

# St Patrick's Primary School News

Week 4 Term 3



## Principal's News

Dear Parents,

This week I have spent some time with other principals in the diocese for prayer, retreat time, professional dialogue and learning. Part of the conversation centred on Catholic Identity and how our schools continue to be authentic in our religious identity. In coming weeks you will have the opportunity to answer a survey the results of which will help us to continue to grow and thrive as a school community as well as plan strategically for improvement.

This week I offer the **thanks** of the community to **Dax Kelly and Simon Bateman** for their diligent work in installing the goal posts for the Noa Football Field. The blessing of the field on Tuesday was a special time to remember Noa. We thank **Sapphire Welding & Fabrications** for making and donating the bench frame, **Peter Moore** for making the goal posts and donating the powder coating on Noa's bench, **Mark Anderson** from Bega Valley Trophies for donating a plaque for Noa's bench and **Henry Lucas** for digging the post holes. **Next Thursday at 9.30am** a representative of the Hon. Andrew Constance will cut the ribbon and officially open the field. The 2017 Noa Jessop memorial award will be presented to a student. We hope you are able to join us.

We also **thank Aleeta Northey** for the week of dance lessons and preparation for our annual school concert. Aleeta certainly has talent and flair, and the concert this year will compare with the best! Lastly in the gratitude department, thanks to **Bega Newsagent** for the donation of some solid bookshelves for our school.

We congratulate **Halen Kite** on receiving the Michael Rheineberger Award for athletics this term. Halen demonstrated great sportsmanship, determination, commitment and team spirit at our recent carnival.

**Gospel:** This week we read and reflect on Matthew's (14:22-23) account of Jesus walking on the water. In their fear 'Jesus called out to the disciples in the boat saying 'Courage! It's me! Don't be afraid.' When we break open the Word we use the model of *Three Worlds of the Text*: The world behind the text (context, culture, history), of the text (the actual words), and in front of the text (what does it mean for me/us today). As we read this scripture we wonder how is this passage speaking to me in my life, am I aware that Christ is with me in calm and troubled waters. Where in my life do I need to have faith and put away my doubts?

Christ With Us.  
Jo

*Vision without a task is only a dream. A task without a vision is a drudgery. But a vision with a task in a dream fulfilled.*

## Dates to Remember

14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>  
August  
Paper Plane  
Competition

14<sup>th</sup> August  
National  
Science Week

15<sup>th</sup> August  
Parent  
Reading  
Workshop

16<sup>th</sup> August  
Board meeting  
6pm

17<sup>th</sup> August  
Jerseys for  
Noa/Official  
Opening

18<sup>th</sup> August  
11, 2017  
Assembly  
2/3C

Science  
Festival BVSC

23<sup>rd</sup> August  
School  
Concert  
12pm & 7pm

## The School Week

School Canteen  
Monday

Uniform Shop  
By appointment

## AP News

On Wednesday the 2/8/2017 Costa Georgiadis visited St Patricks School. He helped us build the STEM garden and taught us interesting facts. He taught us how to be sustainable like... To use old truck tarp for a hat; buy reusable utensils, and also buy reusable cups. He made our garden sustainable by adding in natural ingredients such as water, hay, manure, dead grass and old newspaper, we built a lasagna garden out of usual waste. Darren Vong

## Religious Education News

### 4/5S

In religion this term our class **4/5S** have been learning about Jesus' mission to help the poor and oppressed.

**What we know:** He wanted to help people that don't have things that they need. He wanted to stop people from feeling oppressed and he wanted them to feel free.

**What we want to know:** Why did Jesus give up his time to go on a mission?

How many people did he help? What was Jesus' plan? Where did he start his mission? Was Jesus told to do the mission?

Our class are still learning about Jesus' mission and we still have so much to discover.

*Written By Ayesha Twyford, Maddie Cullen, Jasmin Lehmann and Sienna Irving*

### Mini Vinnies

Thank you to Mini Vinnies for organising a very successful Souperheroes day on Friday the 4th of August. The members from Bega's St Vincent de Paul were overwhelmed with the generosity of the school.



