



# 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

Wednesday 2 June 7pm

## St Patrick's Hall

Enquires and bookings please call the  
school office

## Outside School Hours Care

E: [eastgosford.oshc@dbb.org.au](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month*

2.00pm – 4.00pm

The uniform shop can be contacted

outside of business hours by email

[stpatrickprimary@alinta.com.au](mailto:stpatrickprimary@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

Fortnightly Friday 2pm

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

Dear Parents Carers,

## Happy Mothers Day

It has certainly been a very hectic couple of weeks, especially with the late changes because of new government COVID restrictions that came into place last night. We are very upset that once again all our Mother's Day Celebrations were cancelled. Once things settle down again, we will have our classrooms open so you can come and see the great things your children are learning.

Next week the Year 6 students are due to go to Canberra for three days and at present this is still happening. Although with the strict rules in place for the ACT, we need to ensure that none of our students have been to any of the listed venues and that they do not leave the Central Coast area over the next few days.

## School Photos

I do apologise about cancelling the school photos this week but with the predicted weather (which didn't happen until later in the day), I did not want to risk anyone getting wet crossing over the bridge.

I have rescheduled the photos for **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June** (Week 9) and we will also have two crews here, who can take the Primary Photos and the Infants Photos on each side. We then only need to organise the sibling and other group photos. Hopefully by then the uniforms will have arrived that many parents are waiting on.



## Long Service Leave

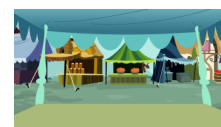
I am hopefully taking two weeks LSL from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May until Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May. While I am away Mr Chris Franklin will be Acting Principal, Ms Fiona Bolton will be Acting Assistant Principal and Mr Lee Sullivan will be Acting REC.

## NAPLAN

Next week is the NAPLAN Assessments for our Year 3 and 5 students. These commence on Tuesday with Writing. Year 3 still do the pen and paper Writing and Year 5 complete this on their iPads. The remainder of the assessments will take place from Wednesday until Friday of next week. Students who are away any day next week can do the missed assessment on another day but after Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May the NAPLAN Assessment Portal will be closed for the school.

## Parish Markets

The next date for the Parish Markets is Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May.



## Culture Survey

Don't forget to complete the Culture Survey that was sent out CSBB last week. This **A reminder** survey closes on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May. A reminder with the link for the survey was sent out again this week through Compass. [Catholic Schools Broken Bay Culture Survey](#)

## Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)

In early 2021, our school, along with thousands of others across the country will begin preparations for the fifth Australian Early Development Census (AEDC).

The AEDC gives us a national picture of the development, health and wellbeing of children in their first year of full-time school. Since 2009, the census results have helped communities, schools and governments plan services and develop better policies to target support for children and families.

Children don't miss any class time, and parents/carers don't need to supply schools with any new information for the census. The AEDC gives us data at a school and community level - it isn't an assessment of individual children.

Some teachers have also noticed that completing the assessments made them more aware of the needs of individual children and the class as a whole and that the census results are useful in planning for transitions to Year 1 and developing class programs.

Participation in the AEDC is voluntary. Parents/carers don't need to take any action unless they choose not to include their children in the census.

To find out more about the census and how communities are using the data to help children and families visit the AEDC website: [www.aedc.gov.au](http://www.aedc.gov.au)

If you have any questions, you can contact school on **25 JUNE**  
[speg@dbb.catholic.edu](mailto:speg@dbb.catholic.edu)

Thank you for your continued support

Cheryl Walsh

**Pupil Free Day!!**

## SCHOOL PAYMENTS

**BPAY** IS OUR PREFERRED METHOD OF PAYMENT FOR SCHOOL FEES

**EFTPOS** — OVER THE PHONE OR IN PERSON AT THE OFFICE FOR SCHOOL FEES

**COMPASS PAY** IS SOMETIMES USED FOR REPRESENTATIVE SPORT

(Some parents used this method for our recent Mothers Day Stall, this does not allow us to track purchases for students, please let us know if your child did not receive a gift)

**QKR!** IS USED FOR LUNCH ORDERS AND SPECIAL EVENTS EG MOTHERS DAY STALL. YEAR 6 SHIRTS ETC.



Year 4 and 5 have been working really hard on creating a special and memorable Mass for our mums.

