



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

8th October 2019

The Freedom in Forgiveness

If you're anything like me, then forgiving others that have hurt you in some way doesn't always come easy. Oh, I used to pretend with the best of them that things didn't hurt even when they did. Growing up "big boned" as my mother used to say (that's fat to everyone else), had its share of problems. I learnt pretty quickly that a sharp wit and an acid tongue would keep most of the unpleasantness at bay. I also learnt to laugh at myself and see the funny side as this often diffused a tense situation. It probably also helped me to cope with a lot of the stresses of adolescence.

As I've gotten older, I've come to realise that forgiving others is as much about the "forgiver" as it is about the "forgivee". You cannot forgive someone unless it's unconditional and from the heart – no strings attached. In the past, I've "forgiven" someone a wrong, but it still has grated on me that they had the last say or ended up with some sort of advantage that I felt they didn't deserve. When I think about it now, I haven't really forgiven anyone anything. The real freedom in forgiveness is that letting go. It doesn't matter anymore. I forgive you and now I can move on. I'm not being dragged back by feelings of hurt or anger.

With these beautiful children in our care, we want them to be risk takers because we know that that's how real learning takes place. That said, we want them to be resilient, to bounce back quickly from mistakes. Making mistakes is part of life. It doesn't end there though, otherwise we'd all end up "basket cases" as we lumbered from one mistake to the next. We want our children to experience the growth in forgiveness. Forgiving themselves when they mess up as well as seeking reconciliation from those that they may have wronged in some way. Equally, we must forgive ourselves when we don't reach the bar or attain the goal. There is a healing in forgiveness that helps us to do better.

Now, I'm not advocating "turning the other cheek" and pretending nothing has happened but neither am I advocating an "eye for an eye" which I think nullifies our ability to forgive. If you can only forgive someone who has wronged you by wronging them, then you haven't forgiven anyone. True forgiveness is an act of love and it is therefore, by its very nature, unconditional. When Jesus said of his accusers whilst on the cross, "Father forgive them for they know not what they are doing", he was actually saying to his Father that he had already forgiven them even as he was dying. God loves us unconditionally and therefore he forgives us unconditionally.

THANK YOU **FLETCHER'S SUPPLIES** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to another term. This term will fly by so quickly. So much to do and so little time to do it. It's at this time of the year that I really begin to reflect on our graduating Year Six class. I look at these students and remember all of the wonderful (and sometimes not-so-wonderful!) things that have happened as they journeyed through primary school. When I allow myself that little indulgence, I can't help but feel a sense of pride at how far they have come and what wonderful adults they are going to be.

Life Relationships Evening

There will be a Life Relationships program being run on Thursday, 17th October at 6.30pm in the school hall. The program is for Year 5 and 6 students and their parents. This program is supported by the Diocese of Sandhurst. It should run for approximately one hour.

Installation of New Bishop



Fr Shane Mackinlay will be installed as the new Bishop of Sandhurst on Wednesday 16th October at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Bendigo commencing at 12.00pm. He replaces our retiring Bishop Leslie Tomlinson who has been Bishop of Sandhurst since 2012.

Father Mackinlay was ordained as a priest for the Ballarat Diocese in 1991 and has serviced the Parishes of Hamilton, Colac and Ballarat Cathedral. He was the spokesperson for the Catholic Church from 2012 to 2014 during the Victorian Parliamentary Inquiry into the Handling of Child Abuse by Religious and other Non- Government Organisations. Father Mackinlay was also the secretary to the Bishop of Ballarat from 1998 to 2001 and has been the chairperson of the Bishop's Advisory Council of the Ballarat Diocese since it was established in 2009.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Some of our Year Three students have just begun their preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This Sacrament will be conferred at one of three celebrations (12th, 13th and 14th November) at either St Patrick's Church, Our lady's Church and at St Bernard's Chapel.



Parents and Friends News

The Parents and Friends are organising a number of activities over the coming months:

OBSTACOOOL will run at Merriwa Park on Friday 1st November. Obstacool is an inflatable fitness facility designed for fun and supporting activity. This is being funded by the Parents and Friends for the benefit of our beautiful students. The P&F are also supplying a piece of pizza for lunch. There will be more details on that next week.

Family Breakfast: This is set down for Friday 13th December from 8.00am to 9.00am. It is hoped that we can attract lots of families to join us for breakfast and a catch up with other families and teachers. The P&F are "running the show" and all costs will be met by them. It's a great opportunity to get together.

