



# St Patrick's School

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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

7<sup>th</sup> August 2019

### ***THE GOOD AND THE BAD***

This week marks two events that impacted on the lives of people in two very different ways, one for the greater good and the other, the greater evil.

Let's start with the positive which is celebrated tomorrow. It's the feast day of Australia's first Saint, Mother Mary MacKillop. Mary was an amazing woman in so many ways. She established the Josephite Order of nuns who spent considerable time and energy teaching the poor and underprivileged throughout Australia and New Zealand. A relatively local school that she established all those years ago was St Joseph's in Numurkah who are still carrying on in the traditions that she established back in the 1800s. Her vocation as a teacher was an example of God at work in our world as she and her fellow nuns were able to provide not only an education but a quality of life and a set of Christian values that would be passed from generation to generation.

#### **I love her famous quote, "never see a need without doing something about it"**

It speaks to me of her care and dedication to others. A model for us all.

On a sadder note, yesterday marked the 74<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima. A sad day for humanity. Oh, some may say that it shortened the war and saved allied lives which it possibly did. On the other hand, it targeted innocent men, women and children who, if they weren't killed in the blast, they slowly died from radiation poisoning. In Hiroshima alone the estimated number of deaths was around 140,000 with the bomb blast and a further 62,000 post bomb from radiation associated illnesses. I visited the bomb site a few years ago with my son and it was devastating to discover the impact that it had on so many innocent lives. I was shocked and horrified at the insidious way in which the bomb was detonated about the town to create maximum devastation. I also saw and read the humanity of the people which made the whole episode so real as I saw life through their eyes and not just of a victorious superpower.

Where is God in all this? God isn't with the one who authorised the killing of innocent people, who pushed the button (so to speak). But God was there in the selflessness, kindness and compassion of so many who helped cared for the sick and dying, who supported the communities devastated by the blast. The saddest thing of this is that, in the years since, we have had our world leaders threatening nuclear annihilation of each other on a number of occasions. You'd really think that they would have learnt of the evil of these weapons.

Dear Parents,

I attended the P&F meeting last Monday night and I just love the way it draws interested parents along to assist the school in so many ways. I also love having a group of people that I can spend time with, bounce ideas off and whose company I just enjoy. If you would ever like to come along to a P&F meeting, you would be made feel most welcome. Our numbers are beginning to grow again which has been fantastic.

## Uniform Shop – 14<sup>th</sup> August and 18<sup>th</sup> September

Sandra Smithwick is running our second-hand uniform staff over two sessions this term. The first one will be next Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> August from 3:00pm to 3:45pm. This is handy as it's also the date of the junior school science expo that some may wish to pop along to look at.

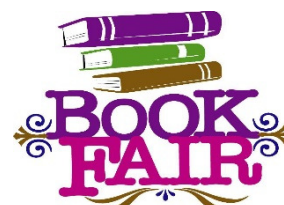
For those who do not know what the “go” is. You can pick up second-hand uniform for a gold coin donation **OR SWAP** with a piece of uniform that your child has outgrown. So, if your child's windcheater no longer fits, bring it along and swap it for one that does OR get an extra one for a gold coin donation.

## Head lice

We have had two reports of nits in the Junior school. Please check your child's hair to ensure the little blighters haven't gone for a holiday on your child's head!

## Book Fair

The Book Fair is running this week from the 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> August. The students have been busily looking at the books available and writing a bit of a wish list. There is no compulsion to purchase anything on offer, that is entirely a family decision.



I would like to thank our Rosie Pane for organising this event and for setting it up so beautifully.

## Parents & Friends Meeting

I have placed the minutes from last Monday's Parents and Friends meeting at the end of this newsletter. It was a great conversation with lots of ideas on how to improve things at the school as well as the P&F sponsoring an Obstacool Day (google it) for the students.

