



# St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

12 November 2021

When our students lead Courtyard Prayer, gratitude is a very common theme. Furthermore, when children express their thoughts, gratitude and care for our planet and for other people, are the most named.

You will see these things evidenced as you walk around the school. Students are very good at bringing nude food, minimising unnecessary waste and thoughtfully disposing the waste they do bring. The students keep our school unbelievably clean, and when we do notice rubbish, they are prepared to pick it up without argument, even if it is not their own. It's simply the right thing to do.

Similarly, anyone who is hurt, physically or emotionally, is very quickly supported by those near them. Teachers often receive thoughtful home-made gifts and words of appreciation and children here are generally very respectful of each other.

After a recent lockdown drill, Leonard in Year 2 expressed his concern that while everyone else was safely locked inside, Mrs H and I had to be outside around the school, making sure everyone else was safely inside. He suggested we get a drone, so that we could check everyone was Ok from a safer place.

I was a little saddened this morning to learn that Australia is running well behind other similar nations in terms of Climate Change Performance. I'm sure some would try to offer justification, but at the end of the day urgent action through climate change policy is the only way forward for us if we are to care for our planet, each other and for our children.

I am heartened when I see the actions and values of our students, knowing that one day they will influence action with their votes and that they themselves will lead. Certainly, our decisions and actions now will determine whether our children will receive the legacy and the opportunities they deserve to have in the future.

Almost daily, we are receiving enrolment applications for 2022. 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.

*Mark For*

## KEY EVENTS FOR WEEK 7

- Monday—Junior Strings Ensemble (St Patrick's) 7.30am
- Tuesday—Senior Choir (7.30am) Junior Choir (8.10am)
- Tuesday—Cultural Night (Shalom PAP) 5.30pm
- Tuesday—Thursday—Courtyard Prayer 2B 8.40am
- Wednesday—Senior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Thursday—Primary School Netball Competition 3.30pm
- Thursday—Sacramental Parent Info Session (Holy Rosary) 5.30pm
- Thursday—Guitar Showcase 4.30pm
- Friday—LAST SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2 to classroom teacher

**Cultural Night**  
Tuesday 16th November  
5.30pm Shalom PAP

**Guitar Showcase**  
Thursday 18th November  
5.00pm Parish Hall



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ABSENTEES

Call  
4994 8336

Email

spb\_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au



## Mini Vinnies Christmas Appeal 2021

We have already received some wonderful contributions towards this appeal. Contributions will be collected up until the end of week 8.

Prep: Christmas decorations

Year 1: Toys

Year 2: Books

Year 3: Non-perishable Christmas food and drinks

Year 4: Board games, card games, sports equipment

Year 5: School and art supplies

Year 6: Non-perishable Christmas food and drinks

These items can be left in the baskets located outside each classroom. Please open your hearts to those in our community this Christmas.

*"No act of kindness, however small, is ever wasted."*

## ADMINISTRATION NEWS

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.



## COVID CLINICS

**FIND YOUR NEAREST  
COVID VACCINE CLINIC**



### 2021 SENIOR SWIMMING CARNIVAL—YEARS 3-6

The Senior School Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 26 November at the 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 2009-2011)

