

St Patrick's Primary School Newsletter

7th September 2017 Term 3 Week 8

Dear Parents,

According to the Australian Government website, National Literacy and Numeracy Week is an annual event celebrating the importance of literacy and numeracy to future learning, life participation and work opportunities.'

This year the school is celebrating Literacy and Numeracy Week, combined with the Book Week theme of 'Escape to Everywhere'. The children and teachers have expressed this year's theme by creating portals on their doors, which allow the viewer to escape to various settings from well known books. A photo display has also been organised using photos of children escaping into the 'world of books' in unusual places.

There are many ways parents can encourage literacy and numeracy at home. In last week's newsletter I shared with you some ideas on encouraging children to read, rather than spend time in front of digital screens. These ideas are often simple and easy to manage and for the most part encourages the family to spend time together.

This week the focus is Numeracy. The following ideas from the NSW Government 'school atoz: practical help for parents' website, have hyperlinks to some activities you can do with your child. Whilst the approach to numeracy in the school is very much 'hands on', focused on authentic discovery and reflective on mathematical thinking and 'hard thinking', in nature compared to the more procedural focus of these activities, they can still provide some ideas on key concepts.

For more ideas go to <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/mathematics/help-sheets#primary>
OR <https://www.learningpotential.gov.au/>

God bless you and your family.

Bernadette Fabri
Principal



ATTENTION ALL WRITERS!

Your teacher has asked you to help tidy the cupboards. Inside, you find an old wooden box marked
DO NOT OPEN!

You decide to take a peek. Inside, is one, solitary piece of chalk in a clear packet. On the back of the packet, it says
"Feeling hungry? Draw a sandwich. Watch it come to life, ready for you to devour. Want to know what dinosaurs looked like? Draw one and see what happens. Feeling bored and need a ball? Just draw one and it will appear before your very eyes."

The chalk is magic, alright!
Anything you draw becomes real!

Your task is to write a persuasive, informative or imaginative text about the magic chalk. Submit your composition to Mrs. Stojanovski (Kashian) by the end of Week 9.

<u>Scholastic</u>	<u>Sch Yr</u>
<u>Year</u>	<u>Attendance Level %</u>
K	92.9%
01	85.3%
02	83.6%
03	86.2%
04	87.9%
05	90.0%
06	80.0%
CEDP Attendance Benchmark Target Level = 90%	
St Patrick's Current Attendance Level = 86.6%	

Young Learners

go to <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/mathematics/help-sheets#primary> where you will find the following activities

MATHS ACTIVITIES FOR PRE-SCHOOL TO KINDERGARTEN

Area of shapes , Basic shapes, Caterpillar counting (1 - 10), Caterpillar counting (1 - 20), Counting order (1 - 10), Counting order (11 - 20), Creating shape pictures, Length (with carrots), Length (with snakes), Making rows, Matching numbers, Missing numbers, My shapes book, Numbers before and after, Numbers before and after (beetles and butterflies), Numbers before and after (transport), Number sequence, Tell the time, Tracing shapes to make pictures

PRIMARY MATHS HELP SHEETS

MULTIPLICATION AND DIVISION

Arrays, Fact family: multiplication and division, Factors: multiplication and division, Making groups and arrays, Multiplication table, Symbols chart, Turn around facts, Using groups and arrays

2D SPACE AND 3D OBJECTS

2D shapes, 2D shapes and 3D objects or solids, Angles in polygons, Angles using a protractor, Flip, slides, turns and symmetry
Nets , Parts of a circle, Perimeter, area, volume and capacity: measurement, Polygons, Prisms, Pyramids: 3D objects or solids,
Sections and cross-sections, Symmetry: 2D symmetry, Triangles, Turn around facts, Types of angles



Honour Award

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

3L	James Loader
3T	Brian Chen
4B	Mary-Jo El-Sabbagh
4G	Dunya Grudic
5C	Angelina Aqabani
5T	Isabella Dang
6P	Valerie Liu
6W	Mark Sonido

st patrick's award

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

3L	Michael Ayoub
3T	Biaggio Volante
4B	Jeremy Saliba
4G	Isaac Bechara
5C	Alana Medak
5T	Harrison Chidiac
6P	Joshua Santos
6W	Afia Mundanmany Babu

The Primary Awards for Week 8 will be handed out at the Friday Morning Assembly tomorrow, 8th Sept 2017 at 8:50am.