The P&F are also exploring other activities for early next year. The Colour Fun Run will occur in Term One (sometime in March - date to be set). They are also discussing a social get together for early next year to welcome new families and welcome back existing families.

THANK YOU **FORTY WINKS** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

PREP Transition Days

Our Prep (FOUNDATION) transition days are set down for the following dates and times:

7 th November –	9.15am to 10.45am
20 th November -	9.15am to 10.45am
10 th December -	9.15am to 12.00pm

There will also be a Prep Information session for parents on Wednesday, 20th November at 6.00pm in the school hall. This meeting should run no longer than one hour. Its aim is to give parents some information on preparing their child for school, letting them know some of the school's processes and procedures to support them and a chance to meet other parents.

School Hats



Students are expected to wear a hat at recess and lunch times in Terms One and Four. This is in keeping with our SunSmart policy. Children without a hat are required to restrict their play to under the pavilion to avoid excessive sun exposure. Children with a hat are free to roam at will (so to speak!). The school also provides sunscreen in each class which the students are free to use. Some parents elect to send their child along with their own sunscreen from home and that is perfectly fine as well.

End of Year Reports – WE NEED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS please

This year St Patrick's will be offering parents the opportunity to view and download students' **End of Year Reports** electronically, using our reporting software **nForma** and its Parent Portal. We are currently setting this up and will let you know when it is ready to go.



To take advantage of this environmentally preferable alternative, we will need an email address to which we can send the secure log in details.

Please update your email contact details (along with any relevant phone number or address updates that we may need to know) by contacting the office or completing the attached form.

Alternatively you can email Annette (abeitzel@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au) or Rosie (rpane@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au) and in doing so, we will have your address that we can add to our data base.

Your contact details will not be shared with anyone and it is simply to allow parents to have access to the secure Parent Portal on "nForma".



EMAIL ADDRESSES FOR REPORTS

Name Email Address

THANK YOU **MCDONALD'S WANGARATTA** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

School Closure

St Patrick's School will be closed on Monday 4th November for a Bishop's Holiday and on Tuesday 5th November for the Melbourne Cup Holiday.

Assembly – Friday

This Friday's assembly will be run by yours truly (so please don't expect the "Ben Hur" productions that the classes are able to do - LOL). Parents and friends are always welcome to our assemblies. It begins at 9.00am in our school hall.

Web Calendar

If parents access the school's website (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 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.

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

THANK YOU PRECINCT BAR & RESTAURANT FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER	17 th	-	6.30pm Yr5/6 Life Relationships Evening
NOVEMBER	1 st	-	2.00pm Grandparent's Day
	1 st	-	Obstacool
	4 th	-	Bishop's Holiday – NO SCHOOL
	5 th	-	Melbourne Cup Day Holiday - NO SCHOOL
	7 th	-	9.15am – 10.40am Foundation Transition Day
	12 th	-	7.00pm Reconciliation at St Patrick's Church
	18 th - 22 nd	-	Yr 3-6 Swimming
	20 th	-	9.15am – 10.40am Foundation Transition Day
	20 th	-	6.00pm Prep 2020 Parent Information Evening
DECEMBER	4 th	-	5.30pm End of Year Concert under the Pavilion
	9 th	-	P/1/2 Swimming Program
	10 th	-	Whole School Transition Day
	11 th	-	P/1/2 Swimming Program
	12 th	-	P/1/2 Swimming Program
	13 th	-	P/1/2 Swimming Program
	13 th	-	8.00am Family Breakfast
	17 th	-	P/1/2 Swimming Program

CONTACT DETAILS



Everyday counts – school attendance

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

Missing school can have a major impact on a child's future – a student missing one day a fortnight will miss four full weeks by the end of the year. By Year 10 they'll have missed more than a year of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind and can affect their educational outcomes.

Coming to school every day is vital, but if for any reason your child must miss school, there are things we can do together to ensure they don't fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up. Remember, everyday counts.

THANK YOU **CAFÉ PREVUE** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

RECONCILIATION

Any children and parents, who don't have a group for Reconciliation preparation, and would like to participate in the school-based Steps of Faith program to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, you can join our group. The two sessions are on the 17th and 31st of October at 3:45pm in Ms O'Connor's classroom.

Please bring your Steps in Faith Booklet.

CHATTER MATTERS

Focus: Understanding longer and more complex sentences

Following instructions: Obstacle course

Obstacle courses not only work on following directions but work gross motor skills as well. Create an obstacle course using pillows to walk across, tunnels to climb through or jump on and a ball pit to end up in. Provide your child with instructions on how you would like them to complete the course. Initially start with one instruction increasing the steps to include two, three, four step instructions. To make this activity more difficult, you could include describing words (adjectives), e.g. step on the **red** cushion after you have picked up the **blue** ball or include joining words (conjunctions) e.g before, after, then, and etc.



