



St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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Important Dates for Week 6

- Monday— Parish Mass Year 4
- Tuesday-Thursday—Morning Prayer 8.40am 2M
- Wednesday—Cultural Night
- Thursday—Swimming Prep Year 1&2
- Thursday—Year 5 Art Gallery Excursion
- Friday— No Liturgy
- Friday— Remembrance Day Memorial 10.40am—5P



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Centacare

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Term 4, Week 5

3rd November 2017

Principal's News

Group tasks. We've had them for ever haven't we? They were introduced to us at Primary School, followed us up to Secondary, and then on to University. We can all name that one person who didn't contribute and fooled around. The one person who promised daily that they will have their share done – and never did, and there is always that one person in your group who disagrees with you completely, and on absolutely everything.

I can always remember someone close to me posting on Facebook while they were at Uni, "I'm going to invite all the members of my Group Task to my funeral – just so they can let me down one more time!"

Like everyone else, I've been frustrated and wondered why we couldn't simply do the task by ourselves. The answer is not simple, and over a long time I've come to realize it is because the important things you have to do in life are not like that. I can't think of any family, any sporting group or club, or any workplace, where people don't have to work together in order to be successful.

Due to the different ideas, experiences and priorities, there is often conflict. Most people who leave their jobs, do so not because they can't do the work, but because of conflict within the workplace. Some people would suggest the only place there is no conflict is in the cemetery, and no one seems to be in a real hurry to get there. So, where does that leave us?

Well, if the matter is important to us, we

need to apply all the things we've learned along the way. We have to listen respectfully. Even people we don't like have something to offer if we listen openly. We have to compromise and negotiate. If we are not prepared to give a little, no one else will be either. We have to affirm the contributions of others, and when necessary, disagree, but without being disagreeable.

When we assign children group tasks, the most valuable learning is as much in practising the skills of working together, as it is in the finished assignment. Successful people are those who have good people skills. People who can be both good leaders and good followers. Good listeners, not just good talkers.

As recently as last weekend, I had to practise the same skills myself. Yes, even at my age, we are still put into groups, not of our own choosing, and given important things to do. I still find it challenging, and am very pleased that as our students come through, they will be good collaborators, having learned and practised these much needed and much valued skills, along the way. They will have collaborated with people of different gender and different race and they will have developed understanding and made new connections and new friends on the journey.

Mark Fox

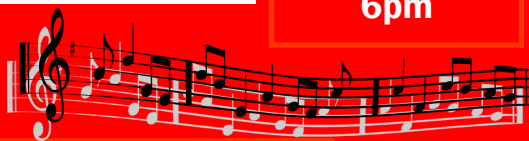


2018

Tuesday 13 February
Monday 16 April
Monday 13 August
Monday 22 October



Wednesday
Cultural Night
6pm



Friday
Remembrance Day
Memorial



Cultural Night



St Patrick's Cultural Night - Wednesday, 8th November 6pm **Shalom Performing Arts Precinct**

TICKETS ON SALE MONDAY 23RD OCTOBER. \$7 per head which includes a light supper. Performing students will not require a ticket.

We are so excited to be getting ready for our annual Cultural Night. All groups will perform - Junior and Senior Choirs, Junior and Senior Strings and Guitar Ensemble. As well, all Year 3 students will make their string playing debut, a letter has been sent to Year 3 parents about this event.

Children need to be in the correct performance uniform and arrive by 5.30pm dressed and ready to go. Children will stay in their performance uniform, children will not get changed during the evening.

Group	Performance uniform
Year 3	Year 3 Strings performance uniform White dress shirt – long sleeve button up with collar long black dress pants black socks, school shoes
Junior Choir	Prep: school uniform Years 1-2: Formal school uniform or Year 3: strings performance uniform (see above)
Senior Choir Junior Strings Senior Strings	Performance Uniform 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
Guitar Ensemble	Formal School uniform. Any guitar ensemble students who are also in Strings or Choir groups will wear their black performance uniform with school supplied vest for the whole evening. Hope that answers your query.

