ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Families,

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope everyone had a relaxing break and happy and holy Easter. Easter gives us an opportunity to reflect on Jesus' sacrifice for us and remind us to see the Risen Lord in everyone around us and especially in our St Patrick's community.

Easter Prayer

Lord, the resurrection of Your Son has given us new life and renewed hope. Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal. Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it, the perseverance to continue to do it, and the strength to complete it.

Amen

ANZAC DAY

We remember with thanksgiving those who made the supreme sacrifice for us in time of war. We pray that the offering of their lives may not have been in vain. Today we dedicate ourselves to the cause of justice, freedom and peace; and for the wisdom and strength to build a better world.

FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, that mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly.

Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved, and were loved, and now we lie In Flanders fields. Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we

The torch; be yours to hold it high.

If ye break faith with us who die We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields.

Lest we Forget

throw.

I would like to thank our amazing School Captains, the St Patrick's families and staff who represented our school at the ANZAC Day service at the Mentone RSL and laid a wreath for our school.

Upon returning back to school on Wednesday, all of our students took part in an ANZAC Day Commemoration Service and observed one minute's silence.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

As you would be aware, enrolments for 2024 are now open. If you have a child joining St Patrick's next year, please come to the office and pick up an enrolment pack. Enrolments for Prep 2024 close on Friday 28th April.

UNIFORM

This term the children are required to wear their winter uniform. Due to the change of seasons, there will be a two-week phase-in period. All children must be in the winter uniform by Week 3. Please see the below winter uniform requirements.

Girl's Uniform

- Girls Winter Tunic
- (wool blend)
 Blouse (Peter Pan
 collar)
- Long Sleeve White
- School Tie
- Black school shoes
- School jumper
- Tights (Navy) or white ankle socks (above ankle)
- Scarf (Navy) Optional
 School Rain Jacket
 (Blue) Optional
 Boy's Uniform

Long Sleeve Shirt White

- Navy Winter Long Pants
- School Tie School Socks - above ankle
- School jumper
- Scarf (Navy) Optional School Rain Jacket (Blue) - Optional

. District Cross Country

A number of our Year 3-6 students will be representing St Patrick's at the District Cross-Country Carnival tomorrow, 28/4, at Karkarook Park. We wish them all the very best of luck. Thank you to Mr Edwards and all the wonderful staff who attended the early morning training sessions.

MOTHERS' DAY MORNING TEA and MASS

Join us in celebrating mothers and all that they do for us. On Tuesday the 9th May the Parents & Friends will be hosting a light breakfast in the school hall from 8am.

Tickets will be available on Flexischools and ticket proceeds will include a donation to the Breast Cancer Network Australia.

Classes will be open from 8.30-9am followed by Mass in the church at 9.15am.

MOTHERS' DAY STALL

The Parents & Friends will be running the Mothers' Day Stall on Thursday the 11th May. Students are invited to purchase gifts, which range in price from \$1 to \$8. Each student will be able to purchase two gifts and bring a maximum of \$10. We ask students to bring a bag to bring their gifts home.

TERM 2 P & F MEETING

A reminder to members of the P & F Committee. There will be a meeting next Tuesday, 2nd May at 7pm.

CONGRATULATIONS

Big congratulations to Mrs Ellie O'Connell and her husband Stuart on the birth of their beautiful little girl, Mackenzie Lee O'Connell born at 4:13pm on the 23rd March. Congratulations on this amazing adventure. We wish you much happiness as a new family of three and are so thrilled and delighted to have a new member of our St Patrick's family.





We would also like to congratulate one of our wonderful Prep teachers, Miss Bridget Last who was married on the school holidays. We wish her and her husband Lachie a wonderful future and continued blessings of God's love. Miss Last will now be called Mrs Troup and I have personally heard her Preps proudly call her by her new name

CONDOLENCES

We would like to extend our deepest condolences to Mrs Megan Buck on the passing of her father Lionel. We wish her and her family peace, comfort, courage, and lots of love at this time of sorrow.

Best Wishes.

Joelle Diakrousis Acting Principal

TERM 2 2023

Term 2	Mon 24 th April		School Closure Day
Week 1	Tues 25 th April	8.30am	ANZAC DAY!
	'		Public Holiday LEST WE
			Students are invited to
			attend in full school
			uniform at Mentone RSL at 8.30 am
	Wed 26 th April	8.45am	Term 2 commences
		9:00am	Assembly
	Thurs 27 th April	3.00 pm	Second-hand Uniform sales – school hall (cash only pls)
	Fri 28 th April	9.00-12.00pm	District Cross Country/Karkarook Park 2024 Prep Enrolment Applications closes
	Sat 29 th April	6.00pm	First Communion Commitment Mass
	Sun 30 th April	11.00am	First Communion Commitment Mass
Week 2	Mon 1 st May	9.00am	Assembly 2024 Enrolments interviews sent out this week
	Tues 2 nd May		Eucharist Reflection Day
		7.00pm	P & F Meeting
	Wed 3 rd May		
	Thurs 4 th May		
	Fri 5 th May		Interschool Sports Rd 1 – Home –v- Mentone PS
	Sat 6 th May		King's Coronation
	Sun 7 th May		
Week 3	Mon 8 th May	9.00am	Assembly – Prayer 2HA – Wellbeing Assembly 2LM
	Tues 9 th May	9.15am	Mother's Day Mass & Breakfast
	Wed 10 th May		Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival – Dolomore Oval
	Thurs 11th May	9.15am	Mother's Day Stall
		11.00am	2024 Prep Enrolment Interviews
	Fri 12 th May	10.00-3.00pm	2024 Prep Enrolment Interviews
		2.05pm	Seasons
	Sat 13 th May		
	Sun 14 th May		Mother's Day!