What do I miss out on
when I am not at school?

Lots!

Class discussions with friends
and teachers.

Information and work that you will
have to catch up on.

You will also miss out on seeing
your friends

NO LUNCH ORDERS

There will be NO LUNCH ORDERS Friday 11th October or Friday 18th October. Lunch orders will commence again on Friday 25th October. Updated menu over page.

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.



AFTER SCHOOL CARE 2020

As we are approaching the end of the year, we require confirmation as to what days you will be requiring After-School Care for next year, to ensure that your child receives a place. Could those who utilise the After-School Care program, please fill out the form below to show what days your child will be attending next year. Your prompt response would be appreciated. Please return this form no later than Friday 6th December 2019.

If you haven't used the After School Care previously and require it for next year, you will need to fill out an enrolment form which can be collected from the office.

NAME Phone No

CHILD'S/CHILDREN'S NAME

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☐ MONDAY ☐ TUESDAY ☐ WEDNESDAY

☐ THURSDAY ☐ FRIDAY

THANK YOU **THE BEST CARWASH** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

UPDATED LUNCH MENU TERM 4

St Patricks Wangaratta

NAME: _____

YEAR (please circle) Prep - Grade 1/2 - Grade 3/4 - Grade 5/6

TEACHER _____

TOTAL PRICE: _____

PARENTS PHONE: _____

ITEM	PRICE	QTY
		lunch only
Blueberry Muffin	3.00	
Cinnamon Donut	2.20	
Lamington	2.60	
Party Pie	1.00	
Party Sausage Roll	1.00	
Pie	3.70	
Sausage Roll	3.20	
Tomato Sauce	0.30	
Chicken & Salad Roll (please circle) W'Meal / White	5.00	
Ham & Salad Roll W'Meal / White	5.00	
Egg & Lettuce Sandwich W'Meal / White	4.00	
Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo Sandwich W'Meal / White	4.00	
Small Chick & Quinoa Salad (please circle) Mayo / O&P / Bals&Oil	5.00	
Large Chick & Quinoa Salad (please circle) Mayo / O&P / Bals&Oil	9.00	
Strawberry Milk	2.50	
Chocolate Milk	2.50	
Apple & Blackcurrant Juice	2.50	

Dressings for salads available Mayo / Orange & Poppyseed dress / Balsamic & Olive Oil

Please note any allergies here _____

PAT ON THE BACK

Foundation Mrs Levesque	Congratulations to LILY-ROSE CAMPBELL for the kind and caring way she plays and speaks with her peers. We are so lucky to have Lily-Rose in our class!
Foundation Mrs Shaw	Congratulations to CHLOE TRUONG for the wonderful reading she is doing at school. She is really doing a great job at quickly sounding out her words to understand unfamiliar words. Great work, Chloe!
Year 1/2 Mrs Bray	A big pat on the back to LUCA SOLIMO for the way he is an important role model in our classroom. He shows everyone how to be kind and caring and work independently. Keep it up superstar!
Year 1/2 Cassidy/Barry	Congratulations to VIOLET VIHM for always completing learning tasks beautifully and demonstrating great pride in her work. You are a star, Violet!
Year 1/2 Ms Rinaldi	Congratulations to HARRISON O'BRIEN for demonstrating fluency when reading. Even after his 3 month trip, he has continued to develop great skills as a reader!
Year 1/2 Mr Capper	Congratulations to PATRICK HUNTER for always being fully tuned in to instructions and works incredibly hard to produce the very best work possible. We are so pleased to have Patrick back after his big 3 month adventure around Australia.
Year 3/4 Nicoll/Lynch	Congratulations to MIA CRIMMINS for producing an informative and well-structured biography about the disabled wheelchair basketball and alpine skier, Alana Jane Nichols. Mia's text included an introduction, a series of events and a conclusion. Well done!
Year 3/4 Mrs Newton	A big pat on the back to LUCAS BUTLER for always demonstrating respect when on the mat. He listens attentively to others and waits his turn to contribute his opinion. Thank you for being a wonderful team member, Lucas!
Year 3/4 Mrs Rizzo	A big pat on the back to CRISTIANO GAKIS for the wonderful, positive start he has made at St Patrick's School this term. We are so happy to have you in our class! Welcome!!
Year 3/4 Mr Levesque	A big pat on the back to MANNIX SCOTT for monitoring his reading by rereading to check it makes sense, self-correcting mistakes and using expression.
Year 5/6 Mrs O'Connor	Congratulations to COOPER EYKENBOOM & KATIE CLIFFORD for their excellent problem-solving strategies and growth mindset in Mathematics.
Year 5/6 Ackerly/Elliott	Congratulations to LENNY CLAYTON for the positive way he has started Term 4! Lenny has shown great improvement in how he works with his team to provide possible solutions. Keep it up, Lenny!
Year 5/6 Mrs Rickard	Congratulations to FELICITY MURTAGH for the creative story and microscopic photos she took to produce her picture story book titled "The Adventures with Jerry". Great story Felicity and funny too!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CLASSROOM

