St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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FROM OUR PRINCIPAL Mrs Cheryl Walsh.....

Dear parents and students,

I hope that you are all well and managing to keep on top of the many changes that we are seeing with the slowly lifting of restrictions.

We are embracing these changes and as in the Newsfeed yesterday, we will continue next week with students attending one day per week and in Week 5 all students returning full time. To enable this to happen safely we will have to continue with social distancing by parents which means that staggered drop off and pick up times will remain. We are looking at how this can be done

Week 4

Next week we will continue with a limited number of students attending one day per week in the same process as this week and with staggered drop off and pick up times.

Colour House Attendance	Drop off and Pick up Times
Monday – Students in Blue Colour House	Drop Off Times 8.20am: A – H
Tuesday -Students in Gold Colour House	8.30am: I - P 8.40am: Q - Z
Wednesday -Children of Essential workers only	Pick Up Times
Thursday – Students in Green Colour House	2.30: A – H 2.40: I – P
Friday – Students in Red Colour House	2.50: Q - Z

To ensure we are following social distancing guidelines parents are asked to follow the times for sending your child/children to school and the drop off and pick up times.

We are still only using the Infants classrooms and will need to try to keep a limited number of students attending each day. This will enable us to continue teaching some students face to face as well as posting and engaging with students working on HBL activities. I continue to urge parents to send their children only on the days allocated.

Parents who are sending their children on additional days next week should have already completed the 'google form' so that we can plan for supervision, as these children will not be joining their grade for face to face teaching.

Week 5

If the good results for NSW continue, from Week 5, we will see all students return to school for normal face to face teaching. More information will be sent home next week. Once this happens teachers will no longer be posting HBL but will continue with their planned programs for the remainder of this term, teaching the students face to face.

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

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<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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Both the Primary and Infants Campuses will be open and the Year 4 and 5 classrooms should be ready for students to return to.

We are still obliged to follow social distancing guidelines which will require some staggering of drop off and pick up times. This is yet to be finalised. Stand apart at gate

Students will need to wear their full winter uniform from the beginning of week 5.

Their Sports Uniform will be worn only on sports days (TBC).

The school canteen will remain closed.

Students will need to bring with them:

- enough food for the day
- two drink bottles as the bubblers will still not be used
- their workbook and pencil case
- reader/novel if one was sent home.

IF YOUR CHILD IS SHOWING ANY SIGNS OF ILLNESS eg runny nose ,sore throat, cough or rash. PLEASE DO NOT SEND THEM TO SCHOOL.

Prayers for one of our Ex-students

Your prayers are still needed for one of our ex students who was in a serious accident last week. The child is still in a critical condition in hospital.

Kindergarten 2021 Enrolments and Interviews

I am currently interviewing for Kindergarten 2021. Parents who have not taken an enrolment package and who wish to enrol their child for next year are asked to contact the office please.

Winter Uniform

When we all return in Week 5 all students should be in their winter uniform. The uniform shop is open now each Tuesday morning on the Primary side.

Classroom Refurbishment

The refurbishment of the Year 4 and 5 classrooms is moving along very quickly and they should be ready for when we return in Week 5. The rooms are big, light and are looking wonderful. I am very grateful to the CSO for their support of funding for this project. I am also grateful to the Federal Government for their Grant of \$20,000 to put towards the cost of blinds and furniture.

Year 6 Canberra Trip and Year 5 Camp

With COVID-19 we had to postpone the Year 6 Canberra trip until October. Unfortunately, this week we heard that Vision Valley, the site for our Year 5 Camp, is now closed and we can no longer use the site. This means the Year 5 Camp has been cancelled at the moment. We are desperately trying to find another venue but things are not looking very good at this stage. I will keep you informed.

Semester 1 Reports

Semester 1 Reports will be sent home at the end of this term. In the light of restrictions, we will not be having our parent teacher interviews as usual. The Reports this Semester will look very different from previous years.

School Photographs

We have re-booked our school photos for 25th August for Individual photos only. No class or family groups at this stage. Payment will be completely online. More details will be sent home closer to the event.

Thank you for your continued support.

Cheryl Walsh

Principal





FACT SHEET FOR PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND CARERS

Please click this link for fact sheet

https://www.nccd.edu.au/sites/default/files/fact%20sheet%20for%20parents%20guardians%20and%20carers.pdf

Fee Relief during Covid-19

THE DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY IS COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING FAMILIES AS THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 CONTINUES TO BE FELT IN THE COMMUNITY.

https://www.csodbb.catholic.edu.au/ learning/Fee-Relief-during-Covid-19

ENROLLING NOW!!

If you know anyone who has a child for Kindergarten 2021 please let them know they can pick up an Enrolment pack form our office.



KINDERGARTEN 2021 Enrolment Packs Available



Enrolment packs can be collected from our Melbourne Street Office between 9am and 3pm during school term dates.

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FROM OUR RELIGIOUS CO-ORDINATOR Ms Bolton

We all know the importance of families but the events of 2020 : bush fires, floods and now Covid 19 have forced us to draw upon the strengths on our family in more ways than one. Sometimes this hasn't been easy. Pope Francis offers a number of practical suggestions to families that can not only sustain them but even strengthen them during this time which I have summarised below.