2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 2: Monday 24th April - Friday 23rd June

Students return - Wednesday 26th April

- School Closure day
- ANZAC Day
- 2024 Prep Enrolment Applications due
- District Cross Country/Karkarook Park
- First Communion Commitment Mass
- 2024 Prep Enrolment interviews sent
- Eucharistic Reflection Day
- Interschool Sport Rd 1
- Mother's Day Breakfast & Mass
- Athletics Carnival 3-6
- Mother's Day stall
- 2024 Prep Enrolment interviews
- 2024 Prep Enrolment interviews Family Week

Pentecost Mass

- Eucharist Family Faith Sharing
- Interschool Sport Rd 2
- 2024 Prep Enrolment Acceptance due
- Yr 6 Confirmation Enrolment Mass
- Yr 3 First Communion Mass
- Interschool Sport Rd 3
- Interschool Sport Rd 4
- King's Birthday Holiday
- Regional Cross Country
- Interschool Winter Finals
- P & F Trivia Night
- AFL Girls Gala Day TBC
- Parent/Teacher Interviews
- End of Term

Monday 24th April

Tuesday 25th April/Public Holiday

Friday 28th April

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29th/30th April

Monday 1st May

Tuesday 2nd May

Friday 5th May

Tuesday 9th May

Wednesday 10th May

Thursday 11th May

Thursday 11th May

Fri 12th May

Monday 15th - Friday 19th May

Tuesday 23rd May

Tuesday 23rd May - 3.30 pm

Friday 26th May

Friday 26th May

27th/28th May 2023

Tuesday 6th June

Friday 2nd June

Friday 9th June

Monday 12th June

TBC

Friday 16th / 23rd June

Friday 16th June

Tuesday 20th June

Monday 19th and Wednesday 21st June

Friday 23rd June

PARISH NEWS

Vinnies Grocery Donation Bin

As you would be aware, the St Vincent de Paul Society provides ongoing charity and support to the needy and less fortunate members of our local community and we are funded entirely from donations.

Part of this charity and support is the distribution of grocery foods and Woolworths Essentials cards to members of the local community who have fallen on hard times or have found themselves in an emergency situation.

We currently distribute around \$15,000 of these cards per annum to the local community.

Woolworths at Thrift Park have kindly agreed to placing a grocery donation bin at their store. This will benefit both Mentone and Parkdale East Conferences. Please help us support the needy in our community by donating to the bin when you shop at Woollies Thrift Park. It would also help us by spreading the word to family and friends. St Patrick's and St John Vianney's parishioners have always been generous in their support of SVDP and we look forward to your ongoing support

going forward.





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

ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN FOR 2024





🔼 Visit our website for a virtual tour

Enrolment packs can be downloaded at www.spmentone.catholic.edu.au

Check out our Facebook Page St Patrick's Mentone

Parish and Community



Light breakfast bites served in the School Hall. Croissant for mum, savoury scroll for students plus a piece of fruit. Coffee cart on site.

Have a photo taken in Mother's day Frame!

Join your child in a tour of their classroom and Mass (optional) at 9.15am.

Tickets available on Flexischools early Term 2. Tickets include a donation to Breast Cancer Network Australia.

P&F Association





DANNYS MARKET!



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!



BAKED IN THE CANTEEN FRESH NEXT WEEK

Choc-Coconut Slice
ANZAC Biscuits

50¢ each



Winter Changes To The Canteen Menu T2 & T3

- Hot Potatoes are available during Terms 2 and 3. Try one with a Garden Salad Box for filling lunch.
- Apples are the new fruit of the season. They are sliced on the slinky machine so there is no core.
- A full list of the items of ingredients is available from the office on a usb.
- The menu is colour coded I the traffic light system. Green is the best choice food. Orange the food to choose carefully and eaten in moderation. Red the food to limit how often you eat them as they are not essential for your health.
 - Download the Flexischools app and select "<u>Register</u>".
 - Type in your email and submit to create an
 account
 - Go to your inbox and click the link to verify your email (remember to check your junk).
 - Follow the registration process, creating a password and adding your personal details.
 - Add your student under "<u>Profile</u>" and start ordering
 online!

Order Your Lunches Online. No need to find the coins or paperbag to write lunch orders on...it's so easy. Go to www.flexischools.com.au and sign up-





BAYSIDE CANTEENS

Term 2