



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

9th February 2022



TELL THE GOOD NEWS!

**Our official theme for
2022 in Sandhurst
Catholic Education
Schools**

**Lord Jesus, I ask for Your help as I begin this new school year.
Allow us to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before us.
Open our eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities
that this new school year brings.
Open our hearts and minds to new friends and new teachers.
Give us a generous spirit to be enthusiastic to learn,
the willingness to accept new opportunities
and the courage to TELL THE GOOD NEWS!**

<https://vimeo.com/669305014>

Check out the 1min 46 sec mark of this video!

Dear Families,



Welcome everyone to the new school year. I am so impressed with the wonderful start our Foundation students have had and how they have settled in so well to the routines of school life. I am equally impressed with the leadership of our senior students, as buddies and leaders of our school they are setting the bar high.

I want to sincerely thank the staff for their time and energy in preparing for the start of the year. Their willingness to support one another in moving furniture to set up new classrooms amongst the build has been outstanding.

The building site is now fenced off and it is anticipated that demolition will commence early March. I will keep you up to date as each stage unfolds.

While parents are not allowed on school grounds at the present time, I do encourage you to ring the school if you have any questions or concerns, to ensure school life is a positive experience for your child.

Term Dates

Term 1 Tuesday	1 st February - Friday 8 th April
Term 2 Wednesday	27 th April - Friday 24 th June
Term 3 Monday	11 th July - Friday 16 th September
Term 4 Monday	3 rd October - Thursday 15 th December (students last day) Friday 16 th Staff Last Day

Pupil Free Days 2022

Our pupil free days for 2022 are as follows:

Tuesday 26 th April	– Respectful Relationships Program Staff Training Day
Friday July 29 th	– Strategic Planning Day
Monday 31 st October	– Report Writing Day
Friday 25 th November	– 2023 Planning Day

COVID

A huge thank you to families for your support in adhering to the many COVID regulations. All going well we expect another delivery of Rapid Antigen Tests to arrive by the end of the week and will notify families for collection.

Families are reminded not to enter classrooms at any time unless given explicit permission. It is also vital that the school be informed of any children with positive COVID cases.

The next two weeks supply of Rapid Antigen Tests are now available for pickup at the office.

Second Hand Uniform

This year we have a new system for second hand uniforms. A form will be sent home soon for parents to order from. Parents are asked to complete the form and return it to school with money. Subject to availability, the order will be filled and sent home with your child. All orders are a gold coin donation.

Interviews

Our Parent/Teacher Meet and Greet sessions for years 1 – 6 will be held next week via phone calls only on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 3.40pm – 6.20pm.

The purpose of these meetings is to find out from you how your child learns and to discuss anything that you feel is important for us to know to assist you and your child as we work together this year.

Use the following link to book a time that suits you (Copy the link into a new web page).

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/r73va>

Foundation families will conduct their Meet and Greet separate to this process.

School Fees

School fee notices have been sent out today. You will receive an envelope with your 2022 school fees notice, Direct Debit form and a CSEF form. Camps and excursions will be added to the fees notices at a later date, if the camps go ahead.

Direct Debit will commence on 4th March and will continue the first Friday of each month until December. If you wish to have the fees taken out monthly from your account, please complete the form and return to school asap.

Parents with a Health Care Card (HCC), will need to complete the CSEF form and return to school with a copy of your HHC.

If payment presents a problem, please make an appointment to see me to discuss payment options.

Car Parking and Safety

Due to safety reasons, cars are not permitted to double park in front of the school, nor are they permitted to park within a certain distance of the school crossing. Whilst parking is of a premium around the school at the beginning and end of the day, I ask that families adhere to the time limits on the signage at the front of the school to allow a smooth flow and maximum access to all.

Please note: The school has been informed that infringement notices will be issued. Thank you for your support in this matter.

After School Care

Due to the current building works and limited outdoor space, we will be unable to conduct Vacation School Care during the term one holidays.

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



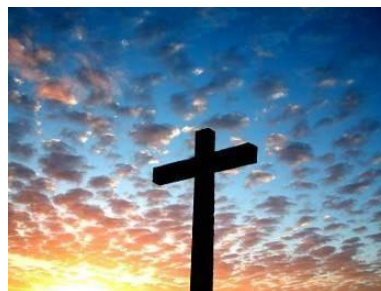
Newsletter

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@spwangaratta.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 4.00pm Our Lady's
- * 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)



<https://catholicwangaratta.wixsite.com/wangaratta>

Gabby

MAYFAIR SHOWBAGS

WANTED PLEASE –

McDonald's Toys (in the wrappers),
Woolworth's Bricks
Key Rings, Lanyards
for Mayfair 2022 Showbags

Please deliver to the office, thank you.



