



St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

30th August 2019

So yesterday after I removed my reheated leftovers from the staff microwave, I noticed a fair amount of 'spillage' on the glass microwave plate. As I'm sure only boys do, I examined my lunch for a brief forensic investigation as to whether or not I was responsible for the crime. Having determined that I was not in fact the guilty party (therefore having no legal or moral responsibility to clean up the mess), I proceeded to look for the salt and a fork.

While standing at the bench, I was for some reason reminded of Courtyard Prayer and in particular a brief line from little Hung Nguyen, "Sometimes we leave other people to do things while we watch. How many times have you waited for tea to be ready, or let Mum or Dad make the beds and tidy the rooms?"

Clearly leaving the mess for someone else to clean up was far from the best choice I could make, so with Hung's words echoing, I made my way back to get the microwave plate to begin the task of removing the crud.

We are proudly a school who encourages our community members to do and be their best.

Yesterday I watched a teacher dealing with a student who had had a 'meltdown'. Rather than threaten or intimidate, she allowed him to calm, listened to him once he could speak and guided him back into his learning. She could have chosen many responses all of which were justified, yet she made the best, most effective choice, even though it took more of her time and energy.

When Mrs H is working through issues with students, I often hear her say, "Come on – you're better than that. What could you have chosen to do that would have been be a better response?" They always know the answer, and they learn from it.

Today as we celebrate Fathers' Day, I think we must acknowledge the huge role teachers and parents take on in trying to guide children into becoming their best selves. They need amazing examples and role models, and they need advice given from the heart, from the people who care most about them.

Those of us who have older children know that this never changes. Following is the advice given from a friend of mine to her daughter and son-in-law during the wedding speech.

There will be sad and difficult times, times of frustration and worry. But remember in those tough times how much you love each other. Remember to lean into each other and draw on each other for strength and support, for together you are better and stronger than you could ever be alone. Remember the love you feel today. Remember to find the wonder and awe in the ordinary and everyday. And remember to find joy in your journey through life together.

This beautiful advice works with families. The absolute best thing in life is being a parent – but that life-long challenge of helping your children be their best selves is enormous. Fathers' day is a great time to remember how lucky we are to have children, and to keep in mind the responsibility that comes with it.

Congratulations Mrs Hammermeister

The responsibility for ensuring our school is a place where our children are safe and feel safe is huge and one we are absolutely conscious of every day. It is absolutely the most important thing to parents and to us. Everything from First Aid, Emergencies, Lockdowns, Electrical checks, Safe procedures for excursions, safe plant, playgrounds and equipment are just a few. Yesterday we had our Diocesan Workplace Health and Safety Officer spend a full day auditing our school, looking at every aspect of ensuring our school is a safe environment for staff and children. We received an outstanding report, and I just wanted to express on behalf of us all, how grateful we are for the way Mrs H makes this the priority it has to be for our school.

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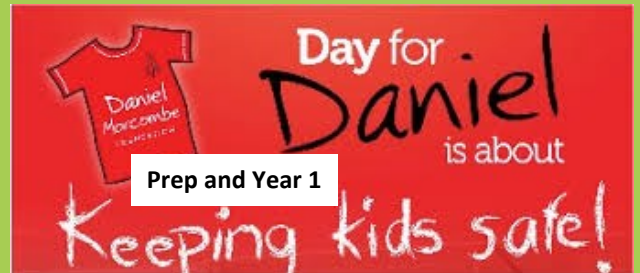
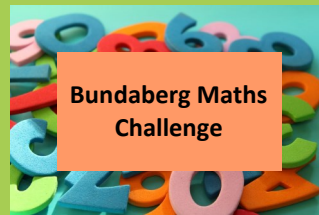
STUDENT ABSENCES



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KEY INFORMATION FOR WEEK 8

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| Monday | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Junior Strings Rehearsal 7.30am• Morning Parade 8.40am |
| Tuesday | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior Choir Rehearsal 7.30am• Courtyard Prayer 8.40am 4P |
| Wednesday | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior Strings Rehearsal 7.30am• Courtyard Prayer 8.40am 4P• Year 5 Camp—Chaverim Wed-Fri• Day for Daniel Excursion Prep & Year 1 |
| Thursday | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Courtyard Prayer 8.40am 4P• Bundaberg Primary School Netball 4.00pm |
| Friday | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sausage Sizzle• Classroom Liturgy Prep S 9.00am |



APRE NEWS

Would you like the opportunity to be involved in the Celebration of the Eucharist at Sunday Mass?

