



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

11 November 2022

Traditionally, November is a month where Catholics remember significant people from the past. All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day. All Saints' Day was dedicated to remembering significant people from our Christian tradition and All Souls' Day was set aside for us to pause, remember, and pray for family and friends who have passed.

The tradition is a good one. As I begin organising and clearing my files, letters and photos uncovered, remind me of both happy and sad times and the special people who I have been privileged to meet and work with. It comes with a sense of gratitude for all the great people who have come into my life.



If you haven't already done so, take your family to the Maryborough War Museum. Arrange for a tour and take the guided walk with one of the volunteers who work there. It is excellent and you will learn a lot from it – particularly regarding the true human cost of the war. Certainly, I was saddened to learn that the number of casualties in battle is almost equalled by the number of people who take their own lives or pass away far too young, well after the conflict ends.

Our Year Sixes do this tour annually as a part of their Year 6 Camp. I am proud that they have a sense of how fortunate we are, and the depth of gratitude we owe. I hope all of us take time to pause and reflect on Remembrance Day, and that we have that same sense of gratitude.

Mark Fox

END OF YEAR IMPORTANT EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	VENUE
Tuesday 15/11	Cultural Night	5:30pm for 6:00pm start	Shalom PAP
Wednesday 16/11	Guitar Showcase Night	5:00pm - 6:30pm	Parish Hall
Friday 25/11	Senior Swimming Carnival	9:00am - 11:00am Years 3 & 4	Bundaberg Swim Academy
		11:00am - 1:00pm Years 5 & 6	
Monday 28/11	Year 1 Nativity Assembly	9:00am - 10:00am	Multi
Tuesday 29/11	Year 6 Graduation	9:00am - 10:30am	Multi
Wednesday 30/11	Celebration Night	6:00pm - 7:30pm	Senior Oval
Thursday 1/12	End of Year Liturgy	1:00pm - 2:00pm	Multi
	Year 6 Farewell Assembly	2:00pm - 2:45pm	Multi
Friday 2/12	Last Day of School	Clean up Day	

SENIOR SWIMMING CARNIVAL

**NOMINATE
NOW**

A screenshot of the Parent Lounge login page. The page has a blue header with "Parent Lounge - Login" and "Forgot Password?". The main content area features the "Parent LOUNGE" logo in blue and green, with "POWERED BY TASS®" below it. There are two input fields: "* Username" and "* Password". At the bottom, there is a "System Requirements" link and a blue "Login" button.

The Senior School Swimming Carnival will be held on **Friday 25 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 2010-2012)

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.

'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 2014 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.

HOW TO NOMINATE YOUR CHILD

Please login to [Parent Lounge](#) to indicate your child's race preferences by Friday 11 November. **Please choose only one option for Freestyle, Breaststroke and Backstroke.** Students must nominate in at least one event in the program. All students are expected to participate in at least one event unless there is a health matter that prevents their involvement in this carnival.

CULTURAL NIGHT



St Patrick's Annual Cultural Night Tuesday, 15th November 2022 6.00pm at Shalom Performing Arts Precinct

STUDENTS TO ARRIVE BY 5.30PM FOR A 6.00PM START

Students performing at the 2022 Cultural night include Year 3 students, Junior and Senior Choir and Junior and Senior Strings.

Performing students will not require a ticket.

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

Group	Performance uniform
Year 3	Year 3 Strings performance uniform <ul style="list-style-type: none">• White dress shirt – long sleeve button up with collar• long black dress pants• black socks, school shoes
Junior Choir	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prep: school uniform• Years 1-2: Formal school uniform• Year 3: strings performance uniform (see above)
Senior Choir Junior Strings Senior Strings	Performance Uniform <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Black shirt – long sleeve button up with collar• long black dress pants• black socks, school shoes * Year 3 students in Junior Strings will wear Year 3 Strings performance uniform

Following their performance, children will sit together in one of the classrooms close to the Performing Arts block, under teacher supervision. If you have a child performing in Year 3 only and you wish to collect them before the end of the evening please come to the rear entrance of the PAP. All other students can be collected after the final performance.

All performing students will travel by bus to Shalom from 11.30am onwards on Tuesday 15th November for a rehearsal on stage at the Performing Arts Precinct. Students will return to school by approximately 2.00pm. 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.

Mini Vinnies' 2022 Christmas Appeal

OUR MINI VINNIES TEAM NEED YOUR
HELP TO MAKE CHRISTMAS SPECIAL FOR
THOSE IN NEED.

WE WOULD LOVE YOUR HELP WITH
THESE DONATIONS:

Prep: School and art supplies (new)

Year 1: Toys (unused)

Year 2: Books (unused)

Year 3: Non perishable Christmas food and drinks

Year 4: Board games, card games and
sport equipment

Year 5: Christmas decorations (new)

Year 6: Non perishable Christmas food and drinks



St Patrick's 2022



**When: Mon-Fri Week 7
(Nov 14-18)**

Where: Senior Activity Room

Who: Years 1-6



There will be an information session held on Tuesday Nov 8 - Mrs Cook will provide further information at this meeting.



Uniform Donations Needed for School Savvy With the end of the school year fast approaching, it's time to start thinking about whether you have school uniforms that you won't be reusing next year. Offering children and families a cost effective alternative to getting back-to school ready with the right uniforms and stationery supplies, School Savvy pop-up shops will be opening their doors from January 9, 2023. Uniform donations from all schools are now being accepted and encouraged. For a current list of convenient donation points in your area, visit www.catholiccarecq.com/donationpoints. Access to education is a fundamental human right and financial strain should never be a barrier for any child. Make a difference in a child's life by donating to School Savvy CQ today.

GUITAR SHOWCASE



Please join us on
Wednesday, November 16
2022

For

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

GUITAR SHOWCASE

5.00pm

St Patrick's Parish Hall

Parents and families welcome to attend.

Please RSVP with numbers attending to spboffice@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	Reef Guardians
WEEK 2	Week 10th October - 14th October		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Year 6
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Mini Vinnies
Thursday	Whale Watching Excursion	All Day	Year 6
WEEK 3	Week 17th October - 21st October		
Monday	Prep Orientation Morning	9:00am-10:30am	Prep 2023
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	3S
Wednesday	Year 1 Excursion Botanical Gardens	8:45am—11:30am	Year 1
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
Wednesday	Guitar Showcase Night	5:00pm	Guitar students
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 NO SAUSAGE SIZZLE THIS DAY	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