



St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

22 October 2021

I love observing the different interactions as I move around our school. Earlier this morning, I saw a young girl who couldn't settle into class, spending time with a member of the Leadership team in her office. I saw discussions taking place around how to support and encourage a particularly shy young girl to engage more readily and happily at school. I saw a teacher sort out a tuckshop order because a little guy had accidentally received the wrong tuckshop order. I saw staff here before school teaching choirs and instrumental groups. I was pleased to see our netball team training before school for their match after school today. I watched children go out of their way to greet teachers and observed a little girl present Mrs H with a picture she had drawn just to show kindness to Mrs H.

Today we acknowledged all of our staff for World Teachers' Day, and it is for interactions like those above that we need to say thank-you. Our school does well academically, but teaching knowledge and skills is only a part of what we do. We also teach spirituality, discipline and respect. We encourage humility and kindness and we affirm effort and character.

In developing good individuals, we build good classes. This in turn improves our whole school community, and soon we will proudly graduate our Year Six students who will have a positive influence at Shalom next year. Over time they will graduate Shalom and make a bigger difference again within the wider community.

Our staff influence our students and indirectly our future. They make the world a little better and are a blessing in the lives of us all. We can be very proud of, and grateful for, the great people who staff St. Patrick's.

Sincere thanks to those families who have advised that their child won't be back at St Patrick's next year. We wish those young people well and hope that they enjoyed their time with us. Please, if your circumstances change and your child is not returning in 2022, please let us know as soon as possible.

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KEY EVENTS FOR WEEK 5

- Monday—Junior Strings Ensemble (St Patrick's) 7.30am
- Monday—Prep Orientation Morning for Prep 2022
- Tuesday—Senior Choir (7.30am) Junior Choir (8.10am)
- Tuesday—Wednesday—Courtyard Prayer 5G 8.40am
- Wednesday—Senior Strings Ensemble 7.30am
- Thursday—Primary School Netball Competition 3.30pm
- Friday—SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$2 to classroom teacher
- Friday—Interschool Sport Years 5 & 6

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ABSENTEES

**Call
4994 8336**

Email

spb_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au

Mini Vinnies Christmas Appeal 2021

Every year our school community donates items to assist those less fortunate than themselves at Christmas.

We are asking each year level to donate specific items for our Christmas Appeal. By each year level contributing something different, we can make Christmas hampers for local families in need. All donated items are to be unused.

We ask each year level to donate the following:

- 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."



School Fees

Fees have been issued and are due 1ST 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, Brooke Bone, if you have any queries. Please check your junk box if you haven't received your statement and contact the office to request a copy.

Click on this link to view available school payment options

[*School Fee Payment Options*](#)

School Fee Assistance

Families may be eligible for school fee assistance under the Concession Card Tuition Fee Discount and /or the Principals' Concession Scheme.

Government Concession Card Fee Discount

A 70% Tuition Fee Discount is available for 'means tested' government Health Care and Pensioner Concession cards. The Concession Card information and FAQs are available on the Catholic Education website. These cards must meet eligibility criteria for this concession to apply and must be presented to the Finance Officer.

Principal's Concession Scheme

Total or partial exemption from the payment of fees and levies is available on application to the Principal based on individual basis and circumstances. If required, contact the Finance Officer to discuss your circumstances and make an appointment to meet with the Principal.

BUS TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE




Student Travel Rebates
Semester 2 

Bus Fare Assistance	Students With Disability
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Does your child attend a non-state school outside the Brisbane City Council boundary?Does your family spend more than \$40/week* on fares to and from school (* \$30/week if you hold a concession card)?Does your child travel on a publicly available service not owned or associated with the school?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Does your child have a verified disability that requires transport assistance to and from a non-state school?Has your school's learning support teacher assessed your child's travel capability rating as 'semi-independent' or more dependent?

Visit our website to see if you qualify for our financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and apply at SchoolTransport.com.au during October.
Late applications cannot be accepted after 31st October.

SCHOOL SAVVY UNIFORMS

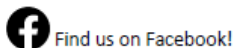
School Savvy is back for 2022!

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.

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

AUTISM WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Free to attend

1 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Join other local families to learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the home-school partnership

Learn about:

- Autism: characteristics, impacts and strategies
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your school

Location:
Burnett Riverside Hotel
7 Quay Street
Bundaberg QLD 4670
Morning tea and a light lunch are provided

Bundaberg, QLD
Tuesday 2nd November, 2021
8.45am - 2.30pm

Interpreters available

To register, visit positivepartnerships.com.au OR, contact Rachael Dillon rdillon@positivepartnerships.com.au

For help, call: 1300 881 971

TERM FOUR PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 5th October - 8th October		
Monday	QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY		
Tuesday	First Day Term 4		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4K
WEEK 2	Week 11th October - 15th October		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4L
WEEK 3	Week 18th October - 22nd October		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4T
WEEK 4	Week 25th October - 29th October		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	5M
WEEK 5	Week 1st November - 5th November		
Monday	Prep Orientation Morning	9.00am-10.30am	Prep 2022
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5G
WEEK 6	Week 8th November - 12th November		
Tuesday—Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2C
WEEK 7	Week 15th November - 19th November		
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
WEEK 8	Week 22nd November - 26th November		
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
WEEK 9	Week 29th November - 3rd December		
Monday	Year 1 Nativity Assembly	9.00am	Year 1
Tuesday	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

TERM 1	Monday 24 January - Friday 1 April
TERM 2	Tuesday 19 April - Friday 24 June
TERM 3	Monday 11 July - Friday 16 September
TERM 4	Tuesday 4 October - Friday 2 December