FOUNDATION – Caz & Trish

Welcome back everyone to Term 4!

We trust you have all had a wonderful break and are ready for Term Four.

We especially welcome back Mrs Capper and Miss Eleanore Sirianni who are taking Mrs Levesque and Mrs Shaw's classes until they return from long service.

BLUEARTH will resume again this term and Foundation students will be having their lesson on Fridays. Therefore, the SPORT DAYS for Term 4 will revert back to Monday and Friday. Students will be required to wear sports uniform on these days.

REMINDER

Could we please ask that cakes and special treats for birthdays not to come to school due to some students in our rooms having allergies. We appreciate that birthdays are a special time, but we do ask for consideration of all students. Thank you for your support on this matter.

Religion: We begin the term with the unit, 'Our Church'. The students will discover that people belong to the Church. They will begin to develop an understanding of Church as a welcoming and caring community that gathers to celebrate.

Literacy: This week's fiction books.

Foundation Levesque - 'Wocket in my Pocket'.

Foundation Shaw - 'Wacky Wednesday'.

Students will create word lists from the Big Book that rhyme. Eg: wocket – pocket - socket etc

Mathematics: Students will be investigating simple data displays using objects and drawings. They will interpret data displays using yes/no questions.

Inquiry: Students will begin their new unit, 'Topsy Turvy Tales', they will be learning to think creatively whilst using their imaginations.

RRRR's: Students will practice enacting skills to support positive peer relations. They will identify and practice assertive and help-seeking strategies to help keep themselves safe in situations.

Show and Tell -

This week - An interesting item found in the environment.

Dates to remember -

Friday - 1st November, 2.00pm Grandparent's Day

Monday - 4th November - No School - PUPIL FREE

Tuesday - 5th November - No School - Melbourne Cup Day - PUPIL FREE

We are looking forward to another wonderful term with the students and your continued support in their learning.

Have a great week,

Ros, Eleanore, Carolyn and Trish

THANK YOU 24 SEVEN EVENT HIRE FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

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

Welcome back to Term Four! We hope all students and families had a restful break and are ready for what will be a very busy, but exciting term.

A reminder that the wearing of hats during outdoor play is compulsory during Term 4.

Literacy

The daily routine of reading continues and is as important during Term Four as any other time of the year. This is often when children make the most progress with their learning. So please keep up the routine, despite the busyness of school and home life.

Please also ensure the green reader bags come to school each day along with the yellow Reading Log.

This week, the students will be recalling events from their holidays to complete some recount writing. Spelling this week is 'old' as in 'told' and 'ch' as in 'chop'.

Numeracy

Our focus in Numeracy for the next two weeks is in the area of Statistics and Probability. Students will collect data using a variety of methods and then interpret this data, in order to represent it in a way that is meaningful.

Religious Education

This term we commence our new unit, 'Loving God and Others – Our call to Mission.' This ties in beautifully with Mission Month in October, where the students take the time to think of those less fortunate and what they can do improve the lives of others.

Inquiry

This term's Inquiry unit is titled, 'Robot Buddies.' Students will participate in programming and will learn about the properties of different materials, considering which materials they should use to ultimately create their own robot! They will practice thinking creatively and imaginatively as they learn all about the roles of robots in our ever-changing world.

Dates to Remember:

21st October: Milo Cricket Clinic

1st November: 2.00pm Grandparent's Day

4th November: Bishop's Holiday

5th November: Melbourne Cup Holiday

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

Welcome to the final term of the school year - how time has flown!

