



Important Dates for Week 5

- Monday Parish Mass 9am—5W & 1N
- Morning Prayer 8.45am—3K
- Friday Assembly 10.25am - Project Compassion and Caritas



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Principal's News

Recently, one of our very young students had to travel to Brisbane with grandparents, because of the passing of a family member. It was clearly a very sad time for all concerned, and some staff who were aware of the circumstances, thought it would be a nice gesture to send along a little travel pack with some games and goodies, just to make the road trip at least, a little happier. I would be very happy, if that was the end of the story...but it got better. During the week, I received a letter from the grandparents. They thanked those involved for their thoughtfulness, and offered to donate some money to be used to provide care packages, for other families who may find themselves in a similar situation in the future. It really was a perfect example of paying forward kindness. It certainly made me grateful to be a part of an extended community, where genuine care for

others, is evidenced.

Far too often, individually and as a society, we focus and dwell on the negative things that happen, rather than opening our eyes to the numerous good things that happen daily. Just this week I've watched eight of our Year 6 students appreciate the opportunity to develop their leadership skills at a conference. We've had two delightful new families join our community. We've had staff from Shalom join us to share ideas about learning and the use of flexible learning spaces. There's always a few challenges, and there always will be, but that should never stop us from enjoying the kind acts that surround us, and being grateful for the many good things that happen.

Mark Fox



Thursday, 2nd March

5pm—Sausage Sizzle 6pm—Dancing

Date: Thursday, 2nd March
Time: Gates open **5:00pm for a Sausage Sizzle** (\$2 sausage on bread - catered by the P&F) or bring a picnic tea to enjoy with your family on the oval.

Dance presentation begins 6:00pm – 7:00pm. The dance presentation will be held on the senior oval. Students will be seated in designated areas and supervised by teachers in their respective year levels during the performances. Students will remain with their classmates in their designated areas for the duration of the performances, with parents sitting in an area behind the children. Folding chairs are recommended. Each student will be involved in three dances. Our students have worked very hard to learn their dances and are looking forward to this performance to show the skills developed in their Physical Education lessons. To create a great atmosphere we encourage the children to dress in the following themes to complement their performances, although this is not a compulsory requirement.

Prep & Year 1 – Cowboy & Cowgirl
Yr 2, 3 & 4 – YMCA – When I grow up...!
Yr 5 & 6 – 'Trolls' – bright colours

Mulgrave Street—Administration Carpark



Parking in the Mulgrave Street Administration Carpark is for staff only. This carpark has been specifically designed for a Pick Up and Drop Off Zone and Parents are not to park in this area from 7:45am – 8:45am and 2:45pm – 3:30pm, as parking and reversing severely disrupts the Pick Up and Drop Off process during these times. The only exception to this is for our families who use our designated Disabled Parks in the staff carpark.

Swimming—Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

During Term 1, all children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 will participate in a five week Swimming unit as part of their Physical Education Program. A timetable showing classes and times is tabled below.

Term 1, 2017

Dates	Year	Times
Monday 20 th Feb – 20 th Mar Weeks 5 - 9	3	9:00am – 10:00am
	4	10:00am – 11:00am
	5	11:00am – 12:00pm
	6	12:00pm – 1:00pm
Senior School Swim Carnival Monday, 27 th March Week 10	3-6	Yr 3 & 4: 9:00am – 11:00am Yr 5 & 6: 11:00am – 12:30pm

Please accept the terms and conditions via parent lounge for your child to participate in the Swimming program. If you have any concerns regarding this program please do not hesitate to see your child's teacher or myself.

It would be most appreciated if Year 5 students did not order from the tuckshop at *Lunch* on their swimming day due to the students not returning to school until 12:15pm. Please pack their lunch on a Monday for first break so that they are able to eat something at an allocated time before they leave on the bus. Year 5 students are able to order tuckshop for Afternoon Tea on their swimming day.

