



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 16th November 7pm

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

2.00pm – 4.00pm

The uniform shop can be contacted
outside of business hours by email
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.

Canteen

Infants: Wednesday & Friday

Primary: Wednesday & Friday

Rostered volunteers please give
24 hours' notice if you are unable to
attend

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! (as this is the first newsletter this term.) As expected, things are getting rather busy for everyone as we approach the end of the school year.

We have a number of events this term:

- ◆ **Kindergarten Transition** which starts next Friday 4th November from 9 – 10.30 and continues each Friday until 25th November.
- ◆ **Parent Teacher Zoom Interviews** from 14th until 17th November. Each grade will have a half day available for zoom only interviews if you wish to touch base with your child's class teacher before the end of the term. More information to come.
- ◆ Year 1 & Year 2 Sausage Sizzle tonight Friday 28 October
- ◆ Year 3 & 4 Sausage Sizzle – **11 November**
- ◆ Remembrance Day **11 November**
- ◆ Year 5 & Year 6 Sausage Sizzle – **25 November**
- ◆ Pupil Free Day **21 November**
- ◆ School Disco – **2 December**
- ◆ Surf Days
 - ◆ Year 3 30 November
 - ◆ Year 4 1 December
 - ◆ Year 5 29 November
 - ◆ Year 6 28 November
- ◆ Year 6 Graduation Mass – **1 December**
- ◆ Step-up and end of school Mass – **13 December**

The CBGA Grant Project

As I have spoken to you previously the Catholic Schools Office, CSBB, is applying for what is called a CBGA Grant to access funds to complete much needed work at St Patricks. If the grant is approved, eventually all classes will be located on the Primary side on Victoria Street.

Throughout this year we were told that to be able to apply for the grant, Year 2 would need to be moved to the Primary side before the end of this year. Over the past many months, we have been in discussion with CSBB about this move.

Yesterday I was informed that the movement of Year 2 did not have to proceed before the end of the Year. This is great news, and we are very pleased with the outcome. I would like to thank Danny Casey and Anne Duncan for their support.

PUPIL FREE DAY

MONDAY 21 NOVEMBER

The Installation Mass last weekend

The mass last Saturday for the Installation of the relics of St John Paul II, was a beautiful celebration. Our parish and school are very blessed to have these relics on site. I would like to congratulate Father Greg for organising these relics in our parish and all of the many volunteers who worked so hard to make the day such a success.



Prayers for the Lamb Family

Please keep Tess, Ebony and their mother Kerry, as well as the Lamb Family in your prayers after for recent death of James.



Classes for 2023

All classes for next year have now been finalised and as I have sent through many notifications to parents about requests or if you are leaving St Patrick's, we can not make any further changes to placement of students in classes.

Students will meet their 2023 class teacher and those students in their class on **Tuesday 13th December** before our end of year mass.

Volunteer Inductions at St Patrick's

Keeping our children safe

If you are a current parent volunteer or if you would like to become one in the future (Canteen, Class Helper, Excursions), you are required to complete a Declaration for Volunteers/Contractors.

From today, this process has changed and is **now available online**. The new online version is required for **ALL current and future volunteers at St Patrick's**. It is a requirement that this is updated every 3 years.

Please click here <https://forms.office.com/r/3X25rVCEma> to complete the online declaration. Once submitted you will receive an email from the Safeguarding team asking you to watch the induction video and then submit another form to confirm completion of the induction process. Thank you for your assistance in keeping our children safe.

Thank you for your continued support

Cheryl Walsh



FROM LEE SULLIVAN OUR ACTING REC

Welcome Back

After a well-earned break, it is wonderful to see all the children returning. This Term is always an extremely busy time in the school year. Importantly it is the Term where we prepare for the birth of Jesus. Through this busyness we shouldn't forget the joys of life. Reaching out to all whom we can to ensure all is ok. As the Year 6 teacher it is a beautiful and sad time to watch our students begin their final journey at Primary School. There is much anticipation and excitement. For these parents, please enjoy the last months of your child's primary education. They are a wonderful group.