Congratulations to the Remaili (Annabella KA & Alicia 1S) Family on the birth of their twin babies, Noah & Ariana. Twice the fun and twice the love.



Happy Birthday to the following children who will celebrate their birthdays in the following week: Annamika Sawant, Nikhil Sawant, Sheoni Perera, Zachary Haddad, Nicholas Drosos, Matthew Liang, Alisha Katafono

MERCY DAY INCURSION

Mercy day is a day to remember the wonderful influence of an amazing woman - Catherine McAuley. This year our children will be attending a performance inspired by the life Catherine McAuley. The performance is titled 'A Bright Light in the Darkness' and will take place on Thursday 14 September.

There will be two performances throughout the day, both highlighting the the impact of Catherine McAuley on our faith. The first performance will be run for Years 3- 6 while the second performance has been amended to suit Kindy to Year 2.

It is hoped the students enjoy attending the incursion and develop a deepened understanding of the life and influence of an incredible Australian.

Leanda Stranding
(R.E.C.)

Movie Night 2017

Our annual Movie Night will be held on Friday Evening 15 September. This year the students have voted to see Moana which will screen from 6.30pm. Gates will be open from 5.30pm when food will be available to purchase. Food available includes pizzas, hot dogs, corn on the cob, hot chocolate & coffee, cold drinks, dessert slices, fairy floss and slushies. This is a great opportunity to have a night off cooking and enjoy a few treats!!!! If you bring your own snacks to the event please remember that St Patrick's is a NUT FREE ZONE!!!!

Tickets for the event can be purchased for \$10 per person which includes a free cold drink and popcorn and a donation towards the cost of the movie screening. Students, adults and High School Siblings must purchase a ticket to the event. Babies and toddlers (non-school age children) are free of charge. To purchase event tickets please complete the order form sent home earlier this week and send in with payment to your child's teacher in a labelled envelope. We would greatly appreciate if tickets can be purchased prior to the event, if possible, to assist with ordering of food and drinks.



We encourage you to come early to allow families to find a comfy spot in the playground and have a chat with each other and make new friends. You are encouraged to bring fold up chairs or a picnic rug/blanket or beanbags to sit on to watch the movie. There will be allocated areas for seating and for rugs/blankets and beanbags.

Once again we are having the **GOLD CLASS EXPERIENCE**. Families will be given the opportunity on the night to purchase an envelope marked with a number from 1-30 for \$10. Before the commencement of the movie a number will be drawn and the family with the winning number on their purchased envelope will receive Gold Class treatment which includes front row seating and free pizza, popcorn and drinks. You will have to be quick to purchase your envelope as there will only be 30 envelopes available for a chance to win.

Please remember that this is a family event and all children must be accompanied and supervised by an adult on the night. Please refrain from smoking or consuming any alcoholic beverages on the school premises.

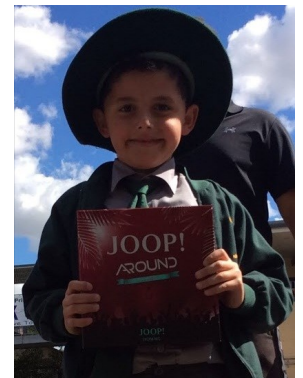
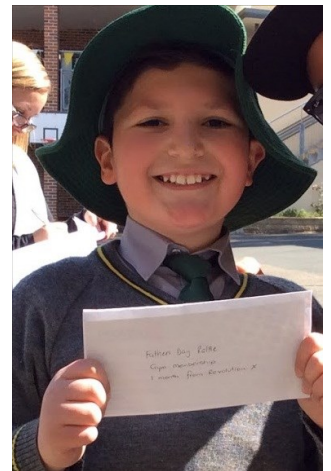
We look forward to seeing many of you on the night!

