



# St Patrick's School

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St Patrick's Primary School, Wangaratta, would like to acknowledge the Yorta Yorta Nation, whose clans include Bangerang (Pangerang) Kaitheban, Wollithiga, Moira, Ulupna, Kwat Kwat, Yalaba Yalaba and Ngurai-illiam-wurrung, as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our school is situated.

This school supports the CHILD Safe Standards (Ministerial Order 870) and actively seeks to ensure that all students are kept safe from all forms of harm at all times.

## ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

19<sup>th</sup> June 2019

### Take Time

Take time to live – *it is what life is for.*

Take time for justice – *it is the beginning of peace.*

Take time to look afresh – *it will fill you with surprise*

Take time to search – *it is the secret of eternal youth.*

Take time to laugh – *it is music to the soul.*

Take time to pray – *it is the greatest power on earth.*

Take time for solitude – *it revives the spirit.*

Take time with the earth – *it speaks of harmony and balance.*

Take time at home – *it renews the heart.*

Take time to sow – *it gives perspective on life.*

Take time to reap – *it brings gratitude.*

Take time to heal – *it is full of hope.*

Take time to love – *it is reason for living.*

*Stanislaus Kennedy*

Dear Parents,

Well Term Two is quickly coming to an end. The staff have been working particularly hard this term and I look forward to them taking a well-deserved break. The students, too, can have a bit of “down time” as they have worked very hard as well.

**School will officially finish at 2.30pm on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> June**

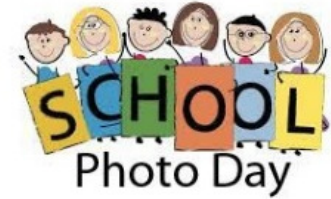
**THANK YOU HOURIGAN FAMILY FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL**

## School Closed

St Patrick's School will be closed **THIS FRIDAY, 21<sup>st</sup> June**, to allow staff to attend the Maths Association of Victoria Conference in Melbourne.

## School Photos

These took place today. This year we have trialled a new photographic company due to Marc Bongers unavailability. I will be keen to hear feedback from parents in order to plan for next year.



## After School Care – Bookings nearly full

Any family requiring to make a booking for Tuesday or Thursday (or any other night for that matter) will need to contact the office to check availability as these nights are completely full and the others are near capacity. We can take additional students on these nights only if we have students absent on the day, but this needs to be arranged through the office. I have instructed Elena to send students to the office who do not have a booking as we are only licenced for a specific number of children. All bookings must come through Rosie in the office. If your child presents to the Service and has not been formally booked in, then we will contact you to collect your child.

We would also appreciate it if families can contact Rosie when their child is not accessing After School Care on a night that they have a permanent booking.

## Vacation Care –Bookings nearly full

There are now only **four** places available on **Wednesday** and **two** places available on **Friday** for our Vacation Care service. I have looked at the program that Elena has planned, and I think that she has done a great job. She has planned an activity for each day as well as the usual activities at the Service.

If you wish to utilise this facility, then I would advise families to make a booking asap. Cost is \$42.00 per day or part thereof. Bookings can be made by completing the form that was sent out some weeks ago. If you require a form, then contact Rosie Pane in the office (57 21 5795 or [rpane@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au](mailto:rpane@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au))

## Parent/Teacher Interviews

These will take place next Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> June, and Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> June from 3.45pm to 7.00pm.

Interviews will be 15 minutes in duration. To book an interview time with your child's teacher/s simply access the attached link and follow the instructions.

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/book/step1?z=Hm8iMA>

The event code is: er259

## School Fee Notices

School Fee notices are being sent home today. If payment presents a problem, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

## Closure Days

There is one more closure day coming up **this Friday**:

21<sup>st</sup> June - Professional Development Day (Maths Conference in Melbourne).

THANK YOU **WANGARATTA JEWELLERS** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

## Assembly – THURSDAY

Please note the earlier time this week due to the closure day on Friday.

This week's Assembly is being run by Years 1/2 Capper and Bray students. Please feel most welcome to come along and join us if you are free.

## Alpha Show – King Arthur

Next Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> June, the students will watch an Alpha Show called "King Arthur". Cost for this performance is included in the student levies that all families are expected to pay at the beginning of the year.

## Australian Ballet – Workshops and Performance (26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> June)

The Australian Ballet Company will work with the students from Year Two to Four on a number of workshops next Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> June. On Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> June, these students will walk to the Performing Arts Centre (PAC) for a performance of "Plain Jane" by the troupe.