Zooper Doopers

We will start selling Zooper Doopers again next week, on Thursday and Fridays at recess. Cost is 50 cents and all money raised will go to CARITAS.



DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY 15th - 3.40pm – 6.20pm Meet and Greet
16th - 3.40pm – 6.20pm Meet and Greet
17th - 3.40pm – 6.20pm Meet and Greet

MARCH 2nd - Ash Wednesday

APRIL 8th - 2.25pm End of Term 1
15th - Good Friday
18th - Easter Monday
25th - ANZAC DAY
26th - PUPIL FREE DAY - Respectful Relationships Staff Training Day
27th - 9.00am Term 2 Commences (Wednesday)

MAY

JUNE 24th - 2.25pm End of Term 2

JULY 11th - 9.00am Term 3 Commences
29th - PUPIL FREE DAY – Strategic Planning Day

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER 16th - 2.25pm End of Term 3

OCTOBER 3rd - 9.00am Term 4 Commences
31st - PUPIL FREE DAY – Report Writing Day

NOVEMBER 25th - 2023 Planning Day

DECEMBER 15th - 3.25pm End of Term 4 for Students
16th - End of Term 4 for Staff

PAT ON THE BACK

- Foundation**
Mrs Patterson A big pat on the back to **LARNA PORTER** for being such a kind and caring class member. Thank you Larna for making our class a happy place to be.
- Foundation**
Miss Box Congratulations to **EDWARD HUNTER** for a wonderful start to school. Edward has taken to starting school in his stride. He demonstrates careful listening skills and takes his time to complete all tasks to a high quality. Well Done!
- Year 1/2**
Mrs Bray Congratulations to **YR 1/2 BRAY STUDENTS & PARENTS**. Thank you parents for the support you have shown your child in settling back into school life. Great work students, for 'reaching for the stars' and 'finding rainbows' in your day. I can't wait for all the learning adventures ahead.
- Year 1/2**
Mrs Lyons Congratulations to **KAYDE MELOURY** for making a great start to the year and trying his best in Maths. Well done, Kayde!
- Year 1/2**
Ms Rinaldi A big pat on the back to **ELAINA DOIG & LOLA JOHNSTONE** for making such a wonderful start to the year at St Patrick's!
- Year 3/4**
Mr McDonald Congratulations to **CHARLOTTE MCMAHON** for completing her work diligently in each subject this week. Her studious attitude towards her work demonstrates a developing Year 4 student. Keep up the great work Charlotte!
- Year 3/4**
Mrs Nicoll Congratulations to **CHARLIE ACKERLY** for producing a very entertaining recount of his experience with COVID. Charlie's descriptive sizzling start engaged his audience and provided an element of suspense.
- Year 3/4**
Ms Sirianni Congratulations to **JACK TONKIN** for a super enthusiastic start to 2022! Jack has demonstrated a great work ethic and a caring nature within our classroom. Well done Jack!
- Year 3/4**
Mrs Rizzo A big pat on the back to **YR 3/4 RIZZO** for the magnificent start they have made to 2022. I love their enthusiasm and positive attitude towards their work this week. Well done 3/4 Rizz. Keep it up!!
- Year 5/6**
Ms Whitehead A big pat on the back to **YR 5/6 WHITEHEAD** for the wonderful way they have all settled into the classroom this year. I am so excited to share in your learning journey this year and for all of the fantastic things we will do together as a class.
- Year 5/6**
Mrs Cassidy Congratulations to **YR 5/6 CASSIDY** for the way in which they have settled into the 2022 school year. As your teacher I am so excited about the year ahead and all the positive learning experiences we will have together.
- Year 5/6**
Mrs Ackerly A big pat on the back to **YR 5/6 ACKERLY** for the outstanding way they have settled into 2022. I am already so proud to be your teacher. Keep up the good work!
- Year 5/6**
Mrs Rickard A big pat on the back to **YR 5/6 RICKARD** for the wonderful way they have settled into a new school year. I'm looking forward to going on this learning journey with you!