## Vacation Care – Booking form

The booking form for our vacation care program is attached to today's newsletter. The vacation care program will run in the first week of the term three holidays. As the Friday of that week is a Grand Final day holiday, it will run for the four days (from Monday to Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept to 26<sup>th</sup> Sept). Cost will remain the same at \$42.00 per day (or part thereof).

## Parent Evening – SAVE the DATE – 28<sup>th</sup> August 2019

The school board have been exploring ways to support our families. During a survey of parents back in May, a few themes were identified. One of those themes was regarding children with anxiety. To this end, the Board has asked Dr Tegan Podubinski to present on this topic to interested parents.

Tegan will give a talk on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August from 5:30pm to 6.30pm for interested parents. It will be well worth listening to Tegan as it is hoped that she will provide advice on what to look for and strategies for supporting children. An hour well spent I'd say!

## Assembly – Friday

This Friday's assembly will be run by Year 1/2 Cassidy and Bray. Parents and friends are always welcome to our assemblies. 9.00am this Friday.

THANK YOU HOURIGAN FAMILY FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

## Father's Day – Something Different

At last week's staff meeting, one of the many things that was discussed was how to celebrate Father's Day this year. It has been decided that, instead of an Assembly, we will hold a father/son/daughter breakfast commencing at 8:00 am. Hopefully, we'll get Dads along for a bacon and egg roll and a bit of quality time at school with their child/ren. They may like to visit classrooms and let their child show them their work space and what they've been up to. We're hoping to get as many dads as possible. A notice will be sent out in coming weeks as we will need to get approximate numbers for catering purposes.

## Staff Meetings – Change of Time

We have changed our staff meeting night to Tuesday night from 3:45pm to 5:00pm. I would be grateful if parents could avoid catching teachers after school on this night unless it is urgent/important. This will allow our meetings to begin on time. Thank you for your understanding.

## Principal Appraisal

My current contract with St Patrick's School, requires that I undergo an appraisal process in the second last year of my contract. This is largely achieved using professional people who are independent of the Diocese Sandhurst. To this end, students, staff and a random sample of parents will be asked to fill out a survey (online) that looks at all the elements of my performance here at St Patrick's. I would like to thank those asked to participate, in advance for their assistance in providing feedback. The survey will run from the 5<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> August. Parents asked to participate will be contacted before then.

## 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

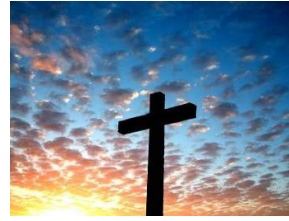
Our newsletter can be accessed on our website and our Facebook page. Annette (in the Office) also has a mailing list that she is happy to include you on. Simply email Annette on:

[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 RINALDOS CASA CUSINA 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

AUGUST	8 <sup>th</sup>	-	Book Fair Buying
	12 <sup>th</sup>	-	A3 Coaches for Year 5/6
	13 <sup>th</sup>	-	9.00am Learning Walk – Math’s Focus
	14 <sup>th</sup>	-	Science Expo
	14 <sup>th</sup>	-	3.00pm – 3.45pm Secondhand Uniform Stall
	16 <sup>th</sup>	-	ABLAZE – Year 5/6 – Wodonga
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	-	9.00am BOOK PARADE
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	-	Bluearth Morning
	26 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup>	-	Music-A-Viva
	28 <sup>th</sup>	-	5.30pm Parent Evening Dr Tegan Podubinski
	29 <sup>th</sup>	-	9.00am Father’s Day Stall
SEPTEMBER	2 <sup>nd</sup>	-	6.00pm P & F Meeting
	4 <sup>th</sup>	-	Athletics
	6 <sup>th</sup>	-	8.00am Father’s Day Breakfast
	9 <sup>th</sup>	-	<b>PUPIL FREE</b>
	18 <sup>th</sup>	-	3.00pm – 3.45pm Secondhand Uniform Stall
	19 <sup>th</sup>	-	Festival of the Sacred (Galen College)
	19 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup>	-	Year 3/4 Camp – Nillahcootie

## Crystal Valley Music

Crystal Valley Music lessons will be postponed for the next few weeks, due to unforeseen circumstances.

