

# St Patrick's Primary School Newsletter

29th June 2017 Term 2 Week 10

CEDP Attendance Benchmark Target Level = 90%

**St Patrick's Current Attendance Level = 90.7%**

Dear Parents,

Over the last few weeks the children from Kindergarten to Year 5 had the opportunity to vote for the Student Representative Council members (SRC) for their class, for Semester 2.

The Department of Education NSW publishes the following definition:

*Many primary schools operate Student Representative Councils (SRCs). An SRC is a group of student in a school elected by their fellow students to represent all students in the school and who organise ways for students to participate in school life. SRCs work democratically to represent the student body in school decision-making. Students work together with help from a staff member to improve school life and contribute to students' ideas.*

*Student leadership Framework for Primary Schools NSW Dept of Education*

*For most children being nominated by even one other child, is a big achievement, and to make it to the final few gives them incentive to continue to be kind and thoughtful of others. The nomination and selection of SRCs is purely the children's vote and is a way for children to have 'a voice' in their school. They decide as to whom they wish to represent their class and no adult makes any contribution to this process besides the organisation and counting of votes. It is wonderful to see how keen children are in recognising the gifts of others and in encouraging leadership in their class mates.*

*Student Voice is very important at St Patrick's Parramatta and we are continuing to work towards more student involvement as the years progress. Some of the principles guiding our work in this area include:*

*A belief that*

- All children have a right to have a voice*
- Children can learn to work together to improve school life and contribute student ideas*
- All children can develop their individual capacity to lead and influence others in a responsible manner.*
- Leadership is about service to the community*
- Children can learn to make a positive difference in their community but there is a difference between popularity and effective leadership.*
- A good student leadership program begins in Kindergarten*

*For your information the next group of SRC representatives will commence their roles at the beginning of Term 3 and their badges will be presented at the assembly on Friday 21st July, 2.00pm. Julie Owens (MP) has accepted our invitation to present the badges to these children. Our current SRC representatives will receive a thank you certificate for the service they have provided to our student community. The Semester 2 Colour Captains will also receive their badges.*

*Finally I would like to thank each and everyone of you for your support and commitment to the education of your children. I would also like to thank the staff for their dedication and hard work and wish you all a very restful holiday break.*

*God bless you and your family  
Bernadette Fabri*

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## Semester 1 SRC's THANK YOU !!!!

*This semester the SRCs have been outstanding in both their initiative and commitment and SRC coordinator Mrs Standring has been very impressed with their ideas and maturity. The SRC meets approximately once a week with Mrs Standring and they together decide what they wish to achieve for the semester. You can read about their achievements in the SRC 'Shout Out' in this edition.*

*Congratulations and thank you !!!*

Class	Semester 1—SRC's	
KM	Girl: Hannah Scanlon	Boy: Joseph Norman
KA	Girl: Celine Joachim	Boy: Zachary Aguilera
1C	Girl: Laura Scanlon	Boy: Joshua Manago
1S	Girl: Sophie Salloum	Boy: Paul Khouri
2Y	Girl: Maria Khoury	Boy: Thomas Aguilera
2M	Girl: Meagan Erive	Boy: Elie Wehbe
3L	Girl: Elisa Daher	Boy: Anthony Nakhoul
3T	Girl: Olivia Takchi	Boy: Finn Giron
4B	Girl: Chiara Banzato	Boy: John Paul Wehbe
4G	Girl: Dunya Grudic	Boy: Dante Dagostino
5C	Girl: Laurice Behan	Boy: Joshua Lorenzo
5T	Girl: Sandra Moussa	Boy: Noah Gebrael



### Honour Award

The Honour Award is awarded to the child who demonstrates outstanding behaviour shown in the Student Charter

KA	Jonah Shehadie
KM	Michel Kazzaz
1C	Ava Lao
1S	Gabriel Kalouche
2M	Dylan Amaral
2Y	Ethan Xue