## Winter Sports Day – 27<sup>th</sup> June

Years 5/6 students will engage in a Winter Sports next Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> June (no Ballet for these students!).

## Web Calendar

If parents access the school's website ([www3.spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au](http://www3.spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au)) you will have access to a calendar of events as they come up. A calendar of events is also published in our newsletter. I will have as many available dates as possible on this site within the next week or so. Please check it periodically as I also add dates as they become known.

## St. Patrick's PS APP REMIND

If you want to keep up with what's happening around the school, you can join REMIND.

It can be downloaded from the app stores to your devices using either of these links:

Apple - <https://goo.gl/IHQHGn> or Android - <https://goo.gl/FJWEv>

You will need to join our "Class" after you install and sign up - @spatwang, or St Patrick's Primary School Wangaratta



## Newsletter

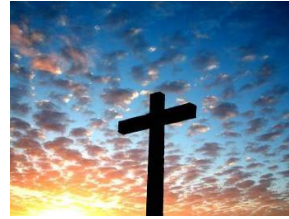
Our newsletter can be accessed on our website and our Facebook page. Annette (in the Office) also has a mailing list that she is happy to include you on. Simply email Annette on:

[abeitzel@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au](mailto:abeitzel@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au) or phone the office (0357215795) and Annette will put you on the list. If all else fails, you can request a hard copy from the office.

THANK YOU **SELWOOD ACKERLY ACCOUNTING** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

## *Mass Times*

- \* Saturday 6.00pm St Patrick's
- \* Sunday 8.00am St Patrick's
- \* Sunday 9.00am Our Lady's
- \* Sunday 10.30am St Patrick's
- \* Sunday 10.00am Moyhu
- \* Sunday 10.30am Whitfield (1st Sunday)



*Terry*

# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

JUNE	20 <sup>th</sup>	-	9.00am School Assembly
	21 <sup>st</sup>	-	Math's Conference – PUPIL FREE DAY
	25 <sup>th</sup>	-	Alpha Show
	25 <sup>th</sup>	-	3.45pm – 7.00pm Parent/Teacher Interviews
	26 <sup>th</sup>	-	3.45pm – 7.00pm Parent/Teacher Interviews
	28 <sup>th</sup>	-	2.30pm END OF TERM 2
JULY	15 <sup>th</sup>	-	9.00am TERM 3 BEGINS
AUGUST	3 <sup>rd</sup>	-	9.30am Making Parenting a Little Easier Workshop

## **Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships**

### Help Seeking

This week classes continue to embed strategies to assist with problem solving issues in the classroom and outside in the yard.

- Students describe factors that contribute to positive relationships with peers, other people at school, and in the community
- Students explain characteristics of cooperative behaviours and they use criteria to identify evidence of this in group activities
- Students identify a range of conflict resolution strategies to negotiate positive outcomes to problems

## CHATTER MATTERS

**An activity to build vocabulary - Affixes:** Tell your child that affixes are extra parts that are "fixed on" to the base word. The affixes at the beginning of words are called "prefixes" because "pre-" means before, and a "suffix" comes at the end of a base word.

Ask your child to "fix" the broken base words with the correct "affix."

- Love                -ful
- Treat               -ly
- Grate               -less
- Mood               -able
- Do                    -ing
- Sad                   -tion
- Pink                  -y
- Tempt               -ish
- Move                 -ed
- Aggravate          -ment

## THE AUSTRALIAN BALLET DANCE EDUCATION TEAM

A male and a female dancer from The Australian Ballet Dance Education Team will present STEAMDANCE, a one-hour workshop for Years 2-4 on Wednesday 26th June in our school hall. The following day at 11.15am – 12.00pm a duet performance called **Plain Jane** will be presented for Years 2-4 at the Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre, (WPAC). The workshops will provide the students with fun and practical dance and choreographic skills around the theme of **RESILIENCE**, (which is also the theme of Plain Jane). This dance-education approach aims to foster critical and creative thinking, literacy, numeracy, individual and cooperative learning and problem solving in students.

**A Holiday Workshop at WPAC** is also being offered in the first week of the school holidays for students in Years 3-6 from 10.30am-12.30pm Monday – Thursday and Friday 11.30am-3.00pm with a performance for families and friends on Friday 5 July at 2.30pm. (Workshop cost is \$75 for the week.) There are also workshops for secondary students. Information and registrations are available from the office at St. Patrick's Primary School. Please note, this Holiday Workshop is **NOT** a school facilitated activity so families must organise this themselves if interested.

