



# St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

31st January 2020

During a recent retreat with Fr John, staff were invited to look at their reflection in a mirror, and share what they saw. Among these beautiful people, each saw faults – age spots, wrinkles and so on. Fr John was very clear about the fact that the God we believe in, loves us just as we are, and sees only our beauty and our potential. God has no interest in our faults, accepts where we are on our faith journey and offers his support to help us become the best version of ourselves that we can be.

We have started this year with 497 students. This includes 75 brand new Preppies and 26 other students new to our school. Students have come from other local schools, some have relocated from interstate and still others have recently immigrated to Australia. Like the rest of us, they come from different faith backgrounds, have different abilities and talents, some have a second language and others are first Australians. We also welcomed new staff. Larissa Green and Amelia Morine join us in Year One. Rachel Medley is with Year Three. Andrea Tindall is with Year Four and Jessie Sergiacomi joins us for Year Six. Matthew Capuzzo – a previous graduate of St Patrick's and Shalom will be with us as a Teacher Assistant for this year. We also have student teachers joining us. Krysten Green in Prep S, Erin Buckmaster in 2B, Janita Ruhle in 3K, Brilee McPhee in 4L and Sahlie Komndi in 5M. They will be a very welcome addition to our classrooms.

I hope all of the families who have joined us feel very welcome. Where ever you are from, you are now a valued part of our community. We look forward to working and learning together with you, so that through our interactions, our relationships and our shared experiences, each of us becomes a better version of ourselves. 2020 promises to be a great year, and we are very pleased to have you join us.

### Staff News

There were some beautiful celebrations over the holidays. Jessie Sergiacomi became engaged to Daniel Salmon. Kelsie Brosnan has become engaged to Ollie.....and Emma married Miles Donovan. Christina Brimelow has now returned from Brisbane home to Bundaberg eagerly awaiting the arrival of Baby B.

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## KEY DATES FOR WEEK 2

- Monday—Parade 8.40am
- Tuesday -Thursday Morning Prayer 8.40am—5M
- Tuesday—Senior Choir Rehearsal 7.30am
- Thursday— School Musical Rehearsal 3.15pm
- Friday—Opening School Liturgy and Year 6 Induction 9.00am
- Friday—Sausage Sizzle \$2 to classroom teacher



**Opening School Liturgy**  
and  
**Year 6 Induction**  
*Friday 7th February*  
**9.00am**



Click our school crest to go our school website calendar.



Click the facebook icon to go to our school facebook page.



Click the Parish logo to go to the Parish Newsletter.



Click the Centacare logo to go the Group Programs Calendar.

## ADMINISTRATION NEWS



### 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.

### ADULT TOILETS

Visiting adults and toddlers **ARE NOT TO USE** student toilets within St Patrick's during school hours or while attending school functions after school hours (e.g. Welcome Dance Night). If you require toilet facilities while on campus during school hours, then please seek direction from Administration staff to use the staff toilets in A Block. If attending a school function after school hours, then the Church Hall toilet facilities will be made available for adult and toddler use. Your cooperation and attention to this matter is greatly appreciated to ensure and enhance the safety of our students.



### SCHOOL ACCESS

External pedestrian gates on George Street, Powers Street and Mulgrave Street will be locked at 9.30am and opened at 2.50pm. School access between these times is only via through the school office on Mulgrave Street. Your cooperation and attention to this matter is greatly appreciated to ensure and enhance the safety of all our students.



### ABSENTEES

Any student absentees should be notified to the office by 9am each day. Students arriving later than 8.40am should enter through the office to collect a late slip for the classroom teacher. If no notification has been received, an absentee text message will be sent out to parents each morning to advise the student absence.

Preferred method for absentee notifications is to email

[spb\\_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au](mailto:spb_absentees@rok.catholic.edu.au) or **CALL 4994 8336**

### SPORTS UNIFORM DAYS

Please make note of the days indicated in which each class is required to wear the school's sports uniform. All students will wear the school's sports uniform on Friday as well as their allocated PE day. On all other days of the week the school's formal uniform is to be worn. The exception is PREP who will wear the sports uniform every day.

**Year 5 & 6 :** Tues & Fri  
**Years 2 & 4:** Wed & Fri  
**Year 1 & 3:** Thurs & Fri





## MUSIC NEWS

### ST PATRICK'S MUSIC PROGRAM 2020

Rehearsals for Junior and Senior strings, Guitar Ensemble and Junior and Senior Choirs are held each week. You will be advised by your tutors if your child is required for ensemble rehearsal.

Choirs begin in Week 2 of Term 1 (Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February). New students are most welcome to join a choir, no auditions are held and everyone is welcome.

If you have any questions about the music program please see Cathy Wilson in the office.

