



# St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

9th November 2018

I loved Prep Orientation. Seventy-five new Preppies simply excited, optimistic and bursting with wonder and enthusiasm. I think they remind us well about how we all should live.

There's also been sadness this week. Most of you would know that Emerson Purkis, a student from Shalom, and her mother lost their lives through a car accident on Monday morning on their way to school and on Wednesday morning we prayed for Alan Chandry-Anil, a former student of our school.

Soon after we had prayed here at school, Alan had Communion with his family in Brisbane. His life support system was then removed, and Alan passed away surrounded with both family and love. He was just one of those beautiful, big-hearted kids who would always greet you with enthusiasm and a warm smile. He bravely fought for life, and words cannot communicate the sadness of his passing. I am only grateful he will live on in the memories of all those who knew and loved him. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

These events are not a part of God's plan. The God who loves us, does not seek to see us hurt. The reality is that these events are a matter of chance and circumstance. The only thing predictable around such events is that they are completely random. They will devastate both the rich and the poor, the old and the young, and yes even the good and the bad. No matter how much we try to control every aspect of our lives, we are all absolutely vulnerable. Life is a very precious and fragile gift. It's fragility demands that we live fully and cherish the time we have with those we love. We will find God in our response – donating blood, supporting cancer research and loving more generously each day.

As the week ended, we prayerfully remembered the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War. I hope from time to time, you will take the opportunity to view the plaque we have placed near the Courtyard to mark the event. In the four years of World War 1, more than 300 000 Australians had served overseas, and over 60 000 of them had died. Surely the sense of devastation we have experienced this week serves to remind us of the sacrifice of all of these Australians and of their families. We want their lives, and the debt we owe, to be remembered. The words, 'Honour their Spirit' heads the plaque. It is a reminder of our gratitude and a call for us to live our lives in a way that is worthy of the sacrifices that were made for us and for our freedom.



Alan Chandry-Anil

*Mark Fox*

## KEY DATES FOR WEEK 6

- Monday Junior Strings Rehearsal 7.30am  
Spelling Bee Years 4-6
- Tuesday Senior Choir Rehearsal 7.30am  
Courtyard Prayer 3K 8.40am  
Spelling Bee Years 4-6
- Wednesday Senior Strings Rehearsal 7.30am  
Courtyard Prayer 3K 8.40am  
Spelling Bee Prep to Year 6
- Thursday Courtyard Prayer 3K 8.40am  
Swimming Prep to Year 2  
Spelling Bee Prep to Year 3
- Friday Awards Only 10.45  
Interscholar Sport Years 5 & 6  
Spelling Bee Prep to Year 3



**Wednesday 21st November**  
Cultural Night

**Friday 23rd November**  
Year 1 Nativity Assembly

**Wednesday 28th November**  
Celebration Night

**Friday 30th November**  
Music Assembly



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## RE NEWS

### Sacramental News

The next round of Sacramental Preparation is about to begin. We have a lovely group of St Patrick's families taking the journey this year. If you would like your child to be a part of the Sacramental Program for 2018/2019, please contact Anne Sheehan at the Parish Office on 4151 6666.

### Mini Vinnies Christmas Appeal

Every year the St Patrick's school community, led by our Mini Vinnies Team, donates items to assist those less fortunate than themselves at Christmas. St Vincent de Paul collects these donations from us and distributes them to families in need. We are asking each year level to donate specific items for our Christmas Appeal. By each year level donating something different we will be able to make Christmas hampers for local families in need.

We are asking each year level to donate the following:

- Prep: Christmas decorations
- Year 1: New (unused) toys and books
- Year 2: Pet food: dry and tinned
- Year 3: Non-perishable Christmas food and drinks
- Year 4: Non-perishable Christmas food and drinks
- Year 5: School and Art supplies
- Year 6: Toiletries Beach supplies (towels, sunglasses, sunscreen, hats, goggles etc)

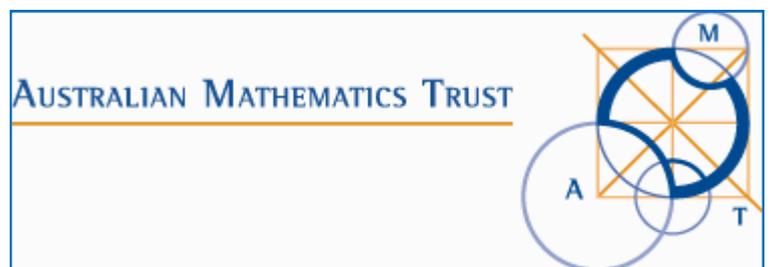
As of Monday, November 5, a basket will be located outside each year level for the donations to be collected. Please open your hearts to those in our community who need our help this Christmas.

Tracey Cook



## AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

Congratulations to St Patrick's Maths Team students who competed in the Australian Mathematics Competition. These students put in a great deal of practice in their own time and we are very proud of all of their efforts. Thank you to Mrs Wilson for working with these children to prepare them for the competition. Well done especially to the students who received Proficiency, Credit and Distinction awards!



