**Principal’s News**

On Wednesday night, we will have the opportunity to thank some of our staff who sadly, will be leaving us. Ken Earthey, along with his wife Kyla and son Kody will relocate to be with family at the end of the year. Ken came on board with us when we embarked on a journey to increase access to technology, and we are very sorry to be losing Ken and his family.

Jess Cullinan has been contracted as our Student Welfare Officer for much of this year, and it has been a role to which she has been wonderfully suited and Jess has done a great job in this role. Thankfully we will still see Jess at our school as both a parent and Relief Teacher.

Andrea Wust has been amazing. When Miss McCarthy retired, I was worried about my chances of locating a suitable replacement. Andrea has been extremely generous and professional. We have loved having her with us, and we are very grateful to her for accepting a contract with us.

Sara Salmond and her husband Matt are expecting their first child in February next year. As much as we will miss Sara while she takes Maternity Leave in 2017, we are of course very happy for her, and look forward to celebrating the arrival of her baby.

Joining us next year, we welcome a former student of ours, Sarah Massingham as a Graduate Teacher. Sarah completed her internship with us, and so her transition will be particularly smooth. We are very pleased John Allan will remain with us for next year. John joined us for Term 4 and has fitted in extremely well at St Patrick’s. We have two experienced teachers from Biloela transferring to us in Justine Blinco and Rebecca Lovejoy. Both have family connections with Bundaberg, and come well recommended to us.

Celebration Night is always a good night. We look forward to seeing you then.

*Mark Fox*
Well done to the St Patrick’s cricket teams who both won their grand finals last Friday. The Division One team defeated B.C.C to claim the Lane Shield, while the Division Two team narrowly defeated St Mary’s to claim their trophy. Congratulations to all team members on a great season! A huge thank you to Mr Plumb for all of your support and for coaching the teams after school, and to Mr Trace for assisting the teams at Inter-School Sport.

Please email nicole_cooper@rok.catholic.edu.au for more information about the Vacation Care Program available at St Mary’s Catholic Primary School and St Joseph’s Catholic Primary School. Places always fill very fast so please contact the centre you would like your child to attend as soon as possible.

SPORTS ITEMS TO RETURN TO SCHOOL
Could all senior students please return the following items:
- Jerseys (Union / League)
- Green and Black football socks
- Shin pads

Senior Choir
Come & Try morning
Tuesday 22nd November
at 7.30am in the stage.

Celebration Night

Prize donations can be left in the school office. Thank you for your support!
The school dental van is at St Patrick’s. The school dental service offers a free dental examination and recommended treatment for all students whilst the dental van is at the school. Medical consent forms will be sent home to Grades 3-6 initially, then Prep-2 in coming weeks. Preps enrolling in 2017 will also be offered treatment. Please state on the form if you would like to be present for your child's dental examination, otherwise your child will be collected from class for their examination. A separate consent form will be sent home if any treatment is required. The dental van will be positioned next to the church hall at the Powers Street entrance. If your child has a toothache or if you have any questions, please contact 43038059 (office) or 0412516084 (van). The dental van will also be taking appointments in the December/January holidays.

It’s nearly the end of the year and again it’s time to start re-enrolling for ASC for 2017!

We have new forms again and it’s imperative that we have your most recent information on file. Your child will not be able to start ASC in 2017 unless we have the 2017 forms. This is a legal requirement. These forms were due on 4 November but this serves as a reminder to those who have not yet submitted them. Also, the Diocese of Rockhampton has brought in a new Ezidebit direct debit system for 2017 which assists co-ordinators and services keep up to date with accounts.

Dental Van Visit

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School Banking News

Quick Reward Update:

- Bush Fly Fans are now OUT OF STOCK and have been removed from the portal as of Monday late afternoon all orders placed before 2.30pm Sydney time yesterday have been fulfilled.
- Jump and Skip ropes are due to run out this week and will most likely be removed before the end of the week.

I have attached an updated Wallet insert with current available reward items (without the Jump and Skip Rope).