THANK YOU **MARIANNA BEAUTY STUDIO** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

# PAT ON THE BACK

- Foundation**  
Mrs Levesque  
Congratulations to **HARPER REGINATO** for her wonderful start to St Patrick's school. Harper is always ready to learn and help her peers and teachers.
- Foundation**  
Mrs Shaw  
Congratulations to **DARBY HUNTER** for her wonderful efforts across all of the work she completes. She is a fantastic listener and shows this in her finished work. We will miss her next term as she travels around Australia, but we look forward to her return. Well done Darby and happy travels!
- Year 1/2**  
Mrs Bray  
A big pat on the back to **JYE EYKENBOOM** for the wonderful way he has worked hard with his writing, especially this week's weekend recount. Keep it up superstar!
- Year 1/2**  
Cassidy  
Congratulations to **SHYLAH WITTE** for taking exceptional care of the class pet - Stickey. Shylah is an expert on the spiny leaf insect, writing a descriptive report and informing others as to how to look after her.
- Year 1/2**  
Ms Rinaldi  
A big pat on the back to **LEVI CANNING** for demonstrating fantastic counting skills in mathematics. Keep up the great work, Levi!
- Year 1/2**  
Mr Capper  
Congratulations to **VIVIENNE GIGLIO** for always trying her best. She is a kind, giving and gentle young lady who co-operates well with others in class and on the playground. She also does her best in all aspects of her schoolwork.
- Year 3/4**  
Nicoll/Lynch  
Congratulations to **PIPPA O'CONNOR** for the tremendous effort that she has put into developing her reading accuracy, intonation and comprehension over the course in Semester One.
- Year 3/4**  
Mrs Newton  
A big pat on the back to **BROOKE STYLES** for always putting up her hand to assist others and always demonstrating good leadership in and outside the classroom. Wonderful effort, Brooke!
- Year 3/4**  
Mrs Rizzo  
A big pat on the back to **JAKE O'CONNOR** for the conscientious way he approaches his learning and accepts challenges with positivity and enthusiasm. Well done, Jake!
- Year 3/4**  
Mr Levesque  
A big pat on the back to **GEORGINA BLAKE** for being an active learner; she consistently edits and revises her work to make sure that it is her best effort.
- Year 5/6**  
Mrs O'Connor  
Congratulations to **HANNAH O'CONNOR** for the fluency and expression she uses whilst reading Anne Frank's Diary during Literacy Circles. Well done, Hannah!
- Year 5/6**  
Ackerly/Higgs  
Congratulations to **ISAAC HUMBY** for the excellent way he brainstormed more expensive persuasive words to include in his travel expo poster. Well done Isaac, keep up the great work!
- Year 5/6**  
Mrs Rickard  
Congratulations to **TOBY ELLIS & CODY JOHNSON** for the Informative Text presentation they presented to the class highlighting the issues surrounding the loss of fish in our river systems. They presented a very interesting Imovie with many facts. Well done!

# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CLASSROOM

## FOUNDATION – Caz & Trish

### REMINDER

**SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY- Friday the 21st of June - PUPIL FREE DAY**

**Walk to Merriwa Park, Thursday the 27th June 9.30am-11.00am approximately.**

Students have their permission note. Please return this by next week. You are most welcomed to join us; you need to have a Working with Children's Check. No siblings, as the priority is our students. THANK YOU!

Tomorrow Mrs Ros Capper will be working for Mrs Levesque as she is attending the MAV Conference in Melbourne.

**Religion:** Students will continue to verbalise their wonderings and explore the many beautiful things in God's Creation through the unit, 'I Care For God's World'.

**Literacy:** The students will work through a variety of activities related to the big book in their class. They will continue to write lists, letters and wanted posters relating to the big book. The students will continue to practise the most used words daily and sounds and letters. Thank you to the families who have read for over seventy nights!

Foundation Levesque - 'Mrs Wishy Washy's big Farm Fair'.

Foundation Shaw - 'Tittle -Tattle Goose'.

**Mathematics:** The students will continue to count forwards and backwards from various numbers. Can you find a pattern when we say the numbers? The students will name and complete a variety of activities about the days of the week.

**Inquiry:** This week during the unit, '**Our Sustainable World**' the students will continue to work on how we can help look after our world.