Award	Name		Grade
Distinction	Ronald	Machekera	4
	Luke	McMahon	4
	Will	Martin	5
Credit	Rohan	Wooldridge	5
	Kodee	Pole	5
Proficiency	Jacob	Werchon	4
	Rhiannon	Lamb	4
	Kai	Todd	4
	Joshua	Bardini	4
	Zacharry	Morrish	4
	Michael	Connolly	5
	Callum	Macann	5
	George	Stelmack	5
	Lachlan	Bardini	5
	Jonathan	El-Azzi	5
Flynn	Barber	6	

**PATRICK'S**

# **5TH ANNUAL SPELLING BEE**

**WHEN: WEEK 6 (MONDAY - FRIDAY)**

**WHERE: ACTIVITY ROOM**

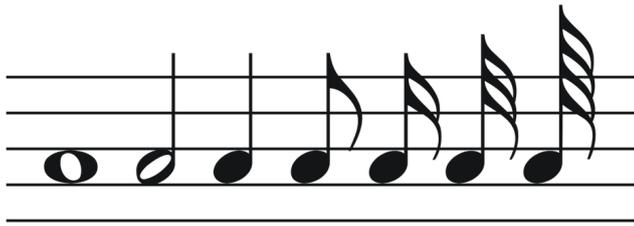
**WHO: YEARS 4-6 (STARTING  
MONDAY WEEK 6)**

**YEARS PREP-3 (STARTING  
WEDNESDAY WEEK 6)**

Information session for students with Mrs  
Cook on Monday of Week 5, Lunch time  
(10.55am) in the activity room.

**Bee there or bee square!**





**LIMITED  
TICKETS  
AVAILABLE**



**St Patrick's Annual Cultural Night  
Wednesday 21st November 6pm at  
Shalom Performing Arts Precinct**

**STUDENTS TO ARRIVE BY 5.30PM FOR A 6PM START**

St Patrick's annual Cultural Night will be held on Wednesday, 21st November 6pm **at Shalom Performing Arts Precinct**. Our Senior Strings, Senior Choir, Junior Strings, Junior Choir, Guitar Ensembles and Year 3 students will perform. This is the first time the Year 3 students will perform for such a large audience so it is a very exciting occasion!

TICKETS ON SALE MONDAY 5<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER FROM 2pm \$7 per head, includes a light supper.

**Performing students will not require a ticket**

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

**Performance Uniforms**

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

Following their performance, children will sit together in one of the classrooms close to the Performing Arts block, under teacher supervision, where they will be able to watch the rest of the concert on screen. If you wish to collect your child before the end of the night please come to this area.

All performing students will travel by bus to Shalom with other performing groups from 11.30 onwards on Wednesday 21st November for a rehearsal on stage at the Performing Arts Precinct. Students will return to school by approximately 2.40pm. 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.



St Patrick's P&F are once again organising a raffle for this year's upcoming Celebration Night.

If you are able to help, please donate any new/unused goods and groceries to the office.

The raffle will be drawn at Celebration Night on Wednesday 22nd November.



**BUNDABERG REGIONAL COUNCIL**

2018 **Pageant of LIGHTS**

Thursday 6 December • Bundaberg CBD

6 pm - 9 pm

Parade commences at 7 pm

Live Performances by City of Bundaberg Drum Corps - Bundy Binz, Orpheus Singers, Rhythms of the Reef and more!

Santa comes to town

Larrikin Puppets Christmas Show

Bring your own chair

Turning on the Christmas lights Buss Park

Life size Christmas snow globes

Christmas markets & food

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# TERM 4 PLANNER

<b>WEEK 1</b>	<b>Week 8th October - 12th October</b>		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5W
	Year 6 Camp		
Friday	No Classroom Liturgy		
	Awards Only	10.45am	
<b>WEEK 2</b>	<b>Week 15th October-19th October</b>		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5B
Friday	Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	3T
	Class Assembly and Awards	10.25am	5B
<b>WEEK 3</b>	<b>Week 22nd October-26th October</b>		
Monday	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>		
Wednesday—Thursday	Wednesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4W
Friday	Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	2M
	Class Assembly and Awards	10.25am	5W
<b>WEEK 4</b>	<b>Week 29th October-2nd November</b>		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	4C
Friday	Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	4W
	Class Assembly and Awards	10.25am	2B
<b>WEEK 5</b>	<b>Week 5th November-9th November</b>		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3C
Friday	Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	4L
	Remembrance Day Memorial	10.40am	5P
<b>WEEK 6</b>	<b>Week 12th-16th November</b>		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3K
Friday	No Classroom Liturgy		
	Awards Only	10.45am	
<b>WEEK 7</b>	<b>Week 19th November-23rd November</b>		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3T
Wednesday	Cultural Night		
Friday	No Classroom Liturgy		
	Year 1 Nativity Assembly	9.00am	Year 1
<b>WEEK 8</b>	<b>Week 26th November-30th November</b>		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday—Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	2B
Wednesday	Celebration Night		
Friday	No Classroom Liturgy		
	Music Assembly		
<b>WEEK 9</b>	<b>Week 3rd December - 7th December</b>		
Tuesday	Year 6 Graduation & Supper	5.30pm	Year 6
Friday	End of Year Liturgy	9.30am	
	Year 6 Assembly	11.00am	Year 6
	School Dismissal	12.00pm	