- Following the performance, children will sit together in one of the classrooms close to the Performing Arts block, or backstage, under teacher supervision. If you wish to collect your child before the end of the night please come to these areas.
- All students will travel by bus to Shalom with other performing groups from 11.30 onwards on Wednesday 8th November for a rehearsal on stage at the Performing Arts Precinct. Students will return to school by approximately 2.40pm. Please do not order tuckshop for afternoon tea on that day.
- Performing students do not require a ticket.

Sports News

Queensland Cricket Representative

Congratulations **Lucy Hamilton**! This week Lucy was named in the 2017 Queensland U12 Girls' Cricket team. What an amazing year Lucy has had in sport; achieving two state selections. We wish her every success leading up to Christmas, when she pulls on the maroon shirts in the sports of Football and Cricket.



Prep & Year 1 PE Lessons

Prep & Year 1 PE times in Weeks 6-9 have changed to a Monday. Year 1 students are to wear their PE uniform on a Monday and Friday for the remainder of this school term.



Student of the Week Week 5



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Curriculum News

Australian Mathematics Competition Results

Congratulations to our students who competed in the Australian Maths Competition. This was a one-hour exam style challenging competition that students participated in following their months of extra mathematics practice with Mr de Silva from CQUniversity. We are so proud of all students for being willing to have a go and for finishing the competition. A special congratulations to our students who earned Distinction and Credit results – well done!

Distinction Awards	
Kay Hu	Year 5
Tori Bowden	Year 6

Credit Awards	
Melinda Hawe	Year 5
Tahia Zia	Year 6

Proficiency Awards	
Reilly Byrnes	Kael Robinson
Brayden Geaney	Declan Fitzgerald
Daniel Harry	Luke Richters
Jaslyn Phillips	Amber Meech
Samuel Heinz	Vinuka De silva
Hannah Russo	Ryan Blinco



Bebras Challenge Results

Bebras is an international student Computational Thinking Challenge. Bebras Australia is run by CSIRO Education and Outreach through the Digital Careers program. The goal is to promote Computational Thinking to students in a way that highlights student ability beyond Science or Maths skills. Congratulations to this group of students who recently completed the Bebras Challenge after working hard with Mrs Morley to improve their computational thinking skills. We are really proud of all of you!



BEBRAS RESULTS	
Flynn Barber	High Distinction
Declan Fitzgerald	High Distinction
Blake Williams	High Distinction
Brayden Geaney	High Distinction
Chaleese Monsen	Distinction
Millie Grieg	Distinction
Kay Hu	Distinction
Olivia Ward	Credit
Gabby Joyce	Credit
Hannah Russo	Credit
Georgia Berry	Credit
Jaslyn Phillips	Credit
Elisabeth Pitt	Credit
Riley Clarke	Merit

Finance News

As Term 4 and the year draws to a close, please ensure your school fee account has been paid to date and/or you have a payment plan in place to clear outstanding arrears.

Also a reminder that now is the time to set up a direct debit payment plan for next year. A **DIRECT DEBIT PLAN IS NOT AUTOMATICALLY CARRY FORWARD TO THE FOLLOWING YEAR.** Contact Finance Secretary Maria Davies to establish a plan and/or confirm whether you have a direct debit plan you wish to amend and/or continue.

In order to keep St Patrick's Catholic Primary School fees to a minimum, it is imperative that all of our accounts are paid on time.

Should you have any queries regarding your account, please contact Finance Secretary Maria Davies at spbg_finance@rok.catholic.edu.au or on 4152 1380 or call into the office at any time.

Direct Debit



Vacation Care

If you require vacation care over the school holidays, both St Mary's and St Joseph's are offering programs. Please email roslynn_mccaig@rok.catholic.edu.au for further information.

Please book early to avoid disappointment.



