

ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Families,

As we continue our Lenten journey, this is a prayer, which we can reflect on:

A LENTEN PRAYER



*Jesus, dear Saviour,
During these days of Lent,
I want to fast,
to repent and to pray.
Above all else I want
to stay in the circle
of Your love.
Walk with me and guide me
in Your footsteps.
During this season of Lent
help me to follow You
and imitate Your love.
May this cross remind me
today
and throughout Lent of
your great love for me.*

Amen

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SWIM TEAM – 4th PLACE

Yesterday I had the pleasure of going to Noble Park Swimming Pool to see our Swim Team put in a great performance to finish 4th in the District Finals. Our students represented our school extremely well. We are also very proud of the manner in which they supported each other and behaved extremely well. They were a true credit to their families. Congratulations to the following student who has now qualified for the Division Finals: **10 Yrs Breaststroke- Chloe P**

PREP 2023

The Prep students will be attending school full time from Monday. We would like to thank our Prep families for their support in bringing their child to the interviews over the past four weeks.

We have an information session for Prep parents in the hall at 2:30pm today.

OPEN DAY

Wednesday 15th March

We are already receiving lots of enquiries about enrolling for 2024. We are extremely pleased to have this interest and we will have our Open Day on **Wednesday 15th March from 9:30am – 3:00pm**. There is a flier in this newsletter and we will continue to promote this event over the next month.

If you have any family or friends who have a child commencing school next year, please let them know about the Open Day on **Wednesday 15th March. Tours will be available from 9:30am – 3:00pm**.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

We have our school photos on **Thursday 9th March**. All students will need to wear their full summer uniform on this day. If your child normally wears their PE uniform on Thursday, they can bring their runners to change into for PE. We would like to ask all families to ensure that students do not have any appointments on this day.



Tomorrow (Friday 3rd March) is Clean Up St Patrick's Day. After lunchtime, the students will be involved in cleaning the school and church grounds and also the outside boundary of our school. They can bring in a pair of gloves if they wish. If you do not wish for your child to participate in this activity, please let the classroom teacher know prior to the event.

INTER-SCHOOL SPORT

The Year 5/6 students participated in sport against Mentone Primary School last Friday. They scores were as follows:

Round 2 – 24/02

Cricket

Boys: 206-112W

Girls – 119-74W

Volleystars: 2-1W

Hot Shots: -

Boys: 8-4W

Girls: 6-6D

Softball:

Boys: 16-9W

Girls: 1-14L

Rounders: 35-17W

SCHOOL LEVIES

The school fee statements have been sent home to all families. All levies and camp fees need to be paid by the end of term 1.

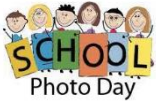

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

The school will be closed on **Monday 13th March** – Labour Day Public holiday

Best Wishes

Tim Noonan - Principal

TERM 1 2023

Week 5	Mon 27 th Feb	9.00am	Assembly
	Tues 28 th Feb		
	Wed 1 st Mar	9.00am	No Prep students today District Swimming Carnival – Noble Park Aquatic Centre
	Thurs 2 nd Mar	2.30pm	Prep Parent Information Afternoon
	Fri 3 rd Mar	9.00am	World Prayer Day Clean Up St Patrick's School Day! Interschool Sports - Away -v- St Mark's, Dingley
	Sat 4 th Mar		
	Sun 5 th Mar		
Week 6	Mon 6 th Mar	9.00am	Assembly Preps full-time attendance at school
	Tues 7 th Mar		
	Wed 8 th Mar		
	Thurs 9 th Mar	9.00am	School Photo Day! Full summer uniform to be worn 
	Fri 10 th Mar		
	Sat 11 th Mar		
	Sun 12 th Mar		
Week 7	Mon 13 th Mar		PUBLIC HOLIDAY – Labour Day Catholic Education Week
	Tues 14 th Mar	9.00-2.00pm	Kingston Division Swimming Carnival/Oakleigh NAPLAN Testing – Years 3 & 5
	Wed 15 th Mar	9.30-3.00pm	St Patrick's Open Day! NAPLAN Testing – Years 3 & 5 School Advisory Council
	Thurs 16 th Mar		NAPLAN Testing – Years 3 & 5
	Fri 17 th Mar	9.15am	Whole School Mass St Patrick's Day! BBQ 
	Sat 18 th Mar		
	Sun 19 th Mar		