Father's Day Raffle

Sincere thanks is extended to all the parents who generously donated prizes for this year's Father's Day Raffle. Thank you to coordinator of the raffle, Mrs Belinda Barakat for sourcing many of the gifts and organising other parents who contributed marvellous items. All donations will receive a certificate of appreciation from the school. The children had such a wonderful time waiting for all the tickets to be drawn and much 'OOOHs' and 'AHHHHHs' could be heard from the anticipating crowd of young people.

	Prize	Winner	Class
1st	Parramatta Eels Signed Memoribilla Book	Sienna Golossian	3L
2nd	6 month Gym Membership (Genesis)	Christian Golossian	5C
3rd	6 month Gym Membership (Genesis)	Jeremy Saliba	4B
4th	Mens Silver Watch	Lacey Bond	4B
5th	Nrma Voucher	Shaneli Perera	KM
6th	Games Corner Voucher	Sophia Semaan	1S
7th	Bay Vista Dessert Voucher	Michael Ayoub	3L
8th	1 month Gym Membership (Revolution X)	Jeremy Saliba	4G
9th	Backpack gift basket	John Paul Wehbe	4B
10th	Puma Sports Bag	Christian Jreij	1C
11th	Helicat Rocket Launcher	Angelina Wakim	4G
12th	Indulged by Beauty Voucher	Matthew Draybi	2Y
13th	Bunnings Voucher	Camran Nasrulla	4B
14th	Bunnings Voucher	Michael Farah	6W
15th	Ribs & Rumps Voucher	Jayden Farah	4B
16th	Ribs & Rumps Voucher	Zoe Borger	5T
17th	Tie & Cufflink Set	Carmela Poblete	2M
18th	Joop Perfume Pack	Chiara Banzato	4B
19th	Joop Perfume Pack	Anthony Sassen	1C
20th	Cool Water Perfume Pack	Celine Joachim	KA
21st	Corona Beer Pack	Christian Sarkis	4G
22nd	Electric Shaver	Adrian Sicurella	2Y
23rd	Electric Shaver	Finn Giron	3T
24th	ArmorAll Detailing Kit/Bucket	Danielle Tannous	2Y
25th	30 Piece Roadside Emergency Kit	Shanelle Wambeek	3T
26th	30 Piece Roadside Emergency Kit	Joshua Aqabani	1S
27th	David Beckham After shave	Alessandra De Guzman	KM
28th	Lynx Toiletry Pack	Jethro Cauan	5T
29th	Lynx Toiletry Pack	Emily Johnson	3T
30th	Lynx Toiletry Pack	Christian Golossian	5C
31st	Lynx Toiletry Pack	Christian Stojkovski	5T
32nd	Lynx Toiletry Pack	Nathan Nguyen	KA
33rd	HSV Toiletry Pack	Gabriella Mendoza	4G
34th	Old Spice Body Wash	Anthony Wehbe	3L
35th	Adidias Shower Gel/ Body Spray	Joanthony Tannous	KA

<u>Parramatta Gear</u>		
Parra Jacket & Poncho	Frank Agostino	3L
Parra Singlet, Poncho, Drink bottle	Malcolm Nasr	3T
Parra Shirt, Shorts & poncho	Elijah Skaf	KM
Parra Jersey & Poncho	Joanthony Tannous	KM
Parra Polo & Poncho	Christian Sarkis	4G



Father's Day Breakfast

Congratulations to the Parent Committee, lead by Mrs Marietta Maroun, and Year 4 on another successful Father's Day Breakfast. As you can see from the photos, the event was a huge success and it was fabulous to see all the dads, grand dads and children, sharing the delicious foods on offer; bacon and egg rolls, a selection of scrumptious cakes, yogurts and toppings, fruit galore and juices and hot beverages. I know that the visitors were very appreciative to the organising mothers who commenced preparations on the day at around 6.15am not to mention the preparations the days leading up. Thank you is also extended to Mrs Elly Benkovich for assisting with the coordination, organization and preparations.



