



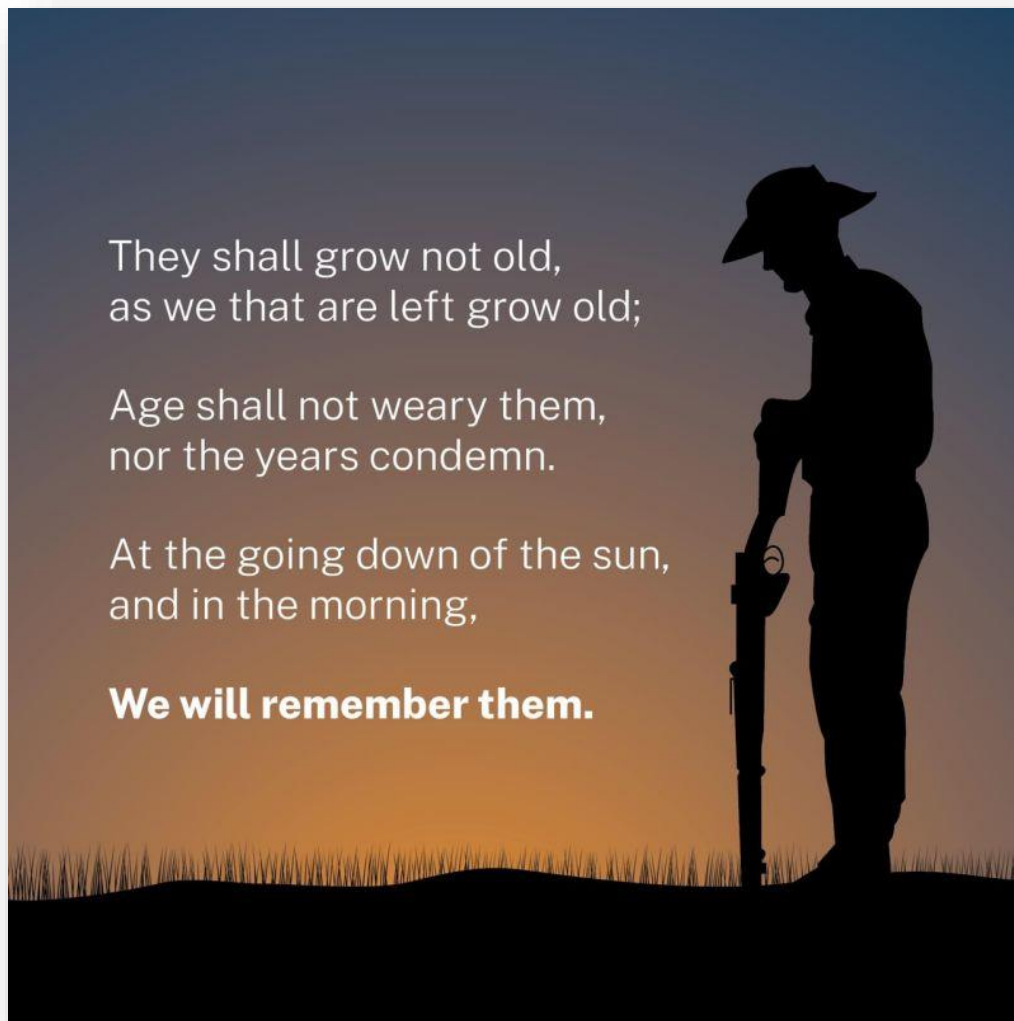
St Patrick's School Newsletter

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24th April 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.



ANZAC Day



Our school Captains will represent St Patrick's in the Wangaratta march on April 25th. Captains will meet at 9.45am in the King George Gardens, walk to the Cenotaph, then lay the wreath on our school's behalf. I encourage families and friends to join us at the Cenotaph for this memorial service.

This school supports the CHILD Safe Standards (Ministerial Order 1359) and actively seeks to ensure that all students are kept safe from all forms of harm at all times.

Cross Country 2024

When: Thursday 2nd May, 2024
Grades 3 - 6: Merriwa Park (river side of tennis courts) starting at 9.20am
F - Grade 2: Merriwa Park (grass area near kinder) starting at 11.45am

Students wear their house colours to school for the day. Attire must be sport appropriate.



Families are welcome for a fun morning in the sun. BYO chair or picnic rug.

School Dentist



This week students will bring home a school dentist information form. If you wish your child to participate in the scheme, forms must be returned by no later than 5th June. The school dentist van will visit St Pat's commencing the week of 9th September.

Foundation Enrolments 2025

Families who have a child starting **Foundation in 2025** need to collect enrolment forms and make an appointment for an enrolment interview with the Principal **by the end April**. Enrolment packages are available at the office. Please do not leave this until it is too late.



