

ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this message finds you all in good health and high spirits. I wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for the overwhelming support and well wishes that I have received from the St. Patrick's community on my recent appointment as the school's Principal.

Your warm words of encouragement and congratulations have meant the world to me, and I am deeply touched by the outpouring of kindness and support. It is an incredible honour and privilege to serve as the Principal of such an exceptional school, and I am eager to work collaboratively with each and every one of you to continue our tradition of excellence in education.

I am excited about the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead, and I am committed to fostering a nurturing and inspiring learning environment for our students and staff. Together, we will ensure that St. Patrick's remains a place where every student can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

Once again, thank you for your well wishes and for being such a wonderful and supportive community. I look forward to meeting and working with you all in the coming weeks and months. If you have any ideas, suggestions, or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Your input is highly valued.

Footy Finals Day

Today we held our footy Finals day and P & F BBQ. My sincere thanks to all involved, it has been a very exciting day for our school community.

Minor change to morning drop off procedures

From the start of Term 4 we will be reverting back to our previous procedure (Prior to COVID) where parents and students will remain outside the classrooms, on the

basketball courts, before the morning bell. This is to enable the classroom teachers to be fully prepared for the day whilst fulfilling our legal requirements with the latest enterprise bargaining agreement between MACS (Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools) and the IEU (Independent Education Union) where staff should be following the 30/8 model for working hours. By staff using this extra 15 minutes per day (1 hour and 15 mins per week) it will reduce the need for the school to fund time in lieu days for the staff who are over hours.

The new morning process from Term 4 will be as follows:

8:30am - Gates open as usual and students and parents are to remain on the basketball courts/asphalt area during this time. Students place their bags in their regular line up places. Students are not permitted to play large ball games but can play downball/chasing games. An additional senior staff member will also be on duty during this time to assist with supervision.

8:45am - The bell will ring as normal and class teachers will collect the students from their outside lines ready to begin the day.

If it is raining before the morning bell, then the students will be directed inside earlier than the outlined schedule above.

My thanks for your assistance with this necessary procedural change.

New Newsletter Format

From the start of next term, we will be moving across to a new format for our weekly newsletter. You will still receive the newsletter via email on a Thursday afternoon. Any feedback on the new format will be greatly appreciated.

Student survey information

This week I have asked the Year 6 school captains to visit each classroom and ask all students two questions.

The questions are: 'What do you love about St. Patrick's?' & 'What can we do to make St. Patrick's even better?'

I am looking forward to reading the results and reporting back to the community the students' ideas.

Summer Uniform

From the start of Term 4 all students can begin to wear their School Summer Uniform. The full transition to Summer Uniform will be by Monday 16th October (Week 3, Term 4)

End of Term 3 Dismissal

Tomorrow - 15th September will be the last day of Term 3. The students will be dismissed from school at 1pm. Term 4 will resume on Monday 2nd October at 8:45am.


I hope you all have a great holiday and may the best team win in the upcoming AFL final series!

God Bless



Pat Berlingeri
Principal

TERM 3 2023

Week 10	Mon 11 th Sept		Assembly -Prayer PMU - Wellbeing Assembly - 4DS
	Tues 12 th Sept	9.15am	End of Term Mass – Whole school
	Wed 13 th Sept	8.30-9.00am	Year 1 Learning Exhibition - MPR
	Thurs 14 th Sept		Footy Day! Wear your favourite team colours Footy Day lunch No Canteen today!
	Fri 15 th Sept	1.00pm	End of Term 3!
	Sat 16 th Sept		
	Sun 17 th Sept		
Term 4 Week 1	Mon 2 nd Oct	9.00am	Assembly
	Tues 3 rd Oct		Year 6 Excursion
	Wed 4 th Oct	3.00-3.20pm	Summer Second-hand Uniform sales on hall deck
	Thurs 5 th Oct		
	Fri 6 th Oct	9.00am	Division Athletics – Duncan McKinnon Oval – selected students
	Sat 7 th Oct		
	Sun 8 th Oct		
Week 2	Mon 9 th Oct	9.00am	Assembly
	Tues 10 th Oct	9.15am 3.30-4.30pm	World Mission Mass – whole school Reconciliation Family Faith Sharing
	Wed 11 th Oct	9.00am	2023 Year 6 Graduation Photos
	Thurs 12 th Oct		
	Fri 13 th Oct		ITALIAN DAY! 
	Sat 14 th Oct		
	Sun 15 th Oct		