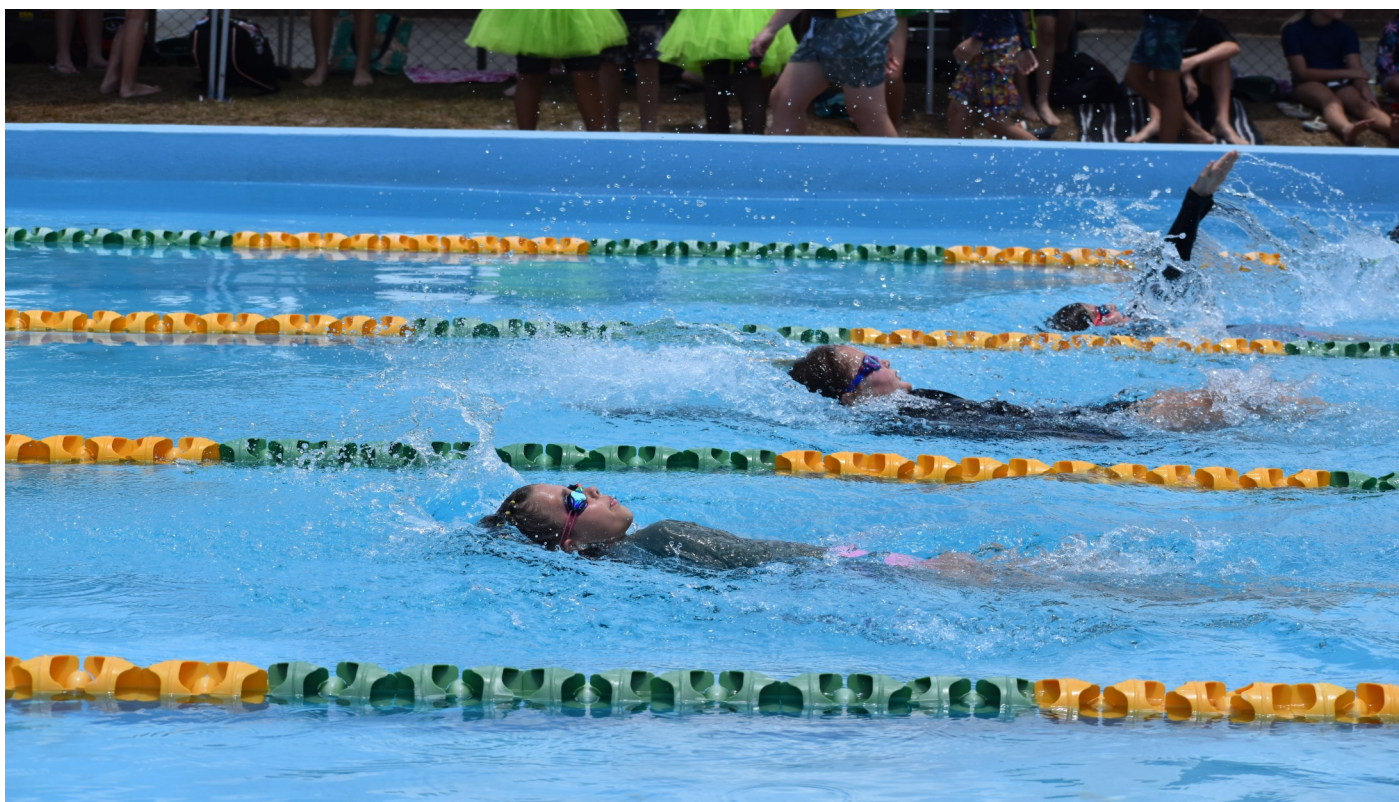
All students are encouraged to nominate for an A/B/C division race in Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke events. **Students must nominate in at least one event.** Novelty events will be included in the program. The carnival will involve all students and the aim is to make the day enjoyable for all students with an emphasis on maximum participation. 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 in at least one event unless there is a health matter that prevents their involvement in this carnival.

**'A' DIVISION RACES** (Age Champion Event) – 50m event in Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke. Students nominating for 50m events need to be able to swim correctly and confidently the entire 50m. **Please note that all children born 2013 are not eligible to enter A Division races and must nominate for either B or C Division only.**

**'B' DIVISION RACES** – 25m event in Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke. Students nominating for 25m events will be starting in the pool and swim correctly and confidently the entire 25m.

**'C' DIVISION RACES** – 12m event in Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke. Students nominating for 12m events will be starting in the pool and swim with or without the assistance of a kickboard to a half-way rope.

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 required 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.