Please stay tuned for more information regarding recommencement of lessons.  
We thank you for your patience and understanding,

Celine Muir  
Director of Crystal Valley Music

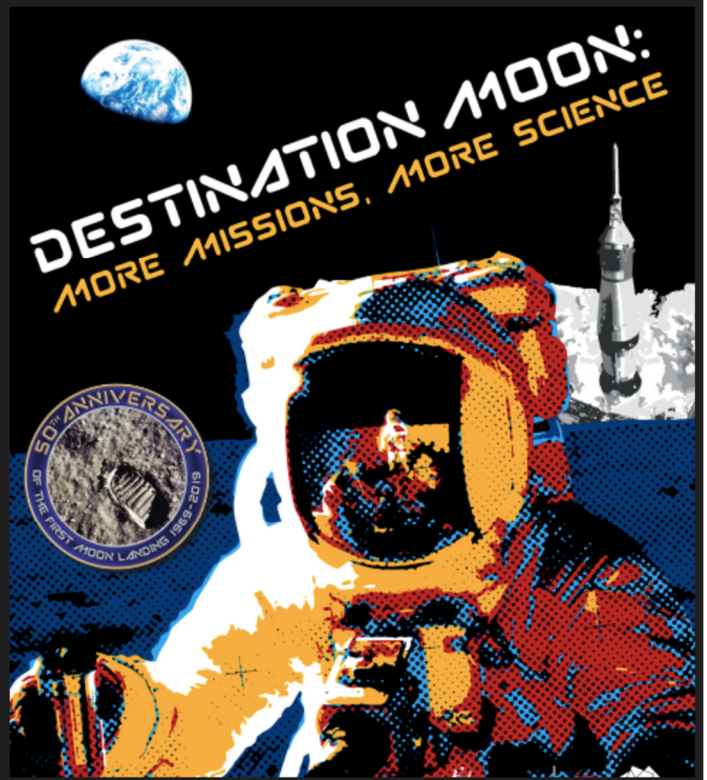
THANK YOU **PULSATE DANCE ACADEMY** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

## national science week 2019

This year at St Patrick's to celebrate National Science Week and the 50th anniversary of man landing on the Moon, we are hosting a mass rocket launch!

The F-2 classes have been busy building rockets to explore or Physics unit about pushes and pulls.

You are invited to witness this exciting event on Wednesday the 14th August at 2.45pm.



## Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships

### Gender and Identity

This week's learning intention is for the students to

- Identify some of the different things that they enjoy doing
- To compare ways in which their preferences may be similar to or different from those of their peers
- Identify that it is important to have a variety of skills and strengths to develop resilience
- Identify that knowing about our own and other people's interests and preferences can improve the way we work and play together

## MAYFAIR SHOWBAGS



WANTED PLEASE –

McDonald's Toys (in the wrappers),  
COLES Minis,  
SAFEWAY Lion King Ooshies,  
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

# CHATTER MATTERS

## Pragmatics and Social skills

*Focus: Developing resilience;*

Many children have difficulty adapting to changes or difficult situations that arise throughout life. For example; Starting a new school, making new friends, completing homework on time etc. Providing children with the tools to succeed during these situations will not only build resilience but may prevent those awful meltdowns.

- Providing **Visual schedules and timetables** for your child will let them know ahead of time what's happening and what is expected of them. They relieve the child's anxiety as surprises or changes can be timetabled in.

The following link outlines the benefits of visual schedules and provides excellent examples.