2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 1:

Friday 27th January - Thursday 6th April

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| • District Swimming Carnival | Wednesday 1st March |
| • Prep Parent Information Afternoon | Thursday 2nd March |
| • School Clean Up Day | Friday 3rd March |
| • Interschool Sport Rd 4 | Friday 3rd March |
| • School Photos | Thursday 9th March |
| • Labour Day Public Holiday | Monday 13th March |
| • Division Swimming Carnival | Tuesday 14 th March |
| • National Testing | Tuesday 14th - Monday 27th March |
| • Cross Country Carnival | Wednesday 22 nd March |
| • Yr 6 / Prep Buddy BBQ | Thursday 23 rd March (12:30pm) |
| • Catholic Education Week | Week 7 |
| • St Patrick's Open Day | Wednesday 15th March |
| • St Patrick's School Feast Day | Friday 17th March |
| • Year 6 Camp to Canberra | Monday 27th - Friday 31st March |
| • Year 6 and Prep parents welcome | Friday 31st March (TBC) |
| • Regional Swimming Finals | TBC |
| • Interschool Sport Finals | Friday 24th March & 31st March (backup) |
| • End of term Mass. | Tuesday 4th April |
| • Term 1 ends | Thursday 6th April |

PUPIL OF THE WEEK – TERM 1 WEEK 5

Class	Student	Reason
PAD	Liam D	For showing an open mind when faced with a paper folding challenge. You really applied some great paper folding skills.
PMU	Isabel	For being an Inquirer, showing great listening and fully participating in class activities during InitialLit.
PLA	Kezia	For being a thinker by attempting to solve everyday problems by herself before asking the teacher. Well done Kezia, you are showing your independence.
1PC	Marco	For being a risk taker who is willing to stretch himself in his learning and take on a challenge. Keep up the fantastic work Marco!
1VE	Poppy	For taking risks with her learning this week. Poppy has tried her hardest and been confident enough to share her work with others. Great job Poppy!
1TH	Cassie	For demonstrating the learner profile of inquirer by asking questions and seeking feedback to improve her learning.
2HA	Darcy	For showing the learner profile of a knowledgeable person and using his sound knowledge to help with his spelling. Way to go Darcy!
2LA	Indie	For being so balanced in her approach to healthy eating, exercise and a love of learning. What a great start to your year Indie!
2LM	Hayden	For being a deep thinker and connecting the learner profiles to characters we read about. Way to go Hayden!
3BE	Jack H	For working hard and asking questions to help with his understanding when he has been unsure about a task. Well done Jack !
3MI	Antonia	For her amazing independent skills asking questions to her peers and trying to solve problems before asking the teacher for help. Well done Antonia!
3BA	Natalie	For being an inquirer and asking interesting questions to help with her understanding.
4DS	Odette H	For being open minded and making new friends at St Pats. Well done Odette
4SC	Domenica L	For being an excellent thinker and answering some difficult questions after reading a selected text. Fantastic job, Dom!
4SI	Madi	For being a principled person by following instructions and consistently doing the right thing in class. Great Work Madi!
5DO	Mila B	For stepping out of her comfort zone and pushing herself to achieve the high ropes course. Well done Mila!
5HA	Daisy	For being such a brave “risk taker” at camp. Daisy had a go at every activity and was especially impressive on the high ropes course.
6LA	Jeff	For using great thinking skills in our factor challenge- excellent work Jeff!
6CR	Leo	For being a great inquirer showing he is engaged in lessons by asking curious questions.
Italian	Leo 6RC	For enthusiastically embracing challenging tasks when experimenting with the Italian language. Bravo Leo! Per la maniera in cui affronta i compiti piu' difficili quando sperimenta con la lingua Italiana. Bravo Leo!



