



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.



THEN JESUS TOOK THE LOAVES
AND THE FISH, GAVE THANKS, AND
DISTRIBUTED TO THOSE WHO WERE
SEATED AS MUCH AS THEY WANTED.

– JOHN 6:11

The Loaves and Fishes

*The story of stretching loaves and fishes is always
a hit among miracle lessons.*

*How is it possible that such a small amount
of food managed to take care of so many people?
This miracle reminds us of how God takes care of all
of our needs and can do anything, even the
seemingly impossible.*

*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.*

New Advisory Council Members

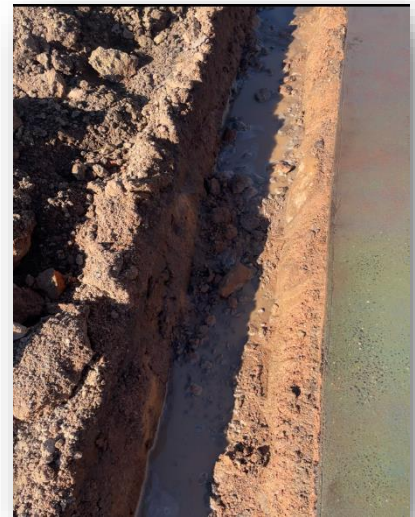
The Advisory Council supports the Principal in the strategic planning and future development of the school. I am pleased to welcome three new members to the St Patrick's Advisory Council. Thank you, Kate Goodey, Emma Merlo and Matt Barry, for giving your time to this valued role.

Holiday Maintenance

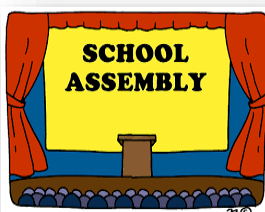
As per usual, a number of items were attended to during the holidays including:

- Replacement of the old underground water pipe that continually leaked
- Additional pinboard installed in the new building
- Replacement of old windows in the original building
- Replacement of broken lights at the entry of the hall
- Commencement of 12 month defects on the new building

I thank John Downie for coordinating these works in ensuring our school always looks its best.



Assembly Time Term 3



Now that Interschool sports have finished, assembly now returns to the usual time of **2.45pm each Friday.**

House Colour Day

We held a very successful House Colour and Hot Dog Day to end term two. Each house learnt about their Patron and enjoyed some shared activities together, to build house spirit. Thank you house leaders and staff for your planning and preparation that made the day such a success.





Attendance Matters

Attendance in Early Years Matters!

- attendance matters full stop!
- what is your child's attendance at? 95% is the target

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

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

July	17 th	-	Parent Teacher Interviews 2.30pm – 5.30pm
August	5 th - 9 th	-	Book Fair
	15 th	-	Photo Catch Up Day
	16 th	-	PUPIL FREE DAY – Staff PD
	19 th	-	PUPIL FREE DAY – Staff PD
	23 rd	-	Book Week Parade
	29 th	-	Father's Day Stall
	30 th	-	8.00am Father's Day Breakfast
September	6 th	-	Athletics' Day
	9 th	-	Dental Van
	20 th	-	Footy Colour Day
	20 th	-	2.25pm End of Term 3

PAT ON THE BACK

Foundation Mrs Patterson	Congratulations to DWIGHT RITCHIE for the fantastic start he has had to Term 3. Dwight has quickly settled to routine and is engaged in his learning.
Foundation Mrs Bray	Congratulations to LUCAS MELOURY for his amazing start to Term 3. Lucas has settled back into school life as a confident and enthusiastic learner - always ready for the learning adventures ahead.
Year 1/2 Mrs Nicoll	Congratulations to JACK HERNAN for the positivity that he consistently demonstrates towards learning and school life in general. Jack is always ready to accept challenges and extend himself.
Year 1/2 Mr McDonald	Congratulations to MILLICENT NAISH for her efforts in spelling. Millie has diligently worked on understanding and spelling the different variations of vowel sounds. Keep it up.
Year 1/2 Ms Box	Congratulations to DAISY PANE for the fluency and expression she has been using when reading. It is a pleasure to listen to you read. Well done Daisy!
Year 3/4 Mrs Rickard	A Big Pat on the Back to ZOE CARLYON for the wonderful way she has settled into her Term 3 learning. Zoe is organised with her belongings and ready to start her day. Keep up the great work Zoe.
Year 3/4 Ms Rinaldi	Congratulations to HARRIET WITTE for always maintaining a positive attitude towards your learning. You always try your very best!
Year 3/4 Mrs Hernan	Congratulations to ALHANA DAVERN and AMELIA ROBINSON for the positive way they have started Term 3. They have settled back into our classroom routines quickly and are demonstrating a calm and focussed approach to their learning. Well done girls, keep up the great work!
Year 3/4 Mrs Rizzo	A B-I-G pat on the back to PIPPA BELL for the positive way she has started Term 3. Pippa has settled back into our classroom routines quickly and she is demonstrating a calm and focused approach to her learning. Love it Pip! Keep up the great work!
Year 5/6 Miss Whitehead	A big pat on the back to INDIANA WINSLADE for the way she has settled back into school in Term 3. Indi has a positive attitude and always tries her best. Keep up the great work Indi!
Year 5/6 Mr Boyd	Congratulations to OLIVIA RINAUDO for the excellent persuasive piece of writing which she completed at the end of the semester. Olivia wrote a compelling piece about Zoos, which contained the necessary elements to make an engaging persuasive text! Well done Olivia!
Year 5/6 Ms Noble	Congratulations to ZAYDEN DYSON for the positive start he has made to Term Three. Continue to share your fantastic observations in our class discussions! Well done and keep up the great work!
Year 5/6 Mrs Ackerly	Congratulations to LIAM SOLIMO for the confident and positive way he has settled into Term 3. Liam has quickly established routines after the holidays and has been working to his personal best. Keep it up!



