

# St Patrick's Primary School News

Week 7 Term 3



## Principal's News

Dear Parents,

**Staffing Announcement** We welcome Mrs Emma Grant as the permanent Religious Education Coordinator at St Patrick's. Mrs Grant has been in a one year acting position in 2017 and has now been appointed to the continuing role. We thank Emma for leading us as a Catholic school community this year and look forward to St Patrick's continuing to grow in strength and commitment as a proudly Catholic school educating in faith, hope and love. Congratulations to Emma on this appointment.

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY** to all our dads, grandads, and parents who are 'dad' to their kids. We hope you have a great day on Sunday with your children and that you are showered with love and kindnesses! We thank Mrs Kite, Mrs McPherson and the staff team who put on their caterer's hats and cooked up a storm for the breakfast this morning. We also thank Mrs Grant, the teachers and students who led us in our prayer liturgy for father's.

A Huge **THANK YOU** to the P&F Social Committee led by Kat Hergenhan for the fun Trivia Night held last Saturday night. What a great night for socialising and showing off how much trivia we know.... Or finding out just how much trivia we don't actually know!

Yesterday Mrs Grant and I were in Canberra at the **Archdiocesan Priest, Principal and REC day**. There was an address from our Archbishop Christopher Prowse on Catholic Identity in our contemporary culture and some reflection on the Canberra Goulburn context. Our Catholic Education director Mr Ross Fox set the strategic direction for our schools for 2018-2020 with 3 key priorities: Mission, Performance and Service. We then had time to collaborate with other schools and parishes around Formation opportunities for staff in the Mission of Catholic Education. It was a most productive day.

The first meeting of the **St Patrick's 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration Steering Committee** is next **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September** in the library at **4pm**. If you would like to get involved please come along.

Blessings,  
Jo

Cherish the music that stirs in your heart, the beauty that forms in your mind, the loveliness that drapes your purest thoughts.  
James Allen

### Dates to Remember

**1<sup>st</sup> September**  
Fruit and Veg Month

**13<sup>th</sup> September**  
P&F Meeting  
6pm

**14<sup>th</sup> September**  
Dr Michael Carr-Greg  
6pm

**15<sup>th</sup> September**  
Beach-a-thon

**20<sup>th</sup> September**  
Vision Awards

**22<sup>nd</sup> September**  
Box Challenge

School  
Holidays

### The School Week

School Canteen  
Monday

Uniform Shop  
By appointment

## AP News

Every maths lesson starts with a warm-up. A warm-up we sometimes use is called 'odd one out'. Students have to think and then explain why they think one thing is the odd one out. There are many right answers that stretch children's thinking. This picture is an odd one out some classes used this week. Some students totaled three numbers, some looked for odd, even or prime numbers and some put the numbers together to make a number in the thousands. And then they explained why one was different to the others.



## Make it Say it Write it Solve it

One approach that we are building on with the way we teach numeracy is ensuring students have opportunities to 'make, say, write and do'. Children need to experience problem solving by making it with materials; they need to explain their thinking by speaking; they need opportunities to write down working out (which can include drawing, numbers and words); and they need to solve problems – which is the 'do'. Using multiple ways helps children to visualise and comprehend a problem or concept, allowing deeper understanding.

## Religious Education News

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What have you been learning about in Religion?

Cooper – We completed labyrinth mazes.

Tim - We had to choose a line from the song and draw a picture to represent it.

Levi – We drew pictures of God. My picture is what I think God looks like.

Clay - We learnt the Our Father.



## First Reconciliation

Information Night- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 6:30pm

Family Mass and Reconciliation Enrolment - 15<sup>th</sup> October at 9:30am

Family Masses for Reconciliation- 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> October at 5pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation – 1<sup>st</sup> November at 7pm.

## 4/5S Bournda Excursion

Last week my class 4/5S went on an excursion to Bournda to learn about sustainability, we met Luke Brown, he was our guide.

First we talked about what sustainability means and Maddie said that it was something that needed to be maintained. Rory said that it was something that



needed to be at a certain rate or level. Then we had fruit break during that we played 44 homes. After fruit break we learned about the life cycle of an apple and rubbish. The life cycle of an apple goes like this: apple, apple seed, worm farm, soil and it starts again.

