



St Patrick's School Newsletter

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6th March 2024

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.



*Oh Lord, you who daily bear our burdens,
Strengthen our hands we pray,
Expand our hearts capacity to bear other's burdens,
So that we might offer your generous care
to friends and neighbours alike,
who endure trials and troubles in their lives.*

Pupil Free Day & Public Holiday

A reminder to all families that there is **NO SCHOOL** this **MONDAY 11th March** and **TUESDAY 12th March 2024**. Monday is a Public Holiday and Tuesday is a Pupil Free Professional Development Day for staff.

St Patrick's Swim Team 2024

I couldn't be prouder of the 13 swimming superstars that represented our school last Friday, for the Ovens and Mitta Swimming Competition. We had some amazing results for first time swimmers, some PB's smashed for our swim clubbers and a third-place ribbon for one of our relay teams.

We congratulate Patrick Hunter who advanced to the Regional Event in Shepparton today. Patrick swam in the 12yr boys Freestyle and Breaststroke races. He came third place in 50m Freestyle and 6th in 50m Breaststroke. We are so proud of you Patrick!!

A huge thank you to John Downie for his transport services, Simone Gladigau for her supervision on the day and Tara H and Meg B for volunteering to keep time. It was also lovely to see so much support from families as they came to watch their children race!

All in all.... A brilliant day!

Mrs Cornish



St Patrick's Feast Day

Next Friday 15th we will be celebrating St Patrick's Feast Day with a school Mass at St Patrick's Church at 9.30am. Family and friends are most welcome to join us.

Students may come to school dressed in fun green clothes for the day. Following the Mass students will be treated to some cake to celebrate.



School Photo Day



Next Wednesday 13th March is school photo day. All students are to wear full school uniform, not sports uniform. This includes full black shoes.

To book packages please complete the online order form included at the end of this newsletter or the pamphlet that were sent home last week.

Easter Raffle



It's Easter Raffle time again! Each year St Patrick's School runs an Easter raffle with all proceeds going to Caritas. Caritas is a Catholic International Relief Organisation with a mission to build a better world for the poor and oppressed. We ask each family to donate an Easter Egg, more if you wish, to the school. These are made into a number of prizes and raffled off on the last day of Term 1, Thursday 28th March, at 11.30am. For those new to the school, we usually have around fifty plus prizes. We ask that when shopping, you consider donating ethically sourced chocolate.

"Ethical Chocolate" refers to cocoa that is independently certified to have been harvested without the use of forced, child or trafficked labour. For further information see the World Vision website.

Mission – Transform Lives, Them and Yours MISSION

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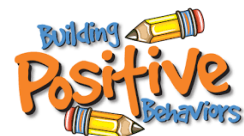
Communities in Africa, Asia, Australia and the Pacific are looking for qualified and experienced Australians from ALL sectors to share their skills with those who have had little opportunity for formal training. You too will learn and grow within a most welcoming community. Experience the joy as you assist to change lives.

Learn more: Join our Mission Webinar March 5th, 2024, 6.00pm – 6.30 pm.

63 years preparing Australians for enduring global relationships to build sustainable, self-reliant, community development. Learn Even More: Join our two-week tour to Timor-Leste on 06/05/2024 to see Palms program participants our local partner communities in action together. Contact: 02 9560 5333 palms@palms.org.au

Congratulations to the recipients of our Positive Behaviour Certificate

Xavier Overberg, Georgie Fletcher, Oliver Forster, Abigail Braden, Helena Malcolm, Billy Younger, Riley Nolet, Ana Hack, Charlie Matheson, Alexis Butera, Oliver Nicoll and Violet Vihm



Parents and Friends Bulb Fundraiser

Bulb Fundraiser – The P&F are holding a Bulb Fundraiser with 40% of sales going directly to our school. Please support the school to buy new resources for the students. All orders are placed directly through the Tesselaar website on the link below:



www.bulbfundraiser.com.au/STPATRICKSPS

Please have your orders placed by Thursday 28th March 2024. Any questions please call Jo Hourigan 0417 437 817.

