



St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

2nd November 2018

I'm fortunate enough to know Shalom's Principal Dan McMahon fairly well. He is an amazing public speaker and a very reflective writer. Below is his Newsletter reflection from last week.

I'm a 'Halloween Grinch'! I hate the advertising and the adopted American traditions around Halloween. Other than not wanting to give out lollies to random children who come to our door on the evening before Nov 1, I hate that the Christian celebration of both All Saints (Nov 1) and All Souls (Nov 2) gets lost. I think they are wonderful days to celebrate as people of God. All Saints is the celebration of all those who have gone before us and whose lives were marked by obvious courage and commitment. This year, we can celebrate Cardinal Oscar Romero who was only recently declared a Saint by the Church. A man who spoke truth to power in El Salvador and gave his life for that – murdered by an oppressive Government. We can celebrate all the other great men and women who we can look to for inspiration – St Francis, St Mary MacKillop, Edmund Rice – among lots of others. Personally, I really like the feast of All Souls as well celebrated the next day. All Souls recognizes all the 'ordinary Christians' who lived their lives as well as possible and who, we believe, are enjoying the companionship of a loving God. For me, people like my Mum & Dad and my younger brother Tim. All of us have friends and family who are no longer with us but whose memory and whose lives touched ours. On All Souls, we celebrate them. On the edge of my desk at work, I have my 'friends under glass'. I have about 20 small obituary cards of people who have meant a lot to me. Besides my family members, I have cards from people who were colleagues and friends. I have obit cards of a couple of people who taught me. These people had a significant impact on me in many different ways. I want to keep their memory alive so they are under a glass sheet on my desk. They remind me of who I am and of the values that are important to me. Their memory is important. That's why I really value the celebration of both All Saints and All Souls. We need to be inspired and encouraged by those who have gone before us. That's why I hate seeing these days elbowed out by lighted pumpkins, scary costumes and lollies! It's why I won't be giving any out and my kids, to their dismay, won't be wandering our street extorting the neighbours for treats. I'm a Grinch!

I actually value my 'cool' tag with the neighbourhood kids, and my wife really enjoys having kids coming around in costumes and delighting in the treats, so we do Halloween. That said, I love the sentiments Dan has expressed around All Saints and All Souls days. We all have very special people in our lives whom we have lost. It is good to remember those special people and also to be reminded that none of us are getting out of here alive. Time with close family and friends is very special, as you never know how long you have with them. You have to make your minutes count.

Mark For

KEY DATES FOR WEEK 5

Monday	Junior Strings Rehearsal 7.30am Prep Orientation Day 9.00am-10.30am Cultural Night Tickets on sale from 2pm
Tuesday	Senior Choir Rehearsal 7.30am Courtyard Prayer 3C 8.40am
Wednesday	Senior Strings Rehearsal 7.30am Courtyard Prayer 3C 8.40am
Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 3C 8.40am Swimming Prep to Year 2 Year 5 Art Gallery Excursion
Friday	Classroom Liturgy 4L 8.45am Remembrance Day Memorial Interscholar Sport Years 5 & 6



5P Remembrance Day Memorial
Friday 10.40am



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RE NEWS

Sacramental News

The next round of Sacramental Preparation is about to begin. We have a lovely group of St Patrick's families taking the journey this year. If you would like your child to be a part of the Sacramental Program for 2018/2019, please contact Anne Sheehan at the Parish Office on 4151 6666.

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 are asking each year level to donate the following:

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

As of Monday, November 5, 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.

Tracey Cook



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

SPORTS NEWS



WIDE BAY CRICKET REPRESENTATIVE

Congratulations **Lucy Hamilton** who has been selected to represent Wide Bay at the Queensland Cricket Championships to be held in Northgate, Brisbane from 4-8 November. We wish Lucy an enjoyable and rewarding experience at this carnival.



St Patrick's P&F are once again organising a raffle for this year's upcoming Celebration Night.

If you are able to help, please donate any new/unused goods and groceries to the office.

The raffle will be drawn at Celebration Night on Wednesday 22nd November.



ICAS MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

Congratulations to all students who participated in the 2018 ICAS Mathematics Competition, this year we had 40 students from Years 3 to 6 who challenged themselves to do their best in this difficult competition. Our students put in extra time in preparation for the competition by completing past papers at school and at home and we are very proud of their efforts. A special congratulations to the students who received awards in the competition.

Year 3	
Corin Driver	Merit
Emma Joyce	Merit
Oliver Martin	Credit
Mary Stelmack	Credit
Turhan Zaeem	Credit
Donal Xavier	Distinction
Year 4	
Ronald Machekera	Merit
Donald Machekera	Credit
Year 5	
Arnold Machekera	Credit
Will Martin	Credit
Kodee Pole	Credit
Year 6	
Kay Hu	Distinction



TOILET BEHAVIOUR

SPELLING BEE

Expectations Regarding Behaviour in Toilets

Students are regularly reminded regarding the school's behaviour expectations when they are using the toilets. Another reminder occurred at school this week. The focus of the discussion was:

- Educating students about germs in toilets.
- Hygiene practices (washing hands, not taking food into toileting area etc.).
- Students should use the toilet responsibly (e.g. not waste time and keep noise to a minimum).
- Discourage play in toilets (e.g. should not be a location for tiggly or hiding games).
- Not a place for playing 'tricks' on others or contact with other people (minimal time in toilet).
- Strict rule – one person in a cubicle at a time.
- When using the toilet to change clothing for an activity, individual cubicles to be used with one person per cubicle.
- If individual showers or cubicles are not available, remember the public and private rule. Students must continue to wear clothing that would be acceptable for public places.
- Adults must not be in a one-on-one situation with students in toilets or changing areas.