<https://ahrc.eq.edu.au/services/fba-tool/help/visual-schedule>)

- **Social stories** also helps the child to go through the steps involved in order to complete a task successfully. Go to this link for good examples of social stories and how to use them to guide your child's behaviour and/or social skills.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/learningneeds/Pages/supportmaterials.aspx#link35>

Books that focus on resilience in children include 'Oh the places you'll go' by Dr. Seuss and 'The little engine that could' by Watty Piper



## BOOK FAIR

MONDAY 5<sup>th</sup> AUGUST TO  
THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

*BOOK FAIR TO BE HELD IN FISHBOWL/LIBRARY*



**23 - 24 AUGUST 2019 • 4PM - 9PM**

PRESENTED BY



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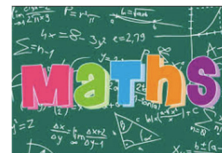


THANK YOU **KMART WANGARATTA** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

## LEARNING WALK AUGUST 13<sup>th</sup>

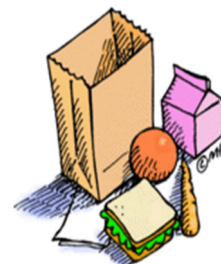


On August 13<sup>th</sup>, St Pat's will be conducting a Learning Walk. We will focus on how Maths is taught in years 3-6. We will meet in the front office at 9.00am, so please spread the word to new and existing parents or bring a friend or two! Spread the word.



## LUNCH ORDERS

*The Bakers Wife Sandwich Shop In conjunction with Appin Street Bakery would like to offer school lunches to your children. We have a limited number of items initially until we find our feet but basically all items will be made on premises fresh on the day that your child receives their lunch. At this stage it will be lunch only on **Fridays**. What we do offer is fresh food that will be delivered on time to St Patricks for your kids to enjoy. Lunch orders need to be in the office by 9.00am on Friday mornings.*



## **St Patrick's Vacation Care – Mon - Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> September**

Please complete the form and return to the office.

Name and Age of Children

- 1).....
- 2).....
- 3).....

Please indicate the day/s of interest

Days of attendance for Week One (please tick)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September    | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September | <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> September |

Please know that all activities and any excursions will be told prior to commencement of the holidays. All meals will be provided by parents.

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

NOTES.....

THANK YOU **MALT SHED** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

# PAT ON THE BACK

<b>Foundation</b> Mrs Levesque	Congratulations to <b>OLIVER NICOLL</b> for being an enthusiastic learner who uses a positive mindset when completing challenging tasks. Well done!
<b>Foundation</b> Mrs Shaw	Congratulations to <b>ANTHONY MELOURY</b> for being such a helpful and thoughtful class member. He is always willing to help others and consistently uses his initiative. Well done, Anthony!
<b>Year 1/2</b> Mrs Bray	A big pat on the back to <b>LEWIS WATT</b> for being a wonderful 'friend finder'. He invites lots of people to play happily with him. Keep it up 'superstar'.
<b>Year 1/2</b> Cassidy/Barry	Congratulations to <b>JOSEPH ROBERTSON</b> for the enthusiasm he displays when completing challenging mathematical tasks and is also able to articulate his thinking and assist his peers when explaining the challenge to them. Keep it up!
<b>Year 1/2</b> Ms Rinaldi	A big pat on the back to <b>RILEY SESSIONS</b> for showing initiative in the classroom. Riley is able to see what needs to happen and goes about his work quickly and quietly. You set a great example, Riley!
<b>Year 1/2</b> Mr Capper	Congratulations to <b>BRENT LESTINO</b> for his wonderful care and respect for others and the focus on his work is a joy to see. It has been a pleasure to have worked with Brent!
<b>Year 3/4</b> Nicoll/Lynch	Congratulations to <b>MIA YOUNGER</b> for the positivity and energy that she demonstrates in all aspects of her learning. Mia always accepts challenges with enthusiasm!
<b>Year 3/4</b> Mrs Newton	A big pat on the back to <b>BROOKE STYLES</b> for the expression she used when reading her research project on the African Elephant. I really enjoyed listening to your post on Seesaw!
<b>Year 3/4</b> Mrs Rizzo	A big pat on the back to <b>DOMINIC CICCONE</b> for the conscientious way he approaches his learning. Dominic makes many insightful comments and contributions to class discussions and he accepts challenges with positivity and enthusiasm. Well done, Dom!
<b>Year 3/4</b> Mr Levesque	A big pat on the back <b>JACK HOURIGAN</b> for being a positive learner by being organised, ready to learn and always giving his best effort.
<b>Year 5/6</b> Mrs O'Connor	Congratulations to <b>RHIANNON WHYBROW</b> for the effort and persistence she has shown towards mastering the bar model method of problem-solving in mathematics. Well done!
<b>Year 5/6</b> Ackerly/Higgs	Congratulations to <b>RYAN MCKAY</b> for the effort he put into writing his podcast about The Final Quarter documentary. Well done!
<b>Year 5/6</b> Mrs Di Stasio	Congratulations to <b>PIPER ATTERIDGE</b> for her super effort at the AFL 9s Clinic. She showed teamwork, enthusiasm and a real "have a go" attitude as she learned different skills from the Galen students, culminating with a great goal. Great job!
<b>Special Award</b> Mrs Patterson	Congratulations to <b>TRISTAN PERUZZO</b> for the determination he displays in ANT groups. Keep it up Tristan!



# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CLASSROOM

Welcome to week 4!

It is Book Fair Week, and this always brings excitement and anticipation to the students. If you'd like your child to buy a book, they have the opportunity to purchase on - Foundation Levesque - Wednesday, Foundation Shaw - Thursday.

**Religion:** This week the students will continue to create their own prayer book. They will discuss and create four different prayers we can use - Asking, Forgiving, Praise and Thank you prayers. The students will also be preparing their own special prayer box to keep at home.

**Literacy:** This week's non-fiction books.  
Foundation Levesque - 'Sea Creatures'  
Foundation Shaw - 'Insects'

The students will work through a variety of activities related to the big book in their class. They will continue to write lists, gather facts and create fact book/posters relating to the big book. The students will continue to practise the one hundred most frequently used words, rhyme, syllables and find blends in words. This week the children will focus on the short vowel 'o', e.g. op and ot.

**Mathematics:** The students will continue to investigate the maths process of addition. They will be using a range of practical strategies for adding small groups of numbers, such as visual displays and concrete materials. They will also share practical situations to model addition and subtraction to show which process they need to apply.

**Inquiry:** The children will continue with the unit, 'Fairness and Friendship' the students will continue to work on how to be a helpful classmate and how to show fairness in our everyday lives whilst also naming rules and expectations at home.

**RRRR's:** The students will be invited to read through wonderings from last session.

They have been discussing, 'Can.....'

- Girls can be similar to or different from each other
  - Boys can be similar to or different from each other
  - Girls and boys can like and do the same things.
- Students will play games and discuss the wonderings.

**Show and Tell:**

**This week** - . Something that begins or ends with the sound 'ch'.

**Next week** - A number/s in a catalogue that you can read.

**Dates to remember-**

6th August- 8th August - **BOOK FAIR**

15th August - Liturgy 9.05am

22nd August - Dress up Book Parade

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

At the end of this week, we say goodbye to Mrs Susan Krake. We know Year 1/2 Capper have enjoyed the last 4 weeks with Susan and we have all appreciated her wonderful ideas. We would also like to wish Susan and her husband a wonderful time on their upcoming overseas adventures.

THANK YOU **LONDRIGAN MEATS** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

Next week, we welcome back Mr Capper and look forward to hearing all about his adventures on his travels.

Our learning focus for the week: -

**Religion** - Our unit "We can pray in different ways" continues with the students looking at the different forms of prayer such as thanks, forgiveness and petition. We will discuss how the Church is a special place for the community to gather, celebrate and pray. The students will continue to be given the opportunity to compose their own prayers.