Have you ever thought of becoming an Altar Server?

All girls and boys who have made their first communion are able to serve on the altar.

Training will be given by Father Jomon Poothara and Mrs Jan Aplin.

If you are interested, please call the Catholic Parish Office on 4151 6666.



STUDENT OF THE WEEK



ST MARY'S VACATION CARE

To access the July Vacation Care program and booking form for St Mary's Primary School please [CLICK](#) on the logo.



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Bundaberg

SCREENAGERS—SHALOM COLLEGE Wednesday 4th September

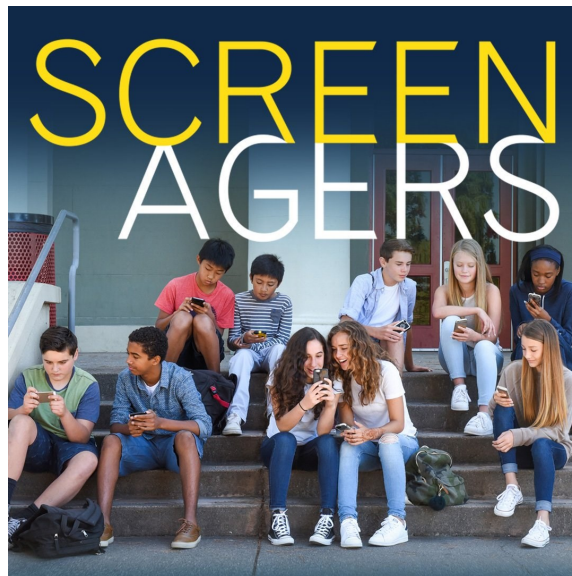
A Must for All Parents! Wednesday 4 September at 6:30pm

Shalom Performing Arts Precinct.

This year David and Katie Kobler will present a program called "Screenagers". This program has received rave reviews and is intended for parents and their children. It is strongly recommended that parents attend and you are welcome to bring along your teenagers. Here are some reviews.

"Screenagers is a very balanced, sympathetic and sane look at the way millions of teens are struggling with phones and games and technology in general. In part by letting the teens themselves speak about their own concerns and solutions, Screenagers is deeply affecting, too." **Dave Eggers, Best-Selling Author, Publisher and Education Activist**

"My 13 year old son and I watched the film Screenagers together. The impact of the film was so great, that all on his own, when the movie ended, my son announced that he would voluntarily be relinquishing his computer for a week. In the end, he was off completely for 10 days, and when he did get back on he started setting a timer and sticking to his own self-imposed time limits." **Nancy B., PTA, Chair of Parent-Education MVMS PTSA**



CHARLIE THORNE

2019 Fraser Coast Interschool Equestrian Competition

Congratulations **Charlie Thorne** on receiving overall 3rd place in the Year 6 event at this year's Fraser Coast Interschool Equestrian competition. Over 250 students from 63 schools took part in the 3 day event. Charlie rode her grandfather's horse, Maverick, in her final equestrian event as a Primary school student. This result is amazing for both rider and horse.

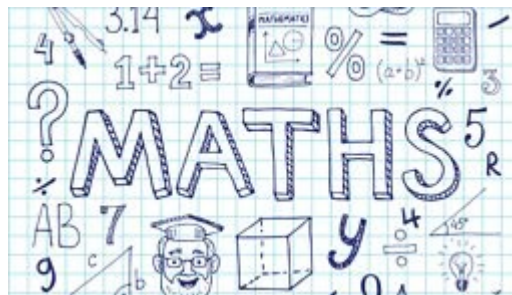
Charlie has competed in this particular competition representing St Patrick's every year from Prep to Year 6.