Mother's/Special Persons Day



Save the date for our Mother's Day/Special Persons Day fun classroom activities Friday 10th May 9.00-10.00am. More information coming soon.

Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion

The Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion will be celebrated in Term Two, Wednesday May 22nd, 2024 at St Patrick's Church Wangaratta. Students who participated in the Sacrament of Reconciliation in 2023, will soon receive a letter outlining details for the preparation sessions and other relevant information.

If your child has celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism and Reconciliation and would like to join last year's group of candidates, please email me at the following address:

jrinaldi@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au

Thank you,
Janina Rinaldi (Religious Education Leader)



Positive Behaviour Certificates



Well done Jax Borschmann, Patrick O'Connor Olivia Rinaudo, Lily Reid, Xanthia Butler, Sarah Hourigan, Fletcher Goodey and Maddy Manger. Great Effort!!



The graphic for 'Attendance Matters' shows a stylized sun with three hands (purple, green, blue) reaching up to it. The text 'better health', 'better future', and 'better outcomes' is written in a curved path above the hands. Below the hands, the words 'Attendance Matters' are written in pink.

Prioritise Learning Time - Appointments are not an excuse

- non-urgent appointments made before/after school or during holidays
- disrupted learning time disrupts learning

SSV State Basketball/Netball Trials

Congratulations Charlotte McMahon who has made it through to the next round of the Netball trials. We wish Charlotte all the best in going further.



Samuel Patterson and Harrison O'Brien ventured over to Shepparton to participate in this year's primary boys' basketball state team tryouts.



With selections being tight (35 attending and only 7 selected) the boys made sure they took the day in their stride and gave their all.

We congratulate them for the way they represented our school and thank Simon Patterson for taking the boys over for the day.

Bulb Drive

Thank you to all those who purchased bulbs through our drive. We had \$1,100.50 worth of sales and as a result raised \$423.40.



A huge thank you goes to Jo Hourigan for coordinating the fundraiser!



St Patrick's Advisory Council

The St Patrick's School Advisory Council is the leading consultative and advisory group for the Principal, as an active forum for parent and community participation, providing support and advice principally in strategic planning and school improvement.

The Advisory Council includes the Principal, Deputy Principal and members of the parent community. Below is an introduction of these members on our council.

Michael O'Keefe

My name is Michael O'Keefe, and my wife is Nicole. We have two children at St Patrick's, and we joined the school community in 2019. I am local to the region and attended the Boorhaman Primary School. Looking back, I really appreciated the close-knit community of teachers and parents that supported my schooling at Boorhaman, and this is why I joined the Advisory Council. I work for the State Agriculture Department and have worked within agriculture across Australia since finishing university in 2003, where I studied Environmental and Civil Engineering.



Matt Joyce

I'm Matt, and with my wife Sam we have two children at St. Patrick's – Hannah and Emma. Growing up in Wangaratta, I attended St. Bernard's Primary School then Galen College before heading to Melbourne for university. Our family have a long relationship with St. Patrick's with several members teaching at the school over the years and by joining the Advisory Council, this is a way of giving back to the school that has served the local community for many years.

Pat Arcuri

My name is Pat Arcuri, and this is my fourth year at St. Pat's as a parent of a child in Grade 3 and of another one commencing in 2025. Both my wife Claudia and I work as Secondary Teachers at Galen Catholic College in Wangaratta. I work as the Deputy Principal (Student Development) at Galen Catholic College Wangaratta.

St. Pat's Primary school was my primary school growing up and I have nothing but positive memories. I love the history of the school and the connected feeling of community when you walk through the gates. I am excited about the future of the school with new buildings and an extensive master plan overseeing the play area, gardens, and grounds. I look forward to assisting the school and the Advisory Council as it navigates through the next chapter of its proud history.



Liz Hernan

My name is Liz Hernan, and I am married to Matt. We have four children, three of whom currently attend St Patrick's. We were welcomed into the St Pat's community at the start of 2023 when we relocated to Wangaratta from Ballarat. I decided to join the Advisory Council because I saw it to meet some new people and to lend a hand. I enjoy being a part of the Advisory Council as it gives me the opportunity to help our school be a wonderful environment for our children to be in.

Brigid Malcom

My name is Brigid Malcolm, this will be my fourth year at St Patrick's Primary School as a parent. I have three children currently attending the school ranging from Foundation to Year 6. I am currently the Senior Leader of Catholic Identity and Performing Arts Teacher at Our Lady's Primary School Wangaratta.

My family and I moved to the area several years ago and have found the school a wonderful place for the children to learn. The school community comprises of many wonderful people who together make St Patrick's an exciting and vibrant place for students to belong. I look forward to supporting the school and its community, particularly during this new phase of development and growth.



