



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

9 September 2022

I knew this musical was going to be something special. From the moment that Moana was chosen for production, there was excitement. The number of students, parents and staff who committed very early in the year to countless hours of practice and rehearsals and then stuck with it was amazing.

When Prep, Year One and Year Two stepped off the bus on Tuesday afternoon after the show, they were simply buzzing. Even after the bus ride, they were all speaking animatedly with their friends and their teachers about their favourite parts of the production.

It has been such a wonderful experience for the cast, their families and our students and it is a memory that will stay with them forever.

I hope also, even if in a subtle way, Moana taught all of us a little more about life.

As parents, we cannot shelter our children from the world forever. Gradually and deliberately, we will have to let go. Our children must find their own place in life, so that they can emerge as the person that they are meant to be.

Even very strong people can feel afraid. However, with the support of those who love us, we can feel afraid, and still have the courage to be brave. It is a great life lesson.

We are so blessed to have so many contribute to these fantastic opportunities for our students and on your behalf we offer a very sincere thank you. We thanked people individually on Wednesday evening for their amazing generosity, and knowing there is an amazing team with her, we also acknowledged Mrs Cook for taking on this huge responsibility. Terrific as it was, it wasn't just the organisation – it was the leadership, inspiration, courage and support that she and others offered. Outstanding.

As this is the last newsletter for this term, thank you for standing with us again as we worked our way through a busy and challenging time. Stay safe over the vacation period and we look forward to seeing you in Term 4.

Mark For

Year 6 Camp
Hervey Bay
Fraser Island

Week 10

Wednesday 14th September to
Friday 16th September

Medication Sign in Day
Tuesday 13 September

Bus Departs
8:30am sharp Wednesday

Day 1
*Ensure to pack lunch and snacks,
water bottle, hat, sunscreen,
swim wear, towel and sunshirt in
a day bag.*

MOANA JR SCHOOL MUSICAL

With over 80 cast and crew involved in this year's musical, Moana Jr, was a mammoth task for our Musical Team. The performances this week were simply amazing. We gratefully acknowledge the support of Shalom College for the use of such an amazing venue and for the direction and assistance offered by Shalom teacher and musical specialist Miss Kirsty McCulloch. We have a talented team of teachers who have given so much of their time and themselves to ensure our students had the opportunity to perform this year. Our Musical Team consisted of Mrs Jed Morley (director and choreographer), Mrs Amelia Morine (costume design and creation), Mrs Jessica Cullinan (prop design and creation), Miss Rebecca Lovejoy (hair and make-up design), along with Mrs Sara Salmond and Mrs Shaye Curd (backstage). It has been incredibly challenging but very satisfying for all those involved to see it come together so well. Further support has come in the form of painting sets and making props; because of the generous donations of Andrew and Cathie McInnes. It truly has been a huge team effort; all worth it when you see the delight on the children's faces and watch them grow in confidence, learning new skills and pushing their own limits. With thanks to the hard work and persistence of the students and staff involved, this year's production of Disney's Moana Jr was destined to be a hit. While it was challenging at times, was always fun. I am immensely grateful to the hardworking team supporting us and so, so proud of the children who amazed us every day with their enthusiasm and energy.



COVID-19 UPDATE

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School wishes to advise you that, during the past week, we have been notified of positive cases of COVID-19 in our school community.

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School regularly consults with the Catholic Education Office and relevant authorities and continues to follow the advice of Queensland Health regarding cleaning requirements.

Queensland Health has advised that no quarantine of students or staff is required as a result of school based contact.

As COVID-19 remains active in our community we ask you to continue to monitor your child's/children's health and if they develop any flu-like symptoms:

- Keep your child/children at home
- Seek a PCR or Rapid Antigen test where it is recommended and notify the school of positive results.
- Follow the advice of Queensland Health

As we continue to navigate the pandemic, please remind your child/ren to:

- maintain good hand hygiene at all times
- cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or the inside of their elbow and dispose of tissues in the bin immediately.
- practice social distancing from others where possible
- wear masks when required

We will continue to work closely with health authorities to keep our school community informed of any developments and advice. Thank you once again for your ongoing support.

FLU AND INFLUENZA ADVICE

As you are aware every year Queensland experiences an influenza or flu season. Qld Health has advised that it has recorded an increase in the number of influenza notifications. Therefore, is timely to remind parents and care-givers not to be complacent about the flu.

Flu is a virus more serious than the common cold and can be spread through talking, coughing and sneezing. Symptoms include sudden fever, dry cough, muscle aches and pains, fatigue, headache, sore throat and a stuffy or runny nose.

