



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

11 August 2023

Youth, is it wasted on the young? I don't believe so. I am proud to be the mother of 2 amazing young people, proud to have taught and/or led in excess of 2000 young people over my career to date, proud to see the way in which our staff interact with, guide and care for the young people entrusted to us at St Patrick's. I also love how Pope Francis, the leader of our church, values our youth.

Our Pope has recently hosted World Youth Day (WYD) in Lisbon, Portugal. It was a gathering of over 1.5 million young people, who came together for an experience with the Pope. World Youth Day is a unique way for young people to deepen faith and grow closer to Christ. Bishop Michael led a group of Pilgrims from our Diocese to WYD, including our very own Mrs Jessie Salmon. At the closing Mass the Pope told the young people gathered, not to be afraid to change the world.

It is also timely that International Youth Day falls on August 12. This, too, is a day where the youth of our world are acknowledged by our leaders. The UN Secretary-General says that, "Humanity depends on the boundless energy, ideas and contributions of youth everywhere. Today and every day, let's support and stand with young people in shaping a just and sustainable world, for people and planet." The young people that I encounter every day certainly are full of energy, ideas and enthusiasm.

Young people can and will change our world. It is our job as parents and educators to prepare them for their future. Parenting young people is by no means an easy task, it is the most difficult thing most of us will experience in our lifetimes. I would encourage you all to come along and listen to Dr Justin Coulson next week. He has some great tools for encouraging resilience in our youth and surviving the journey as parents. Our youth will change the world, let's continue to guide them in the footsteps of Jesus.

Tracey Cook




The Parenting Revolution
Parent Night with Justin Coulson

TUESDAY AUGUST 15
7PM - 8:30PM

SHALOM COLLEGE
PERFORMING ARTS PRECINCT
ALL WELCOME, NO RSVP REQUIRED

Justin is the co-host and parenting expert on Channel 9's **Parental Guidance**, the founder of happyfamilies.com.au, and one of Australia's most trusted parenting experts. He holds a PhD in Positive Psychology.



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APRE NEWS

World Youth Day (WYD) is a worldwide encounter with the Pope celebrated about every three years in a different country. The most recent WYD was celebrated just recently in Lisbon, Portugal from August 1-6, 2023 and the next World Youth Day will be held in Seoul, Korea 2027.

WYD is open to all young people who want to take part in a festive encounter centered on Jesus Christ together with their peers. This event is an opportunity to personally experience the universality of the Catholic Church, and to share with the whole world the hope of many young people who are committing their lives to Christ and His Church. World Youth Day is a unique way to deepen faith and grow closer to Christ, through prayer and the sacraments, together with hundreds of thousands of young people who share similar interests and ambitions.

Bishop Michael, along with young Pilgrims from our Diocese travelled to WYD this year. Our very own Mrs Jessie Salmon was one of these pilgrims. She has had an amazing time at WYD and we can't wait to hear more about her journey. The images pictured are some that Mrs Salmon has shared with us.



PREP VISION SCREENING

On Tuesday 17 October (Term 4) we will offer Vision Screening for all of our Prep students. It is a useful service to check for issues around vision. It is run through the Queensland Government Primary School Nurse Readiness program, and although not compulsory, we definitely recommend it.

The following video explains the benefits of having your Prep child's vision screening -

[“What is Prep Vision Screening?”](#)

If you are happy for your child to have this quick check-up, please click on the link or QR code to register.

<https://visionscreening.health.qld.gov.au/ParentalConsent/04083uU>

**Free Prep Vision
Screening**
is coming

Have you completed your
consent form yet?



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School -
Bundaberg

Please scan this QR code to complete your child's
consent form by **Thursday, 14 September 2023**
to secure your spot



ST PATRICK'S

2023



**When: Weeks 6 & 7
(Term 3)**

Where: Senior Activity Room

Who: Years 1-6



There will be an information session held on Monday Aug 14 – Mrs Cook will provide further information at this meeting.

CATHOLIC PARISH JOB VACANCY

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Vacant Position 2024

The Catholic Parish of Bundaberg is recruiting for a Liturgy/Music/Sacraments/R.C.I.A. Coordinator. The position provides support to the Parish Priests in the liturgical, music, sacramental, evangelising life of the Parish by ensuring that the needs of the community in these four areas are met through careful planning and administration. The position is full time and would be suitable for someone with experience in liturgical/music/sacramental/R.C.I.A. ministry and/or education, particularly in areas concerned with developing and strengthening the faith and spirituality of people in our Catholic community.

TERM THREE PLANNER

WEEK 6	Week 14th August - 18th August		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Years 5 & 1
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6L
WEEK 7	Week 21st August - 25th August		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Year 2
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5T
WEEK 8	Week 28th August - 1st September		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Year 6 & Prep
Monday - Wednesday	Year 5 Camp - Chaverim	All Day	Year 5
Tuesday - Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6S
Thursday	Father's Day Liturgy	9:00am	Year 3
Friday	PUPIL FREE DAY		
WEEK 9	Week 4th September - 8th September		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6M
WEEK 10	Week 11th September - 15th September		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5G
Wednesday - Friday	Year 6 Camp - Hervey Bay	All Day	Year 6

2023 TERM 4 DATES

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Tuesday 3 October - Friday 1 December

2023 SPORTS DATE CLAIMERS

TERM 4

Years 3-6 Senior Swimming Carnival

24-Nov

BSA

Could your spare room change a child's life?

There are over 13 million spare rooms in Australia. We just need 100 in the Bundaberg region to urgently help vulnerable children.

Now is the time to become a foster carer.

 Search 'cofc foster care'



Scan for more information!



West Bundaberg Little Athletics

Bundaberg Super Park Complex, Enid Ethel Drive

2023 / 2024 season starts August



How can you join in?

Programs for athletes aged 3 to Masters
Online registration opens Monday 4th July

Come & Try Nights at the Centre

Friday 4th August: 5.45pm to 7.30pm

Friday 11th August: 5.45pm to 7.30pm

Registration / Sign on Days at our clubhouse

Saturday 5th and Saturday 12th August 1pm to 3pm

First Competition Night

Friday 18th August: 5.45pm

Fees: U6-U17 \$220, Tiny Tots 3-5yrs \$65

Want to volunteer?

Come along and help us!
This year we will be introducing our Volunteers U13 to U17



For further information:
Email: bundabergathleticclub@gmail.com



Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/West-Bundaberg-Little-Athletics-Club-Bundaberg-Athletic-Club>



Queensland Oztag
THE SAFEST & MOST EXHILARATING SPORT
You Could Ever Enjoy!

Queensland Oztag

St Patrick's are about to Get tagged and love it because the guys from Queensland Oztag are coming out to run FREE Oztag School Clinics. In the clinics with the Development Officers the kids will learn the basics of Oztag including the evasive manoeuvres of Twisting and Spinning along with how to make the perfect Tag. Queensland Oztag are looking forward to seeing the Kids again this term.

Looking for more information on Qld Oztag?

Qld Oztag Website:

<http://www.queenslandoztag.com.au/>

Qld Oztag State Cup promo video:

<https://youtu.be/n-1NWiepAHc>

Qld Oztag Youtube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@OZTAGQUEENSLAND>

OUT AND ABOUT



2023/2024 Registration Now open!

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FRASER COAST RUGBY 7S FESTIVAL

JUNIORS COMP // U14- U18 **29- 30 SEPTEMBER 2023**
HERVEY BAY SPORTS PRECIENT



OPEN MEN

SOCIAL MEN

OPEN WOMEN

PACIFIC WORKERS SOCIAL COMP



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