### st patrick's award

The St Patrick's award is given to the child who lives their life through Faith in Action

KA	Antonia Romanos
KM	Eva Jakopovic
1C	James Morson
1S	James Agostino
2M	James Sitoa
2Y	Alisha Katafono



**Happy Birthday to the following children who will celebrate their birthdays in the following week and over the school holidays:** Pierre Onano, Sharbel Georges, Dylan Amaral, Ryan Day, Jarrod Kassis, Jade Takchi, Anthony Ghostine Maaraoui, Joshua Aqabani, Joanna Davino, Eva Jakopovic, Jayda Tarabay, Joshua Lorenzo, Wren Chua, Alexander Markovic

## School Finance Office CLOSED TOMORROW 30th June 2017

Due to the change over to the new Tech One Finance System we will be unable to accept payments in the School office tomorrow 30th June 2017. We apologise for any inconvenience.

**Please note it is only the Finance side of the school office that will not be available.**

## OOSH BUS PICK UP

Dear Parents,

We ask for your cooperation when parking in the Villiers Street 5min pick up zone. This space is used by the OOSH bus that services over 44 children at the school. As you can imagine finding a place to park a bus is challenging at the best of times in our area and the bus driver depends on this space to ensure that our children are picked up safely. I understand the complications of parking around the school is difficult however the system appears to be working very well. Can I encourage all parents to use the drive through, follow road and parking rules, park a little further away and walk, be mindful of the after school bus and refrain from dropping off and having to reverse at the Ross Street driveway. Thanking you as always in assisting us to work together to ensuring all children's safety.

## **SAFETY ALERT - NEW ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL ARRANGEMENTS**

Late last week we received a safety alert from our head office. The Police had advised us that there has been a higher than usual number of 'stranger danger' alerts recently, involving young children; in particularly one CEDP COSCH. Whilst there was no specific reference to the Parramatta area we feel it is best to adjust our arrival and dismissal arrangements slightly to add more security.

In response to this alert we will be keeping the Villier's Street gate locked in the morning and afternoon and only open the Ross Street entrance. In this way we can add extra security and are better placed to monitor who enters and leaves the school grounds. We understand that this will cause some inconvenience as parents and students will have to walk further.

We will review how this procedure goes and make a decision for future dismissals and drop offs. We will keep you informed if any new information comes to light. If you wish to give any feedback on this topic please use the school email or skoolbag app.

Thanking you for your cooperation and understanding

## Sports Days for Term 3

Children will be required to wear their sports uniforms on the following days for Term 3:-

KA	Thursday	3L	Thursday	6P	Friday
KM	Wednesday	3T	Wednesday	6W	Friday
1C	Thursday	4B	Thursday		
1S	Wednesday	4G	Thursday		
2M	Friday	5C	Wednesday		
2Y	Friday	5T	Wednesday		



### **Condolences**

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the Gebrael Family (Natalia 6W & Olivia 3L) on the passing of their grandfather. Please keep the family in your prayers.



## **SOCCER GALA DAY—STAGE 3 BOYS**

Last Thursday, the Stage 3 Soccer gala day for boys happened. We were all excited about the day and enjoyed it alot. We versed 7 different schools at Jamison Park, Penrith. We won 2 games, drew 3 games and lost 2 games. We would like to thank all the parent helpers on the day that helped to bring children up and train the team. We also had a Parents vs Children match after the day finished which was a lot of fun. We would like thank Mr Younis for coaching and motivating us during the day and we would like to wish the Stage 2 boys and girls soccer gala day teams who are playing soon. Hopefully they have a fun and enjoyable day as we did.