On Tuesday the 22nd of February, 9 girls from year five visited Melbourne University for a STEM session with Robogals and Akorn Education. The girls had to team up with girls from another school, St James in Vermont. I teamed up with Olivia and Heidi who were very nice girls. We teamed up first and did a little warm up. They told us all about the different types of engineering which was pretty fun to learn and then they told us the story of a group of kids in a soccer team and their coach went into a cave and it flooded. They told us to code this robot to go through the cave and save the children but it was very tricky. My team did it so we had to go around and start helping others. Then we had a train and a tram back to school. It was extremely fun and I learnt a lot, it was also good because we met more and made more friends. By Mila Berenger

We arrived at Mentone Train Station at 8:00 AM to catch the train to Flinders Street Station. At 8:30 AM we all boarded the train. We all had lovely conversations with each other on the train. When we arrived we hopped onto the tram that took us to Melbourne University. I was astonished by how big and fancy Melbourne University was. We started off by learning about all of the different jobs engineers can do. Next we had to build a sturdy structure out of things like straws, plastics, wood, elastic bands and tape. After we finished building our structures we had to code our robots to be able to get through any mazes by using a light sensor. It was an extremely hard task for most of us but after heaps of hard work we all made it through the maze.

Overall I had a WONDERFUL time! By Milla Nachtigal



DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL



Sustainability

.....from Liz Lamb/Sustainability Leader

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You will not get a permission slip from Operoo to respond to, as it is covered by the Global Permission Form (2023). You will however need to ensure you have given your permission on this form.

Kind regards,

Liz Lamb

Sustainability Leader



Visit our website
for a virtual tour

ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL MENTONE



*Christus in corde omnium,
Christ in the heart of all.*

ENROLMENTS FOR 2024 OPEN ON WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH

- Enhancement and intervention programs
- Purpose built, all inclusive indoor and outdoor facilities
- A sustainable and interactive garden

At St Patrick's we offer:

- A welcoming community
- An affordable Catholic Education
- An uplifting Sacramental program
- High quality learning and teaching



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- Leadership, buddy and social justice programs
- Wellbeing and health initiatives
- A strong Physical Education and interschool sport program

- Robotics Program
- An exceptional art show and school production
- Digital technology initiatives
- A whole school approach to teaching the Italian language



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PARISH NEWS



The World Day of Prayer is a global Ecumenical movement which brings Christians of many traditions together to observe a common day of prayer on the first Friday in March each year.

Taiwanese women have prepared this years' service themed "Taiwan, I have heard about your faith"

*This year it is our parish's turn to host the service for our local area and it will be held at **St Patrick's Church**, Rogers Street Mentone on **3rd March, 2023 at 10.30am** followed by light refreshments in the Parish Centre*

Everyone is invited to attend and join with our fellow Christians. Through our participation we affirm that prayer and action are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence on the world.

St Patrick's Parish Church

ST PATRICK'S PS PHOTO DAY – THURSDAY 9TH MARCH 2023



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**School photo day is fast approaching, make sure you
place your order via the MSP website.**

- 1.** Scan QR code on your order card/envelope OR go to www.msp.com.au
- 2.** Click 'Download Portrait or Order Online'
- 3.** Click 'Order Packs'
- 4.** Insert Shootkey and Place your Order

A late/processing fee will apply for orders received 1 week after photo day.
All family/sibling orders must be placed by 11pm the day before photo day.
Please contact us if you have any questions or issues around ordering.

A graphic with a blue border and a white background. It features the text 'LIFE IS EASIER WITH MSP' in bold, blue capital letters.

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>





DANNY'S MARKET GARDEN

Danny's & Students Market Garden will be open for sales (cash only please) at 3.15 pm Friday. Lots of fresh and delicious fruit, vegetables and eggs for sale!



Visit our Open Evening

Thursday 16 March • From 4.00pm

During our Open Evening, you will have the opportunity to meet our Principal, take a vibrant student-led tour or visit our Information Centre, where you can meet members of staff. Specialty areas will also be open and hosting demonstrations including our Science Labs, STEM Room and Creative Arts and Design areas.

Please register at kilbreda.vic.edu.au

Applications for Year 7, 2025 close 18 August 2023.



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