Some dates to remember:

Friday 11th October - 3/4 Newton (Midday Mass)

Friday 18th October - 3/4 Nicoll/ Lynch and 3/4 Newton Assembly (9:00 am); 3/4 Nicoll/Lynch (Midday Mass)

Friday 25th October - 3/4 Levesque and 3/4 Rizzo Assembly (9:00 am)

Friday 1st November – 2.00pm Grandparent's Day Celebration

Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th November - Bishop's Holiday & Melbourne Cup Holiday

Friday 8th November - 3/4 Rizzo (Midday Mass)

Monday 11th November - Remembrance Day Liturgy (9:00 am)

Tuesday 12th November - St Patrick's Reconciliation (7:00 pm)

Monday 2nd December - 3/4 Advent Liturgy

Friday 6th December - 3/4 Levesque (Midday Mass)

School Camp

On behalf of the 3/4 students and teachers, a very big thank you is extended to **Rick Canning, Kate Finnigan, Luke Matheson** and **Bec Dalton** for the tremendous assistance provided during our recent 3/4 camp to Nillahcootie. Without your support this camp would not have run as smoothly as it did! A very big thanks to Mrs Bray and Mr Lynch who also attended our camp as teacher replacements.

The teachers would also like to congratulate the 3/4 students for their excellent behaviour and the enthusiasm with which they participated in all of the activities, challenging and supporting each other.

Religious Education

This week the 3/4 classes will begin a new Religious Education unit, ***Jesus Models Forgiveness***. In this unit students will be given an opportunity to understand that through sin we harm our relationship with self, others and God. They will learn that Jesus teaches us about healing, forgiveness and reconciliation. Through the Scriptures the students will come to know Jesus' loving acceptance of others.

Inquiry & Literacy

This term our Literacy unit will once again be guided by our Inquiry through line. This term, we will be exploring the concept of 'creativity'. The Inquiry unit ***Frame By Frame*** will guide students to recognise all of the different ways that people can be creative. Students will explore Reader's Theatre and script writing in order to develop their own story which will include a plot, characters, settings and props. Following this, students will learn how to produce a storyboard to depict the most interesting scene from their story idea. We are then hoping to progress to building models of our sets and bringing our creative ideas to life by capturing the images using 'stop motion animation'.

Spelling focus: ght as in thought

Numeracy

This week in Numeracy we will continue to focus on multiplication written strategies and we will also extend to division written strategies. Please encourage your child to model their thinking and understanding at home as repetition and discussion are paramount to consolidating the skills and strategies learnt at school.

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. This can be done with a note or a phone call. Thank you for your understanding.

Absences/ Late Arrivals

Please be advised that if a student is absent due to illness, an appointment etc. or if he/she will be arriving to school late, the school office or the classroom teacher must be notified either by phone, email or a note. A verbal notification of absence by the student or a sibling cannot be accepted for legal reasons.

YEAR FIVE/SIX – Andrea, Helen & Sharyn

Welcome Back to Term 4! We hope you have had a restful holiday and are ready for a jam-packed final term. We are delighted with how well the students have settled back into their learning. We welcome Jordynne, a year 5 student to our team. We hope you feel welcomed at St Patrick's Jordynne.

Events Coming up:

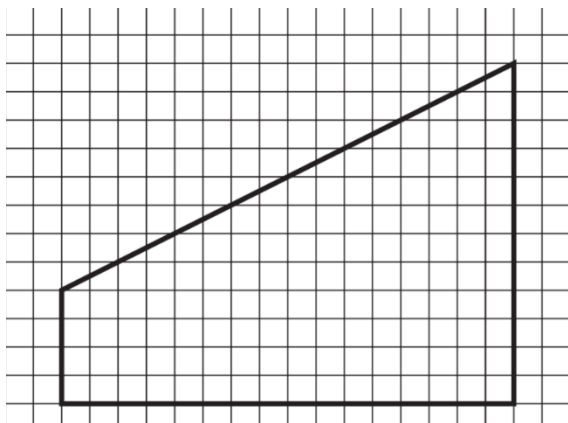
11th October: Division Athletics Day

17th October: Life Relationships Parent Education Session - School Hall @ 6:30pm-7:30pm

30th October: T20 Blast Cricket (more information to come)

Curriculum News:

Numeracy Focus - Taking Apart Prisms and Polygons - students are currently learning about the mathematical ideas of area and volume, with an emphasis on learning from each other to find more effective strategies to calculate measurements. Students are encouraged to use visualisation techniques to solve the problem and then convince their group as to why their strategy is the most effective.



How would you calculate the area of this quadrilateral?

Robotics - This term the Year 6 students will be participating in the Robotics program conducted in conjunction with GoTAFE Wangaratta. The student's first visit to GoTafe will be on the 31st October. More information to come.