## INFANTS FUN DAY

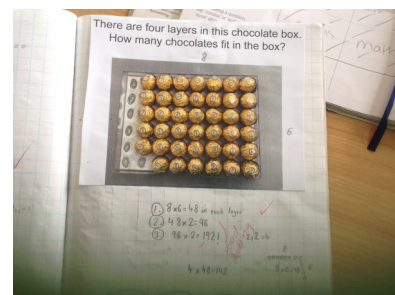
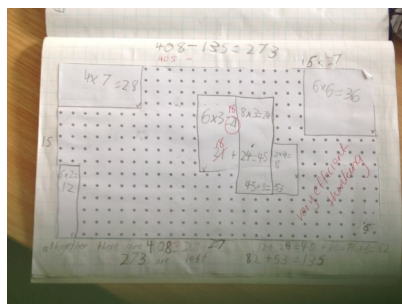
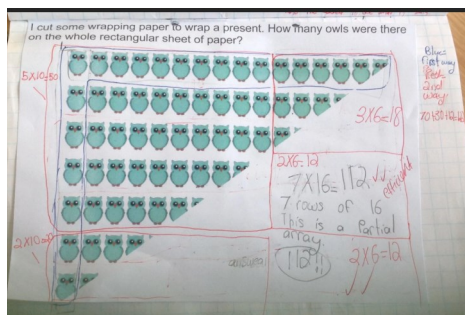
A huge thank you to all the parents who assisted with last Tuesday's 'fun day at the park'. All the staff could not help but notice that with some extra playing space children were able to play with virtually no complaints about each other. The children displayed outstanding behaviour. It is hoped that over the next semester we can provide children more opportunities to play in this lovely grassed area.

## MATHS VISIT BY CEDP

Last week our Stage 2 teachers and students were visited by the CEDP leaders in Mathematics Education. This included Dr Ann Downton from Monash University who works in partnership with the Parramatta Diocese on an educational research project focusing on 'Multiplicative Thinking'.

All teachers at St Patrick's are participating in this professional learning course and on Wednesday these visitors worked alongside our Year 3 and 4 teachers as they challenged their students with a range of maths problems. Many comments such as "That's hard thinking", "I noticed that you solved that problem in more than 2 ways", "I can see how you have recorded your reasoning" and "You have used an efficient strategy" were heard from these leaders as they spoke with our students. All who were involved with the day commented on the improvement of Stage 2 students in their development of multiplicative thinking.

Many thanks to Tammy Roosen our Maths Teaching Educator, our dedicated Stage 2 staff and of course our wonderful Year 3 and 4 students for ensuring this visit was such a mathematical success.



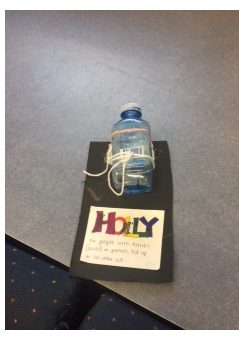
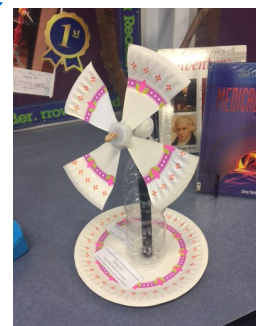
## STEM: 'READY, SET, TECH'

This term the STEM team invited the St Patrick's students to participate in an engineering challenge. Students were given a list of common household items and asked to create a unique and useful invention.

Congratulations to the following students whose entries were awarded certificates and are displayed in the Library:

Chloe Vella KA  
Alexa Izmayeva 2M  
Elise Sassen 6W & Pauline Said 6P  
Natalia Gebrael & Sara Maree Wakim 6W  
Chiara Banzato 4B and Alissa Banzato 6P  
Anna Janczewski 6P & Annamika Sawant 6W

'The Colourful Pop'  
'The Times Table Maze'  
'The Holly'  
'The Fidget Fan'  
'The Swing Fling'  
'EK's Plane Game'



We hope everyone's science thinking is now 'switched on' for next term's 'Ready to Fly' paper planes competition which will be held in National Science Week.

