Entry by Donation

Bundaberg Community Kindergarten invites  
past, present and future families to its

# 50th Anniversary Celebration

Free Community Event!

**Saturday  
27th November**

11am to 2pm

Welcome to Country at 1pm followed by official speeches and cutting of cake

Dr Joe science show at 11:30am and 12:30pm

Unveiling of time capsule and adding to time capsule

Messy Myrtle 11am - 12:30pm

Science exploring throughout the whole event

Sausage sizzle and drinks for sale (\$2 each)

Raffle

Free Face Painting

RSVP by 19.11.2021 to [affiliatebundaberg@candk.asn.au](mailto:affiliatebundaberg@candk.asn.au)

55A ELECTRA STREET, BUNDABERG



Check out Shalom Rowings Upcoming Fundraising Events!

EAT, DRINK AND BE SCARY AT THE  
SHALOM ROWING

# HALLOWEEN Gala



**SATURDAY OCT 30th**  
BUNDABERG CIVIC CENTRE  
6pm until Late

**Tickets \$95**  
Available to purchase through Eventbrite

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT BY  
**THE ELECTRIC BANANAS!**

FOOD | LUCKY DOOR PRIZES  
DRINK | BEST DRESSED PRIZES



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**Tuesday, 2nd November**  
**MELBOURNE CUP**  
CIVIC CENTRE, SUPPER ROOM | 11AM UNTIL 3PM

Includes:  
High Tea Menu | Drink on arrival | Live music with Brendan Egan  
Fashion Show by Mint Six Boutique | Fashions on the field prizes

**Tickets \$55**  
via Eventbrite

On the day:  
Raffles  
Silent Auction  
Sweeps  
Fashions on the field  
Photobooth

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## TERM FOUR PLANNER

<b>WEEK 1</b>	<b>Week 5th October - 8th October</b>		
Monday	<b>QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>		
Tuesday	First Day Term 4		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4K
<b>WEEK 2</b>	<b>Week 11th October - 15th October</b>		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4L
<b>WEEK 3</b>	<b>Week 18th October - 22nd October</b>		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4T
<b>WEEK 4</b>	<b>Week 25th October - 29th October</b>		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	5M
<b>WEEK 5</b>	<b>Week 1st November - 5th November</b>		
Monday	Prep Orientation Morning	9.00am-10.30am	Prep 2022
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5G
<b>WEEK 6</b>	<b>Week 8th November - 12th November</b>		
Tuesday—Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2C
<b>WEEK 7</b>	<b>Week 15th November - 19th November</b>		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2B
Tuesday	Cultural Night - Year 3, String and Choir Ensembles	5.30pm	Music
Thursday	Guitar Showcase 2021	5.00 pm	Guitar
<b>WEEK 8</b>	<b>Week 22nd November - 26th November</b>		
Tuesday - Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2H
Friday	Senior Swimming Carnival	9.00-11.00am 11.00-12.30pm	Years 3 & 4 Years 5 & 6
<b>WEEK 9</b>	<b>Week 29th November - 3rd December</b>		
Monday	Year 1 Nativity Assembly	9.00am	Year 1
Tuesday	Year 3 & 4 End of Year Excursion	10.00am	Moncrieff
Tuesday	Year 6 Graduation	9.00am	Year 6
	Year 6 End of Year Excursion	10.30am	Norville Pool
	Year 5 End of Year Excursion	11.00am	Bundy Bowl
Wednesday	Prep & Year 1 End of Year Excursion	10.00am	Shalom PAP
	Year 2 End of Year Excursion	9.00am	Norville Pool
	Celebration Night	6.00pm	Whole School
Thursday	End of Year Liturgy	1.15pm	Whole School
	Year 6 Farewell Assembly	2.10pm	Whole School

### 2022 TERM DATES

<b>TERM 1</b>	Monday 24 January - Friday 1 April
<b>TERM 2</b>	Tuesday 19 April - Friday 24 June
<b>TERM 3</b>	Monday 11 July - Friday 16 September
<b>TERM 4</b>	Tuesday 4 October - Friday 2 December