**Literacy** - our spelling topics are 'y as in yes' and 'pl as in plan'. We will use our readers and class stories to find the many uses for commas. Commas will also be a focus that we will encourage the students to use in their own writing. We will continue to explore the many forms of poetry and provide further opportunities for the students to compose their own. You might like to ask your child to share with you, the different poems they have created. Our class stories this week will have the focus on 'Dreamtime stories' which will link to our Inquiry topic.

**Oral language** - Show and tell - encouraging the students to name a country they have visited or would like to visit and why?

**Mathematics** - we will continue with our focus on 'Fractions' through various games and practical situations. Through discussions about where they see or hear 'half, quarters and eighths', the students will be given the opportunities to show numerical and visual representations of these fractions. The focus will be on the students naming the number of items shown and what fraction of this, is shown. Comparing fractions will allow the students to see equivalent fractions and provide discussions about which is more eg ' $\frac{1}{2}$  of 8 or  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 8'.

**Inquiry** - we continue with our unit 'Celebrate Differences' in our world. This week, we will explore our Indigenous Culture by looking at where we see the art, the acknowledgment of country and listen to the 'Dreamtime Stories'. If you have a link to another culture and would like to share with us, please let your child's classroom teacher know. The students enjoy it when parents and grandparents are a part of their and their peer's learning.

Dates to remember:

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| Week 4 -  | Mon/Wed - Book Fair - students make a wish list and can purchase books |
| Thursday  | 8th August - Mary McKillop liturgy                                     |
| Friday    | 9th August - Assembly - Year 1/2 Cassidy/Bray                          |
| Friday    | 9th August - Mass - Year 1/2 Bray (change from Week 5)                 |
| Week 5 -  | 14th August - Science Expo - afternoon                                 |
| Friday    | 16th August - Assembly - Year 1/2 Rinaldi                              |
| Friday    | 16th August - Mass - Year 1/2 Capper (Change from Week 4)              |
| Week 6 -  | 22nd August - Dress up Book Parade                                     |
| Friday    | 23rd August - Blueearth morning  |
| Friday    | 23rd August - Mass - Year 1/2 Cassidy                                  |
| Week 7 -  | 30th August - Father's Day breakfast                                   |
|           | 30th August - Mass - Year 1/2 Rinaldi                                  |
| Week 9 -  | 9th September - Pupil Free Day   |
| Week 10 - | Friday 20th September - Last day of term                               |

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

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

### **Some dates to remember:**

5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> August Book Fair  
8th August - Mary McKillop Liturgy in school Hall 9:00am  
22<sup>nd</sup> August – Book Parade 9:00am  
30<sup>th</sup> August – Father’s Day Breakfast 8:00am  
9<sup>th</sup> September – Pupil Free Day  
19<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> September – 3/4 Camp to Nillahcootie

**Learning Walk:** Please join us on the 13<sup>th</sup> August for our Numeracy learning walk, looking at Year 3-6 levels. The learning walk will kick off at 9:00am and we will meet at the front office.

**School Camp:** Please return permission notes and medical forms as soon as possible as this allows adequate time for staff to plan the camp. Any parents wishing to go into the ballot as ‘camp helpers’ are also asked to return the ‘expression of interest’ as soon as possible so that we can complete this part of the process. This will then allow the selected parents to make plans with their respective employers.

**Religion:** This week the students continue reflecting and sharing their understandings about what it means to be a follower of Jesus. They are listening to, reading and interpreting Gospel stories and parables through a variety of activities such as echo-mimes and liquid pictures. Students are also comparing the choices Jesus made with the choices we make today.

**Literacy & Inquiry:** This week during Reading sessions the students are continuing to develop their understanding of the structure of a biography by exploring a variety of texts about well-known people and looking at some language features of a biography such as third person, past tense and time connectives.