Term 3 Monday 10th July - Friday 15th September

STEM Showcase Mon 11/9– 2HA; Tues 12/9 2LA & Wed 13/9 2LM

End of Term Mass Tuesday 12th September


Footy Finals Day Thursday 14th September – sausage sizzle

End of Term Friday 15th September @ 1.00 pm

Term 4 Monday 2nd October – Monday 18th December

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| • Division Athletic Finals | TBC |
| • P & F Bunnings Sausage Sizzle | Saturday 7 th October |
| • World Mission Month Mass | Tuesday 10th October |
| • Reconciliation Family Faith Sharing | Tuesday 10th October - 3.30pm |
| • Italian Day | Friday 13th October |
| • Yr 2 First Reconciliation | Tuesday 17th October @ 5pm |
| • Regional Athletic Finals | TBC |
| • Kids Teaching Kids Conference | TBC (2 days) |
| • Sports Carnival (Prep – Year 2) | Friday 3rd November |
| • Rugby Gala Day | Friday 20th October & 27th October (backup) |
| • All Saints Day School Mass | Tuesday 31st October |
| • Report Writing Day | Monday 6th November |
| • Melbourne Cup Day | Tuesday 7th November |
| • Prep 2024 Information Night | Wednesday 8th November |
| • Lacrosse Gala Day | Friday 10th November |
| • Prep 2024 Orientation | Tues 14th and 21st November |
| • School Closure Day | Monday 4th December |
| • Year 5 and Prep 2024 Mass | Saturday 2nd December |
| • End of Year School Mass. | Tuesday 5th December |
| • Prep – Yr 5 Christmas Assembly | Monday 11th December |
| • Meet teachers for 2023 | Monday 11th December (12.30pm) |
| • Year 6 Graduation | Wednesday 13th December |
| • End of year breakfast | Friday 15 th December |
| • Year 6 Guard of Honour | Friday 15 th December 11.50am |
| • Students finishes | Friday 15 th December 12.00 pm. |
| • Staff Finish | Monday 18 th December |

PUPIL OF THE WEEK – TERM 4 WEEK 1

Class	Student	Reason
PAD	Cian I	For being a reflective learner, showing growth and improvement with his reading, writing and listening in class. Well done Cian!
PMU	Zoe	For being a knowledgeable learner using terrific reading skills to create her own fabulous story book. Well done Zoe with all the care you give to your work.
PLA	Jack W	For being an inquirer when learning about Vincent Van Gogh and creating his own 'Starry Night' masterpiece. You are a fantastic artist Jack!
1PC	Marco	For being a principled person in modelling respectful behaviour in and outside the classroom. Well done Marco!
1VE	Ethan	For being a principled person. Ethan consistently offers assistance in the classroom and has been putting his best effort into classroom tasks. Excellent work Ethan!
1TH	Jack	For being a principled learner. Jack tried his best to follow teacher instructions and complete all his work throughout the week. Keep up the fantastic learning Jack!
2HA	Julian	For being a great risk taker and thinking of new and creative ways to find the capacity of his lunchbox! Great work Julian!
2LA	Lara	For demonstrating her open-minded and reflective learner profile towards all her learning within the classroom. Thank you Lara!
2LM	Archer	For thinking about how he can up level the boring sentence; 'The cat sat on the mat'. Archer used adjectives to describe the cat and adverbs to explain how it was behaving to construct a much more interesting statement. Well done Archer!
3BE	Noah	For displaying good work habits in the classroom and willingly helping others when required. Keep up the great work Noah!
3MI	Sana	For being a principled learner by modelling respectful behaviour in the classroom and on the playground, picking up rubbish and always trying her best. Well done Sana!
3BA	Mila	For showing great resilience and perseverance to complete her work despite a challenging end to Term 3. Awesome determination Mila!
4DS	Sam Z	For showing great self-management skills by always being well organised for learning. Well done Sam!
4SC	Sienna	For demonstrating the skills of a great thinker during mathematical problem solving tasks. Keep up the fantastic work Sienna!
4SI	Keyla	For demonstrating the skill of reflecting, by thinking about and using maths strategies she's learnt to calculate worded problems. Keep up the amazing work Keyla!
5DO	Olivia	For always being a responsible class member and encouraging others to do the same. You are a lovely member of 5DO Olivia!
5HA	Taj	For being a "risk-taker" and putting his hand up to try out for the MAV Coding Challenge. Keep up the positive attitude Taj and good luck with your challenge!
6CR	Mia T	For being a knowledgeable learner. This week Mia has been able to explain what she learnt in class discussions. Keep up the great work!
6LA	Emma Z	For demonstrating qualities of the thinker profile with learning tasks. Your work is always completed to a very high standard. Keep up the great work Emma!
	Blake M 6CR	For displaying great confidence and recall of Italian classroom expressions and for putting his heart and soul into Italian tasks. Bravo! Per aver dimostrata grande sicurezza e capacita' di richiamo delle espressioni Italiane in classe e per la sua dedizione ai compiti d'Italiano. Bravo!

