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FROM OUR ACTING PRINCIPAL......

Dear Parents and students,

Welcome back to school and to the last term of the year—Term 4, which is always jammed packed with so many extra events. Please take note of some of these upcoming important dates:

Grandparents Day Friday 25th October

Next Friday is our Grandparents Day Next Friday, there will be open classrooms from 8.45 am to 9.15am, followed by Liturgy in the church at 9.30am then morning tea in the hall and assembly at approximately 11.00am. Parents who have purchased their child's Artwork will be able to collect these in the morning. We will have parent volunteers available on each side of the school to frame and sell last minute purchases for cash only if needed.

Swimming

Year 1 and 2 have begun their swimming lessons every Wednesday each week of this term. Last Wednesday the children were assessed and placed into groups where they were taught kicking, breathing and stroke techniques. "I wish we could stay here forever!" said Tess.

Pupil Free Day – Monday 11th November

On Monday 11th November, there will be a pupil free day for the students. On this day the teachers will be attending a PL session on the new PDHPE Syllabus which is to be implemented in 2020. Please make arrangements for your children on this day.



Kindergarten 2020 Transition Program

1st November Commencing on and continuing for 4 weeks. is our Kindergarten Transition Program for all the students enrolled for Kinder in 2020. Each Friday we will start at 9am and will finish at 10.45am. Parents and students are expected to attend all sessions.

All Saints Mass

Please remember that the children will be dressing up as Saints for our All Saint Mass on Friday 1st November.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

Thank you Louise, Mehana and helpers of the second hand uniform shop as we have raised \$2049.50 this year. These funds have purchased extra Edison robots for our children to use in Science and Technology and some decodable readers for our Learning Support unit.

Wednesday 20th – Friday 22nd November — Year 5 Camp

Wednesday 4th December -Year 6 Graduation

Friday 6th November—Final Assembly –Awards

Family Mass Children's Liturgy every 9am Mass

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P & F Meeting Once a term

except in school holidays

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 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

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Welcome to Term 4 ! I hope the holidays gave you some time to rest and spend quality time with your children.

We return to school grateful for the announcement of a new Bishop, Anthony Randazzo who has become the fourth bishop of the Broken Bay Diocese. We thank the Very Rev. David Ranson for overseeing the diocese whilst awaiting the appointment of a new Bishop.

Thank you to Mr Mark Dobb who filled in for me as REC during my time away. Mark has many gifts, dancing and acting being the more visible ones: think school concert and Lord of the Dance. But his wisdom and his pastoral care for students, families and the staff are constantly evident in his daily interactions. I very much appreciate all he and the rest of the staff do to help me out in this role.

Part of my time away involved walking the Camino de Santiago (the Way of St. James) in Spain with one of my daughters. This is a large network of ancient pilgrim routes stretching across Europe and coming together at the tomb of St. James (Santiago in Spanish) in Santiago de Compostela in north-west Spain.

Walking the Camino is not difficult – most of the stages are on good paths. The main difficulty can be walking continuously 25kms or more for 10, 20 or 30 days. You learn more about your feet than you would ever have thought possible!

The modern-day walkers come in all sizes and shapes from every corner of the planet. They walk the camino for many different reasons. Some religious, some spiritual, some for the physical challenge and some just don't know why. And I think that's the beauty of walking the Camino. You don't have to have a reason.

For me walking the Camino was a significant experience. Of course I enjoyed the regional Spanish culture, historic cities, some of the best food available, and making connections with people from all over the world but more importantly, it helped me to value the simplicity of everyday life and be grateful for my family and friends and all I have which I often forget to do in the busyness of life.

Once we reached Santiago my daughter and I attended the pilgrim mass. The priest was quite incredible, speaking in numerous languages so that all present felt included in the celebration. He likened the camino journey to the journey of life with its many ups and downs. After mass we had the chance to receive reconciliation. My daughter had not gone to reconciliation for years and was quite nervous and a bit uncomfortable. However she went and was quite moved by the priest's words. She felt that he understood her somewhat difficult journey and spoke to her heart. I think that's the gift of this sacrament. Both my daughter and I were asked by this priest to share our journey with others and so this is why I have included this information in the newsletter. Thank you for reading and '**Buen Camino**."

GRANDPARENTS DAY



Next Friday we will be celebrating Grandparents Day. There will be open classrooms from 8.45 am to 9.15am for grandparents, family and friends. You may be invited to read a book or play a game with the children! At 9.30am we will celebrate a liturgy in the Church, followed by morning tea at 10.10 am in the hall and assembly at approximately 11.00.