It was such a joyous occasion on Saturday, 22nd October at the Mass of the installation of the Relic of St John Paul II. A wonderful experience to be witness too. There was so many volunteers of the parish and wider community, supporting one another from the young and elderly, all working as one, the Holy Spirit was shining brightly on St Patrick.

Installation of the Relic of Saint John Paul II

A first class relic of Saint John Paul II will be displayed in a shrine at St Patrick's Catholic Church, East Gosford from 22 October 2022.. The shrine will provide pilgrims a form of devotion not common in the Australian context.



"Everyone knows John Paul II: his face, his characteristic way of moving and speaking; his immersion in prayer, and his spontaneous cheerfulness. Many of his words have become indelibly engraved in our memories, starting with the passionate cry with which he introduced himself to the people at the beginning of his pontificate: 'Open wide the doors to Christ, and be not afraid of him!' It is as though he would like to open the doors for Christ everywhere and wishes to open up to people the gate that leads to true life, to true love." - Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI



Saint John Paul II, born Karol Józef Wojtyła, was the 264th Pope of the Catholic Church. From humble beginnings in occupied Poland during World War II, he went on to become the leader of the Church.

He is widely recognised as one of the most influential and inspiring figures of the 20th century, revered by both Christians and non-Christians.

What is a Relic?

A relic is an object or article of special religious significance, normally related to a saint. It can be a physical remain of the saint or one of their personal effects. They are used as a memorial to the saint.

In the same way someone may keep things owned by a deceased relative or friends as a way of keeping a connection to them, relics help keep us connected to the saints and the inspiration of their lives.

They are divided into different classes. First Class Relics are relics which were an actual part of the saint, such as a limb, bone fragment or hair. Second Class Relics are something that was owned by the saint or used to torture a martyr. Third Class Relics are anything that have touched a First Class Relic.

Relics do not have "magic powers" but are often associated with miracles, as people pray for the intercession of the saint whose relics are before them. They are a unique way to directly connect with saints who inspire us through their faith and miracles.

Mission Month – Socktober

'But ye shall receive power, when the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea and Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.'

Acts 1:8

At St Patrick's we will be celebrating Mission Month. Throughout Socktober 2022, students at St Patrick's will be learning about, praying and advocating for and raising funds to support vulnerable children in Ethiopia who are facing food insecurity and malnutrition. A day will be held where the students will wear a favourite pair of socks.



Year 4 Family Mass

Thank you to our Year 4 Families who attended the Family Mass, on Sunday, 23rd October.

Congratulation

Congratulations to Luca (Year 6) who has begun his ministry as an alter server at St Patrick's.

Save the Dates:

Tuesday 1st November 11am All Saints Mass Come dress as a Saint

Friday 11th November 11am Remembrance Day Liturgy

Thursday 1st December 10:30am Year 6 Graduation Mass

Tuesday 13th December 11am End of Year Mass



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October



For a Church open to everyone.
We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.



I WEAR MY UNIFORM CORRECTLY

FOUND

A phone has been handed into the office.

And a set of keys have been found

Please contact the office on 4325 1159 if you are missing these items.

Arlo Baines – has lost sports hat.