Chanel Nader and Xavier Dagastino  
STEM leaders

## Sacramental news

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next term preparation groups for the Sacrament of Initiation will continue with the students preparing for the reception of the sacrament of Confirmation. If you have a child/ren who are eligible to make this Sacrament the following information may be of interest to you.

Sacraments of Initiation: Preparation for Confirmation

Registration for Confirmation is now open for children 10 yrs or older who have made their Reconciliation and First Eucharist. For more information please contact the sacramental coordinator Meg Gale at [sacrament@stpatscathedral.com.au](mailto:sacrament@stpatscathedral.com.au)

Please note that the calendar for sessions of preparation is as follows:

Confirmation 1: Tuesday 18th July, 7.30pm - Parent session

Confirmation 2: Tuesday 25th July, 7.30pm - Parent Session

Confirmation 3: Saturday 5th August 4.30pm - Parent and Children Session

Confirmation 4: Saturday 19th August 4pm - Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation followed by 6pm Vigil Mass

Location: St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Hall

Leanda Standring

Religious Education Coordinator

## Grandparents Mass, Morning Tea and Open Classrooms

It is the unconditional love that grandparents have for their grandchildren that is so important. The wisdom they share through their stories and life lessons that can only come from people who are admired and respected. Grandparents have such an amazing impact on the family unit and are vital when it comes to sharing their faith and Catholic beliefs.

In Rio de Janeiro, July 26, 2013, during World Youth Day celebrations, Pope Francis announced the following:

*"Saints Joachim and Anne were part of a long chain of people who had transmitted their love for God, expressed in the warmth and love of family life. How important grandparents are for family life, for passing on the human and religious heritage which is so essential for each and every society! How important it is to have intergenerational exchanges and dialogue, especially within the context of the family. Children and the elderly build the future of peoples: children because they lead history forward, the elderly because they transmit the experience and wisdom of their lives. This relationship and this dialogue between generations is a treasure to be preserved and strengthened!" (A Resource of the Australian Catholic Marriage & Family Council, 2014)*

This year, our school and parish will be preserving and strengthening the gift of our grandparents with an Eucharistic celebration. It will take place on **Thursday 27 July at 9.10am**, when we celebrate the Feast day of St Joachim and St Anne (Jesus' grandparents). Afterwards we invite all grandparents to join together in the School Hall for a morning tea in your honour. This will be followed by a visit to their grandchildren's classroom where you can spend some special time together recalling how schooling has changed since your years in Primary School.

We look forward to sharing this special moment with you.

God Bless,

Leanda Standring

Religious Education Coordinator

## SOCIAL JUSTICE - FOOD DONATIONS FOR REFUGEE CENTRE

### Pyjama Day

This week marks Refugee Week in Australia. It is a special time when we raise awareness and remember the significant contributions refugees have made to our nation. The RE committee have organised a pyjama day / food drive in support of Refugee Week and the Jesuit Refugee Centre. It will take place on Thursday 3rd August.

Below is a message from the student RE committee about the day.

Next term St Patrick's will be having a pyjama day!!! We want this pyjama day to be the best pyjama day in the history of St Patrick's. The students will be invited to wear pyjamas and donate non-perishable food items on this special day. We would really appreciate the effort of you all bringing in the food items from the list included in this newsletter, as it is for a good cause. Please purchase food from the following list:-

Basmati Rice	Pasta (Spaghetti or Penne)	Cooking Oil (Olive, Vegetable 500ml/1 Litre)
Instant Noodles	Long life UHT milk ( 1L)	Tinned Tuna (smaller tins preferred)
Tinned Fruit	Tinned Corn	Tinned Vegetables
Tinned Chickpeas	Red Kidney beans	Dried lentils
Black and green tea bags	Instant Coffee	Biscuits
Curry powder and spices	Salt/ Sugar/Flour	Toothpaste/Toothbrushes
Shampoo/Conditioner	Razors and Shaving Foam	Sanitary pads or napkins (not tampons)
Deodorant: male & female	Soap	

Please remember you will have to wear sandshoes (no slippers, thongs, etc) so we are kept safe on the playground.