Reading Focus - Students will be learning about the strategy of 'activate prior knowledge' before reading a text. They will be encouraged to think carefully about what they already know about the concept/story/theme, in order to make connections with the text.

Writing - Students writing a narrative from the picture prompt below.



*What?
Who?
Why?
Where?
When?
First or third person?
Genre? Sub-genre?*

Inquiry - In the Bizarre Bazaar unit, students will gain a real-life understanding of the design and production process when creating a brand for a new product. They will produce and sell a product at the Bizarre Bazaar Market later this term.

RE - We will conclude our Life Relationships Unit with a parent, child information session next Thursday night in our school hall at 6:30pm. We will discuss the topics already learned during class time and continue the discussion you have been having with your child. Hope to see you all there.

Radio - Sarah Hamill & Lucy Nolan will be presenting the St Patrick's Radio Hour on Thursday from 2.00pm on Oak FM.

RRRR'S - This term we will be exploring positive gender relations. The aims of this unit include:

- Identify different manifestations of gender-based violence and the ways in which these types of violence can play out in face-to-face and digital environments.
- Explore the relationship between negative gender norms and acceptance of gender-based violence.
- Identify and practice behaviours that demonstrate respect and recognition of the rights of others within interpersonal relationships.
- Demonstrate use of protective and assertive behaviours that can be used to maintain safety or dignity in situations involving gender- based violence.
- Demonstrate proactive peer support and help- seeking strategies that can be used in response to instances of gender-based violence.

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 welcomed to visit the classroom.

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sackerly@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au

herrickard@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au

THANK YOU **WISAC** FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETING

MONDAY 7th October 2019

Meeting commenced at 6.00pm

Present: Leah Anderson, Hannah Robinson, Sara D'Agostino, Terry Corrigan, Sarah Newton, Pip Nolan, Bridget Hourigan, David Moroney, Laura Tonkin

Apologies: Kate Bevan

Minutes of previous meeting:

Passed: Hannah

Second: Sarah

Business arising from

Principals Report:

- AG&T kids are putting together a proposal to make the front area more user friendly. They have surveyed teachers
- Terry has received a few quotes from playground companies – looking at a passive play space and getting rid of the bark
- Perhaps some plants in this area
- Still waiting to hear on the
- major grant

School Council Constitution:

- Terry to email to the group to review prior to our next meeting.
- Changing from a school board to a school council is probably the biggest change
- Looking at combined meetings
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Obstacle Course:

- Booked for 1st November (Friday before cup weekend)
- Council happy for us to use Merriwa park
- Bridget meeting council on the Thursday to map out the area
- Will need a number of volunteers (6-10)
- Volunteer sheet to be included in the newsletter
- Lunch will be provided – Pizza
- Need to determine an appropriate number of kids at a time and the amount of time on the course
- Will also have icy poles left from the colour run that will be used on that day
- Form sent home to parents at the beginning of the week to select what flavour is best to order
- Terry and Bridget to work out a timetable for rotations and lunch

Mayfair:

- Need to start thinking about volunteer roles for this now so we aren't under the pump closer to the event
- Would like to have coordinators by the end of the year
- Should we send a letter home to all families to nominate what they would like to assist with for Mayfair – feedback about what people are happy to help with
- Could also include P & F in that list

Colour Run:

- Looking at holding this early in 2020 – possibly March. Terry to liaise with Bridget about a date

Start/End of year function:

- Missed having start of year function – important to welcome families
- End of year breakfast for this year – Terry to confirm date with staff looking at Friday 13th December 8am start
- Juice for the kids, coffee for the adults (no hot chocolate)
- Hannah to look at getting fruit donated
- Start of year function an outdoor movie or swimming night or picnic night

Meeting Closed: 6.55pm

Next Meeting: Monday 11th November 6.00pm

crystal valley music

Hello,

My name is Billy Munro and I am from Yackandandah. Together with Joe Davis I am excited to be working with the kids at Beechworth Primary and St. Patricks Wangaratta running the Crystal Valley Music program from term 4. I also teach music at Wooragee, Middle Indigo and Osbournes flat Primary. I teach Guitar, Uke, Mandolin, Violin, Vocals, Drums, Keyboards and Band.