Seasons for Growth is a loss and grief education program. The Children and Young People's Program strengthens the social and emotional wellbeing of children and young people who are dealing with significant loss or change. This may include the death of a loved one, parental divorce or separation, the experience and aftermath of a natural disaster, moving house or school, as well as many other life changes and losses.

Small groups of 4-7 children work with a trained adult Companion (facilitator - Helen Lyons) who supports the children in learning new ways to share, think about, and respond to the changes and losses in their lives. Children learn they are not alone in dealing with the effects of change, loss and grief. They build their understanding and communication, decision making and problem solving skills as part of a supportive peer group. These groups will take place on a Friday during Term 3.

The Seasons for Growth Children and Young People's Program takes place over a structured eight week period filled with peer-to-peer learning opportunities - with time to talk and listen as well as take part in activities including drawing, music, art, journaling, roleplays and story telling. The story of the seasons is used to explain the cycles of life, including change and loss, and provides a valuable metaphor for children to explore and understand their own story.

If you think your son / daughter would benefit from Seasons for Growth, I would encourage you to talk to him / her about this. Should you wish to participate, please fill in the tear off section below and return to the school within two weeks if possible. Please feel free to contact Helen Lyons at school



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SEASONS FOR GROWTH

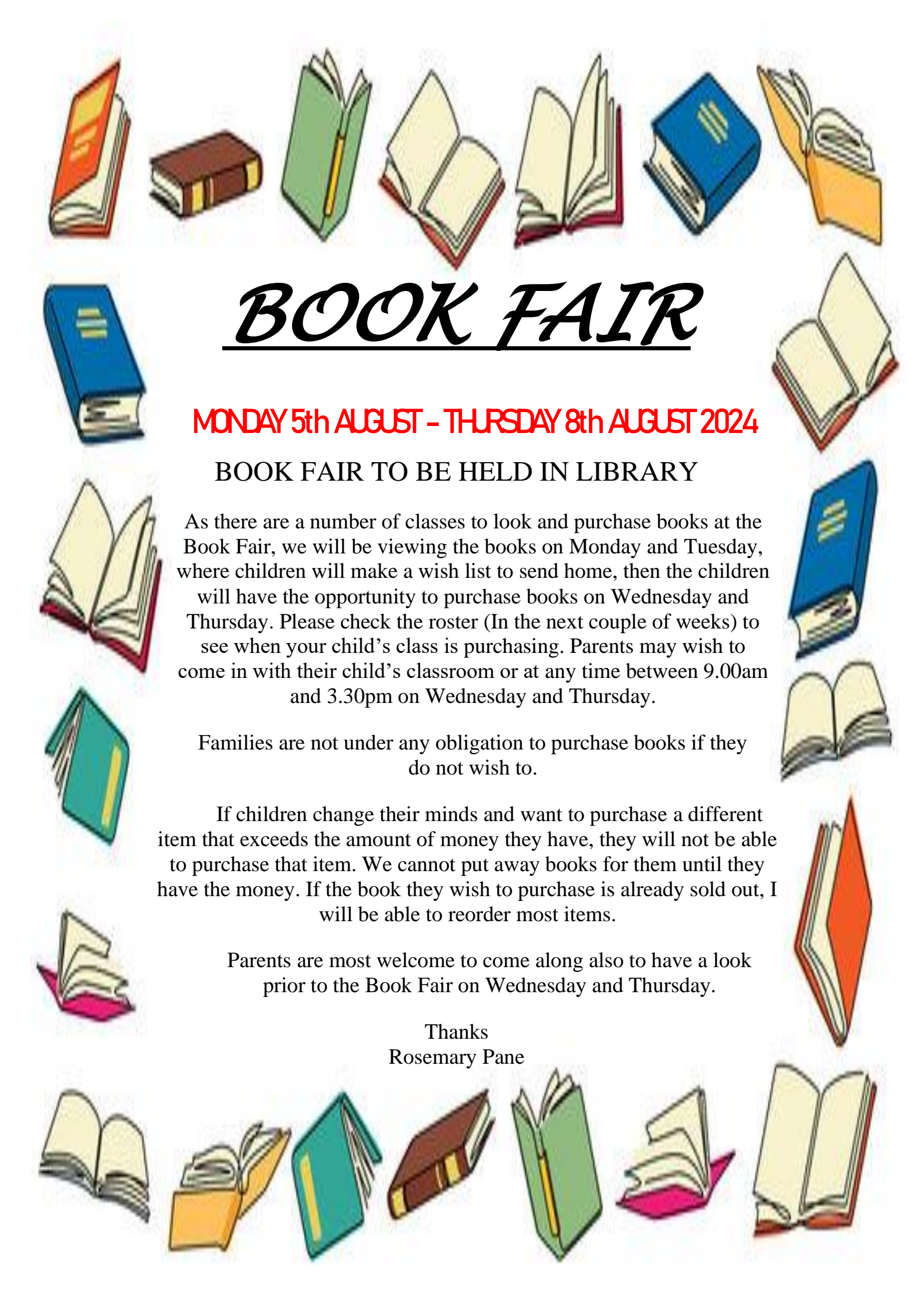
I, _____

give my consent for my son / daughter _____

to attend the Seasons for Growth Education Program. I have discussed this with him / her.

Parent / Guardian signature _____

Year _____ Teacher _____

A decorative border of various colorful books surrounds the text. The books are shown in different orientations, some open and some closed, in colors like orange, green, blue, yellow, and pink.

BOOK FAIR

MONDAY 5th AUGUST - THURSDAY 8th AUGUST 2024

BOOK FAIR TO BE HELD IN LIBRARY

As there are a number of classes to look and purchase books at the Book Fair, we will be viewing the books on Monday and Tuesday, where children will make a wish list to send home, then the children will have the opportunity to purchase books on Wednesday and Thursday. Please check the roster (In the next couple of weeks) to see when your child's class is purchasing. Parents may wish to come in with their child's classroom or at any time between 9.00am and 3.30pm on Wednesday and Thursday.