Thank you for your continued support By Raymond Wehbe, Claire Guatlo and the RE committee

### ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Due to the weather we have had to postpone the Athletics Carnival until next term. The new date for the carnival is:

**Friday 28th July**

A new permission note will go home at the beginning of Term 3 and we will once again ask for parent volunteers. We do apologise for the inconvenience but as you can appreciate the weather is out of our control.

### NEW FINANCE SYSTEM — Email Address

Earlier this week a letter was sent home requesting all families to update their email addresses due St Patrick's Primary School migrating to a new system for our school finances – Technology One. Thank you to the parents who have already completed this.

Starting from Term 3 all receipts will be emailed to families. To enable us to update your records with your email address we are asking that you follow the below instructions. For each email address ie where Mum and Dad have separate email address please complete steps for each parent.

- Go to your Skoolbag App
- From the main menu select eforms
- Select change of details
- Complete your details including your name, address details, email address and child's name.
- Submit

Once the office has received your updated details our system will be updated.

As this is a completely new system and very different to our previous eSchool Finance System we ask for your patience when you come to the office to pay over the counter.



## 1-2-3 MAGIC® & EMOTION COACHING PARENT COURSE

*Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children  
2-12 years old*

**A three-session program for parents and carers.**

**Venue: St Bernadette's Castle Hill  
357 Old Northern Rd, Castle Hill. Tel: 9634 2898**

### Learn:

- ✓ How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
- ✓ How to sort behaviour
- ✓ How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
- ✓ Choosing your strategy, the three choices
- ✓ Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour
- ✓ 7 tactics for encouraging good behaviour

### Parents will receive:

- A 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Parent Workbook

### Registration Fee?

The cost of the Parent workbook is \$10 payable on the day.  
Register for this course contacting **St Bernadette's School Office** on **9634 2898**

### What people are saying...

*What a relief to come across a program that preserves the dignity of the child, maintains the self control of both the parent and the child and is actually easy to remember when memory is the first thing to go!*

*I realized quickly that the 1-2-3 Magic can be a magnificent preventative measure that any parent can use to avoid raising a child, who later down the line, needs excessive discipline or grow out of control*

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St Bernadette's Castle Hill together with The Catholic Education Office Diocese of Parramatta are pleased to offer parents and carers in our Diocese, the 1 2 3 Magic and Emotion Coaching course.

The course is 3 sessions and will be run on the following dates:

Session 1 9:00am – 11:00am Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2017  
Session 2 9:00am – 11:00am Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
Session 3 9:00am – 11:00am Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Course Facilitators: Belinda Burgess and Anoushka Houseman

**Cost of the Parent Workbook is \$10.**

**This actual course will be run free of charge to participants.**

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**Venue: St Oliver's Primary Harris Park  
33 Wigram St, Harris Park. Tel: 9682 1244**

### Learn:

- ✓ How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
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Session 1 6:00pm – 8:00pm Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2017  
Session 2 6:00pm – 8:00pm Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2017  
Session 3 6:00pm – 8:00pm Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Course Facilitators: Helen Boerma and Anoushka Houseman