In the aim of enhancing student hygiene and safety, it would be appreciated if parents reinforce these behaviours at home with regard to not only the school toilets, but all public toilet areas.

PATRICK'S

5TH ANNUAL SPELLING BEE

WHEN: WEEK 6 (MONDAY - FRIDAY)

WHERE: ACTIVITY ROOM

WHO: YEARS 4-6 (STARTING MONDAY WEEK 6)
YEARS PREP-3 (STARTING WEDNESDAY WEEK 6)

Information session for students with Mrs Cook on Monday of Week 5, Lunch time (10.55am) in the activity room.

Bee there or bee square!

CULTURAL NIGHT

**St Patrick's Annual Cultural Night
Wednesday, 21st November 6pm at Shalom Performing Arts Precinct**

**TICKETS ON SALE
From 2PM Monday 5th November
(no tickets will be sold prior to this due to Prep orientation)
STUDENTS TO ARRIVE BY 5.30PM FOR A 6PM START**

St Patrick's annual Cultural Night will be held on Wednesday, 21st November 6pm **at Shalom Performing Arts Precinct**. Our Senior Strings, Senior Choir, Junior Strings, Junior Choir, Guitar Ensembles and Year 3 students will perform. This is the first time the Year 3 students will perform for such a large audience so it is a very exciting occasion!

**TICKETS ON SALE MONDAY 5th NOVEMBER FROM 2pm \$7 per head, includes a light supper.
Performing students will not require a ticket**

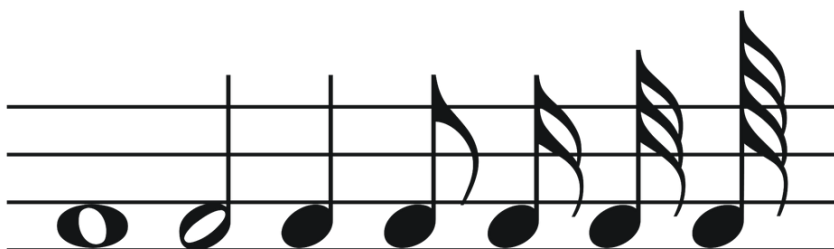
All students will be required to wear the following uniforms for performances:

Performance Uniforms

Group	Performance uniform
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 3 Strings performance uniform• White dress shirt – long sleeve button up with collar• long black dress pants• black socks, school shoes
Junior Choir	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prep: school uniform• Years 1-2: Formal school uniform• Year 3: Strings performance uniform (see above)
Senior Choir Junior Strings Senior Strings	Performance Uniform <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Black shirt – long sleeve button up with collar• Long black dress pants• Black socks, school shoes• Year 3 students in Junior Strings will wear Year 3 Strings performance uniform
Guitar Ensemble	Formal School uniform

Following their performance, children will sit together in one of the classrooms close to the Performing Arts block, under teacher supervision, where they will be able to watch the rest of the concert on screen. If you wish to collect your child before the end of the night please come to this area.

All performing students will travel by bus to Shalom with other performing groups from 11.30 onwards on Wednesday 21st November for a rehearsal on stage at the Performing Arts Precinct. Students will return to school by approximately 2.40pm. If your child is required to catch a bus at 2.45pm please inform the office or make alternative pick up arrangements on that day in the event that the returning buses are delayed.



2018 Pageant of LIGHTS

6 pm - 9 pm

Thursday 6 December • Bundaberg CBD

Parade commences at 7 pm

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

Santa comes to town

Bring your own chair

Christmas markets & food

Larrikin Puppets Christmas Show

Turning on the Christmas lights Buss Park

Life size Christmas snow globes

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TERM 4 PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 8th October - 12th October		
Tuesday—Thursday	NO Sausage Sizzle Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5W
	Year 6 Camp		
Friday	No Classroom Liturgy		
	Awards Only	10.45am	
WEEK 2	Week 15th October-19th October		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5B
Friday	Sausage Sizzle Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	3T
	Class Assembly and Awards	10.25am	5B
WEEK 3	Week 22nd October-26th October		
Monday	PUPIL FREE DAY		
Wednesday—Thursday	Wednesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4W
Friday	Sausage Sizzle Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	2M
	Class Assembly and Awards	10.25am	5W
WEEK 4	Week 29th October-2nd November		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4C
Friday	Sausage Sizzle Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	4W
	Class Assembly and Awards	10.25am	2B
WEEK 5	Week 5th November-9th November		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3C
Friday	Sausage Sizzle Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	4L
	Remembrance Day Memorial	10.40am	5P
WEEK 6	Week 12th-16th November		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3K
Friday	Sausage Sizzle No Classroom Liturgy		
	Awards Only	10.45am	
WEEK 7	Week 19th November-23rd November		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3T
Wednesday	Cultural Night		
Friday	Sausage Sizzle No Classroom Liturgy		
	Year 1 Nativity Assembly	9.00am	Year 1
WEEK 8	Week 26th November-30th November		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2B
Wednesday	Celebration Night		
Friday	Sausage Sizzle No Classroom Liturgy		
	Music Assembly		
WEEK 9	Week 3rd December - 7th December		
Tuesday	Year 6 Graduation & Supper	5.30pm	Year 6
Friday	NO Sausage Sizzle End of Year Liturgy	9.30am	
	Year 6 Assembly	11.00am	Year 6
	School Dismissal	12.00pm	