So in light of our Mother's Day Mass being cancelled due to the current COVID restrictions, we have swiftly created a short video liturgy to say thank you to special women in our lives. We hope you have a beautiful Mother's Day Here is the link to watch

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GLJ5c4rHaJ8>





Today we remembered all the special women in our community who bravely accept the role of mothering. Unfortunately, the mass that was planned did not go ahead, but within each class we celebrated a class liturgy to pray for and give thanks for our mums.

Mother's Day is a special day to honour mothers and mothering is a part of every major tradition, culture and nation. That is because we know instinctively the wonder, miracle and gift of mothers and mothering. Our hearts and minds all turn to the woman who gave us life and showed us the beauty of steadfast love throughout our entire lives.

They give us life and teach and nurture us on the way, by offering wisdom, example and practical experience. They pick us up when we fall and unconditionally love us back when we stray.

Motherhood is a unique gift from the Lord. Jesus has a mother. life. He was born of a woman and He called her Mother and entrusted her to us as one of His last gifts of love. The Mother of the Lord continues to give us the gift of the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Jesus is her Son and our Saviour and she offers Him to us as the greatest gift of a mother's love.

Wishing all mothers, grandmothers, aunties, friends and even fathers who have taken on this role, a very happy and blessed Mother's Day.

### Confirmation



Please keep in your prayers all those children preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation next month.

### 200 Years of Catholic Education

Plans are being made to celebrate and recognise 200 years of Catholic Education in Australia. Students from St Patrick's, St Joseph's and St Edwards will come together at mass on 24<sup>th</sup> May at the Edmund Rice Centre.

This day has been specially chosen as it is the Feast Day of Mary Help of Christians and she is the patron saint of Australia. We look forward to joining with our High School students to celebrate this event.





## OUR SCHOOL BAND

**Thank you to our school band for performing this week,  
such a treat!!**





On Tuesday the 27th April we had a moving ANZAC service remembering those brave men and women who have defended our country.

We were honoured to welcome Unit Commander Captain David Myers and The National Service 1951-1972 Reenactment Unit. They provided a truly authentic experience for the children and shared invaluable insights.

We are so proud of our SRC students for leading this liturgy with courage, respect and reverence.

We will remember them.

Lest we forget.





## From Mrs Hartz in the Library and LARC (Learning and Resource Centre)

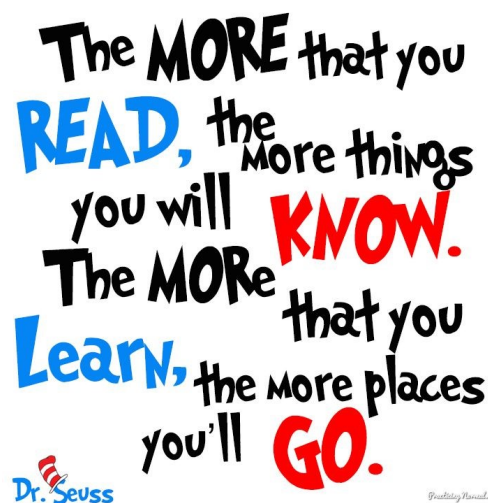
WOW!!! I can't believe it but we already have 2 girls that have completed the 2021 Premier's Reading Challenge.

Congratulations to Emilia and Eunji in 3G for being the first to complete the challenge.

Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 are undertaking the challenge in the classrooms and some of these children are doing it at home as well.

This shows great enthusiasm for reading in our infant classes.

Read, read and read some more.



## NEWS FROM OUR P & F COMMITTEE



### Mother's Day

A big thank you to Suzanne S for organising our Mothers Day Stall, our volunteers who helped on the day and to all of the children for choosing beautiful gifts for their mums/grandmas/carers. I'm sure all of you will love your little gifts. We raised \$1,469 which will go towards upgrading/improving our school playground.

