



# St Patrick's School Newsletter

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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.



*'Jesus was lifted up as they looked on.'*

Mark 16:15-20

This Sunday marks the Ascension of the Lord  
*We are asked to embrace our role as followers of Christ,  
proclaiming the Good News in a world hungering for hope.  
It reminds us that, like the early disciples, we are called to  
step out in faith, trusting in God's provision  
as we share His message of salvation.*

*As we fulfil our calling, may we witness the transformative power  
of the Gospel, bringing light to darkness, healing to brokenness,  
and redemption to all who hear and believe.*

*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.*

## Assembly Time Change



Please note that there is **no assembly this week** due to our Mother's/Special Person's Day activities and Year 5/6 interschool sports.

Please also note that assembly will change to **9.15am each Friday morning for the rest of the term** due to the scheduling of Year 5/6 Interschools.

## Evacuation Drill

We will be practising an emergency evacuation drill next Tuesday at midday. Our off-site evacuation point is the lawn of St Catherine's Aged Care Hostel next door. Students practise exiting the school in an orderly fashion then return. The drill will take approximately 15 minutes.



## Walk to School Day



St Patrick's encourages all who can to join us in this year's 'Walk to School Day' tomorrow, **Thursday 9th May**.

We will be walking from the town library to school commencing at 8.30am. The local police will be our escort to promote this initiative, along with the Chronicle. Supervision will commence at 8.20am. We ask that no students be dropped off earlier unsupervised. Parents and friends are welcome to walk with us. We hope you can join us.

## Lost Property

We have a number of Items in lost property that may be of significant importance to others.

Items include:

Watches, keyrings, reading glasses, earrings, rings, hair accessories, leadership badges and more. These items will be held for a week then donated to appropriate charities.



## School Dental Van



If you wish your child to use the services of the Dental Van scheme, forms must be returned by no later than 5th June. The school dental van will visit St Pat's commencing the week of 9<sup>th</sup> September.

## Foundation Enrolments 2025

Positions are filling fast. 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. Enrolment packages are available at the office. Please do not leave this until it is too late.





## CONGRATULATIONS DELANY!

Our 2024 house winners for Cross Country. A fantastic display of team spirit, positive vibes and individual determination.



## A WONDERFUL DAY!

Congratulations to everyone involved in Thursday's Cross Country. The weather was amazing and our participants were enthusiastic. A big thanks to families that came down to support their children and to staff for ground control and team supervision.



## BONUS HOUSE POINTS AWARDED!

Lulu, Leon, Lincoln and Hayden have earned their house 5 bonus points each! After experiencing a challenging set back to their run, they all showed resilience and determination to bounce back and complete the race. A wonderful way to display our school values!

## TOP 5 FINISHERS

We congratulate the students below, for their outstanding effort in the 2km and 3km senior run. These children will now advance to the SSV District Event on Wednesday 5th June in Wangaratta. They will compete against schools around our town, and we wish them all the best, we know you'll make our school proud!



# Mother's/Special Person's Day Stall

A reminder that our Mother's Day / Special Person Day Stall is tomorrow **morning**. Gifts are selling for \$6.00 each for those who wish to purchase something special.



## Mother's/Special Person's Day



Save the date for our Mother's Day/Special Person's Day fun classroom activities this Friday 10th May 9.00am -10.00am. Each class has a special activity for our mother's or a special person to join in to show how much we appreciate them. we hope you can join us.

Feel free to send Grandma, Auntie or a significant person along if you are unable to make it.

## Sustainability

*Dear Families of St Patrick's Primary School,*



*For our Inquiry this term, our Sustainability group are designing and making frog hotels! Therefore, we are hoping that if families have the following items lying around that they could donate them to a good cause!*

*Buckets or tubs that will hold water.  
Gravel or pebbles, sand, soil,  
Native water plants or plants that grow in water.*

*We are making hotels to help frogs have a safe home, so they don't get eaten or hurt. We hope to create healthy ecosystems in Wangaratta.*

*We are going to put the frog hotel around our community.*

*Any donations would be helpful and very grateful.*

*From Jack Tonkin  
On behalf of the Year Six Sustainability group.*

*Please direct all inquiries to Amy Noble:*

[anoble@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anoble@spwangeratta.catholic.edu.au)





**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.spwangaratta.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](mailto: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

May	9 <sup>th</sup>	-	Mother's Day Stall
	9 <sup>th</sup>	-	8.30am Walk to School Day from Town Library
	10 <sup>th</sup>	-	9.00am Mother's/Special Person's Activities Morning
	10 <sup>th</sup>	-	<b>NO ASSEMBLY</b> – Due to Mother's Day Stall/Sports
	10 <sup>th</sup>	-	Year 5/6 Inter School Sports
	17 <sup>th</sup>	-	9.15am Assembly
	17 <sup>th</sup>	-	Inter School Sports
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	-	Confirmation and First Communion
	24 <sup>th</sup>	-	Staff PD – <b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>
	31 <sup>st</sup>	-	9.15am Assembly
	31 <sup>st</sup>	-	Inter School Sports in afternoon
June	7 <sup>th</sup>	-	Feast of the Sacred Heart
	7 <sup>th</sup>	-	9.15am Assembly
	7 <sup>th</sup>	-	Inter School Sports in afternoon
	10 <sup>th</sup>	-	<b>King's Birthday Holiday – PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
	14 <sup>th</sup>	-	9.15am Assembly
	21 <sup>st</sup>	-	9.15am Assembly
	14 <sup>th</sup>	-	Inter School Sports in afternoon
	28 <sup>th</sup>	-	2.25pm End of Term