

2018

Dates to Remember

Term 3

August

Week 4

Friday 17th Infants Assembly—

Year 2—2.15pm

Week 5 BOOK WEEK

Monday 20th Author Visit— K, Yr 1—3

Juliette MacIver

Character Parade

1.45pm School Playground

Tuesday 21st Year 1 excursion—

Wildlife World

Thursday 23rd Diocesan Athletics

Friday 24th Author Visit – Yr 4-6

Deborah Abela

Week 6

Tuesday 28th Father's Day stall

Wednesday 29th Year 5 PD Night 6.30pm

Friday 31st Fathers Day Breakfast

Fathers Day Mass

Primary Assembly— Year 4—2.15pm

<u>September</u>

Week 7

Monday 3rd STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Wednesday 5th Primary Parent Workshop

Geometric Reasoning &

Multiplicative Thinking

Friday 7th Year 3 excursion—

Featherdale Farm

Infants Assembly— Year 1—2.15pm

Stage 2 Boys & Girls
Touch Football Gala Day

St Patrick's Primary School Newsletter

16th August 2018 Term 3 Week 4

Dear Parents

Yesterday, August 15th, the church celebrated the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On this day we remember the person of Mary and the relationship we have developed with her through the many accounts of our Holy Mother through scripture. For many of us, our thoughts and devotion to Our Lady began very early in life, commencing with the Nativity Story. We learnt how brave and resilient Mary was as she travelled to Bethlehem with Joseph, giving birth to Jesus in a stable. This connection continues as we hear stories of her relationship with Jesus in the scripture passage of Jesus at the temple, at the wedding at Cana and during Holy Week. Although I have written about this before I would like to reflect again on the place Our Lady held in our family. Growing up, in my family, our Holy Mother always seemed so accessible to us, just like our own mother. Praying to her seemed very easy because we were taught that Mary is always there for us and that we could tell her anything. Every day, at midday, all staff and students of schools in the Parramatta Diocese stop to say the Angelus. Often, the busiest part of the day, we all stop to pray to our Heavenly Mother, recalling her story and the critical role she played in Christ's Mission.

Last Sunday some of you may have seen the beautiful media presentation organised by the Diocese of Parramatta and the Institute of Mission entitled, 'The Mission of Each Person'. In this vision we were reminded of the words of Pope Francis in his letter, 'Rejoice and Be Glad'. In his letter the Holy Father reminds us that 'greatness of spirit is seen in everyday life' and that 'the mission of each person is a path to holiness.' Those on the video, people representing groups in our community, explain that no matter what our life situation is; married, single, in community, at school, grieving separation and loss of relationship or journeying towards priesthood, we are called to holiness. This call is not about being perfect and what some may see as an unreachable state of sainthood, but rather a holiness that is first about 'receiving, and letting ourselves be loved. It is about the encounter in each person's life - even weaknesses - with God's grace.' It is about being authentically ourselves - and working towards becoming the best version possible.

Mary showed us many examples of her willingness to encounter God's grace in her life. She showed us how to receive and live God's grace. Just like Mary, every person's mission is a path of holiness.

Every Encouragement for your Path! Let us help each other on this path.

If you haven't had the chance to see this 4 minute video please follow the link below:

https://youtu.be/trUzmgFsgCl

God bless you and your family.

Bernadette Fabri Principal

St Patrick's Current Attendance Level = 88.7%				
K = 82.4%	2 = 87.5%	4 = 88.3%	6 = 81.7%	
1 = 94.9%	3 = 90.3%	5 = 95.0%		

Let Us Pray

Holy God, through Mary you show your people that you do wonderful things, through ordinary human beings. With trusting hearts we call you in our need.

As Jesus' mother, Mary showed us the extent of human love, motherly nurturing and selfless service. May all people learn to embrace one another in love, compassion and service.

Wondrous God, hear us.

All: Hear our prayer, O God.

As Jesus' disciple, Mary followed her son. May those in positions of leadership learn from her humble yet strong example of discipleship. Wondrous God, hear us.

All: Hear our prayer, O God.

As your servant, Mary listened. May we be open to your plans for us with a listening heart and respond with a generous spirit.

Wondrous God, hear us.

All: Hear our prayer, O God.

Mary was aware of Jesus' needs. Let us see and address the cries of help from those in our community who are weak and lost.

Wondrous God, hear us.

All: Hear our prayer, O God.

Mary now rejoices in heaven. We remember and pray for all who are now rejoicing in eternal life with you.

Wondrous God, hear us.

All: Hear our prayer, O God.