Pangerang Community House TERM 4 2019 programs and courses

COMPUTERS & DIGITAL

COMPUTERS - Intel® Learn Easy Steps
We teach computers to first timers through to experienced users. Our seven week programs will begin or expand your skills in programs such as Microsoft WORD, EXCEL, PUBLISHER, SKYPE, POWERPOINT, OUTLOOK & more.
Level 1 Beginners - 7 x Thursdays 1pm-4pm Oct 31st - Dec 12
Level 2 Intermediate - 7 x Thursdays 9:30am-12:30pm Oct 10th - Nov 21st
Cost \$120 or \$90 concession, weekly payment plans available.
MICROSOFT EXCEL
Beginners Excel 2 x 3 hr sessions\$90
Intermediate Excel 2 x 3 hour sessions\$90
Call 5721 3813 for upcoming dates

GENERAL INTEREST

MOBILE PHONES - set up and operate
Group 1:
2 x Mondays 11th & 18th Nov 1pm - 3pm\$50
Group 2:
2 x Fridays 6th & 13th Dec 10am - 12noon\$50
COMMUNITY LUNCH
Join us each month for a hearty 2 course meal and good company \$7 per person. 11:30am - 1pm
Tuesday 15th October, 19th Nov, 17th Dec (Christmas themed lunch)
KOKEDAMAS WORKSHOP
Learn the Japanese art of creating Kokedamas, take one home!
Wednesday 23rd Oct 6:30-8:30pm\$35
FREE COOKING CLASS
Learn to cook simple and healthy meals on a budget and experience a commercial kitchen environment
7 x Mondays 10am - 1pm (start date to be confirmed)
Register now 5721 3813

ART & CRAFT

ART CLASSES
Learn to draw, paint and use pastels with our qualified Art Teacher Robynne. Robynne works with beginners through to experienced artists.
ART CLASSES
Thursday Group 10th Oct - 28th Nov 1pm - 3pm\$150
Thursday Evening Group 10th Oct - 28th Nov 6pm - 8pm\$150
Friday Group 11th Oct - 29th Nov\$150
casual attendance \$20 per session
KIDS ART
Thursdays 10th Nov - 21st Nov 4pm - 5:30pm\$80

MOSAICS
We offer two Tutor guided sessions and one evening self guided session. All abilities welcome. All Materials provided.
Session 1: 9th Oct - 18th Dec (excludes 16th Oct - AGM) 2pm - 4pm\$20pw
Session 2: 9th Oct - 18th Dec (excludes 16th Oct - AGM) 4pm - 6pm\$20pw
Evening Mosaics:
Join our new self-guided group, utilise our tools and materials 6:30-8:30pm every Wednesday during school terms.
Cost \$10 per week
Rear entry through side driveway gate.
Students have the opportunity to display and sell their artwork at our Student Art Exhibition, held at the Bainz Gallery each year.

CRAFT GROUP
We have a great weekly craft group that we would love you to join. Bring with you a piece you are working on, or just come along and we will get you started on a project with some expert guidance.
Every Wednesday during school terms 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Cost: gold coin donation.
Rear entry through side driveway gate.

MONDAY 7th Oct
10am-12noon
'HOW DO I USE MY MOBILE PHONE PROPERLY?'
Learn to make a call, send a text, add a contact and have some of your questions answered!
COST: GOLD COIN

TUESDAY 8th Oct
10am-4pm
'ALL ABOARD!'
Join us on a BUS TOUR
We will start at Pangerang and head over to Beechworth, where you will enjoy morning tea and visit the wonderful book shop.
We will then move on to Yackandandah for lunch and to explore the Art Collective before returning to Wangaratta by 4pm.
We will provide morning tea, but please BYO your own lunch
COST: \$0

2019 SENIORS FESTIVAL
Monday 7th - Friday 11th October

WEDNESDAY 9th Oct
11:30am-1pm
'GENTLE MOVEMENT'
Learn some gentle movement to free up your joints and relax your muscles
COST: GOLD COIN

THURSDAY 10th Oct
10am-12noon
'WHAT IS MYOHV & MY HEALTH RECORD?'
Get a better understanding of accessing and managing your own government records
COST: GOLD COIN

Pangerang Community House
bringing people together

FRIDAY 11th Oct
10am-12noon
'HELP! HOW DO I USE THIS TABLET/PHONE OR COMPUTER?'
We will help you get started, improve your confidence and answer your questions
COST: FREE

DON'T MISS OUT, CALL 5721 3813



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TUESDAY 1pm-3pm & THURSDAY 10am-12noon. ALL WELCOME

Call 1300 795 897 Go to www.beconnected.esafety.gov.au

HEALTH & WELLBEING

YOGA
Wednesdays 9th Oct - 18th Dec 11:45am - 1:15pm
\$15pw casual or \$80 for the term

BOARD GAMES FOR HEALTH MINDS
Are you interested in joining our Board Games group?
Contact us on 5721 3813 to register your interest

AGM
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
To be held at Pangerang on
Wednesday 16th October 2019 at 5.00pm.
ALL WELCOME.