FIRST RECONCILIATION

RECONCILIATION: YEAR 2

Two important dates to remember for Term 4.

Tuesday 10th October @ 3.30pm The Year 2 students will share their learning on the importance of Reconciliation and what it means to forgive as part of their preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Tuesday 17th October:

2.45pm: A whole Year level prayer service as part of the final preparation for the students to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. **ALL PARENTS AND CARERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.**

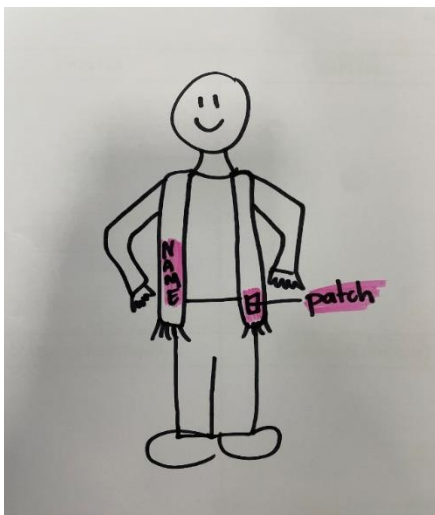
4.45PM: RECONCILIATION. In week 1 of Term 4 bookings for Reconciliation for open. Reconciliation will start at 4.45pm and 5 minute slots will open. Please place the name of the student in the available slot. At this stage two priests will be available for the Sacrament.

Children making their First Reconciliation will be receiving a Sacramental Stole. This stole is to be worn over the shoulders for your child's First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation. They will be receiving patches to be ironed onto the sash prior to each sacrament.

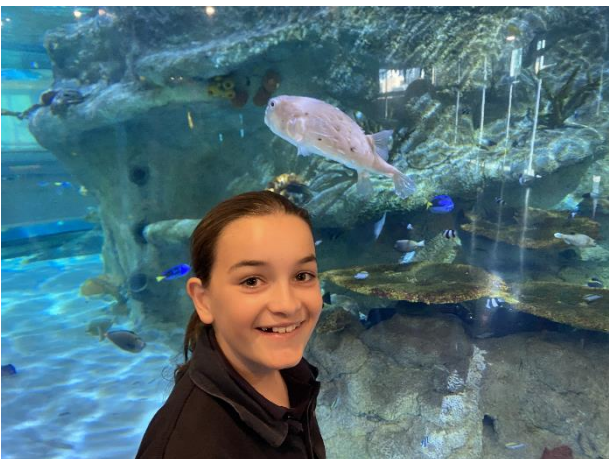
Please collect your child's stole from your class teacher before or after school over the next week. **We will not be sending them home with children.** You will need to:

- Iron the first reconciliation badge on the left side of the stole (left side for the student as they are wearing the stole). Instructions come with the badge.
- Add your child's first name to the right side of the stole; how you do this is your choice, you may like to get it embroidered, sew letters on or use fabric markers.

We ask that completed stoles be returned to school by Tuesday the 10th of October.



YEAR 5 AQUARIUM EXCURSION!



VISUAL ARTS NEWS!