God who hears our prayers, you understand every yearning of the human heart. Listen to the prayers we pray in the name of Jesus, son of Mary.





Happy Birthday to the following children who will celebrate their birthday in the coming week: Nicholas Reyes-Mangabat, Crista-Nicole Gahdmar, Wytske Lubbers, Andre Elzahoul, James Morson, Christian Moujalli, Sophie Salloum, Shaneli Perera, Jazmyne Grech, Jasmine Rizk, Michael Sunwar, Lorenzo De Guzman, Sonia Sitoa





The Honour Award is awarded to the child who demonstrates outstanding behaviour shown in the Student Charter





КА	Catherine Kwa	Vincent Camenzuli		
км	Charlene Wambeek	Patrick Semaan		
1C	Chloe Vella	Erick Granados- Gavito		
15	Victoria Nassif	Kenzie Murphy		
2M	Clare Camenzuli	Joel Lahoud		
2Y	Jacinta Azizi	Phillip Boutros		

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The St Patrick's award is given to the child who lives their life through Faith in Action

KA Ava Boutros		Joshua Day	
км	Olivier Touche	Zachariah McPherson	
1C	Fleur Perrett	Mateo Barroso	
1S Marcus Moses		Edan-Grace El-Chaar	
2M	Christina Brown Anthony Sassen		
2Y April Soh		Brendan Lima	
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VOICE OF YOUTH

Tuesday 16th August, 2 Year 6 students represented the school at this year's Voice of Youth Public Speaking Competition. Voice of Youth is an annual competition involving all students in Year 6 across the Diocese of Parramatta. Each school holds their own school final and the successful finalists from each school meet in clusters of schools for a cluster final. St Patrick's Parramatta, is part of the Parramatta Cluster made up of: Mother Teresa Westmead, Sacred Heart Westmead and St Oliver's Harris Park.

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Congratulations to this year's 10 grade finalists: Aaron Neroy, Matthew Kreich, Julian Camenzuli, Alana Medak, Isla Giron, Caitlin Maroun, Stephanie Saab, Gabrielle Sabat, Laurice Behan, Elliana Coles

Congratulations to this year's school finalists: Isla Giron and Alana Medak

Both students did an outstanding job representing our school and sharing their speeches on 'Childhood Poverty' and 'Turning FOMO to JOMO'. All of the Year Six students and teachers were very proud of their efforts. The judges commented on what a difficult job it was to choose the finalist, Ms Kelly and Mrs Standring both agreed and were very proud when Isla was awarded a second place.

Thank you so much to Miss Kelly for coordinating this competition.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY (Monday 3rd September)

Dear Parents.

On Monday 3rd September the school will be holding a Staff Development Day. On this day the staff will be undertaking professional learning in the area of Religious Education in particular the use of the scriptures to unpack the 3 levels of meaning for Reconciliation. Children do not attend on this day.



PARENT WORKSHOP - GEOMETRIC REASONING AND MULTIPLICATIVE THINKING - PRIMARY



Wednesday the 5th of September at 7pm.

All parents of our Primary students (Years 3 -6) are invited to attend a parent workshop on Mathematics. If you would like to be participate in solving challenging Maths problems that involve thinking multiplicatively and using reasoning skills in Geometry then join with the staff and other parents as we work together on the rich tasks similar to those done by our students. A letter will be sent home next week with more details on the workshop. We hope to see you there!

Information regarding Naplan Readiness Online -

Last term Years 3 and 5 completed the **NAPLAN (National Assessment Program- Literacy and Numeracy)** This was a pencil and paper test.

In August/September 2018, schools in NSW will be participating again in a readiness test of NAPLAN online. This will include Years 3 and 5 at all diocesan schools. The purpose of this is to ensure that schools and school systems are ready for the digital version of NAPLAN which will begin in 2019. Results of this testing will not be made available to schools. Year 3 and 5 children at St Patrick's Parramatta will sit for the online test on the following dates:

Year 5 Writing: 27/8/2018

Year 3 and 5 mixed discipline test (omnibus): 29/8/2018

ACARA STUDENT BACKGROUND DATA - PRIVACY NOTICE

Dear Parents

Last week you would have received the above document.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) collects data from schools to determine the Index of Community Socio-educational Advantage (ICSEA). CEDP is currently working to provide relevant details to CSNSW.

This notice is available in a number of community languages. If you require a this notice in a particular language please contact the office and we will send one home with your child - if available in the language you request.

ACARA will not disclose this personal information to any third party.