1. Say these three words

In order to have a healthy family three words need to be used. Please, thank you ,sorry. Three very essential words.

2. Do the Little Things.

There are many challenges in family life and arguments are normal. Yet we must not become saddened by this. Love is stronger than the moment when there is arguing. To make peace it isn't necessary to call the United Nations to come to the house and make peace. A little gesture is sufficient, a caress, and then let it be!

3. Make Time to Play.

Do you spend time and play with your children?" We are losing this capacity, this wisdom of playing with our children. The economic situation pushes us to this, to lose this. Please, spend time with our children!

4. Pray Together.

It is in the family that we first learn how to pray. Don't forget: the family that prays together stays together! This is important. In the family we learn how to love, to forgive, to be generous and open, not closed and selfish. We learn to move beyond our own needs, to encounter others and share our lives with them. That is why it is so important to pray as a family! So important! That is why families are so important in God's plan for the Church!

5. Look to Our Elders.

Grandparents, who have received the blessing to see their children's children (cf. Ps 128:6), are entrusted with a great responsibility: to transmit their life experience, their family history, the history of a community, of a people; to share wisdom with simplicity, and the faith itself—the most precious heritage! Happy is the family who has grandparents close by! A grandfather is a father twice over and a grandmother is a mother twice over.

6. Light the Way.

The future passes through the family. So protect your families! See in them your country's greatest treasure and nourish them always by prayer and the grace of the sacraments. Families will always have their trials, but may you never add to them! Instead, be living examples of love, forgiveness and care.

Finally let us think about this quote from Pope Francis which is so relevant today.

"Let everyone admire how you care for one another, and how you encourage and accompany one another."

News from the parish

The parish has informed us that the Bishop is allowing the introduction of Masses from this Saturday May 16, 2020. However, you need to note that:

REGARDING MASSES: NO MORE THAN 10 [11 INCLUDING THE PRIEST] ARE ALLOWED IN THE CHURCH TO ATTEND MASS

Regulating this, as you could well understand, is extremely problematical and we ask for your patience, and consideration of others. The only way we can do this which would be fair is to ask you to:

CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE BY PHONE OR EMAIL TO BOOK YOUR ATTENDANCE AT ONE OF THE MANY MASSES PROVIDED EACH WEEKEND OR WEEKDAY PLEASE NOTE TO MAXIMISE THE NUMBERS AT MASS YOU MAY BE ASKED TO READ SO PLEASE NOMINATE WHEN BOOKING

Home Based Spirituality session for parents

Just a reminder about the Parent Reflection Mornings for parents. Articles, videos and other resources have been put together by the Mission Services Team from the CSO to support families on their faith journey. Please contact me if interested or refer to previous information advertised through compass.

Many blessings to you and your families **Fiona Bolton**

ITALIAN AROUND THE SCHOOL WITH SIGNORA RYAN

Years 5 and 6 have taken a 3D virtual tour of the Vatican Museums! They completed a 'see think wonder' Bravo!

I chose the sistine chapel because it is so vibrant with colours and each individual artwork is so detailed. The tiles on the floor are like an artwork as well. It has different patterns and shapes. The floor looks too pretty to be walked on.

See-

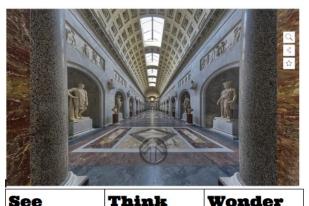
- I see a sculpture of Jesus
- I see Jesus blessing others
- I see natural people on the roof helping each other
- I see a patterned floor
- · I see really small windows

Think-

• I think the reason MichelAngelo did these paintings is to tell everyone to be kind and helpful

Wonder-

- I wonder when the Sistine Chapel
- · I wonder what MichelAngelo's first painting was
- I wonder how old the Sistine Chapel
- I wonder if people still visit the Sistine Chapel



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 The statues The colourful roof How the statues were placed down The colourful pictures on the roof and around the museum 	 They must have had to use cranes to put the statues in place They must have used an artist to make the top of the colourful because it looks like an artist's job 	 If they did use a crane because I don't know if they have cranes in Italy How long would it have taken them to finish the whole building How many people were working on the

Year 3 and 4 have been learning about emotions and feelings in Italian. come stai?



I'm angry



I'm scared





I'm happy

Sono preoccupato



I'm worried





Sono arrabbiato/a

Il tempo oggi è freddo e ventoso.

big build



Il tempo oggi è caldo e c'è il sole



Kindy students have been learning their colours - Che colori e? And Year 2 and 3 are talking weather Che tempo fa?



THE UNIFORM SHOP

Term 2 Shop Opening Update



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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The Uniform Shop will be open as normal from Monday 27th April.

To abide by social distancing regulations, we require any customers that wish to attend the shop for a fitting or to try on more than 2 garment to book an appointment. Appointments can be made by contacting the shop.

Postage and Order Collections:

For contact free collections, customers are recommended to select home delivery on all orders which will be dispatched twice weekly. If you prefer to collect your order from the Uniform Shop please collect during the opening hours.

Contact Free Ordering:

a. Order Online - www.alintaapparel.com.au b. Phone Order - call the shop - call our call centre on 02 4321 0433

Thank you for your consideration

Uniform Shop