If your child has flu-like symptoms, the following is advised:

- Keep your child home from school
- Ensure your child washes their hands regularly with soap and water or sanitiser gel
- Encourage your children when coughing or sneezing, to cover their mouth and nose with disposable tissues which should be disposed of immediately
- Ensure they drink plenty of fluids and get lots of rest
- Consult your doctor if you are concerned about their symptoms.



The school requests that anyone displaying flu-like symptoms stay at home until such symptoms have passed. Families should also reinforce the recommended protective actions listed above. Increased awareness and ongoing attention to prevention and control measures, such as vaccination and good hygiene, are steps that we can all promote to reduce the impact of influenza.

OUT AND ABOUT





KIDS LEARN TO SURF

September 27, 28, 29

In association with Surfing Queensland
SurfGroms programs caters for groms between the ages 5 -12 years.
MiniGroms (5-8 years)
SuperGroms (9-12 years)

3 lessons (2 hrs each) from \$225

EXCELLENT VALUE
ALL INSTRUCTORS ARE CERTIFIED ACCREDITED COACHES

FUN
LAUGHTER
GUARANTEED

Program Running Through School Holidays at Bargara

- ✓ receive a new SurfGroms rashie and log book at the first lesson
- ✓ become a surfer for life
- ✓ games to equip kids with skills and encouraging participation by having fun

TO REGISTER
Search www.surfgroms.com
Click on your region

School Holiday Fun!

FREE Art play


outdoor art room

seed bombs


botanical badges

BUNDABERG REGIONAL ART GALLERY
Gallery Park **TUES 20 + 27**
THU 22 + 29 SEPTEMBER

Follow the Galleries on Facebook and Instagram to keep update on upcoming events.
 @bundabergregionalgalleries @brgbundaberg
 1 Barolin Street, Bundaberg QLD 4670 artsbundaberg.com.au



Bundaberg & District Junior Tennis Assoc
69B George Street, South Bundaberg
<http://bundyjunortennis.org.au/>



Holiday "Get Active" Tennis Clinic for Children


Tuesday 27th to Thursday 29th Sept 2022

Morning Sessions — Beginners (5-12 yrs)
8:30am - 10:30am Cost: \$18.00

Afternoon Sessions for Inter/Adv/Prior Learning (13 yrs+)
2:00pm - 4:30pm Cost: \$22.00

For further information contact: Kevin Banner: 0409 520753
& Murray Whitbread: 0407 639824

Bookings are Essential!



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC KINDERGARTEN

Open Day Saturday 15 October
9.00am to 12 noon



Contact us on 4994 9348

St Joseph's Catholic Kindergarten, Woondooma Street,
is having an open morning for prospective families
on Saturday 15 October

Come along and
check out the facilities
meet the staff
talk to current parents

children (and parents) can have their photos taken with Banana's in Pyjamas—
Yes B1 and B2 will be on site!

For further information please call either:
T 4994 9348
M 0436 114 480
E sjbg_elc@rok.catholic.edu.au

TERM FOUR PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 4th October - 7th October		
Monday	QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY		
Tuesday	First Day Term 4		
Wednesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Mini Vinnies
WEEK 2	Week 10th October - 14th October		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Year 6
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Reef Guardians
WEEK 3	Week 17th October - 21st October		
Monday	Prep Orientation Morning	9:00am-10:30am	Prep 2023
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	3S
WEEK 4	Week 24th October - 28th October		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	3C
WEEK 5	Week 31st October - 4th November		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	3L
WEEK 6	Week 7th November - 11th November		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Year 4
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	2H
Friday	Remembrance Day Memorial	8:40am	Year 5
WEEK 7	Week 14th November - 18th November		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Year 5
Tuesday	Cultural Night - Year 3, String and Choir Ensembles	5:00pm	Music
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	2C
WEEK 8	Week 21st November - Friday 25th November		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	2N
Friday	Senior Swimming Carnival	9:00-11:00am	Years 3 & 4
		11:00-12:30pm	Years 5 & 6
WEEK 9	Week 28th November - Friday 2nd December		
Monday	Year 1 Nativity Assembly	9:00am	Whole School
Tuesday	Year 6 Graduation	9:00am	Whole School
	Year 6 End of Year Excursion	11:00am	Year 6
Wednesday	Celebration Night	6:00pm	Whole School
Thursday	End of Year Liturgy	1:00pm	Whole School
	Year 6 Farewell Assembly	2:00pm	Whole School
Friday	Last Day of School	All Day	Whole School

2023 TERM DATES

TERM 1	Monday 23 January - Friday 31 March
TERM 2	Monday 17 April - Friday 23 June
TERM 3	Monday 10 July - Friday 15 September
TERM 4	Tuesday 3 October - Friday 1 December