MISSION MASS

Next Thursday I will be attending the annual Mission Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara accompanied by 4 of our Year 6 leaders. Representatives from all the schools in Broken Bay Diocese will come together to recognise the contributions made in supporting Mission Australia. This year we raised over \$400 to support Catholic Mission so thank you parents for supporting our fundraising. **FIRST EUCHARIST**

The First Eucharist Classes commence in Week 3. There will be an information night in the church on Wednesday,23rd October at 7.30. It is obligatory that Parents attend this night so if you have a problem with this date and time or have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact Colleen from the Parish Office on 43 25 1042. First Eucharist will be celebrated on the weekend of 23rd and 24th November.

If you or your child would like be Baptised, or needs to catch up on a Sacrament and you are unsure how to go about it, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will point you in the right direction.



On Sunday 27th October, Year 5 is celebrating their Family Mass at the Church at 9.00am. Come along and join us as all are welcome to attend.

What's on Term 4:

W2: Grandparent's Day Liturgy Friday 25th October. 9.30m W3: All Saints Mass. Friday 1st November 2019. (Children to come dressed as a Saint)

More information about all Saints Day

On 1st November, All Saints Day, we are asking the children to come to school dressed as a Saint. Those children in Yrs 3-6 can come as their confirmation saint and be ready to share their knowledge about their saint. Children in K-3 can come as Jesus, Mary or any other saint that they know about. Father Greg has some special surprises planned for this day so lets all join in to celebrate this important feast day.



Crazy Sock Day

It's Socktober - Sock it to Poverty On **Monday 21st October** children can wear their crazy socks (with normal school uniform) to school with a gold coin donation. Join in the fun and help fight poverty. "Rise up from the couch - with your boots laced - and turn your hands into signs of love..." Pope Francis



FROM THE LADIES OF THE OFFICE...

Family Registration Forms

The youngest child in every family would have brought home a Family Registration Form earlier this week. Please return the completed form by Friday 1st November so that billing for 2020 school fees can be set up correctly and you receive the discounts you are entitled too.

Concert DVD's

We are hoping for the concert DVD's to be delivered next week. As soon as we have received them, we will send them home with the children. If you forgot to order a DVD and would like one, please contact the office and we will let you know if there are any spares after we have sent the initial batch out.

Book Club

Thank you to our Mums who have volunteered to help with distributing Book Club to our students. Orders for the current issue need to be submitted online by Friday 1st November. Please do not send cash in with your child.

Qkr!

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Please be careful when ordering your child's lunch via Qkr! We still have parents ordering from the Infants Canteen Menu for Primary students and parents ordering from the Primary Canteen Menu for our Infants students. This is very confusing for our volunteers in the canteen. Please double check you are using the correct menu when placing orders. Thank you.

2019 School Fees

As we enter Term 4 and payment of 2019 school fees are nearing the end, please keep an eye on your account to ensure you don't over pay your fees. This is particularly important for our Year 6 leaving families. If you notice your account is in credit and require a refund, please contact the office on 4325 1159.

Application for Extended Leave

If your child will be absent from school for 5 or more days, you are required to complete an Application for Extended Leave form. This form can be collected from the school office or downloaded from our website.

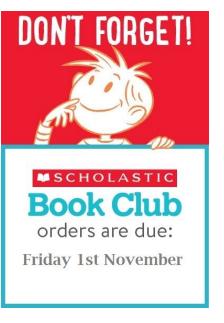
Leaving the school?

If you are moving and will not be at our school next year please let us know, as we have families waiting for a place. We need your destination school and date of departure in writing please.

Thank you

Thank you to all of our beautiful families who have sent in donations for the family who were affected by a house fire recently. If you would like to donate any pantry staple items or kitchenware, please drop them into the office on Monday so we can pass them on to the family.





CONGRATULATIONS TAHLIA

Today Tahlia represented St Patrick's at the Polding Athletics Carnival at Homebush.

Tahlia came 1st in the 800m and 1500m.

Well done Tahlia, we are all very proud of you.





FROM OUR P & F COMMITTEE

Canteen

Many thanks to everyone who supported the footy finals meal deal day. We purchased over 200 pies and sausage rolls so it was a big success. Orders came to just under \$1,400. Thank you for getting your orders in on time. It makes it so much easier to coordinate this way.

Thank you also to those who helped out in the canteen. Please check the roster on 'Our Kids Canteen Facebook page' if you might be able to help out in any way. Don't forget, half days are now available for you. This has been hugely supported and has enabled us to keep the canteen open more often.

Click here to join Our Kids Canteen

Grandparent's Day

Don't forget to pre order your framed art works by 3pm on Monday 21st October (that's in three days!) We need to finalise how many frames to buy and then actually frame the children's art works for you all by Friday morning. \$10 each, please order through Qkr! ASAP.

