



# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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Link below to our school calendar

<https://www.spcgdbb.catholic.edu.au/news-events/combined-calendar/>

## FROM OUR PRINCIPAL.....

Dear parents and students,

Wasn't yesterday with Star FM a great morning. Thank you everyone for coming and joining in with the excitement. It was wonderful to see so many here for the morning activities.

We also had about 25 families come to our first Enrolment Information session. We do have another Enrolment Information Session on Monday evening.

### Kindergarten 2020

We are in the process for accepting applications for Kindergarten 2020. On Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April, we have school tours commencing at 6.30pm followed by an Information Session at 7pm in the Library on the Infants side. If you have a child turning 5 next year please come along to the session to get an application form.

Important dates for enrolments:

- Enrolment package due into the school office by Thursday 9th May.
- The enrolment application needs to be returned in person.
- There is a \$50.00 enrolment fee
- Interviews & screeners begin week of 20<sup>th</sup> May
- Letter of placement hopefully will be sent out Week 1 of Term 3, but this depends on the Catholic Schools Office (CSO)
- Parent acceptance returned by Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August
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### Winter Uniform

All students will return to school in their Full winter uniform at the beginning of Term 2. They wear this uniform for Term 2 and Term 3. Please remember that all students should be in their full winter uniform not half and half. Boys are allowed to continue to wear a short sleeve shirt, but the school tie needs to be worn.

Can I also remind parents about the acceptable haircuts at school. At present there are a number of boys who have an inappropriate haircut. Can I ask that this be remedied during the next couple of weeks. This includes stripes and shapes carved in the side of haircuts, hairstyles with a very long front and shaven underneath, colour in hair and hair longer than collar length.

### Easter Liturgy and Assembly Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April.

There will be no Assembly next week as we will have a final one for the term on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April. You are warmly invited to join us for our Easter Liturgy which will be at 10.15 in the church. This will be followed by a combined morning tea and Assembly at 11.30am.

### Easter Raffle Draw

Don't forget to send in your Easter eggs for our Easter Raffle. This will be drawn on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April.

I hope that everyone has a wonderful weekend

Take care and God Bless

*Cheryl*

### Family Mass

Children's Liturgy every 9am Mass  
except in school holidays

### P & F Meeting

Once a term

### St Patrick's Hall

Enquires and bookings please call the  
school office

### Outside School Hours Care

E: [eastgosford.oshc@dbb.org.au](mailto:eastgosford.oshc@dbb.org.au)  
or phone 0408 165 671  
or visit the school website

### The Uniform Shop

phone 0412 087 696

opening hours during school terms

*Tuesday*

8.30am – 10.30am

*Also 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month*

2.30pm – 4.00pm

The uniform shop can be contacted  
outside of business hours by email  
[stpatricksprimary@alinta.com.au](mailto:stpatricksprimary@alinta.com.au)  
payments can be made direct to

Alinta Apparel in the form of cash,  
credit card, or debit credit card

**NO CHEQUES**

uniform price list & online shopping  
available at

<http://www.alintaapparel.com.au/alinta/>

### Canteen

*Infants: Wednesday & Friday*

*Primary: Wednesday & Friday*

Rostered volunteers please give  
24 hours' notice if you are unable to  
attend

FROM OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CO-ORDINATOR– MS FIONA BOLTON

## 4th Sunday of Lent – 31 March 2019

In Sunday's gospel we hear the parable of The Prodigal Son. This parable is unique to the Gospel of Luke and our familiarity with it sometimes risks dulling us to its tremendously powerful message. Jesus has been teaching the crowds as he journeys to Jerusalem. As he teaches, the Pharisees and scribes complain and challenge Jesus because he is welcoming sinners at his table. Jesus tells this parable in response to his critics.



This parable invites us to consider the depth of God's mercy and love. It's a universal story that tells us of how, when an angry older brother confronted his father about welcoming the prodigal son back home with a lavish feast, the forgiving father appears sad and even confused by the older son's indignation. The father replies that they should celebrate because the lost son had returned. The father is filled with gratitude and love for the older son's faithfulness. This love is in no way diminished by the father's rejoicing at the return of the younger son. Yet the older son's jealousy reveals his limited understanding of the depth of his father's love.

In this story, can we see ourselves in all the characters? How many times have we been the prodigal son? Or the angry and jealous older brother? And, how many times have we been the forgiving father? Consider how many times we may not have been grateful to our heavenly Father for his unending forgiveness or our transgressions. This parable shows us how much God loves us.



The Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally called Laetare Sunday. Laetare is a Latin word that means "rejoice." Today's Gospel describes the reason for our joy: God's great love for us has been revealed in Jesus. Through his Passion, Death, and Resurrection, Christ has reconciled us with God and one another.

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Father,

We thank you for your unfailing love. We are thankful that even when we go astray, you welcome us back with open arms. In Jesus' name we pray.

### Project Compassion

So far Year 4 and Year 5 are our top donating classes! Don't forget these boxes are in all classrooms. Please continue to remember to donate what you can to help the most vulnerable people in the world! Thank you to our Mini Vinnies team who are keeping the gift of giving at the for-front of our minds.



### Easter Family Mass

Father Greg will be celebrating a special family mass on Easter Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> March at 10.30 at St Patrick's Church. A form has been sent home via compass so please indicate whether you are able to attend.

### Confirmation Classes

Please remember to return your **confirmation forms to the parish office by next week.**

## FROM THE PARISH ...

Pint Sized Paddies—4th Friday of every month - This Friday! Friday April 5 at 7:00pm  
In the school hall. Enquiries to Melissa 0434 251 481

Palm Sunday - Please bring your children come along to Mass and have their Lenten Passport filled with at least 4 Stamps will receive their prize.

### IN YOUR PARISH OF ST PATRICK'S THIS WEEK

Tuesday April 2	9:00am	Communion Service
Tuesday March 26	7:30pm 7:30pm	Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), in the Admin Centre. menALIVE meeting in The Jordan Room.
Wednesday March 27	11:30am 6:00pm 6:30pm	Communion Service Stations of the Cross at St Francis of Assisi, Somersby. Mass at St Francis of Assisi, Somersby.
Thursday March 28	9:00am 9:30am 2:00pm	Communion Service with prayers for Vocations Salvatorian Collaborators Meeting in Jordan Room Grief and Loss Meeting in the Jordan Room
Friday March 29	9:30am 11:30am	Craft Group meeting in Jordan Room Stations of the Cross, prior to the midday Healing Mass at St Patrick's Gosford.

## PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

The Premier's Reading Challenge is on again for 2019. Most families will have received the note this week. If you would like to be part of the challenge please remember to send in the permission slip so that I can send the reading log home and you can begin reading.

## INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)

The ICAS tests for Years 3-6 have been put on the calendar later in the year for 2019.

We will inform you of events as they are communicated to us.

Ms Crawford, Mrs Hartz and the Mini Vinnies team were busy making and selling jelly cups this Thursday, raising money for project compassion



**No glass drink bottles - they smash very easily—Only plastic please**



## NAPLAN

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy – important skills that each child needs to succeed in school and life. The NAPLAN tests are designed to help us make sure students are on track with their literacy and numeracy development. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in NAPLAN tests for reading, writing, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

St Patrick's will participate in NAPLAN Online. Students do not need to be computer experts to take the NAPLAN test online. Making sure students have computer skills is part of our school curriculum, and our teachers will ensure your child is familiar with the online format.

To see the types of questions and interactive features of NAPLAN Online, visit [the public demonstration site](#).

If you have any questions about NAPLAN Online, please contact your child's teacher.

*For more info:*

[How to support your child during NAPLAN information for parents and carers](#)

[Watch a video that explains NAPLAN Online](#)

[Subscribe to ACARA's monthly parent newsletter, Parent Update](#)

## CONGRATULATIONS EVA!

Here is a photo of a proud Miss Eva who now qualifies and is representing

Polding Swimming Team at NSW PSSA State Swimming Championships

Eva did a PB smashing a further 3 seconds of her entry time!!!!



**Eva Faunce**  
**2nd Place 50m Backstroke**

## P&F News

### Star FM Breakfast Broadcast

What a fantastic community event we had yesterday with Rabbit and Julie from Star FM! Thank you to everyone who came along to support us once again. Not only was it a great experience to be involved in, but also for the children to see how one of the coasts radio shows all comes together.

Many thanks for ordering breakfast on line through Qkr! We bought a lot of extras and believe it or not, sold out of everything. A quick count at the end of the breakfast saw about \$500 profit plus we received a donation of **\$500 from Bendigo Bank**. We had a very successful morning raising just over \$1000. These funds will go straight to technology.