.....Jennifer Brown/Visual Arts Teacher

Thank you to everyone that attended our Art Show last week. These events don't happen without a great deal of support behind the scenes and there are many people to thank.

Firstly, to Danny for his creative input into the setup of the hall itself plus the outdoor area on the night. How fortunate we are to have Danny at St Pat's ensuring these such events are the best they can be.

To Mrs Ann Earle who organised a beautiful repertoire of songs for the junior and senior choir to perform on the evening and also for her help with the hall set up.

To Mr James Daidone and Mr Brodie Ross for assisting with sound and lighting. In addition to this Matt Hall and Liz Lamb who assisted with the live auction.

To Andre Lindemeyer, Georgina Alvarez and Anastasia Mears who put aside a day to help with the setup of the show.

To Mr Paul Johnston who volunteered to be our auctioneer for the evening.

To the Parents and Friends Committee who go above and beyond to ensure these events are the success they are.

To the dedicated staff who assisted with labelling work, displaying work and contributing art work and auction item pieces. In addition to this their presence and help on the night was greatly appreciated.

To Pat and Joelle for their support leading up to and on the night. Events such as these do not run without an investment of time and resources and I am thankful to them both for this.

THANK YOU!
thank you!

Term 4 in the Art Room

Next term in the art room we will turn our focus to 'Sharing the Planet'. Our art will centre around animals, habitats, gardens including the responsibility we have for our environment. Weather permitting, we will hopefully be able to do some lessons outdoors.

If you have any shoe boxes to spare, could I please ask you to send them along to the art room.

Creative school holiday activities around Melbourne

Studley Park Boathouse school holiday program has some great activities on offer for school-aged children. The recently restored boathouse is well worth the visit.

<https://studleyparkboathousekew.com.au/events/boathouse-kids/>

Melbourne Museum has a wide variety of activities on offer. The Gandel Gondwana Garden is a favourite amongst young children.

<https://museumsvictoria.com.au/melbournemuseum/whats-on/>

Heide Museum offers wonderful activities for children and their sculpture garden provides the perfect opportunity for a picnic on a sunny spring day.

<https://www.heide.com.au/kids-families/>

Artplay at Birrarung Marr offers art workshops targeted to different ages, usually at an affordable price.

<https://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/arts-and-culture/artplay/whats-on/Pages/default.aspx>

Have a lovely holiday break!

Jen Brown
Visual Arts Teacher

ST PATRICK'S ART SHOW







Save the Date!

ITALIAN DAY

Friday 13 October 2023

SUPERFESTA DI CARNEVALE



Don't forget to wear a Carnevale mask



Battle of the Oranges
La Battaglia delle Arance



Bread making



Bring your own Italian lunch

Spettacolo, sfilati di costumi, musica e giochi collettivi

Theatre arts, costume parade, music and shared games and activities images: femina.in, expertvagabond.com, streamsesop.com, makeascene.com.au

Parish and Community

St Pat's Mentone
BUNNINGS
warehouse

SAUSAGE SIZZLE
SATURDAY 7TH OCT

Get your tongs on. St Pat's will be running the Mentone Bunnings BBQ 9am to 4pm on Saturday 7th October. Please scan the barcode and select your preferred time to help.

It's a great opportunity for parents/carers that work during the week. No experience necessary.

Also accepting donations if you can't be there on the 7th.



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We invite you to attend our final Open Morning on **Thursday 23 November** to see the College in action. To register for the Open Morning or to view our online tour, visit kilbreda.vic.edu.au



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MENTONE TIGERS NETBALL CLUB

Come and try Netskills with the Mentone Tigers!

For children born in 2015 and 2016 who would like to learn Netball skills.

Kilbreda College; Wednesday afternoons in November




To register your interest please email: netball@mentonetigersnc.com.au

Due to resources, numbers will be capped, so please register your interest early.

LOOKING FOR YOUR SUMMER SPORT?

Whether you've played cricket before, or are wanting to start your cricket journey, Mentone CC welcomes current and new players and families.

Programs for Everyone:

-  **Girls & Boys**
-  **Ages 5-**
-  **Beginners & Experienced**

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Rego & info Day
10 Sept 2-5pm
Mentone Life
Saving Club