If you do not want your school to provide this information to ACARA, please advise your school within seven (7) days of receiving this notice. Please notify the school office by Friday 17th August.

Further information about ACARA can be obtained from the ACARA website at www.acara.edu.au.

Important Information regarding GALA days

After feedback over the years regarding Gala Days the school is looking to providing more children with an opportunity to attend by sending more teams. We feel that whilst the Gala Days are competitive the main aim is for children to be part of the fun, gain more skills, meet new friends and be part of a not so serious competition. In light of this Mr Baird and Mr Younis will be looking to send teams made up of as many children that want to go, within the given restrictions of course. Next year the children may be asked to nominate their preferred event - this will assist even further. It is hoped in doing this we expose many children to this fun event rather than a select few. The start of this concept was to be the Touch Gala Days this term.

The complication we now face is that the date of the Gala Day has been changed by CEDP - totally out of our control - but it has landed on the same day as the Year 3 excursion. The buses have been booked and everything arranged with excursions taking the priority. CEDP have apologised for the sudden change. This will mean that this year the Stage 2 Touch Gala Day will involve only Year 4 students. Year 3 will get this opportunity when it is presented again in 2019.



All families are welcome to attend this Trivia Night at St. Patrick's Cathedral on 25 August at 7pm. It will be a great night full of fun, laughter and fantastic food! Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Mindy

Credo Youth Ministry Coordinator.

World Youth Day 2019 - Our Very Own Pilgrim

Dear Parents.

As part of the WYD 2019 initiative the Diocese holds a number of Fundraising events to support the pilgrims. The main one being the Diocesan Raffle. Thank you to the parents who have returned their sold tickets, all tickets sold or unsold need to be returned to the school by 21st September, 2018.

If you wish to purchase tickets they are available for sale in the office.

I would like to take this opportunity to express how grateful I am for the support of the St Patrick's community in this Diocesan Fundraiser for World Youth Day in 2019.

Mrs Louisa Daou Year 1 Teacher



A BIG THANK YOU to the Camenzuli Family

(Julian 6W, Clare 2M & Vincent KA)

who have graciously donated to St Patrick's Primary a new flag pole. The new flag pole replaces our previous one that was attached to the administration block and we are sure you will all agree that the new one situated in our Memorial Garden is far more appealing.

Calmsley Hill Farm

On Friday, we went to the farm and we saw some animals.

First, we were allowed to touch the animals and milked a cow. We saw goats and birds and we even saw a peacock! Finally we saw three shows.

I felt tired. Jacinta Malkoun, KM

On Friday, Kindy went to the farm.

First, we ate fruit break at the tables. Then, we pat the baby chick and the bunny. Next we milked the cow and saw the sheering. Finally, we went home on the bus.

My favourite part was sleeping on the bus.

Johnnie Daher, KA

















How would you like to win \$500 and your very own iPad? Keep reading! We have fabulous composers here at St Patrick's, and now we want to show off your talents to the world! The competition is open from Kindergarten all the way to Year 12 and winners can also have their work published in the Write 4 Fun hardcover book that your myriad of fans will be able to purchase!



Here is what you have to do!

- 1. Compose a poem (16 lines or less) or a short story (500 words or less)
- 2. Enter online at https://www.write4fun.net/
- 3. Go to: enter competitions > poetry and short story competition > complete your details and submit your entry!

Unsure what to write about? Well, that's easy. Write something you would love to read! There are some great examples on their website if you need some inspiration, or check out the brilliant poems and stories in our library!

The competition is one entry per student and entries close on August 31st.

**NB: All entries are submitted online! If you'd like some help submitting your child's entry, please make an appointment to pop in and see me!

Happy Writing!

Mrs Stojanovski

New library Books for Purchase and Donation during Book Week

Please visit the library (Mon-Wed 8.30am—9.00am and 2.50pm –3.10pm) to purchase a book to donate to our library collection. A book plate will be placed in the book to commemorate your family's kind generosity. Your child will be the first to borrow that book as soon as it has been processed.

BOOK WEEK 2018 "Find your Treasure"

During Week 5 (20-24 August) our students will be celebrating Book Week. This year's theme is

"Find your Treasure"

We will be celebrating this week with a variety of special activities including competitions, a Book Character Parade and Author Visits.