## P&F News

### BEACH-A-THON

Our annual Beach-a-thon is on Friday 15 September 2017. The Beach-a-thon is a fantastic day out at the beach for all. The day begins with a bus ride from school to the Lions Park at Mogareeka. From there, the children run, hop, skip, jump or walk their way to the Dragon Park at Tathra. The rest of the day is filled with fun activities on the beach, including sand castle building. Included in the day will be a sausage sizzle lunch followed by a zooper dooper. At 2 pm, the children will leave Tathra on the bus and return to school. The children will be travelling to Tathra and back by a bus. **There is no charge for the bus.** If parents are transporting their child to and from Tathra, you are more than welcome to stay with us for the day. For this fundraising activity, students can seek donations from family and friends to sponsor them to make their way from Mogareeka to the Dragon Park. There are lots of prizes available for their fundraising efforts!

### PRIZES

**1ST PRIZE:** KID'S KAYAK INCLUDING LIFEVEST KINDLY DONATED BY OUTBACK TO OCEAN

**2ND PRIZE:** WAHU BEACH PACK

**3RD PRIZE:** BEACH TOWEL AND DRINK BOTTLE

For every **\$10 raised**, you will receive a ticket in the draw for the above prizes!

### MOVIE & POPCORN AFTERNOON

For the class that raises the most money!

### CUPCAKES AND ICY POLES

For the class that returns their money first!

**MONEY MUST BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL BY MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2017 TO ENTER THE DRAW**

### TRIVIA NIGHT

We still have tables available for the Trivia Night on Saturday, 26 August 2017 at Bega Golf Club! This super fun night will be open to the public so we are hoping to draw a big crowd and make it a fantastic night. Please note that this event is aimed towards adults so it may not be suitable for children to attend. Entry is \$10 per person with 8 people to a table. Bookings can be made by emailing [stpatsbegafundraising@gmail.com](mailto:stpatsbegafundraising@gmail.com) or by calling 02 6492 5500. We have some amazing prizes up for grabs in our raffle including a \$350 photography session with Narelle Hutchinson Photography, 4 x tickets to see Anh Do live in Bega with transfers to and from the show, as well as many more exciting prizes. If you own a business or know of a business that might be interested in donating items or vouchers for prizes and raffles, please contact Kat Hergenhan on 0413 279 084.



# TRIVIA NIGHT

Brought to you by  
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Come along for a  
night of  
fun, laughter, games  
and prizes!

- \* Raffles
- \* Lucky door prize
- \* Games

8 to a table or we can  
seat you

Bring a plate to share



## WHEN

26 August 2017  
6.00 pm for 6.30 pm start

## WHERE

Bega Country Club  
Tarraganda Lane  
TARRAGANDA NSW 2550

## ADMISSION

\$10 per person payable at  
the door on the night

## BOOKINGS

stpatshegafundraising@  
gmail.com  
02 6492 5500

## Community Mental Health Forum with Dr Michael Carr-Gregg

***Suicide and mental health continue to have significant impact on our community. As such, we need to work together as a community to do what we can to address these issues, to assist those in need and to prevent any further tragic deaths.***

On Thursday, September 14 commencing at 6:00pm, Dr Michael Carr-Gregg, a highly regarded adolescent psychologist with extensive experience in the field of adolescent mental health, will be speaking at Sapphire Club, Merimbula.

Dr Carr-Gregg will deliver a key note address to assist us in better understanding mental health. He will then conduct a workshop where those present will get an opportunity to discuss the issues and build on their understanding of mental health.

It is envisaged that we will have a wide range of people in attendance who will be able to share their knowledge and experience with regard to mental health. Invitations have been forwarded to all local schools, health services, community groups and most importantly, parents and students of the respective schools.

Our young people need our support. As a community, we are responsible for ensuring that this support is provided. Therefore, it is imperative that we join forces to see what can be done to improve the mental health of our young people. What can we do to build the resilience of our children? What can we do to improve the services offered to better manage mental health? How can we as a community better support the families experiencing the pressures associated with youth mental health? One death by suicide is one too many.

As the saying goes... ***'It takes a whole village to raise a child.'*** We, the members of that village, need to put our heads together to see what we can do to help our kids enjoy life and to reach their vast potential. Anything less is not good enough.

Club Sapphire offers a child minding service, please contact the Club for availability and further information. Light refreshments will be available.

Please RSVP by either phoning the College 6495 8888 or email [lccc@cg.catholic.edu.au](mailto:lccc@cg.catholic.edu.au).

We thank Club Sapphire for their support of this most important event.

Yours sincerely



Steve Centra  
Principal