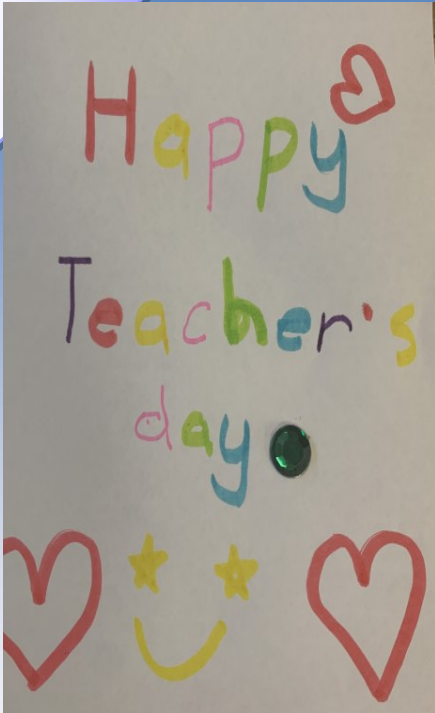


CRAZY SOCK DAY

TODAY WE RAISED \$401 THANK YOU FOR DONATING - YOU MAY STILL DONATE NEXT WEEK

In the lead-up to Friday, students will be learning about, praying, and advocating for vulnerable children in Ethiopia, World Mission's focus country this year. Your donation can help support these families who are facing food insecurity and malnutrition. A massive THANK YOU as always for your wonderful support and kindness!





Our staff thank all our parents and friends for the love we receive from you all.

Our coffee vouchers were fantastic!!

Thank you for all the warm wishes and treats our staff received.



Dear teachers
I will try my best to keep you happy :)
Thank you for inspiring us and for your love

As well we grateful for teachers always showing the right way to do stuff
Making people fun of school and smile because of fun
Next ->
From Gelina

Dear Mrs Morris, happy world teachers day! Thank you so much for being my teacher to me, you are a great friend so THANK YOU! Thank you for a world!
From Abigail



Sophie W representing Thew Polding Softball team at Camden back in September. It was a wonderful few days playing 12 games of softball in dreary conditions with catholic school girls from all over the northern part of the state. Congratulations!!



Waratah Shield

Last Friday we took a team of 11 brave Year 6 children to EDSACC to compete in the Waratah Shield Cricket Competition. We were so worried about the weather but the rain gods shone on us and kept all of the deluge away!

We played St Mary's from Toukley first. We bowled incredibly well for a team with only 4 current cricketers. Some bowling figures to share would be that of Narthana 2/8 and Sachin 1-6. Our batting top scorers for the first game were Jasper 12 and Tommy 9. Unfortunately, we lost this game BY ONE RUN! I do believe (and so did the square leg umpire) that Narthana got out on a no ball but anyway... that's cricket!



The second game saw us play St John Vianney, a team from Maitland. We won this game by 7 wickets and we did this by reversing the batting and bowling order as well! Credits for this game go to Ashton, 3 wickets in his first over! Not quite a hat trick but very close. His figures were 3/5. Narthana performed well with the ball getting 1/1 as did Jasper 1/2. Narthana top scored with the bat hitting 8 not out and Ashton scored 7, retired.

All cricketers played with great sportsmanship and enthusiasm. For a team that was thrown together in a week, they should be incredibly proud of their efforts. I loved spending the day with them, watching them fight the fear of a hard ball and fast bowlers!

Ange Stitt

YEAR FIVE CAMP AT POINT WOLSTONCROFT

The best afternoon ever! The children did it all... carried all the boats and masts out, rigged their own boats and off they went sailing! All by themselves!



Year 6 have been studying poetry and this week they wrote poems using personification.

Bottom of the sea is where you'll find me, look deeper and you'll find me,

Sea life, living life normally but one plastic case could ruin it all!

I see hooks taking my friends, and nice people cleaning me so that I can shine.

I'm losing all my colour, I can't find someone who cares.

I've seen everything as I've been around since the beginning of time.

I remember being bright, colourful and vibrant.

I hope I don't become boring and lose all my colour.

Why must you kill my species, pollute us, erase our colours and make our species disappear...

I am.....

Written by Felicity G

I live in a dusty garage that mourns all night,

I glimpse owners whipping dust off of me,

I apprehended my owners having fun, jumping with delight.

I am a road killer but never get to be on the road.

I'm as old as the face of January 29th 1886.

I recall being the not cool one and being forgotten.