During Writing sessions this week and in conjunction with the Inquiry unit, ‘Someone Else’s Shoes’, the teacher will model, and students will focus on researching and taking notes on a well-known person with a disability. This will lead on to students constructing their own biographies.

Spelling: oi as in boil and oy as in boy.

**Numeracy:** Over the next four weeks the students will be investigating the relationship between multiplication and division facts and using them to problem solve. They will be developing efficient mental and written strategies that will assist with calculations, solving problems involving multiplication and division and exploring the relationship between multiplication and division. The students will partition, rearrange and regroup numbers through digital activities, hands on materials such as MAB blocks & counters, and games using dice and playing cards. Each week the students will also learn/revise their times tables which will help with developing automatic recall.

**Uniform:** Please ensure that students come to school in correct school uniform, including appropriate footwear. We do understand that there will be times when children have outgrown footwear and that this is an expensive uniform item. If your child is required to be ‘out of uniform’ for some reason, please advise Mr Corrigan and your child’s teacher.

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

We are very happy to a welcome new student to our team. Welcome Patrick, we hope you settle into your class and new school well!

THANK YOU **PARK LANE NURSERY** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

### Coming up:

**August 20th:** AFL 9s Carnival, Galen College

**July 15th, 29th, August 12th & 26th:** Australian School Performing Arts (ASPA) Workshops at school.

**August 16th:** Ablaze excursion to Wodonga (students will need a packed lunch and drink bottle)

**August 22nd:** Book Parade

**August 23rd:** Year 5/6 present assembly

### Curriculum News:

**Numeracy Focus** - Students continue to apply their understanding of the BAR Model to solving multi-step problems that involve fractions and all four processes. We are working with Base 10 blocks and counters to further consolidate understanding of fraction concepts.

**Reading Focus** - Students continue to develop reading skills through Literacy Circles and are reading and sharing parables from the Bible through Readers Theatre.

**Writing** - After watching the documentary 'The Final Quarter' by director Ian Darling, students continue to write their scripts for their podcast in response to the question 'How can sport help to create a more inclusive Australian society?' Students will record their podcasts using Garage Band and experiment with music and sound effects.

**Inquiry** - Students have selected a 'problem' they would like to further explore from the list of 'sanitation, poverty, illiteracy and malnutrition'. They have created an 'infographic' to present some information and will begin thinking about how they are going to persuade and inform an audience about the problem.

**RE** - We continue to look at the role Jesus played in Luke's Gospel through the parables and examining people, context and messages from Luke's Gospel and considering how these messages are relevant today. Students will 'recontextualise' (make the Bible relevant to their lives) a parable through readers theatre and share with the class.

**Mary Mackillop Liturgy** - To be held in the hall tomorrow morning.

**Radio** - Benny and Charlie 5/6 O'Connor, will be presenting the St Patrick's Radio Hour on Thursday from 2:00pm on Oak FM. We hope you all saw the Chronicle stars Cody & Drew last week.

**RRRR'S** - This term we exploring issues relating to gender and identity.

### **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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# BOOK FAIR ROSTER 2019

	BUYING	BUYING
	<i>WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> AUGUST</i>	<i>THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> AUGUST</i>
9.00am to 9.30am	<b>FOUND LEVES</b>	<b>5/6 O'CONNOR</b>
9.30am to 10.00am	<b>5/6 ACKERLY</b>	<b>FOUND SHAW</b>
10.00am to 10.30am	<b>3/4 NICOLL</b>	<b>5/6 RICKARD</b>
11.30am to 12.00pm	<b>1/2 BRAY</b>	<b>3/4 RIZZO</b>
12.00pm to 12.30pm		
12.30pm to 1.00pm		<b>3/4 LEVES</b>
2.00pm to 2.30pm	<b>1/2 RINALDI</b>	<b>1/2 CASSIDY</b>
2.30pm to 3.00pm	<b>1/2 CAPPER</b>	
3.00pm to 3.30pm	<b>3/4 NEWTON</b>	