Your dedication, skill and effort to achieve consistently high results over many years in this competition is to be applauded. Well done!



QAMT MATHS COMPETITION

Congratulations to Kodee Pole, Marek Cooper and Waylen Hu who competed in the inaugural Year 5 and 6 Queensland Association of Maths Teachers (QAMT) Maths Quiz. They showed great commitment to mathematics – spending a couple of hours on Tuesday night testing themselves against teams from other schools. These students worked hard to prepare for this challenging competition and we are so proud of their efforts!



OUT AND ABOUT

BUNDABERG & DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC.
GIRLS ONLY COACHING PROGRAM



Thursdays September 5 – October 31
 4.30 – 6.00 pm



FREE EIGHT WEEK PROGRAM FOR GIRLS AGED 8 -13

Bundaberg Table Tennis Centre
 Kendalls Rd, West Bundaberg (next to the new Showgrounds)

Applications due by Monday 2nd September

Contact: Your school, Dave Delpratt (4155 2388), bundytt@bigpond.com or www.bundytt.org.au to apply or for more information.

Bundaberg & District TTA Inc acknowledges the support given by:



ST MARY'S Catholic Primary School

25TH ANNIVERSARY FETE

SATURDAY 31ST AUGUST

11am to 5pm - Find us in Frank Gilbert Drive

FOOD - FUN - RIDES (12pm-4pm) - STALLS
 MUSIC - RAFFLES - FACE PAINTING
 FRUIT & VEG - CRAFTS & MORE!

SPECIAL THANKS TO THESE BUSINESSES

SEASON 2019-20
 SIGN ON DAYS
 SEPT 8 AND
 SEPT 15 2019

@ BUNDABERG SWIM ACADEMY
 FITZGERALD ST
 BUNDABERG
 9AM-10AM
 ALL WELCOME

BUNDABERG SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB SIGN ON DAYS

Come and join in the fun of surf life saving and nippers. More info on facebook 'Bundaberg Surf Life Saving Club' Open to all ages: 5 Years through to Adults. Nippers is for under 6 to 14 years and then youth 'cadets' from 15 years.

www.bundabergslsc.com.au

THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY BAND
In Concert

Proceeds support Legacy and RSL

ALL TICKETS \$20
FRIDAY 13 SEPTEMBER, 7.30 PM
Moncrieff Entertainment Centre

07 4130 4100
moncrieff-bundaberg.com.au

TERM THREE PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 15th July - 19th July		
Monday	Morning Parade	8.40am	
Tuesday—Thursday	Challenge Cup - Rugby League and Netball - Yeppoon	All day	Challenge Cup Team
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1P
Friday	 Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	2B
WEEK 2	Week 22nd July - 26th July		
Monday	School Photos	8.40am	
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1N
Friday	 Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	2C
WEEK 3	Week 29th July - 2nd August	Catholic Education Week	
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday-Thursday	Bundaberg Eisteddfod		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	1B
Friday	 Catholic Education Week - Open Classrooms , Liturgy and Picnic on Oval	9.00am	Mini Vinnies
WEEK 4	Week 5th August - 9th August		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	Prep L
Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	Prep S
Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	Prep W
Friday	 Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	2H
WEEK 5	Week 12th August - 16th August		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3B
Friday	 QCMF - Brisbane	Junior & Senior Strings	Junior & Senior Choir
WEEK 6	Week 19th August - 23rd August		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3C
Friday	 Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	Prep L
WEEK 7	Week 26th August - 30th August		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3K
Friday	 Father's Day Liturgy	9.00am	Year 3
WEEK 8	Week 2nd September - 6th September		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4P
Wednesday-Friday	Year 5 Camp	All day	Chaverim
Friday	 Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	Prep S
WEEK 9	Week 9th September - 13th September		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4L
Friday	ICAS English Test		
Friday	 Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	Prep W
WEEK 10	Week 16th September - 20th September		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards		
Monday	ICAS Mathematics Test		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4C
Tuesday-Thursday	Year 6 Camp	All day	Hervey Bay
Friday	 Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	3K