**RRRR's:** The students will continue to create their own poster on the people who help them at home and at school.

### **Show and Tell:**

**This week** - An item that has numbers on it.

**Next week** - A magic trick

Have a great week.

## YEAR ONE/TWO – Janina, Amanda, David & Karen

### **Important Dates to Remember:**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June – School Photos

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June – School Closure (Teachers attending MAV conference in Melbourne)

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Reports go home

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1/2 Expo

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Alphashow

THANK YOU **CHRISMONT'S CELLAR DOOR & RESTAURANT** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL



Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Parent Teacher Interviews  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Last day of Term 2, 2.30pm dismissal

**Literacy:** The week in spelling we are focusing on the 'ee' as in feed and 'gr' as in green. We will also be looking at word families. In our literacy groups we are looking at antonyms. For writing this week we are learning to write persuasive texts.

News:

This week – My favourite part of the story 'The Lorax' was...  
I learnt...

Next week - If I could have any superpower, I would like to...

**Numeracy:** In numeracy this week students are continuing to explore subtraction. We will be looking at the connection between addition and subtraction in addition to solving simple addition and subtraction problems using a range of efficient mental and written strategies. Home activities could include;

Strike it Out for Two      <https://nrich.maths.org/10091>

Subtraction Squares      <https://nrich.maths.org/1251>

**Inquiry:** On Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, from 2.30pm-3.15pm we will be having an expo to showcase our leanings for the term. We would like to invite our families and friends to come into our classrooms during this time.

In conjunction to the expo, this time will be an opportunity for students to swap a book or toy, linking in with our focus of reduce, reuse and recycle. If families would like to donate an old book or toy that they no longer use and bring into school prior to this day it would be greatly appreciated.

Next term we will also be creating some musical instruments, linking in with our inquiry for term 3. Any cylinders from cling wrap or foil containers would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**Meetings:** Please note that the Year 1/2 teachers have meetings scheduled every Tuesday morning before school and Wednesday after school. Just a reminder that teachers can be contacted via email on:

[acassidy@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au](mailto:acassidy@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au)

[kbray@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au](mailto:kbray@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au)

[dcapper@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au](mailto:dcapper@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au)

[jrinaldi@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jrinaldi@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au)

**YEAR THREE/FOUR – Sarah, James, Karen, Paul & Nara**

**Reminders:**

- Please remember to get online and make an appointment to see your child's teacher for next week's interviews. These are scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday evening.
- **Friday 21st June:** Whole School Closure [PUPIL FREE] (Mathematics Conference, Melbourne)

THANK YOU RINALDOS CASA CUSINA FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL



## **Literacy/Inquiry:**

This week students are continuing to research their chosen endangered animal, taking notes and learning how to express the information they are gathering in their own words. This is being scaffolded so that one research component is being targeted at a time. Students are also getting the opportunity to share the information they are learning with their peers.

Our spelling focus this week continues to be initial (beginning) digraph blends (2 letters making the one sound): **sm\_**, **sn\_**, **sw\_**, **sk\_**, **st\_**, **sp\_ and sh\_** .

Emphasis is also placed on phonemic awareness and isolating the different sound components in words. This is a vitally important skill to have in place so that we can make accurate approximations when spelling unfamiliar words.

Example: The word 'sweet' can be broken into three sound parts - **sw-ee-t**

## **Religion:**

This week in the unit, "Sacraments of Initiation: Eucharist", the students are continuing to learn about the times and places where Jesus gathered with his friends for a meal and the actions of Jesus when he was with them. The students are then linking these findings to scripture passages in the Bible and then creating a dramatisation of the passage. For example Lk 22: 14-20 which recalls how Jesus shared a very special meal with his disciples (the first Holy Thursday).

## **Homework:**

Thank you to our parents and students for the wonderful response to last week's **Reading Self-Assessment**. Being able to identify our strengths and challenges when we are reading is essential to developing our skills and becoming independent and proficient readers.

Students received their new Homework contract on Monday. Please ensure that your child completes all of the tasks by the due date. This may be different for each of the classes. Also, please remember that students are expected to read each evening and record a comment in their reading log to describe what they have learnt/where they are up to in their story. If you are unsure of the expectation, please check in with your child's classroom teacher.

## **Numeracy:**

This week students are focusing on vertical subtraction with and without renaming. Learning tasks have been differentiated to account for differing levels of understanding. Some students are using concrete materials to model the subtraction process with teacher support, whilst other students are working independently to solve algorithms (vertical subtraction) and also, related word problems. Please check in with your child(ren) to see what they are working on in their classroom.