SPORTS DATE CLAIMERS

Sports Days 2017



Senior Swim Carnival (Years 3-6) – BSA – Monday, 27th March



Junior Inter-House Obstacle Course (Prep-Year 2) – Friday, 21st April

Inter-House Cross Country (Years 3-6) – Shalom College – Monday, 24th April

Senior Field Athletics – St Patrick's – Monday, 12th June (Students born 2005, 2006, 2007)

Senior Athletics Day – Shalom College – Wednesday, 21st June (Students born 2005, 2006, 2007 & 2008)

Junior Athletics Day – St Patrick's – Thursday, 22nd June (Students born 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012)



Challenge Cup – Yeppoon, 12th – 14th July

Student of the Week



Bundaberg Zone School Sports Trials 2017



AFL Boys: 20/27 February, ATW Grounds, Claytons Rd, 4:00 – 5:30pm.



Softball Girls & Boys Trials: 21st February, Bundaberg Softball Grounds, 3:30 – 5:00pm



Wide Bay School Sport – **SWIMMING** Nominations close 3:00pm 15th February. Nominations to Maryann Baren, St Luke's Anglican School Administration Office.



Touch Girls & Boys Trials: 3/10 March, Bundaberg Touch Grounds, 3:45 – 5:30pm.



Tennis Girls & Boys Trials: 16th March, Rotary Tennis Courts, 8:45am – 3:00pm.



GOLF: Nominations close Monday 6th March. Nominations to Peter Johnson, Bargara State School

To represent Bundaberg Zone, students must be born 2005, 2006 & 2007 (only exceptional 10 year old students will be given permission to trial in team sports).

Please be aware of the following points:

- No student born 2004 is eligible to trial.
- Team sports are selected in an U12 category and it is very unlikely that a 10 year old student would be selected, with the exception of Rugby League. Rugby League selects U10, U11 and U12 teams due to the contact nature of the sport.
- Bundaberg Zone trials are not 'have go' trials. St Patrick's has a responsibility for sending students who we feel display high ability in the chosen sport and a high level of behaviour.
- Students wishing to trial must have a consent form issued by the school with authorisation from Mr Plumb or Annette Hammermeister. Students will not be able to participate in the trials without a **Bundaberg District Primary Schools nomination form**.

Do not hesitate to contact Annette Hammermeister if you have any questions or concerns regarding Bundaberg Zone trials.

Support a Reader

We are looking for parents to help with reading in all year levels. If you have some time available during the school day please email Nicole on nicole_cooper@rok.catholic.edu.au or call 41521380.



Finance News

FEES

Term 1 fees were issued 10th February 2017. Please contact the office immediately if you have not received them by email.



This is a tax invoice and is payable within 14 days unless you have a payment plan in place. Payment options are listed on the school website.

If you have a payment plan in place, this simply serves as a statement reflecting current charges and receipts processed up to an including a particular reconciliation period which is outlined on the statement. If you have any queries regarding your account, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

NOTE

In reconciling January bank statement a deposit of \$1,000.00 was made through Bank of Queensland on 23rd with reference 133306 Fees. Unfortunately this appears to be an incorrect account number and this payment has not been able to be receipted against anybody's account. Please contact Finance Secretary Maria Davies to advise if you made this payment so it can be reconciled against your account and a reminder to you use your account number located at the top right corner of your statement as reference when making direct deposits for payment of fees into our bank account.

SCHOOL BANKING

St Patrick's is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2017 are:

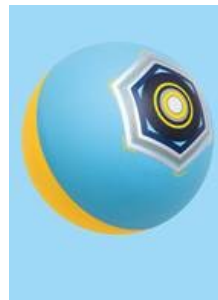
- Cyber Handball
- Colour Change Markers
- 3D Chalk Set
- Tablet Case
- Smiley Emoji Keyring
- Volt Handball
- Pencil + Tech Case and
- Epic Earphones



For every deposit made at school students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their regular savings habits. There are two new items released each term so be sure to keep an eye out for them!

Exciting new Term 1 rewards with a Future Savers theme are now available, while stocks last!

Cyber Handball



Colour Change Markers



Win a family adventure holiday at Tokyo Disneyland!

This year, School Banking is running a Future Savers Grand Prize competition that will take one lucky School Banker all the way to Tokyo, Japan. The winner gets an unforgettable family trip, for up to two adults and three children, where they'll explore Tokyo Disneyland with its amazing attractions, including the futuristic Tomorrowland, plus enjoy the fun rides at Tokyo DisneySea. Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2017 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2017 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, School Banking day is every **Monday**.