**HAPPY MOTHERS DAY** to all the mums/grandmother's and carers. We hope you have a wonderful day on Sunday.

Our next **P & F Meeting is on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**. We look forward to seeing our regulars and we welcome any new parents and/or carers who would like to take part. If you have any feedback and your unable to attend our P & F Meeting, please email Rachael – [rach380@hotmail.com](mailto:rach380@hotmail.com) or Louise – [louise.bridekirk@bigpond.com](mailto:louise.bridekirk@bigpond.com).

### Canteen update

Thanks to all of our wonderful volunteers who ensure both canteens have been open each and every week this term. Attached is the most recent roster – please contact Louise on 0407 100 433 or comment on 'Our Kids Canteen' Facebook page if you can help out.

This week we are trialling Gluten Free sausage rolls, so please if you have a gluten free child, we welcome your feedback with new menu items. We continue to have gluten free nuggets on the menu, however due to limited freezer and oven space, we PLEASE ask that you do not purchase these on QKR unless your child is gluten free. We are currently looking at options that will increase our capacity on the primary canteen.

If you have taken tea towels home to wash, thank you! Would you please return them as we are running low.

Thank you.

Here is the link to  
our  
Canteen

[Facebook Page](#)

# NEWS FROM OUR P & F COMMITTEE CONT'D

TWO volunteers are required for each canteen on Wednesday (where possible) and Fridays:

**Wednesday** is recess only and shift is approx.: 10:30am – 11:30am

**Friday** Split shifts or full days are available on Fridays as follows:

Full day: 9:30am – 2:00pm **or** Morning shift: 9:30am – 11:30 **or** Afternoon shift: 11:00 – 2:00

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 conta

**Louise Bridekirk Ph: 0407 100 433**

**TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED** if required. Thank you.

Week	Date	Infants	Primary
MAY			
3.	Wednesday 5th	Yvette Zurek-Morris Trish Noble	Nan Moffatt
	Friday 7th		
	9:30am – 11:30am		
	11:00am – 2:00pm		
	Or ALL DAY		Lorraine Hughes
4.	Wednesday 12th	Jacqueline Timary Sarah Jiminez	Lorraine Hughes
	Friday 14th		
	9:30am – 11:30am		
	11:00am – 2:00pm		
	Or ALL DAY		
5.	Wednesday 19th	Bianca Pickham	Nan Moffatt
	Friday 21st		
	9:30am – 11:30am		
	11:00am – 2:00pm		
	Or ALL DAY		Lorraine Hughes Katie Ercan
6.	Wednesday 26th		Lorraine Hughes
	Friday 28th		
	9:30am – 11:30am		
	11:00am – 2:00pm		
	Or ALL DAY		Katie Ercan
JUNE			
7.	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Yvette Zurek-Morris	Lorraine Hughes
	Friday 4th		
	9:30am – 11:30am		
	11:00am – 2:00pm		
	Or ALL DAY		Amy Whitworth Kristy Smith
	Wednesday 9th		
8.	Friday 11th		
	9:30am – 11:30am		
	11:00am – 2:00pm		
	Or ALL DAY		Lorraine Hughes
9.	Wednesday 16th	Suzanne Simpkins Vanessa Potter	Lorraine Hughes
	Friday 18th		
	9:30am – 11:30am		
	11:00am – 2:00pm		
	Or ALL DAY		
10.	Wednesday 23rd		Lorraine Hughes
	Friday 25th		
	9:30am – 11:30am		
	11:00am – 2:00pm		
	Or ALL DAY		



# ST PATRICK'S EXPO



Our students  
did a  
Great Job !!



**St Patrick's Primary School  
East Gosford**

Enrolling Now for 2022!

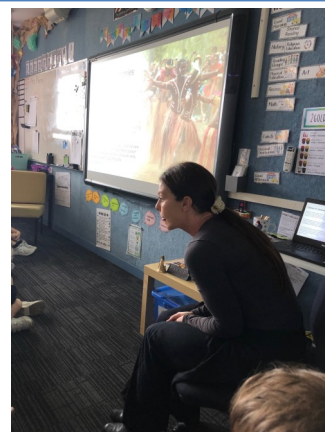
**OPEN DAY EXPO**

On Tuesday 22 April we showcased the many things St Patrick's has to offer.