If you are available to help on Grandparent's Day please let the office know. It could be helping with the frame collection or helping with the morning tea from 9am - 11am. We also need a few helpers to come in on Wednesday 23rd October, to help the infants children frame their beautiful artworks. Please let your child's teacher know if you can assist at any time. If you can't do Wednesday but can help at another time, please contact your child's teacher for this also.

Teacher Appreciation Day - Friday 1st November

Each year, the P&F put on a lunch for the teachers to express our thanks for all that they do. Teaching is a vocation that not many are built for. It's a hard job and we are extremely blessed to have such a great teaching staff at our school.

If anyone would like to contribute to the teacher's lunch, please contact Ange on 0409 362 217 and let her know what you can send in. In the past we've ordered bbq chickens and salad, or had lasagnes and salads made. We always have yummy home made treats to follow for dessert. It can be anything really! The staff do appreciate whatever we do for them and it's an easy way to say thank you.

This day is also a day where your child can bring something in from home that they have made for their teacher, for example, a card or picture that they have drawn. Some children have been known to steal a few flowers from mum's garden to bring in too! A simple gesture goes a long way.

We hope to see many of you this term with our planned events. There's lots going on so please keep your eyes peeled to Compass and Facebook for new information. Reminder about the upcoming summer disco and Casey's Toy night. Get involved as much as you want to (and where your time permits!)

Hope everyone has a happy and safe term 4.

Thanks again for your support.





Friends & family Welcome.
Hobby purchases 5% off and 5% back.

Join Christmas Warehouse VIP & receive 10% off (That night only. Regular Ts&Cs apply thereafter)

RSVP to: rach380@hotmail.com or text 0421 048 099 by Tuesday 5th November 2019. We look forward to seeing you there!

Kindergarten Recount- Reptile Park Excursion

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Broom! Broom! Yesterday Kindergarten went on a bus to the Australian Reptile Park. We were there to see lots of different kinds of animals because we are learning about living things in science this term.

Ssssssss! First, we went to the Reptile Show and met Bubblegum the blue tongue lizard, Sally the shingleback lizard, Suzie the friendly snake, Fluffy the python and Angus the alligator. We were very lucky because we got to see them up close and pat them... we were very brave!

Ahhhhh! Don't sit on that toilet! We saw some giant red back spiders in spider world. We learned that we should always check our shoes and socks if we leave them outside.

Zzzzz! We saw lots of sleepy animals including cuddly koalas, sneaky Elvis the crocodile, fruit bats, gliders and owls.

We enjoyed exploring in our groups and seeing kangaroos, echnidnas, Tasmanian devils, Hugo the Galapagos Tortoise, kimodo dragons, cassowaries, turtles, wallabies, platypus and many more amazing animals.

Wow! What a wonderful adventure we had! We wish we could go back again tomorrow!!!





LOST PROPERTY

Ezekiel Black 3B has lost his Sports Jacket. If found, please return to his classroom.

Please send in any washed used uniforms for the Used Clothing Pool—we have many people waiting to buy.

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· Payments can be made by Cash, Credit Card or Debit Credit Cards only.

Prices Effective from 1-09-2019 and are subject to change without notice.

BAND EXPERIENCE DAY

The Conservatorium of Music currently runs the School Band program in your child's school and will be hosting a**Band Experience Day**at school on <u>Thursday 31st October.</u>

This is an opportunity for students to experience the band program up close and to consider if they would be interested in joining the new Training Band for 2020. Students will hear the current school bands perform, will meet the conductor and some of the tutors and will have the opportunity to try out the band instruments to see which one they'd be most suited to.

All students in years 2 and 3 will participate in this day, however if you or your child have already considered joining the band program and you would like to register your interest prior to the event (obligation free) please send a text message to 0402 000 757 with your name, your child's name, your child's school and your child's instrument preference (optional). Students who have pre-registered will be given preference on instrument choice where suitable.

We will also host a

Parent Band Information Evening - 6:30pm on Tuesday 5th November where families can hear the band, find out more information on the band program and ask questions.

If you would like any more information about the Band Program, please feel free to talk to your school band liaison (Suzie Morris) or to contact the Conservatorium or myself directly using the contact details below.

Kind regards, Vicki Harris

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Check out our St Patrick's Band website at: https://sites.google.com/view/st-patricks-bands/home





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 warm motorist 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 carthat is parked)
- Across a driveway or footpath On a median strip or traffic island

× On footpaths and nature strips

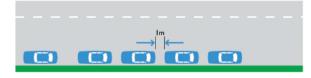
On or within 20 metres before and 10 metres after a children's crossing or pedestrian crossing



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

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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.