I'm terrified of being here forever,

I'd like to go for a drive and kiss the glistening sun before i leave this earth,

I dream of seeing the sun just one more time,

I've overheard people not wanting me.

I don't understand why I am a failure.

I am...

Written by Chloe M

I live up in the the clouds.

I see people cuddling up and sleeping.

I am as old as when life started.

I remember the sound of peacefulness.

I dream of meeting the sun one day.

I am afraid of being forgotten.

I am...

Written by Mia G

I live with the frogs and all the birds,

I see butterflies fluttering and flying away,

I touch the tree tops and sink in the pool,

I am many different shades of viridescent,

I am as old as the ancient pyramids,

I remember sprouting and growing like it was yesterday,

I dread dying and crusting like an old grey rock,

I would like to change my setting,

I dream of sprouting again and starting a new cycle,

I've once overheard the birds tweeting and gossiping I'm the day,

I do not understand why life is so short.

I am....

Written by Sasha

I live in a court of people and in a circle rim

I can see people thumping me and scoring

I can hear the people running across the court

I am actually scared of people throwing me

I am as old as the mountains

I am remember being made in the factory

I am afraid of being dunked on

I would like to change the material of me

I wish people could put on more protection for me

I once overheard people saying they would dunk me

I don't understand why they have to bounce me on the ground

I am...

Written by Hoitin H

FROM OUR ST PATRICK'S P & F

Christmas Raffle

This year our P & F are holding our biggest Christmas Raffle ever. With 20 prizes up for grabs, First Prize is valued at **\$1450**. All funds raised will go towards technology. Raffle books will be sent home with the youngest child next week. A book of 10 tickets \$20 - \$2 each. PLEASE WRITE YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND CLASS OR THE NAME AND MOBILE NUMBER

Additional tickets will be available to purchase from the front office. Tickets to be returned by 9am Wednesday 7th December. Prizes will be drawn on Friday 9th December. Tickets will also be sold at your years BBQ night.

Prizes are:

1st Prize - 2 nights accommodations (mid week stay) at Wild Edge Retreat valued at \$1300, Hunter Valley Zoo \$120 2 bottles wine, total prize worth **\$1450**

2nd Prize - Hose link Hose valued at \$269, \$100 Fedele's Voucher, Taronga Western Plains Zoo family pass valued at \$129, laser tag voucher \$50, \$50 virtual reality voucher total prize worth \$598.

3rd prize - Glenworth Valley horse riding adventure \$120 , \$50 Casey's Voucher, First Aid kit, \$50 Repco Voucher, \$20 bunnings voucher, Total Prize Value over \$250.

4th \$100 Bunnings voucher

5th \$70 ice skating voucher Erina Ice Arena

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7th \$50 CC Virtual reality Voucher

8th \$50 laser Tag voucher

9th \$50 laser Tag voucher

10th \$50 bunnings voucher

11th \$50 Bunnings voucher

12th \$25 Elanora voucher

13th \$25 Elanora Voucher

14th \$25 Elanora Voucher

15th \$25 Elanora Voucher

16th \$25 Elanora Voucher

17th \$20 Bunnings voucher

18th \$20 bunnings Voucher

19th \$20 bunnings Voucher

20th \$20 Bunnings Voucher

Thank you so much to the above business who donated, it is much appreciated.

P & F Meeting

Our next P & F Meeting is on Wednesday 16th November at 7pm in the LARC. We look forward to seeing our regulars and we welcome any new parents and/or carers who would like to take part.

Canteen Red Day

Our Canteen Red Day will be announced soon.

School Disco

Our school disco will be on Friday 2nd December 6.30-8pm run by JC Entertainment and Events. Further details will be given closer to the date.



Gingerbread House Kits

Gingerbread House kits are now available to purchase – you have until 30 November. Please use the below link. <https://share.gingerbreadfolk.com.au/6m9Vqg>

CANTEEN ROSTER ON FOLLOWING PAGE

Two volunteers are required for each canteen on all days.