Rubbish that gets put in a bin goes to a garbage truck and they deliver it to the dump. At the dump the rubbish gets crushed, then it gets put in a big hole called landfill and that's where your rubbish goes. After it's put in the landfill bad air is created, some air is worse than others like methane and leachate comes from the rubbish and goes into the ground. Unlike the apple it doesn't happen again.

Rubbish just stays but an apple has seeds and grows again. From that we played a rubbish challenge, it was about sorting rubbish in the right bins. We also played a water game with bad water and good water. We had to get the most water but it could be good or bad water to drink, our team won. After the games we had a bushwalk, on that bush walk we found a midden. A midden is a place where aboriginals ate food, it had a pile of oyster shells so that if another tribe of people came they would say, "Oh I can see that the other people have eaten oysters so we will eat mussels." They did this so the animals in the ocean did not become extinct. We also found a goanna track, and fish bones that had been cooked. We ate lunch under a pavilion that was shaped half igloo and half a midden. We saw a kangaroo that was lying on the ground, some people thought she was pregnant. Then we walked back to Scott's Bay, said a friendly goodbye to Luke Brown, hopped on the bus and went back to school. By Ayesha Twyford





## Sport

On Tuesday 15 St Pats children travelled to Canberra to represent the Southern Region. Sickness took its toll and unfortunately 2 children had to pull out. Some excellent results were achieved.

Mia Christison: 1<sup>st</sup> 100m, 1<sup>st</sup> 200m, 2<sup>nd</sup> High Jump and 2<sup>nd</sup> Long Jump.

Jaxson Dibles: 2<sup>nd</sup> 100m

Ayesha Twyford: 2<sup>nd</sup> 800m

Brodie Seenan: 1<sup>st</sup> 100m

Marissa Hepburn: 1<sup>st</sup> High Jump

Abbie Christison, Mia Christison, Ayesha Twyford and Alana Liaropolus won their senior girls relay, in as very exciting finish.

These children all go onto Sydney to represent the Archdiocese.

Sam Griffin 3<sup>rd</sup> Long Jump, Jasmine Lehman 3<sup>rd</sup> High Jump and Halen Kite, Lachlan Giles, Sam Griffin and Brodie Seenan came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the senior boys relay and just missed out on going as only the first 2 progress at this level.

All the children competing tried their very best and were great representatives for our school.

## Book Club

Book Club closes Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

Please return your orders to the School

Office.

## Legacy

This week is Legacy week and as in previous years we are supporting this important charity. Next week merchandise will be for sale:- Bears \$15, Pens \$5, Keyrings \$5, Arm Bands \$3, Badges 50c.

## Parish News

### A Prayer for Fathers

God our Father, We give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old. We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; May they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for our own Fathers and Fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; May they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow. We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice. We remember fathers, grandfather, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. **Amen.**

## P&F News

### TRIVIA NIGHT

Last Saturday the P&F held a trivia night at Bega Golf Club. It was an incredible evening with all the tables sold out! It was super fun night with Matt Christison as the MC taking the audience through the evening. Congratulations to the winning team, The Cannibal Crew. You have bragging rights until next year! Thank you to everyone who came along to support the evening as well as the businesses who generously donated the prizes. A huge thank you to the Social & Fundraising Committee for everything you did behind the scenes and on the evening to make the event the success that it was.

### BEACH-A-THON

Don't forget that 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.

### 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!**



Woolworths Earn & Learn is due by the end of the term!

Cancer Council NSW SunSmart Snippet

**The simplest way**  
...to be a SunSmart whiz!

Can you answer this SunSmart quiz?

Q1. At what UV level do you need to apply sunscreen?  
Q2. How do I find out the daily UV level?  
Q3. Do I need sun protection on cool or cold days?

A1: Always use sun protection when the UV levels are three and above. You may also need sun protection if the UV is below three and you are around highly reflective surfaces or outside for extended periods of time.  
A2: The easiest way to find out the daily UV level is to download the SunSmart App and set up a daily alert on your device. Alternatively, you can check the newspaper or the Bureau of Meteorology website.  
A3: UV levels are not related to temperature and in most parts of NSW, remain for most of the year. You can't see or feel UV radiation so it is best to check the daily UV level and not rely on temperature.

To help keep your kids safe in the sun, check your school's SunSmart status by heading to [www.sunsmart.org.au/schools](http://www.sunsmart.org.au/schools)



# After School Boot Camp for Kids

The kids are having fun with the After School Boot Camp!