Vacation Care

P&F Christmas Raffle

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



Read all about it! Triple P's latest parenting magazine is here

[Triple P's](#) latest issue of its Queensland-only parenting magazine – the Tippiaper – has just been released! Get great tips for staying cool, calm and collected during storm season, and for making the most of the summer school holidays. Also see how positive parenting has transformed the lives of other families. [Read it online](#) or pick up a free hard copy from your child health centre, local PCYC or library, or early childhood centre. Find out more about free Triple P in Queensland at www.triplep-parenting.net



RE News

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 ask each year level to donate the following:

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

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.



Mass with Children

This Saturday, November 4th at 6.00pm we will be leading a Mass with Children at St Patrick's Church. At this Mass the music and the readings are suitable for children to easily participate in and engage with. This is a wonderful opportunity to come along and enjoy a Mass where the children are involved in all aspects of the Mass. We would love to see many St Patrick's families there.



2017 Pageant of Lights



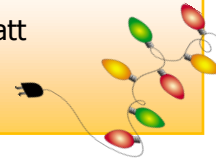
PAGEANT OF LIGHTS

Thursday, 7th December 2017

Each year the Catholic Parish of Bundaberg takes part in the Pageant of Lights Parade ~ Come join us & walk with the Parish Christmas Float.

As it is a Parish event, teachers will not be present. Parents are asked to supervise their children and walk as part of the Parish Float.

For more information, contact Carmen Wyatt at the Parish Office or 41516666.



BUNDABERG REGIONAL COUNCIL

2017 **Pageant of LIGHTS**

Thursday 7 December • BUNDABERG CBD •

6pm - 9pm

Parade commences at 7.00pm

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

Santa comes to town

Bring your own Chair

Christmas markets & food

Turning on the Christmas Lights Buss Park

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Larrikin Puppets Christmas Show

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2017 TERM 4 CALENDER

WEEK 1	Week 2nd October—6th October	
Monday	Public Holiday	
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday—Assembly Wednesday and Thursday—Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	3M
Friday	No Liturgy—Awards only 10.45am—Sausage Sizzle	
WEEK 2	Week 9th October—13th October	
Monday	Parish Mass 9am	Year 6 and Prep
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	3T
Friday	Liturgy 8.45am	4L
	Assembly and Awards 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	4C
WEEK 3	Week 16th October—20th October	
Monday	PUPIL FREE DAY	
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday—Assembly Wednesday and Thursday—Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	3K
Friday	Liturgy 8.45am	5B
Friday	Awards 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	
WEEK 4	Week 23rd October—27th October	
Monday	Parish Mass 9am	Year 5 and Year 1
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	4L
Friday	Liturgy 8.45am	2B
Friday	DAY FOR DANIEL Assembly and Awards 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	4A
WEEK 5	Week 30th October—3rd November	
Monday	Parish Mass 9am	Year 2
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	4C
Friday	Liturgy 8.45am	5W
	Assembly and Awards 10.25am—Sausage Sizzle	3M
WEEK 6	Week 6th November—10th November	
Monday	Parish Mass 9am	Year 4
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	2M
Wednesday	Cultural Night	
Friday	Remembrance Day Memorial 10.40am	5P
WEEK 7	Week 13th November—17th November	
Monday	Parish Mass 9am	Year 3
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	2C
Friday	No Liturgy	
	Year 1 Nativity Assembly 9.00am (No Awards)	
WEEK 8	Week 20th November—24th November	
Monday	No Parish Mass	
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer 8.40am	2B
Wednesday	Celebration Night	
Friday	Liturgy 8.45am	2M
	Music Assembly—No Awards	
WEEK 9	Week 27th November—1st December	
Monday	No Parish Mass	
Tuesday—Thursday	No Courtyard Prayer	
Tuesday	Year 6 Graduation	
Friday	End of Year Liturgy 9.30am Final Assembly and Farewell 11.00am	

