



# St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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## Important Dates for Week 9

- No Parish Mass or Courtyard Prayer
- Tuesday—Year 6 Graduation Night 5.30pm
- Friday—End Year Liturgy 9.30am and
- Friday—Year 6 Assembly 11.20am
- Friday— School Dismissal 12pm



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Term 4, Week 8

24th November 2017

## Principal's News

Celebration Night is an excellent way to finish our year. In so many ways it reflects the community we see every day at our school. The commitment of teachers, the beautiful community, happy excited children who love school, wonderful support from our Parents' and Friends' and great parent support. We have all enjoyed another fantastic year together.

Sadly we farewell our Year Six Leaders and with them, families who have been very much a part of our school community over many years. It is with deep gratitude that we say 'thank-you' and we wish you all the very best for the future. We look forward to acknowledging our students on Tuesday Night at 5:30 with their Graduation Liturgy.

On Friday at 9:30 we have a Whole of School Liturgy in the Covered Area. At 11:20 we have the Year 6 Farewell. At 11:50 students leave the Covered Area with their teacher. They are dis-

missed from their classroom by their teacher at 12:00. Students may leave with their parents – collected outside of classrooms. Children who use the pick-up-zone will be allowed to go to their pick-up area. From 12:00, teachers will be on Gate Duties and our Pick-Up –Zone will begin operation. **Any student walking or riding home, must have a note from their parents.** There will be a crossing supervisor on Mulgrave Street, but not on Walker Street. There will be staff available to supervise any children who cannot be collected at 12:00.

Thank you again for another wonderful year. Stay safe on the holidays and we look forward to seeing you again in 2018.

*Mark Fox*

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Tuesday—** Year 5 Bundy Bowl Excursion  
Year 4 Chipmunks Excursion  
Year 6 Graduation Night 5.30pm

**Wednesday -** Prep Yr1 & 2 Reading Cinemas Excursion  
Year 3 Gymfinity Excursion  
Year 2 Chipmunks Excursion

**Thursday -** Prep Yr1 & 2 Swimming Lessons  
Year 6 Norville Pool Excursion

**Friday -** End Year Liturgy 9.30am  
Year 6 Farewell Assembly 11.20am  
School Dismissal 12.00 noon

## The Resilience Project



At the beginning of this year, St Patrick's hosted a presentation by Martin Heppell from the Resilience Project. It was by far and away the biggest and best parent night we have ever seen, with nearly 300 St Patrick's parents attending. In 2018, all four Catholic Schools, St Joseph's, St Mary's, St Patrick's and Shalom have combined to sponsor a different presentation from the Resilience Project, open to parents from all four of our Catholic Schools. This presentation will be held at the **Shalom Sports Centre at 7:00 pm on Wednesday January 24<sup>th</sup>**, and will feature Hugh van Cuylenburg, the founder of the Resilience Project. Hugh has worked with Australian Cricket, Netball & Soccer Teams, all NRL clubs, AFL, and the A-League. He has a wonderful story to share, and a great message for parents that you simply need to hear, if you are to raise resilient children. More information is available at <https://theresilienceproject.com.au>. The clip featuring Billy Slater is well worth a look. We look forward to seeing you there.

## Vacation Care

If you require vacation care over the school holidays, both St Mary's and St Joseph's are offering programs. Please click on the opposite link for further information and booking forms.

Please book early to avoid disappointment. Any queries please do not hesitate to contact St Mary's or St Joseph's.



## Christmas Treats

At this time of year students like to exchange Christmas cards and give treats such as candy canes to other students. We ask that children do not give gifts of candy canes to the other children. It is wonderful that children wish to give things to others, however we ask people to give non food gifts. Unfortunately candy canes can cause issues with a number of children on particular diets, children with allergies to some of the additives, not to mention the high sugar content. Cards, stickers and other small items can give the message that they are thinking of others.



## Tuckshop Operating Hours



**Tuckshop open Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday only next week and is closed Thursday 30th.**

**Please also ensure you check the various excursions next week to ensure orders can be received.**



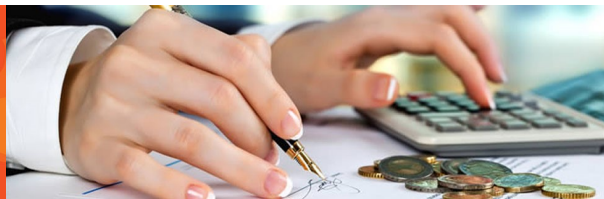
## 2018 Pupil Free Days



**2018**  
Tuesday 13 February  
Monday 16 April  
Monday 13 August  
Monday 22 October

## Finance News

### Direct Debit



#### **FEES**

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 NECESSARILY AUTOMATICALLY CARRIED 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](mailto:spbg_finance@rok.catholic.edu.au) or on 4152 1380 or call into the office at any time.

#### **STUDENT BANKING**

Please note that student banking for 2017 has ended. Well done to all our consistent savers and keep up the good work when student banking resumes first Monday back being 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018.

## Queensland Election—Priorities in Catholic Education

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Directing attention to higher quality teaching can have large positive effects on outcomes across the board.  
*Australian Productivity Commission 2016*

**Christmas Ham Wheel**  
Western Suburbs Football Club  
December 8th 5pm start  
Jubilee Park on Avoca St  
BBQ & Drinks Canteen Under Lights  
BYO Chair  
WIN WIN WIN!  
Christmas Hams Raffles  
And a visit from Santa!

MADE WITH FONT CANDY

**Bundaberg Orpheus Singers**  
and  
**Bundaberg Municipal Band**  
Invite you to our annual  
**Christmas Concert**  
**Holy Rosary Church**  
**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 7.30pm**  
Entrance: \$5.00 at the door, children under 12 free  
Bundaberg Orpheus Singers Society Inc.  
ABN 60 416 184 466 Find us on Facebook

### Community Notices



#### 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



#### CHRISTMAS MASS WITH CHILDREN:

Christmas Eve, 4.00pm, Holy Rosary Church:

Each year we invite young children to take part in this Mass with Children. Secondary students make excellent readers and singers. There are parts in the gospel dramatization for Joseph, Mary, angels, shepherds, sheep and cattle. If you would like to be involved in this Mass, either in the dramatization, reading, bringing forward the gifts, or singing, come to the Novakoski Centre behind Holy Rosary Church, on **Wednesday, 29 November, at 3.30pm**, where parts will be allocated. Contact Anne Sheehan at the Parish Office, 41516666, or Pauline Merefield, 41593272.

**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!
- Larrikin Puppets Christmas Show
- Turning on the Christmas Lights Buss Park
- Life size Christmas Snow Globes
- Santa comes to town
- Bring your own Chair
- Christmas markets & food

For further information, please visit Council's website or phone the Call Centre 1300 883 699 bundabergregionevents.com.au

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#### VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Centacare CQ Bundaberg is looking for volunteers to assist with group outings and activities for clients within the Social Support Program.

The program caters for clients who live independently but may be socially isolated and benefit from the wide range of social activities and leisure experiences. Most outings/activities occur between 9am and 2pm on weekdays. We conduct activities and events at the Centacare Rooms, Cnr Barolin & Boston Streets, Bundaberg and take tours around to various locations in the greater Bundaberg area using our transport fleet. Activities include: craft group; games mornings; special event morning teas and luncheons; picnics in the park; computer/internet kiosk; mystery tours; scrabble group; men's social group; 50+ fitness etc..

Inquiries and applications can be made by calling 1300 523 985 and asking for Mark Ennett or Maria Ebert in Bundaberg.

From all the staff from  
 St Patrick's Primary School

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS