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St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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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
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 1st Friday of every month
2.30pm – 4.00pm
The uniform shop can be contacted outside of business hours by email stpatricksprimary@alinta.com.au payments can be made direct to
Alinta Apparel in the form of cash, credit card, or debit credit card

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 PRINCIPAL.....

Dear Parents and students,

It is quite unbelievable that we are coming to the end of the term. It has been a very busy term with many changes at St Patrick's. This week we had the delivery of some new furniture for the newly refurbished Year 6 classrooms. With this, we have completed the new classrooms and they are looking wonderful.

I have submitted a submission to the CSO for the funds to refurbish the remaining Primary Classrooms. We have also been looking at the gate situation on the Primary side. At present the CSO is gathering quotes for this scope of work. I am hoping to have some information by the end of July if and when the additional work will be approved. I will keep you posted.

Thank you

I would like to thank Mr Garry Hansford who stepped in today to look after the school while Miss Perry and myself were attending other engagements. Mr Hansford, is the retired Principal from Wyoming and I know he was looking forward to spending the day at St Patrick's.

Bingo Night

Thank you to Rachel Playle and the P & F for a great social night last Friday at the Bingo Night. It was great fun and everyone enjoyed themselves. We all can't wait for the next one.

Celebrating NAIDOC week

As NAIDOC falls in the school holidays we are celebrating NAIDOC Week next week. We will commence this special week with a whole school liturgy at 10.30am in the infants playground. The teachers have a number of NAIDOC activities for the children during the week. We are also fortunate to have an Indigenous Dance Group with us on Friday. The Group will perform for the whole school at 9am and then each grade will work with the Group during the day.

Pyjama Day

All the students and staff are wearing their PJs to school on Thursday 4th July to assist Mini Vinnies with their Winter Appeal. We are asking everyone to donate a gold coin for the cause and warm blankets, gloves, beanies and jackets/jumpers to help those in need.

Teachers on Long Service Leave

There are a few teachers taking Long Service leave over the next few weeks, we wish them a very restful break.

- Mrs Morris will be on leave from next week until Week 4 of next term—we welcome Selena Maloney
- Ms Turnbull will be on leave next week and Monday of Week 1 next term—Mrs Witt will be taking 6 Blue
- Mr Harris will be on leave for Weeks 1 and 2 of next term—Mrs Witt will be taking 6 Gold
- Mrs Ryan will be on leave for Week 1 of next term—Mrs Sansotta will be taking 4G and Italian during this time.

Pop-Up Playgroups

We have three pop-up playgroups planned for next term. Thursday 1^{st} August, Friday 16^{th} August and Wednesday 28^{th} August from 9-10.30 am . Those families with pre-school aged children are welcome to join us.



Pupil Free Day

There will be a pupil free day on Monday 26th August. On this day the staff will be attending a Spiritual Formation Day at St Joseph's Spirituality and Education Centre Kincumber. There will be no school for students on this day.

Parent Teacher Interviews and Semester 1 Reports

Thank you to the parents who attended an interview with their child's teacher this week. It was great to see so many parents taking the time to meet with the teachers. I would also like to thank the teachers for giving up their time to meet with you and for preparing for these interviews and for completing the reports. Both tasks take a great deal of preparation and I am most grateful to all the teachers for the time and energy they put into both.

I hope that you found accessing the Reports easy and that you liked the new format. The reports were a new format this year and there have been some teething problems. Please contact the office if you cannot access your child's report on compass.

Congratulations on your Baptism

Congratulations to Freddie, Robbie, Holly and Poppy Furley and to Harrison Fittler who were all received into the Catholic Church today at our Mass for the Feast of the Sacred Heart, a very special feast day.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff, students, parents and families for all your hard work and your continued support this term. I have a special thank you to Father Greg who has celebrated many masses and liturgies with us and who has been very busy since his arrival. We do appreciate all you do.

I hope that everyone can have a relaxing time during the holidays when they commence next week.

Take care and God Bless Cheryl

FROM THE LADIES OF THE OFFICE.....

ORDERING LUNCHES

Due to the unfortunate recent closures of the canteen, we have made some changes to the Qkr! App to help support you and the volunteers in ordering lunches.



When you order your child's lunch on Qkr!, you will notice that there are now 2 Canteens set up

Infants Canteen Menu & Primary Canteen Menu

If your child is in Kinder, Year 1 or Year 2, please order their lunch from the Infants Canteen Menu.

If your child is in Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 or Year 6, please order their lunch from the Primary Canteen Menu.

If you have a child on each campus, you still order from their respective canteen and check out with one transaction. You will need to go into both Canteens to order.

This way if one canteen closes, it will not be possible to make any orders.

For example: If the Primary Canteen is closed, you will not see the Primary canteen's menu but the Infant's canteen will still be open for Infants' orders ONLY. Any questions, please ring the office on 4325 1159.

Woolies Earn & Learn

Please send your Earn & Learn Stickers to your child's class teacher on Monday.

The final result will be put on Facebook early next week—one class will be receiving a Pizza lunch!!!!!







FROM OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CO-ORDINATOR MS FIONA BOLTON....

NAIDOC Week

All over the country NAIDOC Week will be celebrated from 7th to 14th July. The theme for NAIDOC Week is Voice. Treaty. Truth. Let's work together for a shared future which are were three key elements to the reforms set out in the Uluru Statement from the Heart. For generations, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have sought recognition of their unique place in Australian history and society today, and have looked for significant and lasting change.

As we are on holidays during this time, St Patrick's will acknowledge and celebrate it next week with a liturgy on Monday at 10.30am on the infant's side, prepared by our Year 6 leaders. On Friday we welcome into our school an aboriginal dance troupe who will demonstrate and teach our students traditional movements from their culture.

In the Classrooms

In the past two weeks many parents and family members have come to celebrate the learning that has occurred in Religious Education this term through liturgy. A huge effort has been made by the children in preparing these liturgies and participating in the ministries of Scripture reading, prayers of the intercession, singing hymns and creating artworks; all with the support of teachers. Thank you for joining us at these Liturgies.

Mini Vinnies

At next week's assembly, John from St Vincent De Paul will collect the blankets that the students have been bringing in to help the homeless. If you haven't already done so, there is still time to send in a blanket or two to help those less fortunate in our community. Thank you to the members of Mini Vinnies for organising and promoting this initiative.

Reconciliation

Parents of children intending to make the Sacrament of Reconciliation next term are required to attend a compulsory information meeting on 24th July at 7.30pm in the church. Father has informed me that if parents do not attend this meeting, their child will not be able to begin preparation classes. If you have a problem with this time please contact the church office.

Reconciliation classes will commence the week after this meeting.

Congratulations to Poppy, Holly, Robbie and Freddie Furley and Harrison Fittler on receiving the sacrament of Baptism and Confirmation at today's Sacred Heart mass. Many blessings to you and your families.

What's on Term 3:

W3: St Mary of the Cross MacKillop School Mass 8th August 2019 at 9am.

W4: Feast of the Assumption. School Mass 15th August 2019 at 9.00am

W5: Year 3 Family Mass. 12th August 2018 at 9.00am.

FROM THE PARISH

St Patrick's FINANCIAL YEAR 2018/19

This weekend all givers via the envelope system will find their 2019/20 set available at the foyer for collection. For givers to Charitable Works and Project Compassion which yield 100% tax deductibility, your receipts will be available at the foyer hopefully by July 7.

Now is a good time for everyone to consider their financial support of the parish, its maintenance and sustenance. It's important that we all contribute to the stewardship of the parish, and our 2nd collection each week allows for this. However, giving via the Planned Giving programme, that is into a registered envelope or via monthly credit or debit card, will enable us to plan and budget for the future and we highly recommend this form of giving.

We recognise how difficult it is to remember the envelope each week, and as we as a nation are moving forward to a cash-less society so, we will be endeavouring to plan towards this at St Patrick's in the future. However, in the meantime, a monthly debit against a credit card [which may be a cheque or savings account with a Visa or Mastercard facility] is a great way to give.

This week we have available at all pews, a card which may be completed and either popped on the plate if you are comfortable with that. Or you can scan and email it to patsgos@acs.net.au, or drop it in at the office. We can then set the ball rolling to include you as a registered financial supporter of the parish, and we hope as many people as possible will respond to this call.

Stewardship in our Parish: Have you ever thought about helping your Parish community? It can be an enriching experience!

Loving God,

You have entrusted us with the good news of your Gospel. It is a privilege that we do not take lightly.

Thank you for equipping each one of our volunteers with gifts for ministry.

Thank you for their willingness to respond to your call to serve with gladness.

Sustain them on the days when they are tired, give them the strength to serve your children with patience, mercy, and grace, particularly with those children who need extra patience, compassion, and grace.

And, as they serve you, give them joy through glimpses of your Kingdom in the faces of those whom they

Through Him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, we pray, Amen.

Applications to join a ministry of your choosing, forms are on the pews this weekend. – simply complete and either place on the plate or drop it into the parish office.



PARISH NEWS

Sunday June 30	7:30am 9:00am 6:00pm	Commissioning Parish Council Members at every Mass. Catechist Speaker at all Masses. Youth Mass and Youth Group meeting after 6:00pm Mass.
Monday July 1	9:00am 9:30am 7:00pm	Mass DVD Movie after 9:00 am Mass, in the Jordan Room, the life of Fr Jordan. Bible Study Meeting in the Jordan Room.
Tuesday July 2	8:30am 9:00am 7:30pm	Adoration. Mass followed by Cancer Prayer Group meeting. Men Alive Group, Mass with meeting following in the Jordan Room.
Wednesday July 3		Bible Study Group in Jordan Room. Adoration. Mass.
Thursday July 4	9:00am	Adoration. Mass for Vocations. Salvatorian Collaborators Meeting in the Jordan room. Grief and Loss meeting in the Jordan room.
Friday July 5		Craft Group in Jordan Room. Healing Mass - Followed by light Luncheon in the Jordan Room, please join u Adoration in St Patrick's from 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm.
Saturday July 6	9:30am 10:15am	Margaret Scully appointments in the Admin Centre. Choir Practice in Church.



St Patrick's Parish Fundraising Breakfasts are coming back!

Join us in the Jordan room on the first Sunday of the month after the 7:30am and 9am Masses Bacon/sausage and egg sandwich \$5 Coffee \$4 Tea \$3 Hot Choc \$4



P&F News Bingo OH WHAT A NIGHT!

Last Friday over 100 members of our school community came together to play Bingo. Many first timers, many pros at the number dabbing! Father Greg came along and had a great time. It was his first ever experience of Bingo but he assures us it won't be his last!

Over all the night was a huge success. The amount of hours that goes into preparing a night like this is astronomical. Gathering donations alone is very tire-

some. We thank Rach P for the time and energy she gave to prepare and run such a wonderful school function. We raised a whopping .\$3,795.25 profit

THANK YOU to everyone who came along on the night, those who bought raffle tickets, those that bid on auction prizes and those that were there in spirit. A HUGE thanks to all the businesses that donated our prizes too. Without their generosity, these nights just can't go ahead.

Canteen

Thank you to Lou, Andrea, Eileen and Erin for taking over the running of the school canteen. Already we have a new Facebook page for everyone. Please join so you can see what's happening in the canteen. This is a great source of information for rosters, new products and in the event of having to close. Thank you

teen. This is a great source of information for rosters, new products and in the event of having to close. Thank you Ladies.

Have a lovely holiday. Stay warm! Ange Stitt

Click here to join
Our Kids Canteen

From our St Pat's Canteen Committee

Thank you to everyone who has joined our canteen Facebook page, Our Kids Canteen. We have had a great response and been able to keep the canteen open on both Infants and Primary for the majority of days for the remainder of the term.

Thank you to our new volunteers – I know it can seem daunting, but please if you have the time, we would love you to volunteer – we won't throw you in the deep end. We can make sure there is someone experienced working with you to show you the ropes. It takes a little bit of organisation – but essentially if you know how to turn on an oven and can cut the top off an ice block – then you have the skills needed to work in the canteen.

We are now looking for volunteers for Term 3. Remember we are now offering shorter shifts on a Friday, so if you can spare a couple of hours in the morning or afternoon – we would love your help!

P&F Meeting Please check out our roster later in the newsletter.



2019 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)

This year we are once again offering your children the opportunity to take part in International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) testing. For over 35 years, ICAS has taken place annually in schools throughout Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Brunei, the Pacific Region and South Africa. Your child is invited to participate in ICAS in 2019.

ICAS provides an opportunity for all students in Years 3 to 12 to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external testing situation. It provides parents and students with comprehensive reporting of results in the areas of Computer Skills, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing.

All students receive a **certificate** and an **individual student report** indicating which questions they answered correctly and their score compared with the rest of the students tested.

Certificates are awarded for each year level as follows:

- High Distinction to the top 1% of entrants
- Distinction to the next 10% of entrants
- Credit to the next 25% of entrants
- Participation to all other participating students.

If you wish your child/children to participate please login to Qkr! and pay the entry fee by Friday 2nd August.

Each test costs \$14.50 and they will be held on the following dates:

Digital Technologies - 3rd September Science - 5th September Writing - 10th September Spelling Bee - 12th September English - 17th September Mathematics - 19th September

Your child can now prepare for ICAS and other skills-based tests with EAA's new Practice Online series. For more information please visit the UNSW Global Educational Assessment Australia website at: https://www.unswglobal.unsw.edu.au/educational-assessments/products/icas-assessments/



PJ DAY THURSDAY4 JULY



This winter, our school is helping the Vinnies Winter Appeal by

donating winter clothes and blankets!

Bring in any donations: jumpers, jackets, scarves, beanies, blankets, quilts or any unwanted items that will help keep someone in our community warm this winter.

THURSDAY 4 July, and we ask that they bring in a gold coin to donate to the

St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal on this day

Thank You from the Mini Vinnies Team!











Last chance to claim your \$200 Vouchers

Come try your first week FREE Classes from \$6



Classes at St Patrick's Primary

Monday

3:10 PM - 5-12 Yrs Jazz Technique

3:40 PM - 5-12 Yrs Jazz Concert

4:10 PM - 5-12 Yrs Hip Hop Concert

4:40 PM - 5-12 Yrs Acrobatics Concert



Term 3 is the perfect time to join!

All of our classes start brand new routines in the lead up for our end of year show. Our Shows are affordable, with costume hire options

GO TO WWW.JBDANCE.COM.AU

Winter Tennis



Camps Mon 8th July - Fri 12th July

Mon 15th July - Weds 17th July

Tennis camp this school holidays for all ages at Gosford Tennis Club

Structured group coaching, match play, games and prizes. And fun

\$45 per day, discounts for weekly bookings and familys

> Lunch available for \$8 extra per day Early drop off available from 7.30am

Active kids vouchers accepted. Voucher 2 available from 1 July

> 10-13 Racecourse Road Gosford PH: 0243252921 M:0404946971 Email: alex_fielding@hotmail.com

TRASH FREE THURSDAY O ST PAT'S

LOST

ANGUS BROWN HAS LOST HIS SCHOOL HAT

CHARLIE ERCAN HAS LOST HIS SIZE 10

JUMPER (NAME INSIDE)



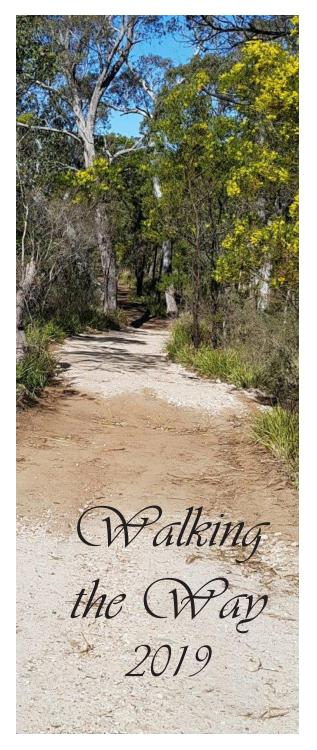






Let everyone admire how you encourage and accompany one another.

Pope Francis (EG, 99)



An invitation to parents in Broken Bay Catholic Schools

In 2019 some of our parent formation programs will exercise the body as well as the soul!

Join us in a series of walks enjoying the beauty of creation, the stories of our hearts and conversations about life and faith.

Details within...



Here's how it works

Each session includes a walk with optional distances to cover, input on a topical theme, and time for socialising.

- Choose a walk.
- RSVP (ideally; or just turn up!)
- Come with walking shoes, water bottle, hat.
- Join with a group of parents, accompanied by a walk-leader.
- Walk . Chat . Reflect.
- Enjoy!

Walking is a powerful image in our Christian faith tradition. Scripture repeatedly uses 'walking' to describe the relationship between ourselves and God.

God's word is described as 'a lamp to my feet and a light to my path' (Psalm 119:105).

Jesus says, 'I am the way' (John 14:6).

The early disciples were known as followers of 'the Way' (Acts 9:2).

(Excerpts from Walking the Way parent reflection booklet by CSO Borken Bay)

Choose from the following walks in 2019

May 3: Mulgoa

Mini-bus to Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre Mulgoa. Schoenstatt (German: 'beautiful place') is the name of a Catholic lay Marian movement that encourages people to live their faith in their own walk of life. Explore the Mt Schoenstatt Centre. Walk the lovely grounds and spend restful time at the Schoenstatt Marian shrine. Perfect for the Marian month of May!

July 4: Central Coast Indigenous Sites

Winter walkabout through stunning national parkland on the Central Coast, known for its hiking trails and Aborginal engravings. We will have an Aborginal educator as a guide, and our Catholic reflections will be inspired by the land and Australia's first peoples. Meet 9.30am, 4 July, at <u>Girrakool Picnic Area</u>. Flexible departure time: 2pm. The day includes guided walk and reflection, sausage sizzle lunch and time for individual quiet time in a bush setting. Enquiries and RSVP: jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au

September 10: Tumbi Umbi

Experience walking the labyrinth at St John Fisher School. Our session together will explain what a labyrinth is, and how this ancient practice of circular movement can be used as a tool for wellbeing and Christian meditation.

November (TBC): Kincumber

Meet at Holy Cross library before hitting the bush trails at the back of the school for a morning of reflection and discovery.

- Check the *Walking the Way* website for most recent updates to our 2019 calendar of walks. *walkingtheway.dbbcso.org*
- Register for a walk or make an enquiry: jo.spek@dbb.catholic.edu.au



Traffic and Parking around your School

Parking rules are designed to stop vehicles from parking where it would be dangerous or inconvenient for others. Please consider the residents when parking in streets surrounding your school.

A **School Zone** is the area around a school with a speed limit of 40 km/h. Between the School Zone and End School Zone signs you must obey the school zone speed limit. The school zone speed limit only applies on gazetted school days and during the times shown on the sign.



School Bus lights – buses use signs and orange flashing 'wigwag' lights to warn motorists and pedestrians that they are picking up or setting down school children. The lights begin to flash when the bus stops and the doors are opened. They keep flashing for about 30 seconds after the doors close and continue even after the bus moves off. You must not drive past the bus in the same direction at more than 40 km/h while the 'wigwag' lights are flashing as there may be children crossing or about to cross the road.



A **No Parking Zone** means that you must not stop for more than two minutes. You must remain in or within three metres of the vehicle. No Parking Zones are suitable for dropping off and picking up.









THESE SIGNS MEAN YOU MAY STOP HERE TO DROP OFF / PICK UP

BUT YOU MUST

- stop for up to 2 minutes only
- · stay within 3 metres of vehicle

Kids look to you to keep them safe - please park legally in school zones HEAVY FINES and DEMERIT POINTS APPLY

A **Bus Zone** means that the area is restricted for bus use only. If hours of operation are shown, the restriction only applies to this time. You may use this area outside of these times.



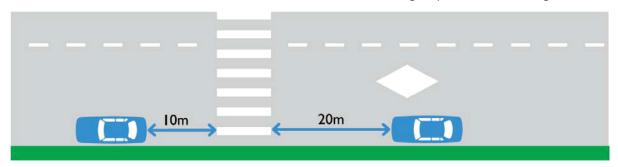
☑ A **No Stopping Zone** means no stopping at any time.



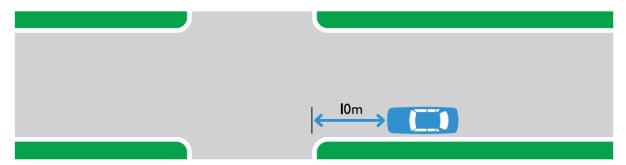
Other times when you must not stop

You must not stop your vehicle (that is, bring it to a stop and either stay with the vehicle or leave it parked) in the following circumstances:

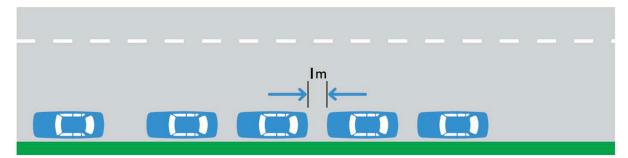
- Double parked (that is in the road alongside a car that is parked)
- Across a driveway or footpath
- On a median strip or traffic island
- On footpaths and nature strips
- On or within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a children's crossing or pedestrian crossing



- Within an intersection
- Within 10 metres of an intersecting road at an intersection without traffic lights unless signposted otherwise



- In Bus Stop, Bus Zone, Taxi Stand or Taxi Zone signed areas
- At least one metre from any other parked vehicle, close as possible and parallel to the kerb, and facing the same direction as the traffic lane



- Within three metres of any double centre lines
- Within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a bus stop

Adherence to signposting, linemarking and road rules around your school will assist in providing a safe environment for the school community and residents.