Author Visits for the Students:

Juliette MacIver Monday, 20th August Kindergarten, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3

Juliette is the award - winning author of Marmaduke Duck, Tom and the Dragon, Little Queen Alice's Palaces, Toucan Can, The Frog Who Lost his Underpants, The Moose Goose, Gwendolyn and Henry Bob Bobbalich

Deborah Abela Friday, 24th August Years 4, 5 and 6

Deborah is the popular author of the Max Remy Superspy series, Jasper Zammit (Soccer Legend) series, Ghost Club series, *The Remarkable Secret of Aurelie Bonhoffen, Grimsdon and New City.*

The Book Character Parade:

Parents and friends are invited to attend the parade on **Monday 20th August at 1.45pm** to be held in the school playground. Each child is asked to come dressed as a literary character from a book that they treasure. They should carry a sign noting the **title** of the book and the **name** of the character they are depicting and ideally **know** a little about their character.

The Premier's Reading Challenge:

The Challenge closes on 31st August. Students are to finalise and upload their Student Reading Records by this date. Thank you to parents for your kind assistance with this matter.

Oz Fashions finds itself in a position where we have to adjust the prices of some items due to the increase in raw materials and labour costs.

We have absorbed past increases and take price adjustments very seriously and only apply them at the very lowest rate necessary.

Adjusted prices are included on the below order form and price list and will take effect from 1st September 2018.

Oz Fashions appreciates your support and understanding of this matter.



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Parramatta Uniform Price List

DESCRIPTION	TOTAL PRICE	
Unisex Sports		
Short sleeve polo		
Long sleeve polo	\$30.00	
Short	\$30.00	
Pant	\$45.00	
Jacket	\$55.00	
Girls		
Winter pinafore	\$50.00	
Tab tie - complimenting pinafore/skirt check	\$5.00	
Scrunchy- complimenting pinafore/skirt check	\$5.00	
Soft headband - complimenting pinafore/skirt check	\$5.00	
Hard headband - complimenting pinafore/skirt check	\$5.00	
White peterpan blouse with piping along collar	\$30.00	
Tights – Bottle green cotton/Lycra	\$15.00	
Summer dress	\$50.00	
Scrunchy - complimenting summer dress check	\$5.00	
Soft headband - complimenting summer dress check	\$5.00	
Hard headband - complimenting summer dress check	\$5.00	
Turnover socks - White	\$4.00	
Boys		
Short sleeve lay back collar shirt with school crest	\$25.00	
Short – Grey full elastic waist	\$25.00	
Long sleeve two piece collar shirt with school crest	\$30.00	
Trouser – Grey Melange	\$40.00	
Tie –S, M, L {Velcro pre tied} & XL {self-tied}	\$17.00	
Turnover socks - Grey	\$4.00	
Unisex		
Scarf – Bottle green with school crest	\$12.00	
Bomber jacket	\$65.00	
Poly/Wool Jumper – Bottle green {Girls ONLY} SIZE: 4-8	\$55.00	
SIZE: 10-12	\$65.00	
SIZE: 14-18	\$75.00	
Poly/Wool Jumper – College grey with bottle/gold stripe detail {Boys ONLY} SIZE: 4-8	\$55.00	
SIZE: 10-12	\$65.00	
SIZE: 14-18	\$75.00	
Accessories		
Back pack	\$45.00	
Excursion/Library bag		
Sun hat		
Lice off kit – designed to fit inside of sun hat		
Art Smock		
Raincoat – Day/Night – Available in yellow or navy with reflective tape	\$25.00	

SPOTLIGHT ON



Mia Kerr

What would you do with 1 million dollars?

I would renovate my room by buying a bed frame and adding more pictures on my wall and have a reading corner and give some to my mum and give some to the poor.

What is your favourite song at the moment?

F.R.I.E.N.D.S by Anne Marie and Marshmallow and Youngblood by 5 Seconds of Summer.

Who would you like to switch lives for a day?

- 1. Any animal even if they are extinct
- 2. Einstein
- 3. Ariana Grande

Who is your favorite YouTuber?

My favourite YouTuber is SSSniperwolf.

If you could have one superpower what would it be?

Be able to travel wherever I want in just the click of my fingers.

Elna Koikarra

What is your favourite food?

I enjoy eating sushi, pizza and El Jannah

What is your favourite line from a movie?

It would HAVE to be "She kisses my boo boos, she braids my hair I love my mummy she's beyond compare" -Despicable Me

What would be five words that describe you?

Weird, crazy, funny, annoying and NOT athletic!

What is your favourite movie from this list?

- 1. The night before Christmas
- 2. Any of the Harry Potter movies
- 3. Finding Dory

Which famous person can you relate to the most?

Alisha Marie because she's as weird and quirky as myself and she is obsessed with STARBUCKS!!!

Matthew Khreich

If you could do one thing in the world what would it be?