### Ensemble and Choir Rehearsals

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
7.30am	Junior Strings	Senior Choir (4-6)	Senior Strings	Guitar Ensemble
10.55am		Junior Choir (P-3)		

### Important Dates for 2020

Event	Date	Groups	Notes
Music Camp	8 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Junior and Senior Strings	Depart from school 8 <sup>th</sup> May. Overnight camp held at Chaverim. Parent concert on Saturday afternoon.
School Photo Day	20 <sup>th</sup> July	Junior and Senior Strings Junior and Senior Choir	Performance Uniform to be brought to school to wear for group photos.
Bundaberg Schools Eisteddfod	Wednesday 29 July and Thursday 30 July	Junior and Senior Strings Junior and Senior Choir Guitar Ensemble TBA	Moncrieff Theatre, Bundaberg. Performance Uniform
Queensland Catholic Schools and Colleges Music Festival (QCMF)	14 <sup>th</sup> August	Junior and Senior Strings Junior and Senior Choir	Villanova College, Coorparoo, Brisbane Performance Uniform to be worn
Cultural Night	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	All Year 3 students Junior and Senior Strings Junior and Senior Choir Guitar Ensemble	6pm – 8.00pm, held at Shalom College Performing Arts. Performance Uniform Tickets on sale in November
Retirement home visit	23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Senior Strings	Full day, depart from school. School uniform to be worn
Music Assembly	27 <sup>th</sup> November	Junior and Senior Strings Junior and Senior Choir Junior and Senior Guitar Ensembles	Morning assembly at St Patrick's School uniform

## SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Friday Sausage Sizzles are held each and every Friday for the remainder of term. Each week we require up to two volunteers to assist with the serving and clean up of the sizzle. If you are able to help out for your child's year level from approximately 10.45-11.45 on a Friday, please contact the office.

For all of our new families, simply send \$2 per sausage in with your child for them to hand to their classroom teacher and they will receive the required amount of sausages at first break lunchtime.



Week	Year Level	Volunteers Required
Week 2	Year 5	2 Volunteers Required
Week 3	Year 4	2 Volunteers Required
Week 4	Year 3	2 Volunteers Required
Week 5	Year 2	2 Volunteers Required
Week 6	Year 1	1 Volunteer Required
Week 7	Prep	2 Volunteers Required
Week 8	Year 6	1 Volunteer Required
Week 9	Year 5	2 Volunteers Required
Week 10	Year 4	2 Volunteers Required

## FINANCE NEWS

Welcome to the 2020 school year. A reminder to existing families and for the information of new families regarding school fees that fees are emailed by the end of week 2 every term and are payable within 14 days unless you have a payment plan in place, in which case they merely serve as a statement for your records. Upon receipt, please take time to review your invoice/statement and contact Finance Secretary Maria Davies if you have any queries or any time should you wish to setup a payment plan. Please check your junk box if think you haven't received your statement.

It is the responsibility of all parents to pay school fees when attending Catholic schools. Your contribution through school fees is essential to the continued operation of your Catholic school. Any shortfall in assessed fees for the year has to be met from the general school account which could mean less in our budget to meet our commitments. If you are having difficulty in paying school fees, please contact the finance secretary to discuss alternative arrangements.

### **SCHOOL FEE PAYMENT OPTIONS**

Payments can be made at the school by cash, cheque, EFTPOS, Mastercard or Visa Card.

#### **Direct Deposit**

If you wish to pay by direct transfer from your bank account to ours, please ensure you use your parent code located at the top right corner of your statement as a reference. Our bank account details are noted at the bottom of your parent statement.

#### **Recurring Credit Card Billing**

If you wish to make regular recurring payments as you would normally from a bank account but prefer to use a Credit Card so as to gain advantages of frequent flyer points etc., it is as simple as completing a form. This form is available on the school website under Fees and Charges in the Menu tab, titled Direct Debit by Credit Card Form. Otherwise please contact St Patrick's School Finance Secretary Maria Davies at [maria\\_davies@rok.catholic.edu.au](mailto:maria_davies@rok.catholic.edu.au) to have the form return e-mailed or call in to the office to have a printed copy provided.

#### **BPay**

BPay is the electronic bill payment service offered by Australia's leading banks and financial institutions providing a convenient, fast and easy way for debtors to pay their bills anytime/anywhere through the security of your telephone or internet banking. A BPay logo with the school's biller id and account reference is on your statement, if you choose to pay this way.

#### **Parent Lounge**

Simply login to the Parent Lounge Portal, select Make a Payment tab and follow the prompts to pay by credit card. An amount outstanding is automatically selected but you can amend this to pay a different amount.