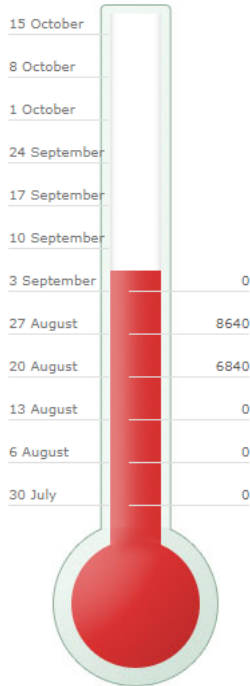
2017 Book Week

Theme: "Escape to Everywhere"



Woolworths Earn & Learn 2017

Total Points 15,480



We are now collecting the 'Earn and Learn' stickers. You will find sticker sheets in the office along with the box where you can either place a full sheet or individual stickers in the box.

Ask your grandparents, aunts & uncles, neighbours anyone that can help us to purchase educational resources. The more stickers we get the better resources we can buy.

Our goal is 30,000 and we are currently sitting at 15480.



If your child catches the bus it would be appreciated if you could go through the following guidelines with them to ensure everyone's safety.



We're seeking your support and assistance as a *Person Conducting a Business or Undertaking* (PCBU) to help us educate our younger passengers with the following simple messages:

- Make every effort to Show Travel Pass and tap on and off using Opal Card when using our services
- Keep bags and other items clear of the aisle
- Remain in your seat - do not move around the bus unnecessarily
- If standing, students should remain behind the front passenger seat and hold on at all times
- Students should not allow any part of their body to protrude out of the bus at any time
- Avoid distracting the driver except in the case of emergency
- Cross roads safely and use crossings/traffic lights where available
- Obey reasonable directions from the driver (e.g. where to sit or to remain in the bus)
- Stand away from the roadside until the bus comes to a complete stop
- Do not swing on bars or drop handles
- Fighting, spitting, abusive language, feet on seats, throwing things in or from the bus is not permitted
- Offer seats to adults including people with a disability, elderly or expectant mothers
- Allow other passengers to leave the bus before stepping onto the bus in a single line
- Avoid standing on the road in school bus bays and passenger waiting areas

WEEK 10 - YEAR SIX

Museum Opening - All Year Six parents are invited to attend the Year Six Museum, showcasing the work the students have completed during their Project based learning time this term. (days to be confirmed)

2017 School Calendar

Week 8

Friday 8th September

NO Assembly

Awards for this week will be presented at Friday Morning Assembly 8.50am

Week 9

Monday 11th September

Google Classroom Parent Meeting 7pm

Thursday 14th September

Mercy Day Incursion

Friday 15th September

Stage 2 Boys & Girls Touch Gala Day

Movie Night 'MOANA'

Gates open at 5.30pm

Week 10

Friday 22nd September

Stage 3 Boys & Girls Touch Gala Day

Kinder Excursion—Camsley Farm

Infants Assembly—Year 1—2.15pm

Last Day of Term

School returns for Term 4—9th October

Term 3

Week 1

Tuesday 10th October

'Footsteps' Dance commences

Friday 13th October

Mission Mass—10.30 am

Assembly—Mission

Week 2

Tuesday 17th October

'Footsteps' Dance continues

Friday 13th October

Primary Assembly—Year 3—2.15pm



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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)



New School Phone Number

Our school has been migrated to a new number. The new number is:

8832 4600

The old number still works and will be automatically diverted. If you receive an outbound call from our school then the new number will come up. Please save this number to your contacts.