A huge thank you to all of the staff for coming in early (Mrs Walsh arrived at 4am!) and helping out in the canteen and doing extra supervision. Thanks to Nick for cooking all of our snags too. We'll mention here that we received a really good deal from **Edward's Family Butchers in East Gosford** for our sausages. If you frequent this butchery, please thank them for supporting us. It's nice to support a business who is happy to support us too.

### Easter Raffle

Please remember to send in anything Easter themed (chocolates, eggs, bunnies, Easter craft, gift bags, Easter toy, cane baskets, ribbons etc) for the raffle by Thursday 4th April.



You will have received your raffle tickets this week. If you wish to buy tickets, please send them back with your money into the school office by Friday 5th April. Please send in any unsold tickets as well.

The draw will take place on Tuesday 9th April. Winners will be published on Compass and Facebook the following day.

We need some help putting the prizes together. We will be sorting and making prizes up on the Morning of Friday 5th April and possibly Mon 8 after morning bell. Just after morning bell, please meet in the infants library. This is a time where younger siblings can come. We know so many of you wish they could help in the canteen or classrooms, but can't due to younger children. Just bring something to keep them occupied, otherwise there's loads of books to read! Please email the school office if you can come along and help. The more the merrier. [spcg@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:spcg@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

### BINGO night.

Keep Friday June 21st free! It's adults only Bingo time! Please see flyer for more information. Tickets will be sold via Qkr! soon.

### Canteen

This newsletter has next term's blank canteen roster included on the next page. Please have a look at the dates and see if you or another family member may be able to help out.

At the last P&F meeting, it was decided that each grade will be responsible for filling in the blanks on the roster when volunteers are needed (this is when no one has put their name down and we are searching for helpers). If no one on that grade can fill in the blanks, the canteen will then close. Some grades have more weeks to cover than others, however, this will change per term. We will trial this system for a while and hopefully we can open our canteens each week. We have closed 8 times already this term.

Term 2 is as follows:

- Kinder – weeks 3, 6 and 9
- Year 1 – weeks 2, 5 and 8
- Year 2 – weeks 1, 4, 7 and 10
- Year 3 – weeks 1, 5 and 9
- Year 4 – weeks 2, 6 and 10
- Year 5 – weeks 3 and 7
- Year 6 – weeks 4 and 8



St Patrick's Bingo Night

When: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019

Where: Erina Leagues Club

Funds raised from our BINGO night will be going towards new technology for our students, including the purchase of IPADS

Some prizes on offer:

- 4 x Members' Reserve Passes to either Royal Randwick, Rosehill Gardens, Canterbury Park or Warwick Farm
- One Month Members Pass to CCLC Fitness

Stay tuned to our Facebook Page & Newsletter for further details.

If you would like to donate to our night, we'd be greatly appreciative. We need lots of prizes! Anything from bottles of wine, boxes of chocolates to vouchers. There is no limit! Many thanks.

### Canteen Roster Term 1 2019

Week	Date	Infants	Primary
1		CLOSED	CLOSED
	February		
	April		
10	Wed 3rd	Katie V.	Need x1
	Fri 5th	Kendal Carbonara Mel Chidgey	Ange Stitt Louise B
11	Wed 10th	Karen P-B	Need x1
	Fri 12th	Renee O'Regan Jess Fisher	Jo Ford Judith Andrews

### Canteen Roster Term 2 2019

ONE volunteer is required on Wednesdays for each canteen and TWO volunteers are required for each canteen on Fridays. Please text Ange on 0409 362 217 if you would like to help. TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED. Thank you.



Week	Date	Infants	Primary
	MAY		
1	Wed 1st		
	Fri 3rd		
2	Wed 8th		
	Fri 10th		
3	Wed 15th		
	Fri 17th		
4	Wed 22nd		
	Fri 24th		
5	Wed 29th		
	Fri 31st		
	JUNE		
6	Wed 5th		
	Fri 7th		
7	Wed 12th		
	Fri 14th	ATHLETICS	CARNIVAL
8	Wed 19th		
	Fri 21st		
9	Wed 26th		
	Fri 28th		
	JULY		
10	Wed 3rd		
	Fri 5th		

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Year 5 – weeks 3 and 7

Year 6 – weeks 4 and 8

# St Pat's Day Celebrations



**PLEASE CHOP UP FRUIT FOR FRUIT BREAK**

**SOME OUR STUDENTS ON THE INFANTS CAMPUS ARE NOT EATING THEIR FRUIT AS THEY HAVE NO FRONT TEETH**



# HARMONY DAY

Last Thursday, St Patrick's celebrated our cultural diversity by participating in activities for the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Harmony Day. Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone, which we pride ourselves on here at our wonderful school.

Did you know?

Almost half of all Australians were born overseas, or have a parent who was.

More than 7.5 million people have migrated to Australia since 1945.

We identify with around 300 ancestries.

1 Blue counted the number of cultural backgrounds in our classroom at 18! And they were only the ones we were sure about! We also created a beautiful Harmony Tree after looking at the colours on the various flags, and colouring a handprint to represent each country.



## News from your SRC

Our second councillors' meeting was held last Friday with all members present. Fantastic! This year we have a great group of enthusiastic students who are willing to take on new ideas and try to make a difference around our school. The ideas we are taking forward at present will require work and effort from our councillors and we are sure they are up to the task.

One suggestion has already been introduced and we have a 'Buddy or Friendship Seat' on each campus and hopefully these will be used respectfully. Check with your child to find out why these seats are on the playground. This idea will be reviewed in a few weeks.

**BOARD GAMES** A group of SRC members are going to research what board games we have at school with a plan to purchase more to be used at lunchtime in the library.

If anyone has unwanted board games at home in good condition perhaps they could be donated to the school.

## TRASH FREE THURSDAY *returning soon!*

Trash Free Thursday will be explained at Week 10 assembly by the SRC with an introduction of Trash Free Thursday in Week 11. It will then be put in place for the rest of the year.

Mrs Mandell and Miss O'Neill





## A NOTE FROM OUR MINI VINNIE'S TEAM

Firstly, we would like to thank all the students and their families for their continuous support for the Mini Vinnie's fundraiser this term, Project Compassion.

It is so wonderful to see all the boys and girls so passionate about helping raise money for poverty around the world.

On Thursday the 11th of April (week 11) we have our last fundraiser for Project Compassion. Our Year 6's and Mini Vinnie's team have planned a bake sale to help raise awareness and come together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity. All slices, cakes and biscuits will be \$0.50 - \$1.00.

Thank you again for your continued support

The Mini Vinnie's team, Mrs Hartz and Miss Crawford.



## CENTRAL COAST CLUSTER CROSS COUNTRY

Our St Patrick's Cross Country Team were a credit to our school at Mount Penang today.

Congratulations to  
Talia L in Yr 4 - 1st  
and  
Robbie F in Yr 3—2nd.

Thank you to our  
parent volunteers  
Mr Gottardo and Mr Smith





GREAT MORNING WITH STAR FM THE REPTILE PARK AND THANKS TO BENDIGO BANK FOR THE \$500





Ladies, it's on again!

## CINTA COLLECTIONS FASHION SHOW

Friday 5 April 2019

6-9.30pm @ Henry Parry Drive East Gosford

Cost \$25 per person

BYO Champagne and Wine

Lucky Door Prizes

Nibbles provided)

This July Chrissy Ryan, Maria Smith & Lisa Elwood will be heading to the Province of Siem Reap in Cambodia where we will be building a house for a family in need of shelter and security.

All monies raised from the Cinta Fashion Show will be donated to Habitat for Humanity to pay for building supplies and labour to assist us with the build.

Contact Maria, Lisa or Chrissy for tickets



"Everyone - all of us, every last person on God's earth - deserves decent shelter." - Millard Fuller, founder of Habitat for Humanity

## Attention Parents dropping off at our Victoria St Campus

Several vehicles were noticed by the ranger pulling up between the no stopping and the bus zone, right in front of the school's driveway, stopping at this location is an offence under the Road Rules 2014 and carries a penalty of \$337 and two demerit points (stop on/across driveway etc to/from land (in school zone).

**FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS**

**YOU WILL BE BOOKED**

Sienna has lost her size 6 knitted jumper—please return to office if found

Support our fundraising!

PRE-ORDER NOW!

Just \$65

Hurry! Bonus Early Bird Offers. Limited Time Only.

### St Patrick's Catholic Primary School - East Gosford is fundraising with Entertainment!

Your support really helps, so we're thrilled to let you know about special bonus Early Bird Entertainment Membership Offers for loyal supporters. Pre-order the NEW 2019 | 2020 Entertainment Membership before April 4 2019 and receive bonus offers you can use right away!