Families are not under any obligation to purchase books if they do not wish to.

If children change their minds and want to purchase a different item that exceeds the amount of money they have, they will not be able to purchase that item. We cannot put away books for them until they have the money. If the book they wish to purchase is already sold out, I will be able to reorder most items.

Parents are most welcome to come along also to have a look prior to the Book Fair on Wednesday and Thursday.

Thanks
Rosemary Pane



Positive Parenting Telephone Service

Our free 6 to 10 week program helps you to:

- have stronger, more positive relationships
- set rules and limits
- manage everyday behaviour problems.

Our program is for parents, grandparents and carers of children aged 2 to 12 years.

Participants complete a workbook and are supported by weekly 30 minute phone calls with a trained parenting educator.

All of this can be done from the comfort of your own home at a time that suits you.

 **1800 880 660**

This is a **FREE** service, and enrolments are taken all year round. Call us for more information or to enrol.

The Indi Play Date

Independent Federal Member for Indi, Helen Haines, is working with advocacy groups and the community to find solutions to meet our regional childcare needs. She wants to hear from more people about their experiences in accessing childcare. On Wednesday 17 July, we are holding drop-in sessions in Wangaratta and Wodonga with advocacy group The Parenthood, to hear the stories that we can use in our work.



Parenting Programs - Term 3 2024



*There is no cost to attend these programs

Location	Program	Duration	When	Where	Register
Wodonga	Mother Goose (0 - 2 years)	Full Term	Wednesdays In School terms 10:30 am - 11:30 am	Gateway Health 155 High St Wodonga	Scan the QR code to register
Wodonga	Tuning in to Kids Emotionally intelligent parenting	5 weeks	Wednesdays August 7 - 28 9.30am - 11.30am	Gateway Health 155 High St Wodonga	Scan the QR code to register
Online	Tuning in to Teens Emotionally intelligent parenting (10 years and over)	6 weeks	Mondays August 5 - September 2 7pm - 9pm	Online	Scan the QR code to register
Online	Raising Resilient Children	2 hours	Monday August 19, 2024 7pm - 9pm	Online	Scan the QR code to register
Lavington	Mother Goose (0 - 2 years)	Full Term	Mondays In School Terms 10.30am - 11.30am	Orana Community Centre 40 Cardo Dr Springdale Heights	Scan the QR code to register
Benalla	Dads Tuning In to Kids	5 weeks	Tuesdays July 30 - September 3 2024 5.30pm - 7.30pm	Tomorrow Today Shop 1, 66 Nunn St Benalla	Scan the QR code to register

Contact Information

If you have any questions, please reach out to the Gateway Health parenting team at 0457 279 796 or email parenting@gatewayhealth.org.au