**Cost of the Parent Workbook is \$10.**

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# 2017 School Calendar

## Term 2

### Week 10

Friday 30th June

Infants Assembly—Year 2—2.15pm

**Last day of Term 2**

## Term 3

### Week 1

Monday 17th July

Term 3 commences—Children return to school

Tuesday 18th July

Life Education commences

Wednesday 19th July

Life Education

Thursday 20th July

Life Education

Friday 21st July

Life Education

Life Education Parent Session 9.00am—9.45am

Primary Assembly—Year 5—2.00pm

Semester 2 SRC & Colour Captains Presentation

### Week 2

Monday 24th July

Life Education

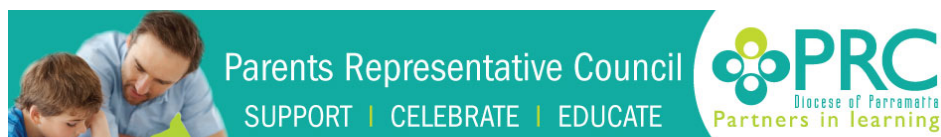
Thursday 27th July

Grandparents Mass & Morning Tea

Open classrooms

Friday 28th July

Primary Athletics Carnival



## PRC INFORMATION

**The Term 3 PRC Meeting will be between 7-9pm on Monday 21 August at St Patrick's Catholic Primary School - Villiers St, Parramatta.**

The PRC meets once a term providing an opportunity for all caregivers (parents, guardians, grandparents) to attend, network and contribute to discussions of interest. Meetings also assist parents to develop as educators through discussion and training, often delivered by guest speakers. Guest speakers present on a range of educational, parental and spiritual topics.

Our Guest Speaker for this event is to be confirmed.

For further information contact the PRC at the details below.

**Contact:** Wayne Davie

**Tel:** 0404 924 166

**Email:** [prcparrasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:prcparrasecretary@gmail.com)



*sub tuum praesidium*

Our **VISION** is to be a child centred faith community within an innovative, interactive learning environment.

Our **MISSION** is to –

Live out the Gospel Values in a visibly Catholic tradition

Nurture students for Christian Leadership

Create a range of learning experiences which allow children to progress at their own level

Assist our students to develop into independent thinkers with a deep sense of responsibility and justice

Lead each individual towards reaching his/her potential

Generate a sense of community and compassion in which all Experience belonging.

**Opportunity for all**

### **MASS TIMETABLE FOR ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL PARRAMATTA**

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 8.00am, 6.00pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am (Family)  
11.00am (Solemn), 6.00pm

#### **Weekday Masses**

Mon to Fri 6.45am, 12.30pm  
Public Hol 8.00am

#### **Pastoral Team**

**Bishop of Parramatta Most Rev.**

**Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM CONV**

Very Rev Fr Robert Bossini

Fr George Azhakath

Rev Deacon Willy Limjap

Margaret Gale ( Sacramental Coord)

Milli Lee (Parish Admin Asst)

Patricia Preca (Parish Secretary)