Order online at [www.entbook.com.au/342b10](http://www.entbook.com.au/342b10)

### New School Banking rewards now available!

Exciting new Term 1 Polar Savers rewards are now available, while stocks last!



Scented Stackable Highlighters



Snowy Origami Set

Once students have individually deposited 10 times into their account they can choose an exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their regular savings habits. There are two new items released each term so be sure to keep an eye out for them!

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

If you would like to know more about School Banking please visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, School Banking day is every Wednesday.

Pre-order to enjoy these bonus offers

PREVIEW THE VALUE

Early Bird Vouchers

\$20\* VOUCHER Woolworths

\$50\* VOUCHER CELLARMASTERS

### New to Entertainment 2019 | 2020

FUNDRAISING WITH **entertainment**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!  
St Patrick's Catholic Primary School - East Gosford  
Natalie Introna  
[natalie.introna@dbb.org.au](mailto:natalie.introna@dbb.org.au)



CatholicCare  
Diocese of Broken Bay

## TUNING INTO TEENS

A six week parenting program for parents of teenagers.  
Discover emotionally intelligent parenting.



**Wednesdays**  
29 May - 3 July 2019  
5.30pm - 8.00pm



St Joseph's Catholic College  
Russell Drysdale Street,  
East Gosford



FREE

Topics include:

- Communicating more effectively with your teenager
- Understanding your teenager better
- Help your teenager to master emotional intelligence
- Help your teenager manage emotions
- Discover how to prevent some teenager behaviour problems.

Teens with higher emotional intelligence:

- Are more aware, assertive and stronger in situations of peer pressure
- Are able to cope better when upset or angry
- Have fewer mental health and substance abuse problems
- Have more stable and satisfying relationships as adults.



RSVP BY 1 JULY

St Joseph's Catholic College  
P: (02) 4324 4022  
E: christine.hain@dbb.catholiccare.edu.au  
Please note: Children are unable to attend.

[catholiccaredbb.org.au](http://catholiccaredbb.org.au)

## Ishbel Beadle FSDA FTCL

Speech & Drama Teacher, examiner & adjudicator

Speech & Drama helps build confidence, teaches life skills using all forms of literature while having fun.



I have some available times after school on Tuesdays at St Patrick's School. For further information please contact me on.

**0411465917**



Join Willy Wonka for  
**CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY**  
at The Springs  
Outdoor Cinema

Friday 26th April  
Gates open at: 5pm  
Movie time: 7pm - 9pm

Treat yourself at our scrumdiddlyumptious snack bar.

**EARLY BIRD PRICES**  
available till 31.3.19  
Adult - \$17.00  
Child - \$10.00  
Family - \$52.00  
Concession - \$15.00

**PRICES FROM 1ST APRIL**  
Adult - \$20.00  
Child - \$14.00  
Family - \$55.00  
Concession - \$17.00

Tickets available at: [www.the-springs.com.au](http://www.the-springs.com.au)  
1080 Peats Ridge Road, Peats Ridge.

(02) 4373 1522



[thespringspeatsridge](https://www.facebook.com/the-springs-peats-ridge)

the springs

## St Patrick's Second-hand Uniform Shop

Thanks to our wonderful volunteers Louise, Mel, Mehana & Donna the 2nd Hand Uniform shop will be open on the following **Fridays** between:

**2 – 2.45pm CASH ONLY**

- Term 1: 8 March, 22 March, 5 April
- Term 2: 10 May, 24 May, 7 June, 21 June, 5 July
- Term 3: 2 August, 16 August, 30 August, 13 September, 27 September,
- Term 4: 25 October, 8 November, 22 November, 6 December

Please call/text Louise on 0407 100 433 for more information  
Donations of washed uniforms (only with St Patrick's logo)  
gratefully accepted at the school office.

Shop is located on the Victoria St Campus near Alinta Clothing Shop down the steps on lower level



you are invited to  
**easter family funfest**

Sat 20 April  
10am - 3pm  
Gosford Waterfront  
(next to the Big Tent!)

jumping castle  
treats surprises give-aways

live shows

craft and games

food and drinks

And the Best News of ALL!



Good News!  
It's All Completely Free!

The free Gift of God is Eternal life!  
Ephesians 6:23

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