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# **PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETING**

## **MONDAY 5<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

Meeting commenced at 6.00pm

**Present:** Sara D'Agostino, Sarah Smith, David Moroney, Terry Corrigan, Bridget Hourigan, Hannah Robinson, Annette Beitzel, Sandra Macklan, Laura Tonkin

**Apologies:** Kate Finnigan

**Minutes of previous meeting:**                      **Passed:** Sara  
**Second:** David

David was in attendance last meeting – please add to minutes              **(Complete)**

**Business arising from previous minutes:**

**Principals Report:**

- Term has started well
- Terry is undergoing a Principal's appraisal. Random families will be selected to participate in an online survey.
- No news from the capital grant as yet – may be a while

**Teacher's Report:**

- 13<sup>th</sup> August 9am – learning walk. This will have a numeracy with the level 3-6.
- Will be going to all the classes in these year levels
- Will take approx. 1 hour

**Treasure's Report:**

- See attached report

**Mother's Day Stall:**

- Patrick Robinson has volunteered to run the Mother's Day stall in 2020.
- Patrick will round up other fathers to help out

**Ovens St Yard Beautification:**

- Unable to do too much as this is the access point for the capital grant
- Can we approach Cathedral to use the portable classrooms across the road (their old campus) during the capital grant works (3 months) – Terry to chat to the Bishop
- Looking for long and short term plans
- Remove tan bark in between garden beds, can use as a tactile play area
- Sensory garden/quiet area to chill out
- Quieter/calmer space for kids to use when they feel overwhelmed
- Passive play area
- Trellises along the prep area, big pots

- Garden guru's has been a hit, especially with the junior school
- Re paint the basketball areas
- Interactive with the front garden space
- Home corner in front of the hall – cubby house etc
- Replacing bubble taps – Could possibly get a grant to assist with this
- Terry to get a couple of plumbers to quote replacement of bubble taps
- Put some greenery around bubble taps to provide shade and assist with keeping the water cooler.

### **Obstacle Course:**

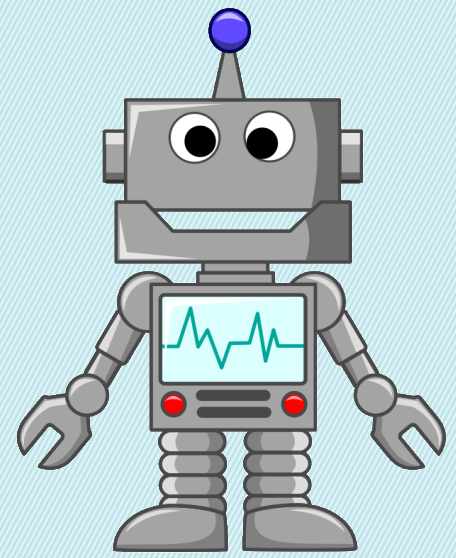
- End of year, break up event for the school.
- Limited dates available at the end of term 4
- There are some dates at the beginning of term 4  
1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> November are available (Fridays)
- Tentatively book 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2<sup>nd</sup> preference 29<sup>th</sup> November
- Terry to talk to leadership group
- Bridget to check with RCoW permissions to use Merriwa Park
- Will need parent helpers on the day for set up/pack up etc
- Icy poles left over from the colour run that can be used
- Will also have food – pizza or hot dogs

### **2<sup>ND</sup> Hand Uniform Stall:**

- Was unable to hold the stall last term
- Sandra to let Terry know the new date of the stall.
- Promote in the newsletter and on Remind app
- Do we need a stall now for winter things or wait until Sept
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August 3:00pm – 3:45pm Winter uniform
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 3:00pm – 3:45pm Summer uniform

**Meeting Closed:** 6:50pm

**Next Meeting:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 6:00pm



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Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August

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