

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

12th July 2024

This week, Year 5M lead us through our first week of Term Three with thought provoking courtyard prayer. They reminded us of NAIDOC Week and began with acknowledging Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, as the Traditional Custodians of the lands, waterways and skies across Australia. They then paid respect to Elders and highlighted that we are one in faith, one in spirit, connected by God's love.

They then shared a reading from St. Paul to the Galatians where the theme of 'spirit' featured once more 'God's Spirit makes us loving, happy, peaceful, patient, kind, good, faithful, gentle, and self-controlled'. We didn't have to deviate too far to see this theme of 'spirit' better known as 'spreading the green' throughout the school this week.

On Tuesday we celebrated Miss Taryn Gollshewsky's exciting news of being announced in the Australian Olympic Team, travelling to compete in Paris. Taryn's exciting news spread quickly. Mayor Helen (Blackburn) came to congratulate Taryn in person. When seeking out an Olympian, one might look to a Track and Field Precinct but not our Miss G, you will find her at St. Patrick's sharing her knowledge and passion for sport with our lucky students. When we think of Taryn's journey, words from scripture above, such as 'patient' and 'self-control' ring true. Taryn works to juggle two demanding careers. Despite God given talent, it is an expensive personal investment of time and money, to reach such a pinnacle. Taryn's story is extraordinary, she has managed to retain her original coach and lives locally. Miss G has also overcome enormous hurdles and disappointment. She has worn the green and gold at the Commonwealth Games, but her last Olympic bid was shattered with her leg, an injury that was initially deemed career ending. However, this made Miss G even more determined and makes this achievement even sweeter. Let's get behind our very own champion over the coming weeks!

At a more local level, our Year 5 and 6 champions, took inspiration from Miss G's story as they embarked on Yeppoon. Results will be published further into next week's newsletter. It has been fabulous to hear stories of good sportsmanship and teamwork already filtering back. We are so thankful to Mr. Plumb, Mr. Zandona, Mrs. Hammermeister, Mrs. Medley, Miss Whaleboat and Mr. Handley who have invested in these wonderful young people. We also acknowledge a commitment from parents and your support is valued and appreciated, always!

Thanks for a wonderful start to the term. The mornings have been cold and we appreciate the effort parents go to ensure their children are organised, well-presented and punctual to start each special day.

Kim O'Ghea-Hard













Absentees

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APRE NEWS—CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK (21-27 JULY)

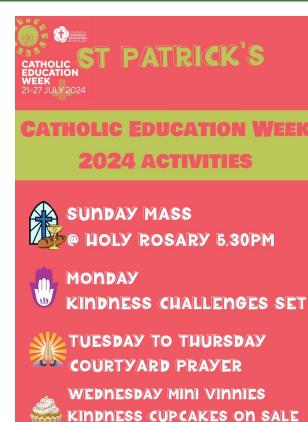
Celebrated annually in week 3 of term 3, Catholic Education Week is an opportunity for all 313 Catholic schools in Queensland to celebrate and promote their distinctive mission and ethos.

Catholic education strives to make a difference in the lives of those in our schools and in the wider community by challenging young people to live out the message of Jesus and to reach their full potential as compassionate, contributing, life-giving members of society.

Below are the events we have scheduled for Catholic Education Week:

- Sunday July 21 Combined School's Mass at Holy Rosary, 5.30pm
- Monday July 22 Class secret missions set
- Tuesday July 23 to Thursday July 25:
 - * Catholic Education Week Courtyard Prayer led by our Mini Vinnies Tea
 - * Acts of kindness carried out (from secret missions set on Monday)
- Wednesday July 24 Mini Vinnies Kindness Cupcakes on sale at lunchtime (\$1 per cupcake)

We look forward to celebrating Catholic Education Week.



Catholic Education Week 2024

Combined Schools' Youth led Mass

Sunday July 21, 5.30pm @Holy Resary



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CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 21-27 JULY 2024

Singers needed

If your child would like to sing in the choir during the Mass please advise Mrs Gok.

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

School Photo Day is scheduled for NEXT Monday 15th July.

Orders can be placed online via www.advancedlife.com.au and entering the unique code of K5C 1GB PD7.

Students are to wear full school uniform.

Sibling photos must be ordered online by midnight Sunday 14th July. Siblings can have their portraits taken in the multi from 8:00am onwards Monday morning. Students will then be followed up throughout the day to ensure these images are taken.

We encourage any students participating in the Bundaberg Eisteddfod to have their individual portrait taken at a suitable time throughout the day. This will allow parents to order an individual portrait of their child/ren, and for Year 6 students, to have this same image used for their Year 6 Graduation Certificate.