June 30 - July 9 2017  
1 Marist Place Parramatta

PRESENTED BY **PAYCE**

**\*\* YOU ARE INVITED \*\***

**FRI 29 JUNE - SUN 9 JULY**

**6PM-10PM WEEKDAYS**

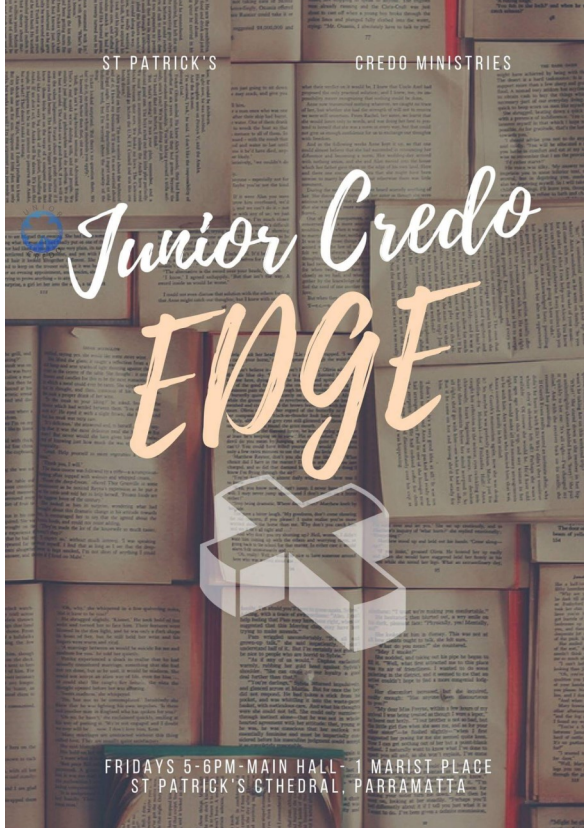
**6PM-11PM WEEKENDS**

Come and see the lights at St Patrick's Cathedral - similar to the Christmas lights at St Mary's Cathedral. The event will run in conjunction with Parramatta City Council's Winterlight in the park opposite. Entertainment and stalls include:

- ⇒ Exhibition of Shroud of Turin (*copy*) - Cathedral Hall
- ⇒ Organ Recital and Concert in the Cathedral (*donation entry*)
- ⇒ Live Entertainment
- ⇒ BBQ & Drinks
- ⇒ Coffee Cart
- ⇒ Food Van

**Opening Night**  
**Friday 30 June 6pm**

An example of images to be projected.

ST PATRICK'S CREDO MINISTRIES

**Junior Credo**  
**EDGE**

FRIDAYS 5-6PM-MAIN HALL - 1 MARIST PLACE  
ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, PARRAMATTA

Join the Junior Credo Edge youth group this Friday from 5—6pm at St Patrick's Cathedral for some great fun games and activities.



# FUTURE MAKERS

**Spark your child's imagination this winter school holidays** with Future Makers, a series of art classes exploring different themes and materials for budding artists aged 10–14.

Future Makers is an incubator of ideas designed to encourage creativity and exploration, as well as a fostering lifelong interest in the arts by introducing students to the exciting world of contemporary art.

Presenting engaging modules covering sculpture, painting and drawing, Future Makers is led by experienced arts educators at the historic National Art School campus in Darlinghurst.

**Future Makers: winter school holiday workshops**  
Monday to Friday, 3–7 July 2017

Cost: per day \$130, or entire five-day program \$550  
Bookings essential

## Special family discount offer

Treat your family to a week of creativity at the National Art School. Book into Future Makers, and receive a 15% discount on a Winter School Short Course. To book please contact 9339 8633 or [shortcourses@nas.edu.au](mailto:shortcourses@nas.edu.au)

## SRC - SHOUT OUT

Over the last semester the SRC members have been the voice of all students at St Patrick's Primary School. Spending their lunchtimes to come together and discuss ideas put forward by their classmates. Members of the SRC have explored ideas such as 'Books for Boys', 'Special Friday canteen deals', 'Hopscotch Challenge for Infants' as well as working on our new learning mascot. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the students involved in the SRC during the first semester, it has been a pleasure working with you. Your dedication and commitment is commendable. Thanks Mrs Standing (SRC Coordinator)

This semester's SRC's have been working very hard on a new Learning mascot for our school- Leslie Learner. Our Learning Mascot will be launched next term and it will help us remember to always ready to take risks in our education. The SRC team have come up with many 'BE' statements, some of which will encourage us to be leaders of our learning. Our new mascot will carry a backpack filled with all the essentials needed for learning: Books—to write down your thinking, pencils and pens—to record your new learning, glue—to stick together your mistakes and try again, scissors—to cut through all your challenges with a growth mindset and a ruler—to lengthen your knowledge! It will be a great role model for us to follow. All of the Learning statements will be encouraging and will add to our other mascots- Coolio Compassion, Ricky Respect and Rocky Resilience to continue to make St Patrick's a great learning community. (Joanna Davino)

Elisa - I am an SRC for 3L. Being an SRC member is fun because you get to discuss things and create fun activities like hopscotch challenge for our school.

Anthony Nakoul - I like being an SRC member because it makes me feel busy. It also makes me feel special.

