



St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

13 November 2020

On Wednesday morning, Year 5P led a Remembrance Day Liturgy. The combination of a well-prepared service and a strong school culture demanded respect from all who attended. Being a part of it, made us all very proud of who we are and what we stand for.

Of significance, was that both the Australian flag and the Indigenous flag, lay side by side on the prayer table. The following extract from the Australian War Memorial website offers a valuable insight.

At the outbreak of the war large numbers of Australians came forward to enlist, and Aboriginal Australians also answered the call. Best current estimates are that about 1,000 Indigenous Australians – out of an estimated population of 93,000 in 1901 – fought in the First World War. It is not known what motivated Indigenous Australians to join the Australian Imperial Force (AIF), but loyalty and patriotism doubtless played a part. There was also the incentive of a receiving a wage. Indigenous soldiers were paid the same rate as non-Indigenous soldiers. In general, indigenous soldiers served under the same conditions of service as other members of the AIF, with many experiencing in the army equal treatment for the first time in their lives. There may have also been the hope that having served would deliver greater equality after the war. In reality, however, upon their return to civilian life they were treated with the same prejudice and discrimination as before.

Indigenous Australians have always looked to include others, and be included themselves, in our Australian community. Thankfully we are growing to appreciate the rich history and culture of our indigenous people and how important it is that we offer the acknowledgement they deserve. NAIDOC week offers a perfect opportunity to reflect upon our history. Those before us fought for the right of all Australians to enjoy a safe and secure future. Let's hope we honour the debt paid for that right, as we move forward as a nation in which all are included and welcome.

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KEY DATES FOR WEEK 7

MONDAY	PSDE Presentation to Years 5&6 Prep Vision Screening
TUESDAY	PSDE Presentation to Years 5&6 Courtyard Prayer 2H 8.40am
WEDNESDAY	Courtyard Prayer 2H 8.40am
THURSDAY	Courtyard Prayer 2H 8.40am
FRIDAY	Year 1 Nativity Assembly Sausage Sizzle



Next Friday is our last Sausage Sizzle for the year. We would like to thank everyone for their support in our weekly fundraiser and a huge thank you to our dedicated parent volunteers that come in each Friday to help. Special mention also to Darrin Franks and our groundsman Ivan Williamson who set up the Sizzle and run the barbeque. Without your help the sizzle is not possible. Sausage Sizzle will return in Week 2 of 2020.



Click our school crest to go our school website calendar.



Click the facebook icon to go to our school facebook page.



Click the Parish logo to go to the Parish Newsletter.



Click the Centacare logo to go the Group Programs Calendar.

ENROLMENTS 2021

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Almost daily, we are receiving enrolment applications for 2021. At this point, we are pretty much at capacity in almost every year level. That is very affirming however it leaves us the unenviable task of having to decline a large number of applications from some very lovely families. Every year we have families in our school community who make the decision to leave Bundaberg and our school which, potentially, opens up a place for another family. Could I please ask that if you have made the decision to leave the school at the end of the year, that you communicate that to us as soon as is practicable. Thanks for your understanding.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2021

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Due to the unprecedented year that we've had, the conditions placed on us for gatherings, and the uncertainty for 2021, the Parish Sacramental Team has decided NOT to proceed with an intake of children ready for the sacraments of Confirmation, Eucharist or Reconciliation next year. The preparation program will begin in Term 4, 2021. Those children whose Confirmation and First Communion was cancelled this year will celebrate their sacraments in Term 2 next year. Enquiries to Anne at the Parish Office, 41516666.



END YEAR ACTIVITIES 2020

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FRIDAY 20

NATIVITY PLAY YEAR 1

9.00am

Only two family members to attend

TUESDAY 24

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

9.00am

Up to six family members to attend

FRIDAY 27

SENIOR SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Year 3 & 4 - 9 to 11am
Year 5 & 6 - 11 to 1pm
No family members to attend

WEDNESDAY 2

CELEBRATION DAY

Free Dress Day

No family members to attend

FRIDAY 04

END YEAR LITURGY

9.30am

Only two family members per Yr 6 student to attend

FRIDAY 04

YEAR 6 ASSEMBLY

11.30am

Only two family members per Yr 6 student to attend

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.