## **YEAR FIVE/SIX – Andrea, Helen & Sharyn**

### **Coming up:**

**Student Free Day THIS Friday 21st June:** Teachers attending the Mathematical Association of Victoria Conference in Melbourne.

**Parent Teacher Interviews:** Will be held 25th and 26th June, please book online at - <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/> and use event code: er259

**Winter Sports Day:** Please ensure your child has returned their note for next Thursday 27th June in order to participate in the sports day against other schools.

**Bluearth Leadership Day:** Year 6 students only. Please ensure your child has returned their permission note for the Leadership Day at Wangaratta District Special School Monday 24th June.

THANK YOU **PULSATE DANCE ACADEMY** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

**Travel Expo:** You are invited to attend our Travel Expo Wednesday 26th June, to be held in the Year 5/6 corridor (between Mrs Rickard and Mrs Ackerly's rooms) 2.30pm-3.00pm. Come along and spend some time with your child and be inspired to travel the world!

### **Curriculum News:**

**Numeracy Focus:** This week we will continue the focus on fractions and decimals. Comparing and locating on a number line, adding and subtracting decimals, common fractions and equivalent fractions. Encourage your child to 'look for a pattern' when working with fractions and point out examples of fractions in the 'real world'.

**Reading Focus:** Hitler's Daughter text workshops this week at school courtesy of Monkey Baa Workshops. Focus remains on informative texts in the form of 'travel brochures' and using Infographics, in preparation for our Travel Expo.

**Writing:** Informative texts and persuasive writing for our travel brochures. Report reflection writing to be added onto student reports.

**Inquiry:** Students will be investigating topics like weather, natural/manmade attractions, location, culture and symbols linked with a country of their choice. Students will be analysing animal and human adaptations to aspects like climate and environment.

### **RRRR (Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships)**

This term the Years 5 and 6 will be focussing on Help Seeking.

It is important to work with students to make sure they are aware about help-seeking avenues and confident to seek help from an appropriate source when needed.

### **Regional Cross Country:**

Congratulations to Brihanna McKenzie Year 6 and Sophia Pasquali Year 5 for making it through to the next level of competition, being held at Winton. We hope you enjoy your day!

### **Communication:**

To contact your classroom teachers, we encourage you to use the school emails or call the school directly (57215795). As always you are also welcome to visit the classroom.

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## **MAYFAIR SHOWBAGS**



WANTED PLEASE –

McDonald's Toys (in the wrappers),  
COLES Stikeezs (in wrappers),  
Keyrings, Lanyards  
Woolworths Tiles (in wrappers) for  
Mayfair 2020 showbags.



Please deliver to the office, thank you.

THANK YOU **THE POULTRY PLACE** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

# St Patrick's Vacation Care – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019

Please complete the form and return to the office this week.

Name and Age of Children

1)..... Age .....

2)..... Age .....

3)..... Age .....

Please indicate the day/s you would like to book your child/ren in:

Days of Attendance (please tick)

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July

Please know that all activities and any excursions will be told prior to commencement of the holidays.

All meals to be provided by parents.

Signature of Parent..... (Mother/Father/Guardian)

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\*School resumes on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2019



## **SATURDAY 3 AUGUST (Wangaratta)**

Gateway Hotel (29-37 Ryley St, Wangaratta)

**9:30am - 3:00pm**

Parenting is a demanding task under any circumstances and doing so when a child displays challenging behaviours increases the difficulty. These problem behaviour situations are often amplified as the child's challenges can collide with typical developmental changes all children experience. Parents can become at odds with the child, or even between themselves, when searching for the best responses to these tough situations. Other children in the home can also be impacted, as the problem circumstances become a common part of their day. During this one-day workshop, participants will be provided with practical, flexible alternatives they can draw upon to teach new skills at home, help establish daily routines and effectively prevent or respond to challenging situations.

### **Who is invited:**

Parents, those parenting and anyone interested in learning

### **Catering:**

Morning tea and lunch provided. When registering please note any dietary requirements

### **Cost:**

\$20.00 per person, due on registration

### **Please note:**

St Patrick's School will cover the cost for any parent/carer who wishes to attend (Children are unable to attend the workshop so you will need to make arrangements to have your child/children looked after for the day)

**Registrations CLOSE on Thursday 25 July 2019**

**TO REGISTER PUT YOUR NAME DOWN AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE**