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<u>Family Mass</u> Children's Liturgy every 9am Mass except in school holidays

<u>P & F Meeting</u> Once a term Next meeting 28 May 7pm in the LARC Victoria St Campus Other dates are: 27 August 12 November

<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/

2nd Hand Uniform Shop Open during Assembly Friday 2pm fortnightly or as advised. Contact Louise 0407 100 433

Canteen

Infants: Wednesday & Friday Primary: Wednesday & Friday Rostered volunteers please give 24 hours' notice if you are unable to attend

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DATES TO REMEMBER ...15 MarchSt Patrick's Parish 55 year Celebration17 MarchSt Patrick's School 60 year Celebration1 AprilSacrament of Reconciliation: 5.00pmFriday 5 JunePupil Free DayMonday 3 AugustPupil Free DayFor any upcoming events please check our <u>school calendar</u> on our website.



PBL Week 7 & 8 — CARE FOR YOUR APPEARANCE

Celebrating 60 Years at St Patrick's



Dear Parents and students,

This week at the Diocesan Mass we celebrated Miss Michelle Perry our Assistant Principal's 25 Years in Catholic Education, welcomed Lee Sullivan to our School and celebrated Ms Fiona Bolton becoming our Religious Education Co-Ordinator. We are very blessed to have such a wonderful staff at St Pat's.



Our Celebrations for the Church's 55th Anniversary and the school's 60th Anniversary this weekend and Tuesday of next week. These celebrations are important milestones for our school and parish communities and being present on Sunday for Mass and the following activities is a wonderful way to show your support.

For the students, we are fortunate enough to have a special day planned to celebrate St Patrick's Day with the ObstAcool course and other fun activities. As part of our St Patrick's Day celebrations every child will be given a donut with green icing (purchased from Coles) at recess time and a zooper dooper at lunch time. *If your child has allergies and is unable to eat either of these 2 treats, please email the school speg@dbb.catholic.edu.au so that we can arrange for an alternate treat to be given to your child.*

We are asking the students to get some sponsors for the ObstAcool course. In the past our major fundraising event has been a wonderful way for us to raise some extra funds for significant projects in the school. The Infants Playground Upgrade in 2016 and the air conditioning of all the classrooms in 2017/18 have been two projects in the past that we have

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been able to fund. We only have one of these events each year and there wasn't one in 2019.

ObstAcool Course is St Patrick's Day, major This year our on is our it fundraising event for this year. The students are very excited about what changes we might be able to make to the playgrounds with any funds that are raised. Playground Improvements are very expensive as we found with the Infants Playground in 2016 when the cost was nearly \$65.000.

SO, we need your support with this fundraising event and this can be done by getting sponsors for your child. To date we have \$8,600 in sponsorship money returned. I would like to thank all those families who have returned their sponsor sheets and money, for their support. It is greatly appreciated. It would be wonderful if we could get to \$10,000 by the end of next week. (Please continue to send your forms in).

Classroom Upgrades

Refurbishment work on the Year 4 and Year 5 Classrooms will commence during the upcoming Easter School Holidays. While there will be some disruption for the classes the end results will be definitely worth it. The rooms will be identical to the Year 6 classrooms, with larger rooms, new TVs, new windows, blinds etc. There will eventually be some new furniture items purchased for the rooms as well.

I am hoping that the refurbishment of the last 4 rooms on the Primary side will also commence before the end of the year. The \$20,000 Local Schools Government grant that we received at the end of last year, will be used towards the cost of this work.

Church Etiquette

I wanted to raise with our community a concern that both Father Greg and I have been noticing when we have our big celebrations in the church. We love having so many of our families present for our many celebrations throughout the year but there are a couple of things I would like to remind parents/family members about. One of these is taking your coffee to have in the church during mass. This is not something that we do and so can I ask parents to finish their coffee before joining us in the church for mass. The second thing is the talking by the adults before mass. We are trying to have our students arrive and settle in the church quietly and reverently. At times there has been a lot of noise from the adults who are waiting for mass to begin. Can I ask your assistance with this aspect please, as this will help us as we bring the students into the church.

COVID-19 Update

For parents who may have concerns in regards to the school's procedures in regards to COVID-19, we are following all directions from the Catholic Schools Office (CSO) and CSNSW (Catholic Schools NSW). Any updates that we receive we have been forwarding to the school community. This we will continue to do as new information arises.

Can I please ask parents to remind their children about washing their hands and if your child has signs of a cold that you keep them at home (as advised) until the symptoms subside. We have placed posters about hand washing and covering your mouth when coughing/sneezing, and the teachers have been speaking to students about what to do.

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For our Year 3 and 5 students and parents NAPLAN will take place from 12th May until 15 May. Writing will be the first assessment and students in Year 3 will use a paper test again this year and write their responses. The Language Conventions, Grammar and Numeracy Assessments will be done online.

Year 5 students will complete all of the NAPLAN assessments online again this year including writing. All students will use the school iPads to complete the assessments and all devices will have the browsers locked down for these assessments.

Parents can choose to withdraw their child from any or all of the NAPLAN assessments if they wish. Please contact the school office so that a 'withdrawal form' can be sent home. At St Patrick's we will have Friday 15th May as the catchup day.

Peer Support

Our Year 6 student leaders have been preparing for their Peer Support Groups which started this week. This is a wonderful opportunity for our Year 6 students to lead a small group of students through a variety of activities. This year the activities are focussing on 'Bullying'.

Resilience Workshops

Last week and last night we were fortunate enough to have Jo Spek from the Catholic Schools Office, here at St Patrick's to run a Resilience Workshop for Parents. I would like to thank the parents who took the time to attend one of the workshops. Jo shared some wonderful information with everyone.

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WHAT IS RESILIENCE?

Religious Education News - Ms Fiona Bolton

SAINT PATRICK

St Patrick's Feast Day

This year we celebrate St Patrick's day as a church community on Sunday at 10.30 and as a school community on Tuesday at 9.00. Please join us for both masses as we celebrate the life and legacy of our Patron Saint; the patron saint of Ireland and of our school and parish. Millions of people around the world celebrate the life of this saint whose deep faith brought Christianity to Ireland. He spoke simply of God's beauty and love. His example as a great follower of Jesus continues to burn brightly in the hearts of many people. Saint Patrick's use of the shamrock to teach people about the Blessed Trinity continues to be a powerful tool used today!

An Irish Prayer May God give you ... For every storm, a rainbow, For every tear, a smile, For every care, a promise, And a blessing in each trial. For every problem life sends, A faithful friend to share, For every sigh, a sweet song, And an answer for each prayer.

As we remember and give thanks for the faith of Patrick, let us give thanks for the rich heritage of all our ancestors in the faith, the many in our families and schools and parishes who lived and spoke the good news of Jesus. May we continue to be the messengers of this Good News so that we too can be a 'light for the nations'.

Lent: the journey continues

The season of Lent is underway; time to undertake a Lenten commitment! Perhaps a commitment of prayer, or service, or family time. Perhaps a little extra effort in being patient or playful or generous. Maybe a little sacrifice like giving up chocolate or junk TV viewing. Teach your child the reason why we 'give up' things during Lent. It helps us to be other-centred, to not take life for granted, to be disposed to helping people in need.

At school we focus on different symbols each week, using the image of Lent in a bag and linking to the gospel readings ,reminding us to keep our Lenten Practices in the forefront of our minds. Contributing to our Caritas Lenten boxes/Project Compassion remind us of our Lenten promises to reach out to others.

Parent Formation : Aboriginal cultural walk

Mini pilgrimage - Bulgandry Aboriginal site

Guided by David Ella - Aboriginal Education Officer

Parents are invited to attend an Aboriginal Spiritual walk at Bulgandry engraving site on Woy Woy Road and then onto Somersby Falls finishing with a BBQ lunch. The walk will be led by Aboriginal Education Officer David Ella. Parents are encouraged to use this day to explore Aboriginal Spirituality and the connections to our own Catholic traditions.

RSVP to me at school

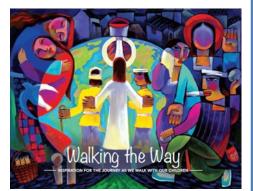
Date: Thursday April 2nd

Time: 10am – 2pm

Where to meet: The car park at Bulgandry engraving site on Woy Woy Road, Kariong.

What's on:

Week 8 Sunday, 15th March – St Patrick's Day Parish mass 10.30 Week 8 Tuesday, 17th March – St Patrick's Day School mass





FROM OUR PARISH.....

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St Patrick's Day Celebration

The School's 60th Anniversary



The Church's 55th Anniversary Bishop Anthony to Concelebrate Mass at 10:30 in St Patrick's Church Fete After Mass in the School grounds SAUSAGE SIZZIE BBQ DOUGHNUTS



MASS TIMES THIS WEEKEND

There will be no 9:00am Mass this Sunday due to the 10.30 am anniversary Mass

DEACON PAUL

Deacon Paul will be leaving us this coming week to go back to spend time with Family and then on to his ordination in the Philippines. We all wish him well for the future.



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FROM THE LADIES OF THE OFFICE...





NO DOGS ON THE PLAYGROUNDS PLEASE



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PLEASE CHECK OUT THE FACTS SHEETS ON HAND WASHING LATER IN THE NEWSLET-TER AND TALK THROUGH WITH YOUR CHILDREN

Wellbeing Week – Week 8

Our Wellbeing Week this term is based around Harmony Day. **Harmony Day** occurs on **21 March** each year and coincides with the United Nations' International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

Harmony Day is a day of cultural respect for all.

This term we are focusing on the theme of

"Everyone has a story - everyone belongs"

This Harmony Week, we would love to hear the stories of our parents, so each class invites 2 parents to tell their story to the class/grade. It may be the story of your life in another country, or why you came to Australia. It may be the story of your Indigenous heritage, or what you love about being Australian. We all have a story.

Week rundown:

Monday – A short questionnaire will be sent home. Please complete and return by Thursday, as we will be completing an activity in class using these.

Tuesday - St Patrick's festivities. ObstAcool and rotations.

Children are asked to wear their sports shorts with a green t-shirt.

Please return sponsorship forms as soon as possible for your child participate. We would like a minimum of \$10 from each child to assist our fundraising to upgrade both playgrounds.

In addition to your child's own recess and lunch, we will supply some special treats for them to celebrate the day. Please advise the school if your child cannot have a donut with green icing or ZOOPER Dooper.

Wednesday - Coffee van for parents on the Infants campus from 8am. Come and have a coffee on us!!



Friday - Harmony Day. Please have your child wear a touch of orange eg hair ribbon, scrunchie or socks. There will also be a classroom activity to make something for children to wear, so please don't go out of your way.

Wellbeing Week



Report from Mr Lee Sullivan

Broken Bay Swimming Carnival



Congratulations to the swimmers who competed at the recent Broken Bay Twilight Swimming Carnival held at Mingara Pool. There was some excellent performance most notably Eva Faunce (11 Yrs) equal first the 50m Backstroke and Claire Reynall (8 Yrs) 3rd in the 50m Freestyle, Bonnie Brown (12 Yrs) 4th in 50m Butterfly, Cooper Stark (10 Yrs) 4th in 50m Freestyle and Jack Reynell (10 Yrs) 6th in 50m Freestyle.

Moving on to the next level at Homebush are Eva Faunce and Claire Reynell! Goodluck girls thanks for representing us!!

Soccer & Netball

Good luck to Kai Ribet, Michael Lui, Krishay Jamnadas and Elsie Grogan who are trialling for the Broken Bay Team for Soccer and Netball over the next week. If successful they will be competing at the Polding Carnival later in the year.

Cross Country

Kindergarten

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1st Boys – Soren Patelia 1st Girls – Billie Saunderson 1st Boys – Eddie O'Shea 1st Girls – Ava Stark

- 2nd Antonia Xuereb 2nd – Faith Eager
- 2nd Rhythm Doust
- 2nd Layla Fedele
- 3rd Marcus Scibberas

8 Years

PLACE	GIRLS	BOYS
1	Kowhai Bell-Jones	Aaditya Gaur
2	Scarlett Vella	Paul McArdle

9 Years

PLACE	BOYS	GIRLS
1	Ambrose Plunkett	Carys Donafee
2	Charlie Hughes	Jessica Chavez

10 years

PLACE	GIRLS	BOYS
1	Josie Cleary	Robbie Furley
2	Antonia Arango	Cooper Stark

11 years

PLACE	GIRLS	BOYS
1	Tahlia Lucas *by a long way	Lorenzo Arango
2	Lacey Weightman	Quinn Burke

12 years

PLACE	GIRLS	BOYS
1	Bonnie Brown	Lachlan Donafee
2	Cara Haynes	Harley Boyce



The children are enjoying Gymnastics each week



CONGATULATIONS EVA!

Congratulations to Eva Faunce on her 3 day competition in the NSW State titles last weekend representing Terrigal SLSC. Over 200 girls her age of U/11s competed in events. Eva entered many events including Ironwoman, board, board relay and she was a finalist in Individual Swim placing 12th, Team Swim placing 7th Here is a photo after one of her final events

- - 3rd Zoey Lin
 - 3rd Cooper McIvor
 - 3rd Phoebe Gottardo

From the Library and LARC (Learning and Resource Centre)

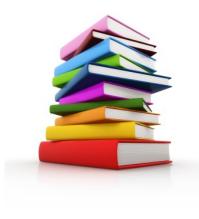
Mrs Carmen Hartz

Parents and children could you PLEASE remember to return library books and borrowed library bags each week.

We had over 40 spare library bags for children who forgot each week and wanted to borrow. It is only week 7 and we are down to 2 spare bags.

This also means many books are not being returned especially the popular titles and other children are missing out on reading these wonderful books.

Check your bookshelves, bedrooms, cars, etc and return any overdue books and spare library bags.





Peer Support is lead by Year 6 Students and started on 12th March and will run on Thursdays over the next few weeks.

What is the Peer Support Program? The Peer Support program provides students with a supportive environment where children and young people develop skills, understandings, attitudes and strategies to improve their mental, social and emotional wellbeing. Positive relationships are developed across the school through a series of engaging activities with a range of students of all ages. The program enables participating students to contribute in an environment where all can join in. Year 6 students leading the program also gain leadership skills.

The Stronger Together Module

The module builds on research from health promotion, prevention and positive psychology approaches. The students identify their own strengths and then discuss what is respectful and what are unhealthy behaviours and how strategies, including talking to staff and parents can help. The module reinforces some of our school's key values and our policy and procedures.

This week students discussed where they feel safe at school.

Ms Turnbull



Congratulations to St Patrick's Debating team who won their first debate today against " Our Lady of the Rosary" Shelly Beach. A fantastic team who have tirelessly given up their lunch times in preparation.

St Patrick's was the affirmative team.

The topic was

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" The date for Australia Day should be changed to a different date"







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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 <u>or</u> Morning shift: 9:00am – 11:30 or Afternoon shift: 11:30 – 2:00pm Current roster is posted on our Facebook Page: <u>"Our Kids Canteen"</u> Please add a comment below the roster on our Facebook page to fill a shift or you can contact: <u>Primary:</u> Louise Bridekirk Ph: 0407 100 433 TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED if required. Thank you.

Week	Date	Infants	Primary	
	MARCH			
6	Wednesday 11th	Sarah Jiminez & Jacqueline Timary	Christine Leghorn	
	Friday 13th			
	9:00am – 11:30am		Amy Whitworth	
	11:00am – 2:00pm			
	Or ALL DAY	Lisa Maloney & Annie O'Shea Dan- ielle Williams (in training)	Lou & Lorraine	
7	Wednesday 18 th	Renee O'Regan	Nan Moffat	
	Friday 20 th			
	9:00am – 11:30am	Sarah Xuereb		
	11:00am – 2:00pm			
	Or ALL DAY			
8	Wednesday 25th	Karen Philips & Jacqueline Timary	Sarah Jiminez	
	Friday 27th			
	9:00am – 11:30am	Sarah Jiminez		
	11:00am – 2:00pm			
	Or ALL DAY		Katie Ercan	
Week	Date	Infants	Primary	
		APRIL		
9	Wednesday 1st			
	Friday 3rd			
	9:00am – 11:30am	Sarah Jiminez		
	11:00am – 2:00pm			
	Or ALL DAY			
10	Wednesday 8 th	Jacqueline Timary		
	Friday 10th			
	9:00am – 11:30am			
	11:00am – 2:00pm			
	Or ALL DAY			

New items in the Canteen over the next few weeks - please check on our Canteen Facebook page : "Our Kids Canteen" and on our Qkr! Canteen order site.

NEWS FROM OUR PARENTS & FRIENDS

P&F News

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Next Tuesday we celebrate our feast day with lots of celebrations and activities. Please hand in your donation forms and get your money in ASAP for our fundraiser. Each child will receive a special treat that day from the P&F. Hopefully we'll see as many of you as possible to join in our fun. It's always a great community day.

Easter Raffle Please send in anything Easter themed (chocolates, eggs, bunnies, Easter craft, gift bags, Easter toy, cane baskets, ribbons etc) for our Easter Raffle by Thursday 2nd April.

Raffle tickets will be handed out shortly. One book per family.

If you wish to purchase tickets, please send them back with your money into the school office by Monday 6th April. Please send in any unsold tickets as well. The draw will take place on Tuesday 7th April.

Extra tickets will be available from the front office.

Winners will be published on our school Facebook Page the following day.

We will need some help putting the prizes together. We will be sorting and making prizes up on the Morning of Friday 3rd April in the Infants Library just after morning bell.

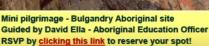
Please email the school office if you can come along and help. The more the merrier. speg@dbb.catholic.edu.au



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This amazing site is protected by a wooden walkway permitting easy access to the site. Bulgandry is the name given to the ancestral hero depicted at the site. Bulgandry is wearing a ceremonial headdress holding a circular object in one hand. Everyone is welcome to come along and together experience local Aboriginal spirituality and the connection with our Catholic traditions. We will finish with a communal BBQ at Somersby Falls.

Date:	Thursday April 2 nd
Time:	10am – 2pm
Where we meet:	The car park at Bulgandry engrav

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Shoes/Joggers	\$ 5



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Winter

Girls Tunic Girls Formal Shirt Boys Formal Pants Boys Formal Shirt Ties (Boys & Girls) Formal Knit Jumper Sports Pants Jacket	\$15 \$10 \$15 \$10 \$15 \$10 \$15
Jacket	\$15



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Cough etiquette How to Handrub? RUB HANDS FOR HAND HYGIENEI WASH HANDS WHEN VISIBLY SOILED Duration of the entire procedure: 20-30 seconds Cover your cough 1a 2 . When coughing or sneezing, use a tissue to cover your nose and mouth Dispose of the tissue afterwards Apply e ca Ruth honds pain to pain · If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your elbow. 4 5 Wash your hands After coughing, sneezing or Alght peim own Backa of fingers to opposing pairs with fingers interlookog Pelm to pains blowing your nose, wash your hands with soap and water 6 7 8

· Use alcohol-based hand cleansers if you do not have access to soap and water

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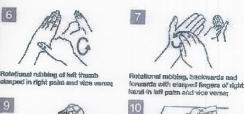
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Duration of the handwash (steps 2-7): 15-20 seconds Duration of the entire procedure: 40-60 seconds 0 Wat Apply enough scap to cover all hand surfaces;



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Dry hands thoroughly with a single use towel









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