#### **Direct Debit**

If you wish to set up direct debit from your account on a periodic basis, please do not hesitate to contact Maria Davies for assistance or simply download, complete and return the form titled Direct Debit by Bank Account Form available on the school website under Fees and Charges in the Menu tab.

#### **Centrepay**

Login to your Centrelink through the MyGov website to setup periodic payments.

Our CRN is 555 053 656K and use your parent code located at the top right corner of your statement as the reference.

### **Student Banking**

Student banking will continue each Monday. Click on this link to register your child <https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html> for student banking.

### **School Banking**

The new School Banking theme for 2020 is Treetop Savers. Commonwealth developed a new range of rewards designed to appeal to all ages. In response to feedback in the Customer Experience Surveys, they have made this year's rewards more eco-friendly and sustainable. All rewards are reusable and packaged using sustainably sourced paper.

- Terry Denton's Activity Book – Term 1
- Mini Soccer Ball – Term 1
- Treetop Stationery Set – Term 2
- Treetop Handball – Term 2
- Tomato Seed Kit – Term 3
- Magic Mist Drink Bottle – Term 3



# Play AFL in 2020



AFL is a fun and affordable sport for boys and girls. Come to our first training/sign on, on the 20th February and give it a go.

All new junior registrations in 2020 will receive their playing kit (shorts, shirt and socks) for free.

Training starts Thursday, 20th February.

Under 8's, 10's and 12's 4:30 - 5:30pm

Under 14's and 16's 5 - 6pm

Brothers Bulldogs AFC

Faircloth Crescent, Bundaberg

Contact Lisa on 0402 349 406 or Adrian on 0408 626 636 or visit our website [aflbbb.com.au](http://aflbbb.com.au) for more information.



ATWFC SUPPORTING FEMALE FOOTBALL IN OUR COMMUNITY

Join our Girls Football Development Program for 2020. You can register for the following age groups:

U4, U5, U6: 05:15pm to 05:15pm to 06:00pm (Wednesday)

U7, U8, U9: 06:00pm to 06:45pm to 06:45pm (Wednesday)

U10, U11, U12: 06:00pm to 06:45pm (Wednesday)

This program is open to local community, you don't need to be registered with a club to participate.

You will get the following:

**FREE** coaching from qualified and experienced coaches.

**FREE** access to the clubs training facilities

**FREE** registration, no fees.

**FUN**, supportive and educational environment.

**Starts:** 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020 -

**Finishes:** 25<sup>th</sup> March (6 weeks)

**Where:** Across The Waves Sporting Complex

To register for the program please contact Junior Technical Director Chris Ashby at [juniordvelopment@atwb.com.au](mailto:juniordvelopment@atwb.com.au) or 0411 122 061 (LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE)

# FairPlay vouchers



Do you have a child aged 5 to 17 years who lives in Queensland?



Would you like your child to be more active?



Are you a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card holder?

You can apply for up to \$150 for your child's sport or active recreation participation.

Visit [www.qld.gov.au/fairplayvouchers](http://www.qld.gov.au/fairplayvouchers) or call 13 QGOV to find out more.

# TERM ONE PLANNER

<b>WEEK 1</b>	<b>Week 28th January—31st January</b>		
Monday	<b>AUSTRALIA DAY</b>		
Wednesday-Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	
<b>WEEK 2</b>	<b>Week 3rd February—7th February</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5M
Friday	Opening School Liturgy and Year 6 Induction	9.00am	6L
<b>WEEK 3</b>	<b>Week 10th February—14th February</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5P
<b>WEEK 4</b>	<b>Week 17th February—21st February</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>		
Wednesday-Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5C
<b>WEEK 5</b>	<b>Week 24th February—28th February</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday & Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3K
Wednesday	Ash Wednesday	8.40am	Year 6
<b>WEEK 6</b>	<b>Week 2nd March —6th March</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
	Parish Mass	9.00am	Year 5
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3C
<b>WEEK 7</b>	<b>Week 9th March—13th March</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3M
<b>WEEK 8</b>	<b>Week 16th March—20th March</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday & Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2H
Wednesday	St Patrick's Day Mass	9.00am	Year 6
<b>WEEK 9</b>	<b>Week 23rd March—27th March</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2B
<b>WEEK 10</b>	<b>Week 30th March - 3rd April</b>		
Monday	Morning Parade and Awards	8.40am	
Tuesday	Palm Sunday	8.40am	Year 4
Wednesday	Last Supper	8.40am	Year 4
Thursday	Good Friday	8.40am	Year 5
Friday	Easter Liturgy	9.00am	Year 6 and Prep
	Easter Hat Parade	10.15AM	Prep to Year 3
	Mini Fair	11.00am - 12.15pm	Whole School