St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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

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P & F Meeting Once a term

<u>St Patrick's Hall</u> 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 2.00pm - 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

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL.....

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome to week 3! Today we celebrated All Saints Day with many of the students dressing up as saints. Thank you to all those who did. Father Greg wanted to make this a special day for the

children, which I am sure they experienced especially during mass with the way the church was de orated and the special effects. They also enjoyed games and an ice block as a special reward.

Transition Program

Today we also started our **Transition Program** for our 2020 kindergartens. It was wonderful to see all our new students arriving to spend the morning with us. I am sure they enjoyed their morning.

It was also great to have our 2020 kindergarten parents here as well, who I am sure went home with a 'headache' from receiving so much information. We have three more transition sessions.



I would like to thank our parents who so graciously provided lunch and dessert for the teachers and staff today as we celebrated World Teachers Day. Lunch was delicious and so was dessert and the teachers and myself, really appreciated it.

Pupil Free Day

Don't forget that the staff have special professional learning day-SDD, on Monday 11/11. This is a pupil free day for your children. Please make arrangements for your children on this day.



Tuesday 5/11 there is a Information session in the school hall, commencing at 6.30 for all parents from years 2-6, who are interested in their child finding out about learning an instrument with the Gosford Conservatory. (See more details later in newsletter)

School Disco

The final student disco for the year is fast approaching on Friday 15/11. The disco will be held on the primary playground.



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Assessments and Reports

The teachers are currently finalising assessments as they begin to prepare the semester 2 report. These reports will be available to you online on Friday evening 13/12.

The teachers are also organising class lists for 2020.

Staffing 2020

I am very pleased to announce that Ms Therese Cohen has been appointed in a permanent position at St Patrick's. Mrs Lisa Ellwood has been appointed in a temporary position.

Next week we will interview for a new Religious Education Co-ordinator, once all the staffing has been finalised I will inform parents.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Fiona Bolton for her work as the acting Religious Education Co-ordinator, Ms Kaitlyn Crawford for all her hard work on Year 5 and Miss Dana Horton (now Mrs Owsinski) for her hard work on Year 2.

Teacher Supervision

A reminder that teacher supervision does not commence until 8:10am of a morning and finishes at 3:15pm of an afternoon. If you require care for your child before or after these times, please

contact Catholic Care on 0408 165 671 for onsite supervision of your child. **Children cannot be left unattended outside of these hours.**

Dates for your planner:

Wednesday 20th –Friday 22nd November—Year 5 Camp Wednesday 4th December -Year 6 Graduation Friday 6th November—Final Assembly –Awards



Thank you to our Kindergarten uniform models



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How do we think of Sacred? How do we think of Holy? How do we think of respect? How do we think of care?

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Last weekend a momentous event happened in Australia, in a place that geographically is the very centre of Australia, or what could be described as the living heart of these lands. A place called Uluru.



Thirty four years ago, on 26 October 1985 Sir Ninian Stephen, ceremonially handed over title for the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park to the Anangu peoples, the Traditional Custodians. On Saturday, exactly 34 years to the day, Uluru officially was made a site that can no longer be climbed. Uluru is a sacred place for the Anangu peoples. The Anangu peoples have for a long time, decades even, asked visitors not to climb this sacred place.

For the Anangu peoples, and for all Aboriginal peoples of over 300 nations, we know that the Creator's story is embedded in the landscape. The Creator's story is embedded, not just at Uluru but, in Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Adelaide, or Warrang, Meanjin, Naarm, Tandanya. Every day we walk on someone's country. Every day we walk on the Creator's story. It is often just harder to hear or feel when the country is under carpet, concrete, and bitumen. Is all country sacred? Of course – it holds the Creator's story. When Christians visit Israel how do they think of that land? Sacred and holy are often words that are used. When Christians attend or visit a church, especially a Cathedral, in Australia or overseas – Sacred and Holy are often words that used. How do Christians walk in these places – softly, gently, slowly. They want to feel the story of the place – the story of the Creator, the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

So let us all walk softly, gently and slowly on this land; for us the Darkinjung land, and let's pray with the closing of the climb of Uluru that all Australians and people around the world will finally understand what is actually 'Sacred.' That all peoples, using the example of Traditional Custodians, steward, care for, and treat all this unique and ancient land that has been entrusted to us, with awe and respect – as sacred, as holy.

Today we celebrated All Saints Day with a mass and games at school led by our Year 6 leaders. Father Greg had fun

ALL SAINTS DAY

decorating the church, with the help of teachers, to look like heaven. Thankyou Year 2 teachers for organising this liturgy and thank you parents for all you did with costuming. I'm sure our little saints will continue to act saintly for you on the weekend.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Mini Vinnies have been busy organising the logistics of Christmas hampers for the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal. With 2.9 million people currently living below the poverty line in Australia, including over half a million children, your support allows the St Vincent de Paul Society to provide more than immediate help, it provides something much more valuable – the opportunity for a better life.



Each class will be making a hamper to go to a family in need and your child/ren has been asked to donate a specific item for their class hamper. Each child will be sent home with a note in their diaries that informs parents what item they have been allocated to bring in for their class hamper.

Every year we provide about 18 hampers to our local St Vincent de Paul. Thank you in advance for your support!

FIRST EUCHARIST

First Eucharist Classes have commenced. Please keep in your prayers the children and adults from our school and parish who are journeying towards this Sacrament as well as their families.



Rememberence Day

On Monday 11^{th} November the SRC will be celebrating a liturgy at school. This is a special occasion to gather and pray for those people who have sacrificed their lives for our freedom.

What's on Term 4:

W5: Remembrance Day Liturgy. 11 November 2019. 10.30am

W6: First Eucharist: Saturday 23rd November 5pm at Gosford & Somersby

Sunday 24 November 9am and 11am at Gosford

Wk 8: Y6 Graduation Liturgy Wednesday 6.30pm

Wk 10: End of Year mass Tuesday



FROM THE LADIES OF THE OFFICE...

Compass

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We have had several parents mention that they have had troubles with the Compass app recently.

There have been many upgrades pushed through to the app and the current version on your phone may need updating from the app store.

One of the changes you may have noticed is that there is a new place to enter absence notes. If your child is absent for a full day, there is a new option on the home screen under your child's photograph to add an attendance note. Please note that all partial absences (late arrivals and early departures) must be entered via the Kiosk location on each campus.

Please note that the Primary Kiosk is now up and running on the Primary Campus. It is located in the canteen on the Primary side or you may still use the one in the office on the Infants side. The gates will remain locked on the Primary Campus and you will need to phone the office to have them opened for you. We have commenced the process to have automated gates installed on the primary playground.

Family Registration Forms

The youngest child in every family would have brought home a Family Registration Form a few weeks ago. 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.

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.

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.

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.

IS THIS FORM STILL ON YOUR FRIDGE??

Please return your Family Registration Form for 2020 as soon as possible. If you have misplaced the blue form that was sent home earlier this term, or require another, please contact the office as soon as possible. Every family needs to return this form to the office if they have a student at St Patrick's in 2020.



UNFRAMED ARTWORKS

You may purchase you child's unframed artwork from the school office for \$5 or framed for \$10 please send cash into the office, and we will return the artwork to you.





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Thank you to all who were able to come along to celebrate Grandparents Day with us on Friday. It was so beautiful to see the love between our grandparents and their grandchildren. Thank you to all who helped prepare such a beautiful liturgy and those that organised the special morning tea.



























FROM THE MUSIC ROOM with Mrs Suzie Morris CONCERT BAND - SILVER AWARD!

Our Concert Band performed at the Central Coast Conservatorium of Music's 2019 Band Festival on the weekend and walked away with a Silver Award! They performed three pieces: The Avengers, Happy and the Sesame Street theme and were judged on their performance by an independent adjudicator. Such a wonderful achievement for this group of a young musicians who have been playing together this year and a testament to their hard work and practice. *Amazing what we can achieve together!*

Thank you to Mrs Harris our Band Conductor and also to our parents for all their encouragement, reminders to practice and support with band rehearsals and the band program.