Netball

Dear Families,

The following students in Years 3-6, have expressed interest in playing netball on a Saturday morning:

Lucy Malcolm, Annabel Hourigan, Lily Reid, Ava Doig, Xanthia Butler, Joanne Newth, Scarlett Dalton, Milla Chandler, Maisy Perna, Charlotte Smith, Darby Hunter, Elsa Winter, Isabelle Huhn, Stella Jarman, Zoe Thompson, Ayla Kelly, Pippa Keane, Charlee Wahlert, Stella Reid, Xavier Overberg, Josephine Kilby, Imogen Johanson, Matilda Ginnivan, Georgie Fletcher, Helena Malcolm, Penelope Saunders, Lulu Vihm, Rylie Houghton, Imogen Rea, Lalia Sartori, Elaina Doig, Abigail Braden, Sarah Hourigan, Jessie O'Keefe, Alessi Solimo, Molly Kennett, Alhana Davern, Amelia Robinson, Tasmin Evans, Vivienne Watt, Maddie Manger, Mila Pantling, Stephanie Hellebrand, Pippa Bell, Summer Wallace, Matilda Moir, Violet Crowle, Abbey Ellis, Isabella Oates



If your child is not on this list and is interested in playing please contact Amanda Cassidy acassidy@spwangaratta.catholic.edu.au by the end of this week. Similarly, if your child is on this list and will not be playing this season, please let the school know.

Once this is finalised, students will be notified of their team name and can register directly using the above link and their team name.

Thank you to those parents who have already offered to coach this season. We are still short a few coaches so if you are able to assist in this capacity, please let the school know.

Change of Emails / Addresses / Phone Numbers

Could families please inform the school if they have changed their mobile number, address or email. It is vital that the school has the most up to day information, to enable us to contact you when needed.

CSEF

Families would have received an email regarding Camps Sports and Excursion Funding.

If you hold a Health Care Card (HCC) or a Pension Card, you will be eligible to receive this additional funding. The school requires a copy of the card to process this.

School Supervision

Just a friendly reminder...

School morning supervision commences at 8.30am. Students are not to arrive any earlier as staff are not on work duty prior to 8.30am.

Help us make a difference

Share your experience! Take our 10-minute social impact survey to let us know how attending the St Patricks Primary School - Wangarratta Outside School Hours Care program has impacted your child's sense of connection and belonging, and future-ready skills.

Your feedback is incredibly valuable in helping us improve our services and community impact.

Scan the QR code below to start the survey now.



Note: Your responses are confidential and will be stored securely in accordance with the YMCA Victoria Privacy Policy. If you have any concerns or need support while completing the survey, please contact our Social Impact Team at impact@ymca.org.au.



Wangaratta Pickleball Club Inc

FREE EVENT

KIDS COME & TRY DAY

WEDNESDAY 10TH APRIL 2024 FROM 4-6PM
AT WANGARATTA HARDCOURT TENNIS CLUB

SCHILLING DRIVE, WANGARATTA
AGE GROUP – 8 YEARS TO 17 YEARS OLD



PICKLEBALL IS THE FASTEST GROWING SPORT IN AUSTRALIA!

It's always great to see kids playing a sport that they love. Pickleball may be new to your kids, but this is a sport that they would enjoy! If you are trying to find a sport for your kids then Pickleball might be the way to go.

Pickleball is a racquet sport that is easy to learn and play and so much fun! Hand-eye coordination, footwork, and agility are 3 essential skills that form the foundation of pickleball success. You can learn and play a full game of Pickleball on your first day.

The Wangaratta Pickleball Club will supply paddles and balls on the day, Kids to wear runners and athletic clothing and bring a drink bottle.

To Register go to: <https://forms.gle/g6vZEhaCpfRbSE36A>

For more information: wangatattapickleball@gmail.com

Attendance Matters

The graphic for "Attendance Matters" features a stylized sun with three hands (purple, green, and blue) reaching up to touch it. Above the hands, the text "better health • better future • better outcomes" is written in a curved path. Below the hands, the words "Attendance Matters" are written in a pink, sans-serif font.

Human Beings are Social Creatures

Let school help your young person

- flourish
- thrive
- connect
- conquer



PAM can still be accessed by this website:

<https://pam.spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au/Login/Default.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>



Facebook

Another way to keep in touch is to follow our Facebook page. Just search St Patrick's Primary School Wangaratta to find us.



YMCA - Contact Details

To contact the YMCA After School Care Program please use the following:

Email: StPatricksWangaratta@ymca.org.au

Phone: **0477449997- Annette Monshing – ASC Co-ordinator**



CATHOLIC PARISHES
of
WANGARATTA

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 5.00pm St Patrick's
Sunday 10.00am Moyhu
Sunday 10.00am Whitfield (1st Sunday)

Facebook Page: catholicparishesofwangaratta

Gabby

DATES TO REMEMBER

March	11 th	-	Labour Day – Public Holiday
	12 th	-	Staff Professional Development Day – Pupil Free
	13 th	-	School Photos
	15 th	-	St Patrick's Day – 9.30am Mass and Celebration
	28 th	-	2.30pm End of Term
	29 th	-	Good Friday
April	15 th	-	Term 2 resumes
	25 th	-	ANZAC Day – Public Holiday