Parents please contact the school directly if you **DO NOT** wish for your child to be included in school photos so we can note this preference on your child's enrolment.



SPORTS NEWS-ATHLETICS CARNIVALS 2024

Our school community should be very proud of our students for their participation, enthusiasm and sportsmanship that was displayed across all age groups at our Junior and Senior Athletics Carnivals last term. Thank you to the staff and House Leaders who assisted in many roles at the carnivals, ensuring that all students had a highly enjoyable experience. Most importantly, thank you to the parents and grandparents of our students whose support and encouragement contributed to a wonderful atmosphere at both events.

Results from this year's carnivals are as follows:-

OVERALL POINTS—MALOUF CUP

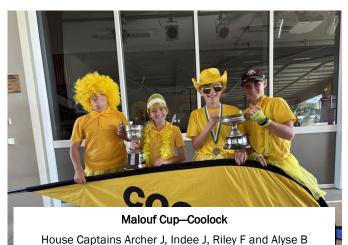
ı	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place
ı	Coolock	McAuley	Xavier	Mackillop

AGE CHAMPIONS

Age Division	Name	House	
10yrs Boys 2014	Kelan E	Coolock	
10yrs Girls 2014	Lily P	Coolock	
11yrs Boys 2013	Riley F	Coolock	
11yrs Girls 2013	Matilda K	McAuley	
11yrs Girls Multiclass	Essie M	Coolock	
12yrs Boys 2012	Jayden S	Xavier	
12yrs Girls 2012	Flo L	McAuley	

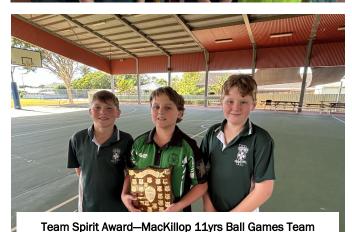
SHIELDS AND TROPHIES

Field Events Shield	Coolock
Ball Games—Father Meade Trophy	Coolock
Team Spirit Jack Dwyer Memorial Shield For choosing kindness over winning	Mackillop







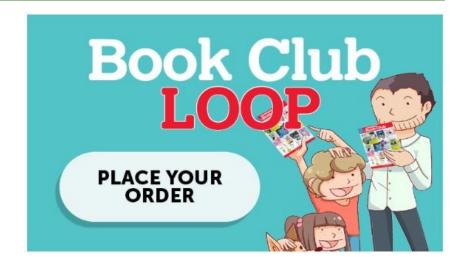


Mackillop representatives Anderson K, Kody D & Tate G

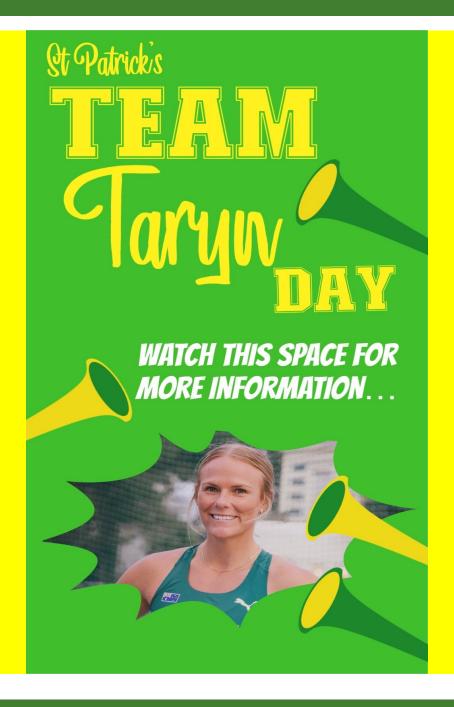
BOOKCLUB

Book club catalogues have been sent home with your child this week. All orders need to be made <u>ONLINE via LOOP payment</u> on the Scholastic website, as no cash orders can be accepted.

Please go to www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP. All orders are due by **Tuesday 23rd July.** As soon as orders are dispatched to us, we will then send home with your child.



ST PATRICK'S TEAM TARYN DAY



WE HAVE SOME EXCITING NEVS!

We're excited to announce a new mobile app for St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, *Parent Orbit,* is now ready for you to download and use.

The App, which is connected to Parent Lounge, will improve our communication with each other as it offers a quick and easy way to receive notifications, book Parent/Teacher interviews, add student absences, view and pay school fees, accept or decline excursions via the events and activities, update details, email class teachers and much more.