## CULTURAL NIGHT 2021

### St Patrick's Annual Cultural Night Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021 6.00pm at Shalom Performing Arts Precinct

**STUDENTS TO ARRIVE BY 5.30PM FOR A 6.00PM START**

St Patrick's annual Cultural Night will be held on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> November 6.00pm at Shalom Performing Arts Precinct. Students performing at the 2021 Cultural night include:

- Year 3 Students
- Junior and Senior Choir
- Junior and Senior Strings

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

Following their performance, children will sit together in one of the classrooms close to the Performing Arts block, under teacher supervision. If you wish to collect your child before the end of the evening please come to this area.

At the conclusion of the evening all performing students will receive a small goodie bag from their tutors.

All performing students will travel by bus to Shalom from 11.30am onwards on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> 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.

Group	Performance uniform
Year 3	• White dress shirt – long sleeve button up with collar
	• long black dress pants
	• black socks, school shoes
Junior Choir	• Prep: school uniform
	• Years 1-2: Formal school uniform
	• Year 3: strings performance uniform (see above)
Senior Choir	• Black shirt – long sleeve button up with collar
Junior Strings	• long black dress pants
Senior Strings	• black socks, school shoes
	<b>* Year 3 students in Junior Strings will wear Year 3 Strings performance uniform</b>

## GUITAR SHOWCASE NIGHT

This year we have decided to showcase our Guitar students separately to those students in our Strings Program. Guitar students will not perform at Cultural Night 2021. Our Guitar students will be able to showcase their talents in a more intimate, guitar-friendly environment.

This year we will hold our inaugural Guitar Showcase on Thursday, November 18 2021 from 5pm in the St Patrick's Parish Hall.

This is an opportunity for us to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of both your children and our Guitar Tutor; Mr Adrian Brookes.

On the evening of the performance, your child will need to arrive at the Parish Hall by 4:45pm at the latest, in order to be ready to perform. The children will be required to wear their black school shoes and white socks along with their formal school uniform.



## SCHOOL SAVVY UNIFORMS

### School Savvy is back for 2022!

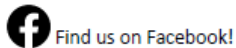
Bundaberg regional residents can once again look forward to the School Savvy CQ pop-up shops returning in 2022, with Childers and Gin Gin getting savvy shops of their very own.

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)

## OUT AND ABOUT

### Rotary Club of Bundaberg Sunrise Charity Golf Day 2021

Proud Sponsors:



**Sunday 21st November**

4 Person Ambrose  
10am Sign on BBQ

11am Shotgun start

Where: Bundaberg Golf Club, One Mile Rd Bundaberg

Phone Craig @ Golf Club 07 4151 6706

Prizes: NTP - 3 Ctns Brick Lane beer

Long Drives for ladies and men

Drinks cart will be operating on the day

Event Conditions

The event will be over 18 holes and conducted by the Bundaberg Golf Club whose decisions will be final  
AGU handicap needed to play, if without, 18 will be the maximum given to any player

Payment and Registration

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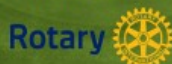
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Supporting Ronald McDonald House Charities  
South East Queensland and other local charities



Join us for our annual Come & Try  
Netball Day for 7-10 year olds!!

**LET'S PLAY NETBALL!**



NET SET GO PROGRAM IS A  
STARTER PROGRAM FOR  
GIRLS AND BOYS AGED 7 TO  
10 IN 2022. IT'S A CHANCE TO  
LEARN THE NETBALL BASICS,  
GET OUTSIDE AND MAKE  
SOME NEW FRIENDS. IT'S A  
LEARNING EXPERIENCE AND  
LOTS OF FUN!!

**4:00PM - 5:30PM**

**27 NOVEMBER 2021**

BUNDABERG NETBALL ASSOC. GROUNDS  
EMID ETHEL DRIVE, KENSINGTON

ALLOWAY  
NETBALL CLUB



Any questions please contact Lyn on 0407 408 966  
or email [allowaynetballclub@outlook.com](mailto:allowaynetballclub@outlook.com)

## 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
	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