Noah - I am the SRC for 5T I like SRC because I got to lead prayer for our class and when the leaders were away the Year 5 SRC members got to run the assembly. The Year Six leaders also gave us the opportunity to say afternoon prayer and we agreed. The meetings are fun because we get discuss with Mrs Standing our lovely coordinator, ways to make our school even better.

## Holiday Fun with some Find-a-words - INFANTS

S	T	R	U	T	H	T	P	R
F	R	I	E	N	D	S	E	A
Y	T	R	E	I	C	S	S	K
T	S	I	R	F	P	A	S	A
S	G	R	A	E	F	E	A	T
E	P	S	C	E	C	O	O	H
N	L	T	S	E	B	F	R	O
O	E	D	N	I	K	O	O	T
H	H	W	O	R	K	U	S	L

Find all the words in the grid. They can go any direction, but always in a straight line.

respect	truth	kind	or
care	safe	work	best
effort	help	us	honesty
friends	of		

The leftover letters make a special message for you.

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John Paul - PRIMARY

Find all the words in the grid. They can go any direction, but always in a straight line

f	l	b	e	c	t	m	a	t	h	e	m	a	t	i	c	s
r	e	h	s	l	t	e	c	h	n	o	l	o	g	y	f	w
i	a	s	h	a	r	e	e	d	r	i	v	e	r	u	u	o
e	r	f	a	s	l	i	t	e	r	a	c	y	n	t	s	r
n	n	o	r	s	o	m	f	n	o	i	g	i	l	e	r	k
d	e	r	p	p	r	i	m	a	r	y	p	e	n	a	p	n
s	r	s	c	i	e	n	c	e	y	o	u	r	c	c	e	o
h	s	b	o	o	k	d	f	a	m	i	l	y	o	h	r	i
i	l	e	a	r	n	i	n	g	b	y	c	g	m	e	s	s
p	e	n	c	i	l	m	e	s	s	y	a	e	p	r	i	s
c	h	u	r	c	h	u	u	k	n	m	t	o	u	m	s	a
e	v	p	g	o	d	s	c	s	g	o	h	g	t	i	t	p
n	n	e	v	e	r	i	e	n	t	n	o	r	e	n	a	m
g	g	i	v	e	r	c	i	c	r	e	l	a	r	d	n	o
i	t	r	y	t	r	k	e	g	i	y	i	p	s	s	c	c
s	a	y	a	o	r	p	v	l	u	n	c	h	i	e	e	e
e	n	p	s	o	s	h	i	s	t	o	r	y	g	t	w	k
d	t	s	w	e	t	a	u	g	h	t	t	r	u	s	t	a
s	r	c	r	u	r	e	s	i	l	i	e	n	c	e	p	m

book	try	catholic	church	class	compassion
computers	we	cross	design	family	for
friendship	work	fun	geography	give	God
history	working	learners	literacy	lunch	make
mathematics	us	messy	mind	mindset	money
music	trust	must	never	Pe	pen
pencil	technology	persistance	primary	religion	resilience
say	teacher	science	share	sharp	SRC
St Patricks	taught				

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## RIDDLE CORNER

Here are some challenging riddles to test your thinking skills.

Dante - There are five houses. A blue house that is made out of blue bricks, orange house made out of orange bricks, red house made out of red bricks a pink house made out of pink bricks. What is the green house made out of.

Answer: *A Greenhouse is made out of glass.*

Thomas: A cowboy left to go to the city on Friday. He stayed in the city for three days and he left on Friday. How is that possible?

Answer: *The horse's name was 'Friday'.*

John Paul: May went up to her mum and asked her 'How many kids in our family and the mum said - January and February and what's the other one?

Answer: *May*

What word is spelt the same way forward and backwards?

Answer: *race car*

*(Find a word answers - INFANTS - St PATRICK'S IS A GREAT SCHOOL  
PRIMARY - BE A DRIVER OF YOUR LEARNING BY NEVER GIVING UP)*