New Parents enrolling their children into Kinder 2022 were very impressed by our students and the way that they spoke so enthusiastically about our school.



## VISIT FROM OUR ABORIGINAL OFFICER – AMBER



This week in Year 2, our Aboriginal Education Officer Amber joined us in class to chat about Aboriginal culture and ceremonies. We have been learning about initiations and belonging in Religion and PDHPE, and are starting to explore our Indigenous heritage as part of History and Geography.

Amber introduced the students to traditional Aboriginal ceremonies and initiations, the significance of dress, adornments, colours, markings, music and dance in sharing and celebrating Aboriginal dreaming and stories.

It was fascinating to learn how every aspect of a ceremony has significance and meaning from the colours worn to body art design to movement. Really enlightening for our students.



## CCC Cross Country

Congratulations to St Patrick's who came 7th overall in the CCC Cross Country Carnival today.

All students participated with determination, a positive attitude and gave it their best shot. We're so proud.

Special mentions to Ava S who placed 2nd and Tahlia L who came 1st! There were other St Pat's students who placed in the top 20!

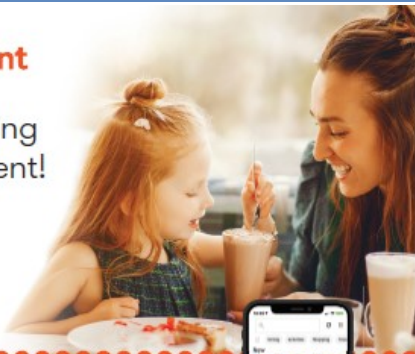
Our students Tahlia L, Ava S, Kowhai BJ, Aaditya G, Carys D, Ashton M, Lorenzo A. will represent us at the Broken Bay Diocese Cross Country Trials, good luck guys!





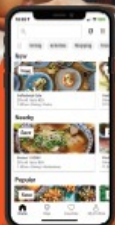
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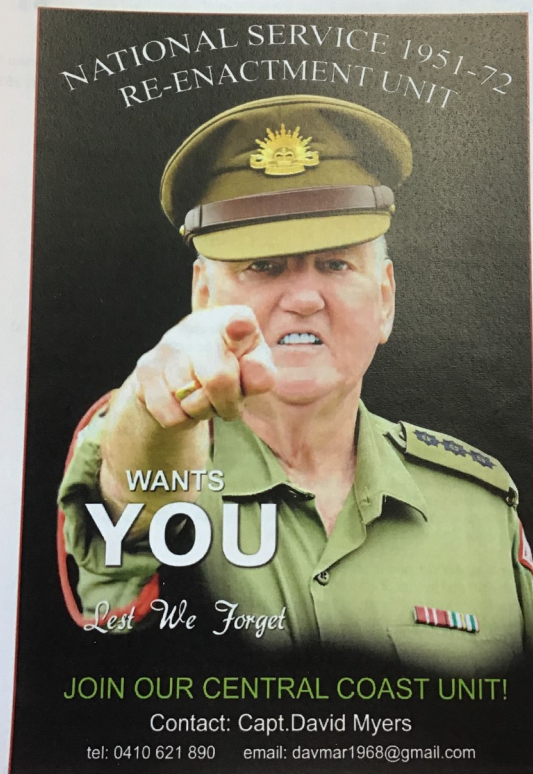
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Join us at our  
**Recruitment Morning**  
**Saturday 15th May 2021**  
**9.30am to 2.00pm**  
Behind Galaxy Motel at Gosford RSL, 26 Central Coast Hwy. West Gosford



## GET INTO RUGBY MODIFIED

This event is for all children with additional needs to come along and have a fun day learning to play rugby. All activities will be modified to suit each child's ability.

**WHEN:** Sunday 23rd May  
**TIME:** 9.30 am for a 10.00 am start followed by BBQ at 1.00 pm  
**WHERE:** The Haven Oval, Terrigal

The day will finish with a sausage sizzle and drink, so come along have fun and see what rugby is all about.



For more information or to register please contact  
Allison on 0416 068 285 or  
email: [allifaz@bigpond.com](mailto:allifaz@bigpond.com)