ST PAT'S LANDSCAPING FUNDRAISER

Donate a Plant



St Patrick's is improving its landscaping by planting a sasanqua camellia hedge across the front of the school.

To do this we need 45 camellia bushes.

Your family can be a part of the legacy of our wonderful school by donating \$45.00 towards the purchase of a camellia plant, making this project a reality.

Donations can be left at the office.

Thank you for your support!

PAM can still be accessed by this website:



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

or via the SIMON Everywhere App.

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

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

April	25 th	-	ANZAC Day – Public Holiday
May	2 nd	-	Cross Country
	9 th	-	Mother's Day Stall
	10 th	-	9.00am Mother's/Special Person's Activities Morning
	22 nd	-	Confirmation and First Communion
	24 th	-	Staff PD – PUPIL FREE DAY
June	7 th	-	Feast of the Sacred Heart
	10 th	-	King's Birthday Holiday
	28 th	-	2.25pm End of Term

PAT ON THE BACK

Foundation Mrs Patterson	Congratulations to SIENNA BARRY for the fantastic reading practice she has been doing, both at home and at school. Sienna shows great interest in all the books she reads and is always eager to learn new skills. Keep it up super star!
Foundation Mrs Bray	Congratulations to LUCAS MELOURY for the amazing positive attitude he displays towards his learning. We are super proud of the way Lucas is giving his best to all tasks and taking on challenges. Keep it up, superstar!
Year 1/2 Mrs Nicoll	Congratulations to BLAISE PANTLING for the way that he has engaged in our exploration of 'length'. Blaise has demonstrated the ability to measure the length of a variety of objects using both formal and informal measurement tools and he has explained his understanding by using comparative language.
Year 1/2 Mr McDonald	Congratulations to LEAH KELLEY for her ongoing efforts in Mathematics. Leah has been an active learner during our daily reviews and has supported others in their learning. Keep it up.
Year 1/2 Ms Box	Congratulations to ELIZA STAMP for the confidence she has shown in sharing her knowledge and ideas in class. Eliza, it has been lovely to hear your thoughts and wonderings, particularly during spelling lessons.
Year 3/4 Mrs Rickard	A Big Pat on the Back to TYLER MCCOMISH for the effort he is putting into all his learning tasks. Tyler is trying hard to stay focused on his tasks without getting distracted and you certainly are doing a fantastic job. Keep up the great work Tyler.
Year 3/4 Ms Rinaldi	Congratulations to MILA CANNING for displaying a positive attitude and enthusiasm towards all aspects of school life. You set a great example to others!
Year 3/4 Mrs Hernan	Congratulations to MAX PATTERSON for the positive attitude he brings to our classroom. Max is confident to share his thoughts during class discussions and he competently completes all set work. Keep up the excellent work Max.
Year 3/4 Mrs Rizzo	A B-I-G pat on the back to STEPHANIE HELLEBRAND for the conscientious way she approaches her learning, asking questions to clarify her understanding and accepting challenges with a positive mindset. Love it Stephanie. Keep it up!
Year 5/6 Miss Whitehead	A big pat on the back to JOANNE NEWTH for the excellent work she put into her fluency narrative writing about a made-up school holiday. It was very creative and interesting to read. Keep up the great work Joanne!
Year 5/6 Mr Boyd	Congratulations to JOSEPHINE KILBY for her enthusiastic attitude towards all tasks. Josie gives everything a go and is always smiling and encouraging her peers. Keep up the great work Josie!
Year 5/6 Ms Noble	Congratulations to JACK TONKIN who has demonstrated persistence and engagement in all aspects of his learning this week. Jack's consistent contributions to class discussions have enhanced the classes' learning in experience. Keep up the great work, Jack.
Year 5/6 Mrs Ackerly	Congratulations to AMY MCGENNISKEN for the exceptional narrative piece she published from our fluency writing sessions. Amy used dialogue and adverbial phrases to develop her characters to make the narrative an engaging read. Well done!



FREE COMMUNITY BBQ LUNCH



Greta Recreation Reserve - Tuesday 30 April

Boorhaman Recreation Reserve - Tuesday 7 May

Carboor Hall - Thursday 9

Everton Hall - Wednesday 15 May

Glenrowan Recreation Reserve - Thursday 16 May

Milawa Hall - Thursday 30 May

Time | 12.00pm

All welcome please register by calling
Angie 5722 0745 or Andrea 5722 0749

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WANGARATTA WEST ARTISANS MARKET

ST MICHAEL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
O'LEARY STREET

SATURDAY

4TH May 2024

9.00 AM — 1.00 PM

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