St. Patrick's Primary School



FOUNDATION **ORIENTATION**

These are the dates for our Foundation 2020 Orientation Program:

Thursday 7th November 2019 - 9.15am to 10.40am
Morning Tea for parents 9.30am in Staffroom

Wednesday 20th November 2019 - 9.15am to 10.40am

TRANSITION DAY

Tuesday 10th December 2019 - 9.30am to 12.00pm
(Bring a piece of fruit, drink, hat and snack for playtime)

Children are encouraged to attend all sessions so that they are familiar with their school environment prior to the commencement of school.

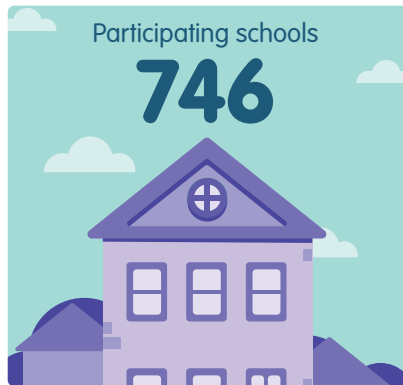
There will be a **Foundation Information Evening** for parents on Wednesday, 20th November 2019 in the school hall at 6.00pm. The aim of this meeting is to prepare your child for school life at St Patrick's. The duration of this meeting will be about one hour.

Walk to School 2019

Walk, ride or scoot and build healthy habits for life.

Parent and Carer fact sheet

In 2018, we achieved:



Every October, Walk to School encourages Victorian primary school kids to walk, ride or scoot to and from school. It's a great way to help students learn healthy habits and achieve the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity, every day.

Active travel options to and from school are also a great opportunity to connect and chat with your kids, plus meet up with other local families along the way. If you can't walk all the way, your child can still get involved – simply drive part way and walk, ride or scoot the rest!

By participating, you could help your school win great regional prizes and you will enjoy the benefits of walking, riding and scooting to and from school!

Commit to Walk to School today and build healthy habits for life.

Meet our community partner

Walk to School 2019 is proudly supported by our Official Community Partner, AFL Players' Association.

How can your family get involved?

Take part through your child's school

It's easy to get involved if your child's school is participating in Walk to School. Your child's teacher will record how many times students walk, ride or scoot to and from school during October, using a classroom calendar.

Get involved online

Our website has some great resources and tips to help kids get involved with Walk to School.

Visit www.walktoschool.vic.gov.au to learn more.

Your child can track their walks, rides and scoots during October, and contribute to the state-wide effort!

Official community partner:



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FAQs

How does Walk to School work?

Participating schools will encourage students to walk, ride or scoot to school for the month of October, even part of the way is okay. Schools may record how many times a student walks, rides or scoots to school using a classroom calendar to encourage involvement.

My child's school isn't participating. Can I still get involved?

Yes! Even if your school isn't involved, you can still participate. Your child can keep track of how often they walk, ride or scoot to and from school and be part of the state-wide movement.

Why does Walk to School go for a month?

Studies show that it takes at least 30 days to build a habit. The longer we do something healthy, the more likely that healthy habit will stick. That's why Walk to School lasts for an entire month, rather than a single day. It's about building healthy habits for life.

Why do schools use classroom calendars?

The calendars are a bright, fun way to record how many times students walk, ride or scoot to and from school in October. Schools can also use the calendars to reward students or celebrate the most active class at school assembly.

What data do schools collect?

If your school is participating in Walk to School, your child's teacher will use a classroom calendar to record:

- your child's name
- how many times they **usually** walk, ride or scoot to and from school
- how many times they walk, ride or scoot to and from school **in October**.

Who can access this data?

Information recorded on the classroom calendars will only be accessed by the student, the teacher and the school's Walk to School coordinator.

What if I don't want my child to participate?

Participation is voluntary. If your child's school is taking part in Walk to School but you don't want your child to participate, ask your child's teacher not to include your child's name on their Walk to School classroom calendar.

If you choose not to formally participate, your child can still enjoy the benefits of walking, riding and scooting to and from school as often as they like!

Where can I get more information?

Visit the Walk to School website for information:
www.walktoschool.vic.gov.au



walktoschool@vichealth.vic.gov.au



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Slide!