JOIN THE 2020 TRAINING BAND

Yesterday St Patrick's hosted a Band Experience Day with Conservatorium Tutors giving our Year 2 to Year 5 students an opportunity to try out instruments for Training Band next year. We had a swag of interested students and they all had an opportunity to try out vari-

ous instruments to see which one they they enjoyed most and felt comfortable playing - what a great experience!

Each student left with a note containing information about the Band program and how to register. We will follow up with parents and information about the program and how it works will be discussed at the Band Information Evening for parents next Tuesday night (see below).

Information on the Band Program can be found here: Join the 2020 Training Band <u>https://sites.google.com/view/st-patricks-bands/the-band?authuser=1</u>

BAND INFORMATION EVENING FOR PARENTS: 6:30pm Tuesday 5th November

This Tuesday evening staff from the Conservatorium and Mrs Morris will run an information session for parents on the Schools Band Program. Out students will perform and we will run through how the program is set up, lessons and band practice, fees and instrument hire, our band website and also provide an opportunity to ask questions.

All welcome! 6:30pm Tuesday 5th November in the Primary Hall

GUITAR LESSONS - BOOK IN FOR 2020

If your child is interested in learning the guitar in 2020 with the Conservatorium of Music's tutor Steve Smilie please visit our Guitar page : <u>https://sites.google.com/view/st-patricks-choir/guitar?authuser=1</u>> for more information and contact details.

KEYBOARD LESSONS - BOOK IN FOR 2020

If your child is interested in learning the keyboard/piano in 2020 we have two tutors that offer programs at St Patrick's. Please visit our Keyboard page <u>https://sites.google.com/view/st-patricks-choir/keyboard?authuser=1</u>> for more information and contact details.

MUSIC TOGETHER EVENING: 5:30pm Tuesday 19th November

This year our our Music Together Evening will be held on 19th November providing and opportunity for our students to share their music talents on their chosen instrument. It is open to all students who are involved in band, keyboard and guitar lessons at St Patrick's and allows students to showcase their talents and music progression with each other and our families and friends in a non-competitive environment. *It is* one of my favourite events on the school calendar - I love seeing the sense of achievement (and relief!) while students perform. [Mrs Morris -Music Teacher]

When: 5:30pm Tuesday 19th November 2019 (Term 4 - Week 6) Where: St Patrick's Primary School - Primary Music Room

Who: Band, guitar and keyboard students @ St Pat's

What: please provide any backing tracks and requirements to Mrs Morris by Wednesday 13th November * we will provide chairs, music stands etc.

Register: via Our Music Together Google Form <u>https://forms.gle/HzqYm4ii64HqreRW6</u>> by Wed 13th November **ST PATRICK'S CHOIR 'CHORESTRA':**

Following on from a wonderful performance at our Grandparents Day, the choir has commenced learning Christmas Carols so we can share the Christmas spirit within our community. Our first external performance will be on the **Friday 15th November** where we will walk to a local nursing home and sign for residents and friends.

We have also been invited to sing as part of the St Patrick's Christmas Carols on Saturday 14th December following the 5pm Mass. *Please look out for the electronic/Compass permission notes coming home shortly!*







FROM OUR P & F COMMITTEE

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CANTEEN The warm weather has arrived and ice blocks are flying out of the canteen faster than we can cut the tops off them!!! Once again, we are in desperate need for volunteers for both Wednesday's and Friday's.

Please comment on our Facebook page or contact Louise on 0407 100 433 if you can help. If we don't get enough volunteers, the canteen's will have to be CLOSED. If we only get 1 volunteer for Friday's we may only open at recess or lunch to sell ice blocks and drinks only – no lunch orders.

100% of the profits made from the canteen goes directly to the school to fund essential equipment and facilities for your children. If the canteens are closed then the school has less money to fund these essential items.

Both canteens are run by volunteers and the majority of us also have work and have other commitments. We understand how busy everyone is and that we are all time poor, but the kids love their treats from the canteen once or twice a week, so please help if you can – even if it is just for part of the day.

FOR YOUR PLANNER - Disco Friday 15 November more details to follow



ONE volunteer is required on Wednesdays for each canteen and TWO volunteers are required for each canteen on Fridays.

Wednesday is recess only and shift is approx.: 9:00am - 11:30am

Friday Split shifts or full days are available on Fridays as follows: Full day: 9:00am - 2:00pm or Morning shift: 9:00am - 11:30 or Afternoon shift: 11:30 - 2:00pm

Current roster is posted on our Facebook Page: "Our Kids Canteen" Please add a comment below the roster on our Facebook page to fill a shift or you can contact: Infants: Andrea Frewen Ph: 0450 545 747 TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED if required. Thank you.

Week	Date	RAINING WILL BE PROVIDED if required. TI Infants	Primary
	NOVEMBER		
	Fri 1st	FILLED	Open for recess only
	9:00am - 11:30am		
	11:30am - 2:30pm		
	OR All day	Mel & Kendall	
4	Wed 6th	Sarah Jiminez	Nan Moffatt
	Fri 8th	Need 2 - 4	Need 2
	9:00am - 11:30am		
	11:30am - 2:30pm		Lou (tentative)
F	OR All day		
5	Wed 13th	Need x1	Sarah Jimenez
	Fri 15th	Need 2 - 4	Need 2 - 4
	9:00am - 11:30am		
	11:30am - 2:30pm		
	OR All day		
6	Wed 20th	Need x1	Sarah Condon
	Fri 22nd	Need 2 - 4	Need 2 - 3
	9:00am - 11:30am		
	11:30am - 2:30pm		
	OR All day		Santhe Titheradge
7	Wed 27th	Need x1	Nan Moffatt
	Fri 29th	Need 2 - 4	Need 2 - 4
	9:00am - 11:30am		
	11:30am - 2:30pm		
	OR All day		
	DECEMBER		
8	Wed 4th	Need x1	
	Fri 6th	Need 2 - 4	Need 1 - 3
F	9:00am - 11:30am		
	11:30am - 2:30pm		
	OR All day		Nicole Patrick
9	Wed 11th	Need x1	Need x1
	Fri 13th	Need 2 - 4	FILLED
	9:00am - 11:30am		
	11:30am - 2:30pm		
	OR All day		Lou & Lorraine
10	Wed 18th	Need x1	Need x1

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

Win a \$20 voucher to spend on the night



ICAS : International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

The first of the ICAS test results came through for students from St Patrick's who sat the Digital Technologies Assessment last term. Those children whose achievements were outstanding were rewarded with certificates of High Distinction, Distinction, Credit and Merit.

Joanna and William in 4B received certificates of Distinction and a certificate of Credit was awarded to Michael in 4B.

Wonderful results for these children.

Carmen Hartz, Teacher Librarian

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Harry C will compete in National Squad for Karate next weekend!

Harry did a dawn to dusk karate tournament on Saturday (12 hours) for cancer and achieved the whole thing! Congratulations !





Healthy drinks at home

WATER AND REDUCED FAT MILK ARE THE BEST DRINKS FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

- To avoid any arguments about what your children should drink, don't buy sugary drinks such as soft drink or energy drinks.
- If they aren't there it is much easier to say no!
 Keep these drinks for special occasions NOT for everyday.







Gurney for sale \$200 See the office



at all levels of Catholic Education, it is her passion – particularly in the area of Parent Engagement and inspiring Lay Leadership. Phil is insightful, entertaining and an inspirational speaker.



Parent led workshops Conversation with Phil 12.30 Lunch 1.30 Walk the Labyrinth Stations of the Cross Time to walk the grounds 2.30 close

The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday between 8:30am to 10:30am and the first Friday of every month from 2:00pm to 4:00pm.

Contact Details

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St Patricks Primary School Uniform Shop Order Form



Order Form Details

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	32-5	\$45.00			Boys Socks	All Sizes	\$7.95			Email Address:	
	32-5	\$58.00			Cirls Socks	All Sizes	\$6.50				
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Online orders are distributed from the Uniform Shop the next opening day of the shop. A postage charge will occur for all orders marked for delivery.

· 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.