MINI VINNIE'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Mini Vinnies' Christmas Appeal

Prep: Christmas decorations

Year 1: New (unused) toys and books

Year 2: Pet food (dry and tinned)

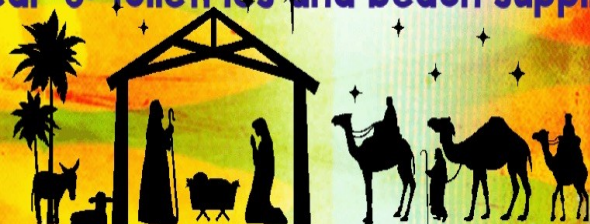
Year 3: Games and sport equipment

Year 4: Christmas food

Year 5: School and art supplies

Year 6: Toiletries and beach supplies

Our Mini Vinnies Team
need your help to make
Christmas special for those
in need. We would love your
help with these donations:



FINANCE NEWS

2021 Confirmation of Enrolment Form

As the year draws to a close, now is the time to consider payment option plans for 2021. With this in mind the Confirmation of Enrolment Form has been added to Parent Lounge. If your family is returning to St Patrick's in 2021 please login to Parent Lounge and complete by 4th December 2020.

Confirmation of Enrolment Form is used to ensure your children a place at St Patrick's and ensure you will receive discounts if you have more than one child at a Catholic School or College in the Diocese of Rockhampton. It also directs your payment plan selections and any concessional allowance.

This is the first year this form has been digitalised for your convenience as will also be the case with several other payment and concessional forms and as we progress in this area, feedback is most welcome.

Instructions on completing the Confirmation of Enrolment form online are as follows:-

Login into Parent Lounge and Step 1, under Tours and Excursions click here...



Step 2. Tick accept, click on the globe to complete the form then save...



Please Finalise 2020 Fees

A reminder that fees have been issued and are due 12th 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 Maria Davies if you have any queries or should you wish to setup a payment plan. Please check your junk box if you haven't received your statement.

In response to COVID-19 virus, Catholic Education Diocese of Rockhampton has extended the 100% discount on tuition fees for Concession Card holders in an effort to eliminate financial stress.

If you have been fortunate enough to have returned to work, please advise Finance Secretary that you no longer require this concession.

Student Banking

The last date for redeeming tokens for prizes is 23rd November.

BOOKLIST AND APPS LIST 2021

Booklist and iPad Apps Lists have been sent home with your child late this week and have also been added to the St Patrick's Primary School website under [Booklist and iPad Specifications](#).

If you wish for AASTAT to compile your order please note the booklist needs to be lodged to them by Monday 21st December. On any lists submitted by this date, AASTAT will donate a percentage of sales back to the school which is always greatly appreciated.

Any queries, please contact the school office on 4152 1380.

Senior School Swimming Carnival (Years 3-6)

Friday 27th November

Bundaberg Swim Academy, Fitzgerald Street

The format for the carnival will be as follows:

Years 3 & 4: 9:00am – 11:00am
Years 5 & 6: 11:00am – 1:00pm
Presentations: 2:00 pm at School (Overall Points and Age Championships for students born 2008-2010)

Children will travel by bus to the Bundaberg Swim Academy with their class teacher who will supervise students in travel and throughout the carnival. Students may wear their school sports uniform and House coloured shirt to school on this day. Year 3 & 4 students are asked to wear their swimming togs under their uniform upon arrival to school. Year 5 & 6 students will change into their swimming gear, sun-shirt and thongs/sandals prior to leaving the school grounds. Underwear, uniform, shoes and socks will remain at school and children will change into their uniforms upon returning to school after the carnival. Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly named.

All students are required to wear a sun-shirt as this meets with sun-safety regulations. The school will provide sunscreen for students. The only items that students will take with them to the pool are goggles, towel/s, water bottle and a bag to carry their belongings. Lunch and afternoon tea will be at normal times at school with the Year 5 & 6 students eating before leaving the school.

Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions parents/grandparents are not permitted to spectate at this event. We love having our extended school community enjoy this event and it saddens us that this cannot occur in 2020.

If your child suffers from any medical conditions which may affect your child's participation in the carnival, please advise the office of these details. All students are expected to participate unless there is a health matter that prevents their involvement on the day.