PAT ON THE BACK

Foundation Mrs Patterson	Congratulations to FERGUS MALCOLM for the way in which he respectfully interacts with his peers and teachers. Fergus always uses his manners, listens and engages in conversations very well.
Foundation Mrs Bray	Congratulations to PATRICK KELLY for the confidence he is displaying everyday at school. Patrick, we are all so proud of the way you settle into the classroom and always show respect.
Year 1/2 Mrs Nicoll	Congratulations to LOUIS GOODEY for the detail that he used when describing the functions of the different parts of a bird, during our 'Information Report' writing unit. Louis confidently applied conjunctions in order to compose complex sentences and he independently edited his work and inserted additional information.
Year 1/2 Mr McDonald	Congratulations to EDMOND BEAUMONT for listening respectfully in class. Edmond's attentiveness has been well noticed. Keep it up Edmond.
Year 1/2 Miss Box	Congratulations to RYAN MCCOMISH for the way in which he listened to feedback and immediately applied it to his writing to make improvements. Well done!
Year 3/4 Mrs Rickard	A Big Pat on the Back to MADDIE HERNAN and JESSIE O'KEEFE for the way they worked together as a team to create their Balloon Car. You persevered with your design and I, too, am proud of how you tried different styles to make your car go the distance. Well done.
Year 3/4 Ms Rinaldi	Congratulations to MADDISON MANGER for always using impeccable manners to greet adults and students. You are a great role model.
Year 3/4 Ms Sirianni	Congratulations to RYLIE HOUGHTON for the outstanding narrative writing she produced in class. Rylie created suspense and tension in her story and organised the events in clear paragraphs. Well done Rylie!
Year 3/4 Mrs Rizzo	A B-I-G pat on the back to AMELIA WESTON for the excellent work ethic she displays in class everyday. Amelia always gives 110% and accepts challenges with positivity and enthusiasm. Love it Amelia. Keep it up!!
Year 5/6 Miss Whitehead	A big pat on the back to CAITLYN BARNDEN for the excellent work she did this week on our Maths task about an astronaut's day on the International Space Station. Caitlyn worked hard on creating a spreadsheet with their daily timetable. Keep up the great work Caitlyn!
Year 5/6 Mr Boyd	Congratulations to OLIVER ROBINSON for the effort he is putting into his information report writing. Oliver effectively used subtitles to organise his information and engage his audience. Keep up the excellent work Oliver!
Year 5/6 Mrs Cassidy	Congratulations to TRISTAN PERUZZO for his detailed explanation of who the Brigidine Sisters were, their connection to St Patrick's Primary School and the symbolism of the Brigid Cross.
Year 5/6 Mrs Ackerly	Congratulations to ELSA WINTER for the independent way she completed her 'choice' information report on otters. Elsa demonstrated a solid understanding of how an informative text should be constructed. Well done!

Wang West Kids Art



Come along and enjoy an afternoon of art with our fabulous art teacher Robynne! We will be exploring the use of colour and pastels over 6 weeks. All materials supplied!

When: Tuesday 20th Feb- 26th March

Time: 4- 5:30pm

Where: St Michael's Hall, Appin St, Wang.

Cost: \$100 for 6 weeks
all materials supplied



Bookings:
Pangerang Community Hub
03 57213813



**Pangerang
Community Hub**

This project received
grant funding from the
Australian Government.

GET READY *St Patrick's Primary School Wangaratta*
PHOTO DAY IS: 13/03/2024

Have you
ORDERED YOUR
school photos yet?

DON'T MISS OUT!



SCAN ME

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1. Scan QR code or go to: www.leadingimage.com.au
2. Enter your unique school **ACCESS KEY**

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Choose your own **FREE** background