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

Monday and Friday Split shifts or full days are available as follows:

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

Karen Phillips 0412 549 922 misskaz1970@yahoo.com.au

Christie Kissane 0488 188 085 christieryan@live.com.au

TRAINING WILL BE PROVIDED if required. Thank you.

The new Safeguarding volunteer induction form must be filled in before you can volunteer - more information earlier in this newsletter <https://forms.office.com/r/3X25rVCEma>

Week	Date	Infants	Primary
OCTOBER			
4	Monday 31 ST 9:30am – 11:30am	HELP NEEDED X 1	
	11:00am – 2:00pm	HELP NEEDED X 1	Rachael Playle Lorraine Hughes
	OR ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	
NOVEMBER			
	Wednesday 2 nd	Jeanine El Azzi Louise Bridekirk	Rachael Playle Lorraine Hughes
	Friday 4 th 9:30am – 11:30am		Jaime Caller
	11:00am – 2:00pm		Sarah Jimenez Louise Gallen 12-2pm
	Or ALL DAY	Pam Magill Aida Reyes Cruz	
5	Monday 7 th 9:30am – 11:30am	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	11:00am – 2:00pm	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	OR ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	HELP NEEDED X 2
	Wednesday 9 th	Jacqueline Timary Jaime Caller	HELP NEEDED X 2
	Friday 11 th 9:30am – 11:30am	HELP NEEDED X 1	Jaime Caller
	11:00am – 2:00pm	Sarah Jimenez	Louise Gallen 12-2pm
	Or ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	HELP NEEDED X 2
6	Monday 14 th 9:30am – 11:30am	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	11:00am – 2:00pm	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	OR ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	HELP NEEDED X 2
	Wednesday 16 th	Jeanine El Azzi HELP NEEDED X 1	Rachael Playle Lorraine Hughes
	Friday 18 th 9:30am – 11:30am	Rachael Lees	HELP NEEDED X 1
	11:00am – 2:00pm	HELP NEEDED X 1	Louise Gallen 12-2pm
	Or ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	HELP NEEDED X 2
7	Monday 21 ST	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
	11:00am – 2:00pm	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	OR ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	Rachael Playle HELP NEEDED X 1
	Wednesday 23 RD	Jacqueline Timary Jaime Caller	Rachael Playle Lorraine Hughes
	Friday 25 th 9:30am – 11:30am	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	11:00am – 2:00pm	HELP NEEDED X 1	Louise Gallen 12-2pm
	Or ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	HELP NEEDED X 2
8	Monday 28 th 9:30am – 11:30am	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	11:00am – 2:00pm	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	OR ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	HELP NEEDED X 2
	Wednesday 30 th	Jeanine El Azzi Jacqueline Timary	Jaime Caller HELP NEEDED X 2
DECEMBER			
	Friday 2 nd 9:30am – 11:30am	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	11:00am – 2:00pm	HELP NEEDED X 1	Louise Gallen 12-2pm
	Or ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	Pamela Magill ? Patricia Sanfilippo ?
9	Monday 5 th 9:30am – 11:30am	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	11:00am – 2:00pm	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	OR ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	HELP NEEDED X 2
	Wednesday 7 th	HELP NEEDED X 2	HELP NEEDED X 2
	Friday 9 th 9:30am – 11:30am	HELP NEEDED X 1	
	11:00am – 2:00pm	Rachael Lees	Louise Gallen 12-2pm
	Or ALL DAY	Danielle Williams HELP NEEDED X 1	Rachael Playle Lorraine Hughes
10	Monday 12 th 9:30am – 11:30am	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	11:00am – 2:00pm	HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 1
	OR ALL DAY	HELP NEEDED X 2	HELP NEEDED X 2
	Wednesday 14 th	Jeanine El Azzi HELP NEEDED X 1	HELP NEEDED X 2
	Friday 16 th (CLOSED)		