HOW TO NOMINATE YOUR CHILD

Please login to [Parent Lounge](#) to indicate your child's race preferences by Wednesday 18 November. Please choose only **one** option for Freestyle, Breaststroke and Backstroke. Students must nominate in at least one event in the program. If your child suffers from any medical conditions which may affect your child's participation in the carnival, please advise the office of these details. All students are expected to participate unless there is a health matter that prevents their involvement in this carnival. We look forward to an enjoyable and supportive event for all competitors.



OUT AND ABOUT

SHALOM ROWING COME & TRY

Monday 23 November
3:30pm to 5:15pm

Thursday 26 November
3:30pm to 5:15pm

Saturday 28 November
7:00am to 8:30am | 8:30am to 9:30am

Bundaberg Rowing Club, Quay St

Please bring a hat, water bottle,
sunscreen, thongs, fairly tight fitting clothes

**REGISTER FOR THE COME & TRY SESSIONS
CLICK LINK BELOW**

"Friendships are built that can last a lifetime"
- Grace Pashley

"Your crew becomes your family"





"Rowing is the ultimate team sport"

2 DAYS ONLY - 12TH & 13TH NOVEMBER



ZERO & REWARDS CARD HOLDERS

20% OFF

SCHOOLWEAR & EVERYTHING ELSE!




SHOP IN-STORE & ONLINE

On the day of the event, Lowes will have measures in place to restrict customer numbers and movement throughout the store. Thank you for your support. Lowes will be enforcing social distancing. Marshalls wearing hi-vis vests will be on site. We ask for your support in limiting the number of people you take with you into the store.

DON'T HAVE A CARD? APPLY IN-STORE OR ONLINE & START ENJOYING THE BENEFITS.

*Offer ends midnight (AEST) 13/11/2020. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount. Excludes gift cards, all suit packages & Schoolwear kits/ty's. Cannot be combined with any other offer or discount. Floor stock only. Styles and colours may vary from store to store. No spin checks. Please choose carefully, exchanges and refunds only with docket. Includes existing 5% discount. Savings off original prices.

Bargara Softball

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Why join Bargara

The Bargara Softball club is a family friendly club and are always looking to welcome new members. We will treat everyone with fairness, respect & dignity at all times. If you are interested in playing for a Club that emphasizes mateship and fun over politics then we are the Club for you.

Bring a Friend and Have some Fun!

T-Ball Players
Ages 5 - 9 Years Boys & Girls
Faircloth Cres
(Brothers AFL Sports Ground)

Join the Club
 » Become a Player
 » Become a Coach
 » Become an Umpire
 » Become a Sponsor

Are you looking for a family orientated sport to play in Summer?

Why not Try Softball?

Everyone welcome from 5 years of age and older.
New and Old Players Welcome

Our Divisions include:
T-Ball, U12, U14 & U16,
Senior Men & Women (A grade and B grade)

We play Saturdays at the Brothers AFL Grounds, Faircloth Ave, Bundaberg.

LOOKING FOR JUNIOR PLAYERS

All School Children Welcome

Taking players from 10 years of age and older

Divisions: U12, U14 & U16





Cuddle Bugs Kindergarten
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 Email: admin@cuddlebugs.com.au
 Website: www.cuddlebugskindergarten.com.au
 Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/cuddlebugskind>



Now taking enrolments for 2021 and beyond.



BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS



Providing care for children 15 months to school age



- Open 6am - 6pm
- Fully Air Conditioned
- CCS Rebates Apply to eligible families
- Approved Kindergarten Funded Service (additional Pre-Prep rebates apply)
- Specialised Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten & Pre-Prep Service
- Tertiary Qualified Pre-Prep Teachers
- The most popular and sort after Kindergarten & Pre-Prep in town
- Rated EXCEEDING National Quality Standards in all seven areas
- Business Awards - nominated in the Business of Excellence Awards in 2016 & 2019 and the HESTA Childcare Awards 2019
- Privately owned business for over 11 years.

Open 6am to 6pm in air conditioned comfort











The most popular and sort after Kindergarten Pre-Prep in town

Cuddle Bugs Kindergarten where your children can spread their wings



Approved Providers
Andrea Julierat and Nicole James