To download the App to your mobile device you can scan the QR code below, click on the link https://parentorbit.page.link/spbg or visit your APP store.

Click the install button. After the App is installed, St Patrick's Catholic Primary School will be loaded as an account. Click on St Patrick's Catholic Primary School and then tap the login button.

If you already have the *Parent Orbit App* downloaded on your device, open the App, tap on the school name at the top of the screen, tap on Manage Accounts at the bottom of the screen, click on the button 'Add another Account', enter our school code **spbg** (all lowercase) and submit.

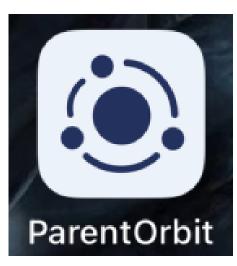
This will add St Patrick's Catholic Primary School's account to your list in the App.

Once you are in the App enter your Username and Password. Your Username is your Parent Code, **Parent Code** and your password is the same password that you use to login to Parent Lounge. If you cannot remember your Parent Lounge password, click <u>here</u> to access the "Forget Password?" feature in Parent Lounge and follow the prompts to reset your password. Please contact the office on 4152 1380 if you require further assistance.

Please take the time to explore the App as it offers many useful features. It is very intuitive and will help keep us connected to support the education of your children. Thank you for your continued support of the school.







OUT AND ABOUT

Alpha begins next Thursday 18 July at 5.30pm and continues each week till September 12th. This will be held at the Parish Office on Wongarra Street. It was great to see around 30 participants earlier in the year and it was a wonderful way for young (and old) adults and parents (Non-Catholic and Catholic) to meet like minded people. This is a relaxed environment which includes a component of hospitality, short video stimulus followed by time to discuss, ponder and question topics of life and faith, in an open and non-threatening way.

To register, those interested need to ring the Parish office on 41516666 early next week for catering.

Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith?

Do you know someone who has questions?

Come and join our Alpha program a safe space to ask questions, and explore life, faith and meaning.

When: Every Thursday, 5.30pm - 18 July to 12 September
Includes Food and Fellowship

Contact the Parish Office on 4151 6666 to let us know you're interested (for catering purposes)







STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL

As a Stewardship Parish, the Bundaberg Catholic Parish is involved in more than ninety outreaches to all in our community.

Parishioners discern their gifts and talents and then offer these for the pastoral care, support, and service of others.

The outreaches vary from visiting the sick and housebound to grounds and property maintenance; from proclaiming the scripture at Church liturgies to support of relatives and friends of recently deceased; from church cleaning to providing hospitality.

Our schools and College are the educational and faith formation arm of our parish as are St Vincent de Paul, Oz Care, and Catholic Care our charitable and social arm while the Mater hospital is our health arm. Together we strive to make a difference in our community in whatever way our gifts can lead us.

During the next few weeks, we will be renewing our commitment to serve, to be good stewards of the gifts we have been given.

We ask you to join us as together we live out our Christian commitment and our Parish Vision – "to go out, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to share God's Love respectfully, with all people".

TERM THREE PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 8th July - Friday 12th July		
Monday	Start Term 3 2024		
Tuesday - Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5M
Wednesday - Friday	Challenge Cup	All Day	
WEEK 2	Week 15th July - 19th July		
Monday	School Photo Day		Whole School
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5G
WEEK 3	Week 22nd July - 26th July		
	CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK		
Monday - Wednesday	Bundaberg Eisteddfod	All Day	Strings & Choirs
Tuesday - Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	Mini Vinnies
WEEK 4	Week 29th July - 2nd August		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Year 3
Tuesday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Prep S
Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8:40am	Prep L
Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	Prep W
WEEK 5	Week 5th August - 9th August		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Year 4
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5P
Thursday - Friday	District Athletics - St Luke's	All Day	Selected Students
WEEK 6	Week 12th August - 16th August		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Years 5 & 1
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6K
WEEK 7	Week 19th August - 23rd August		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Year 2
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6M
WEEK 8	Week 26th August - 30th August		
Monday	Parish Mass	9:00am	Year 6 & Prep
Monday - Wednesday	Year 5 Camp - Chaverim Outdoor Educational Centre	All Day	Year 5
Tuesday - Wednesday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6S
Thursday	Father's Day Liturgy	9:00am	Year 3
Friday	PUPIL FREE DAY		
WEEK 9	Week 2nd September - 6th September		
Monday - Wednesday	School Musical		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4F
WEEK 10	Week 9th September - 13th September		
Tuesday - Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4K
Wednesday - Friday	Year 6 Camp - Hervey Bay/Campialba	All Day	Year 6