It is kind of hard but out of 2 things it would either be go on a plane or see my grandparents that have passed away.

What is your favourite food?

My favourite food would have to be pizza, I love it I have it every saturday.

If you had 1 million dollars to spend what would you do with it?

I would give 250,000 dollars to charity, and the split the rest between my family.

If you were getting chased by a monster with 2 other friends would you:

- A) Come up with a plan to kill it or escape
- B) Go ahead of your friends and leave them for dead
- C) Call the police

I would choose A to come up with a plan to kill it but if that didn't work i'll have to say my goodbyes to my friends because their gon-ners if that happens.

If you had to describe yourself to someone what words would you use?

Tall, Kind of funny, Silly, Weird and Sort of athletic

What are you looking forward most to in high school?

Getting a new computer. Alleluia no more lag.



<u>Clvde</u>

Name 5 words describing you?

Silly, weird, energetic, loud and gamer are the words to describe me.

If you could have any superpower what would it be?

I would have the superpower to fly so I can hide in the clouds in hide and go seek.

What one country would you like to travel to most and why?

I would to travel to Japan because of my love of anime and anime figurines which is japanese animation.

What are your Dream Jobs?

My dream jobs are sturgeon, a lawyer and youtuber but I still haven't decided.

What's your Favourite movie?

My favorite movie is Hunger Games because it includes lots of action.

Christian S

Favourite celebrity/sport icon?

My favorite sport icon is Leo Messi because I personally think he is the best soccer player in the world.

What your Favorite food?

I love Pizza and Garlic Bread because the taste is amazing?

What is your favourite movie/tv show ever? Why?

I love the movie wonder because it bring a great message and is entertaining.

What are you most excited for currently?

The weekend because I love to play video games and have a break to relax from school.

What do you do in spare time?

In my spare time I love to play outside, eat and play video games.

Arabella

Where's your favourite place and why?

My favourite place is Canada because of the enjoyable snow and yummy hot chocolates.

What would you do if you had \$100,000 to spend in a day?

I would donate \$10 000 to the poor, go shopping and buy clothes and shoes and buy a bunch of tiny puppies.

If you could have any superpower what would it be?

I would have teleportation because I can go anywhere anytime without traffic or having to pay.

Name 5 words to describe you?

Crazy, funny, loving, caring and stupid.

If you could have any job what would it be?

It would be a puppy snowboard instructor because I love puppies and snowboarding so it would be funny and cute.





10 Things Every Parent Needs to Know

















Our guest speaker for the evening is:

Dr Justin Coulson

Author, Parenting Expert, International Speaker and Father of six (Yes, 6!) beautiful girls

Register FREE now: www.prc.catholic.edu.au

Monday, 27 August 2018

Doors open: 6:30pm for 7:00pm start (approx. 2 hours)

Term 3 - PRC General Meeting will be held prior to our speaker session

at Corpus Christi Catholic Primary, 90 Andromeda Dr, Cranebrook NSW

Tea, Coffee and light snacks will be provided and a lucky door prize will be up for grabs!

www.prc.catholic.edu.au



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Floral Expressions

For details on the School fundraising program Call Charles Lukasik on 02 9683 1116



Parish Youth Group Junior Credo: EDGE

- for children in Yrs 4-6

Fortnightly on Fridays - 5pm-6pm (school terms only) at St Patrick's Cathedral Cloister Hall.

Email Mindy for more info: credo@stpatscathedral.com.au Junior Credo Edge is a Parish based Ministry run by

St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta



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Our VISION is to be a child centred faith community within an innovative, interactive learning environment.

Our MISSION is to -

Live out the Gospel Values in a visibly Catholic tradition

Nurture students for Christian Leadership

Create a range of learning experiences which allow children to progress at their own level

Assist our students to develop into independent thinkers with a deep sense of responsibility and iustice

Lead each individual towards reaching his/her potential

Generate a sense of community and compassion in which all Experience belonging.

Opportunity for all

MASS TIMETABLE FOR ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL **PARRAMATTA**

Weekend Masses

Saturday 8.00am, 6.00pm (Vigil) Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am (Family)

11.00am (Solemn), 6.00pm

Weekday Masses

Mon to Fri 6.30am, 12.30pm

Public Hol 8.00am

Pastoral Team

Bishop of Parramatta Most Rev. Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM CONV

Very Rev Fr Robert Bossini Fr Michael Gitau Rev Deacon Willy Limjap Margaret Gale (Sacramental Coord) Milli Lee (Parish Admin Asst) Patricia Preca (Parish Secretary) Donna Missio (Receptionist)