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- No cash on school grounds or children's bags
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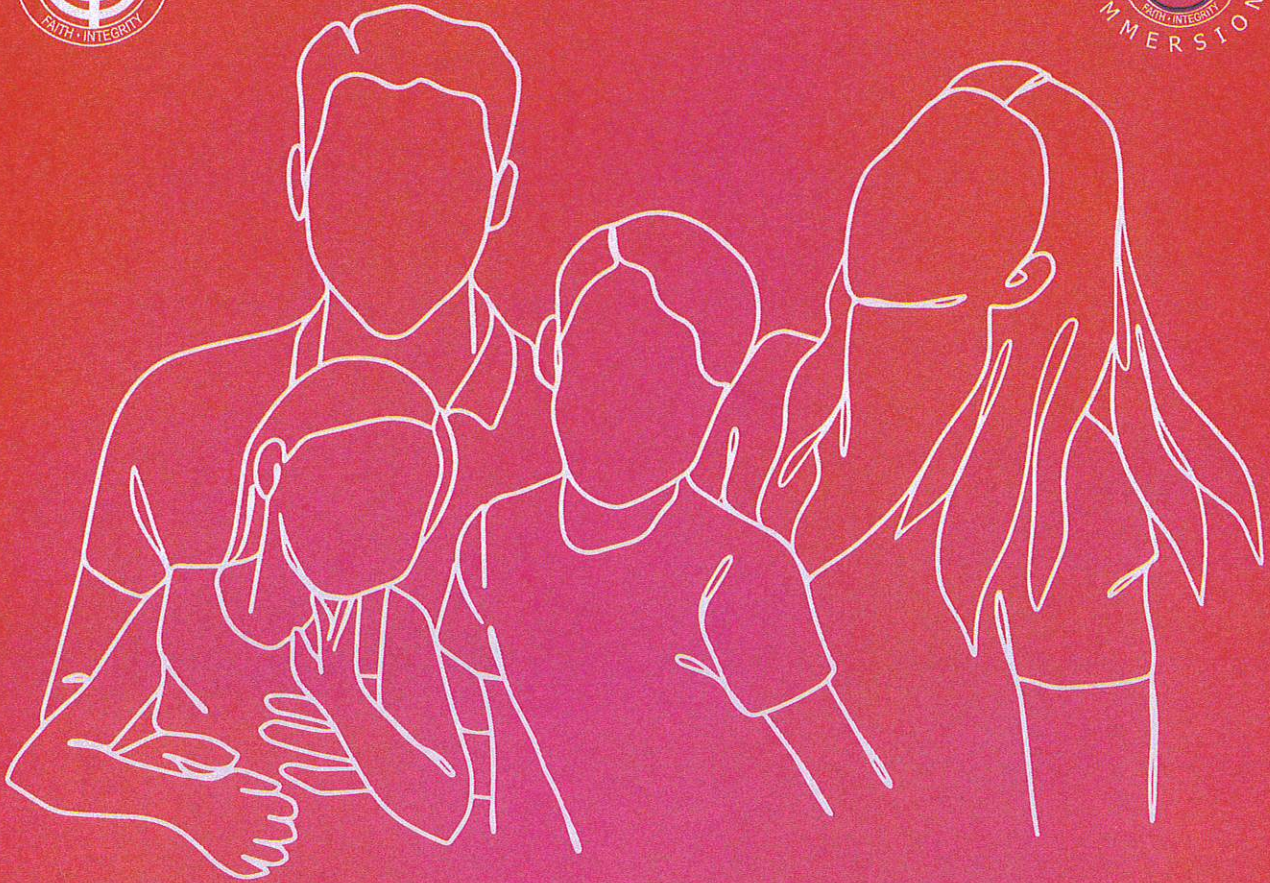
INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

To order your school photos:

- 1 Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
- 2 Click on Order Your School Photos
- 3 Enter your Access Key



 Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30pm the night before photo day. Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.



FAMILY NIGHT OUT

Galen Oval | 22 March 2024 | 7pm

OUTDOOR CINEMA ["HOP" - rated G]

BBQ OR BYO PICNIC (Alcohol Fee Event)

KIDS' GAMES, PRIZES & RAFFLES

\$5 per child* or \$20 per family

* All children must be accompanied by an adult

All proceeds in aid of communities in Timor Leste.

TICKETS: www.eventbrite.com.au/e/840017132857 or scan the QR





LADIES' DAY OUT

HOTEL WANGARATTA GATEWAY

24 March 2024 | 2-5pm

Enjoy:

- Welcome Drink on arrival • Finger food
- Heaps of Prizes including Major Raffle
- Live Entertainment by Antonia Maher

\$60 per ticket

All proceeds in aid of communities in Timor Leste.

TICKETS: www.eventbrite.com.au/e/840023712537 or scan the QR



FOSTER AN ASSISTANCE DOG PUPPY!

DOGS FOR LIFE ARE LOOKING FOR FOSTER FAMILIES



Dogs For Life are looking for individuals and families within the Albury-Wadonga and Wangaratta area to foster puppies in training during the first stage of their journey to becoming Assistance Dogs. 1on1 and group training sessions are provided locally weekly. All equipment is supplied and all expenses are covered. If you think you have what it takes, please scan the QR code and fill out the Foster Family Application form.

**APPLY
HERE**



 @cstda_dfl

APPLY VIA QR CODE OR CALL HERE FOR MORE
INFORMATION

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