

# St Patrick's Primary School

## Newsletter

14th September 2017 Term 3 Week 9

Dear Parents

One of my passions in education is learning about how people learn and the mindsets that encourage successful learning. A topic of great interest to me is the research undertaken by Dr Carol Dweck who is the Professor of Psychology at Stanford University and is the author of the book *Mindset: The New Psychology of Success*. In this book Dr Dweck talks about how learners generally fall into one of two categories within a given time; a fixed mindset or a growth mindset.

A **Fixed Mindset** learner believes that Intelligence is fixed and cannot improve. This leads to a desire to look smart and any cost. Fixed mindset learners are often characterized by a tendency to avoid challenges for fear of failing, give up easily, believe that effort is fruitless, usually ignores useful feedback and feels threatened by the success of others. They will often plateau early and achieve less than their full potential.

A **Growth Mindset** learner believes that intelligence can be developed. These types of learners demonstrate a desire to learn and are characterized by embracing challenges, persist in the face of setbacks, see effort as the path to mastery, learn from criticism and find lessons and inspiration in the success of others. As a result Growth mindset learners reach even higher levels of achievement.

Children often ask me, 'Can you change a fixed mindset to a growth mindset?' and the answer to this is that a learner can if they follow the steps below. One of the strategies outlined by Dr Dweck in influencing mindset is to teach children about the brain, how they learn and about the impact of this mindset on their learning.

There are 4 steps in changing one's mindset from Fixed to Growth and they are relatively simple.

Step 1: Learn to hear your fixed mindset voice.

Step 2: Recognize that you have a choice.

Step 3: Talk back to it with a growth mindset voice.

Step 4: Take the growth mindset action.

Give it a try! It will be worth it!

God Bless you and your families

Bernadette Fabri

<u>Scholastic</u>	<u>Sch Yr</u>
<u>Year</u>	<u>Attendance Level %</u>
K	92.9%
01	81.6%
02	83.6%
03	86.2%
04	87.9%
05	90.0%
06	80.0%
CEDP Attendance Benchmark Target Level = 90%	
<b>St Patrick's Current Attendance Level = 86.2%</b>	

<b>Approaching Challenges</b>	Are you sure you can do it? What if you fail?  If you don't try, you won't embarrass yourself	Most successful people had failures along the way  If I don't try, I automatically fail.
<b>Encountering Setbacks</b>	This would have been easy if you had talent.  I told you it was a risk – now you've shown everyone you can't do it	That's so wrong! Many people who have succeeded took risks and followed their passions, and had setbacks, but they learned from them.
<b>Receiving Criticism</b>	It's not my fault. It's someone else's fault.  Who do they think they are criticizing me?	If I don't take responsibility, I can't fix it.  They are trying to help me. I need to use their feedback.

# 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.

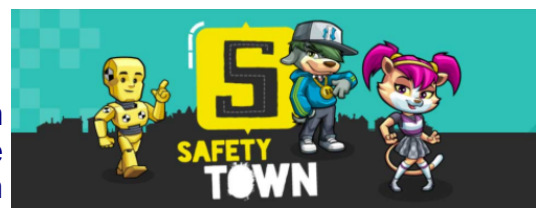
We encourage you to come early to allow families to find a comfy spot in the playground and have a chat with each other and make new friends. You are encouraged to bring fold up chairs or a picnic rug/blanket or beanbags to sit on to watch the movie. There will be allocated areas for seating and for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

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## Afternoon Car Pick Up

Recently we had a visit from a CEDP Road Safety Officer, Beth Lincoln, to assist us in ensuring we are offering the best service we can, keeping safety in mind at all times. She commented on the excellent way the service is being run, indicating it was one of the best she had seen considering the high traffic volume in the area.



Some of the positives were that we keep the cars moving constantly, parents are very patient, staff are easily identified by their safety vests and parents are generally following the road rules in Ross St (although some parents were spotted not using the designated crossing).

It was recommended that both St Patrick's and OLMC request the services of a crossing supervisor on the crossing to assist with the flow of traffic. St Pats has already emailed this application and OLMC intend to do so as well. We will await the response.

***One area of concern was students accessing boots when the cars are continually moving. It would only take a small bump from behind to push cars forward which could cause possible injury to a young student. It only takes one incident for parents to say 'if only . . . '. The service will run even more efficiently if everyone displayed a large font, bold print sign in black and refrained from using their mobile phones whilst waiting in line.***

Please help us to make our students both pedestrian and road safe.



**Happy Birthday to the following children who will celebrate their birthdays in the following week:** Sara Lorenzo, Allen Soso, Olivia Saab, Isabella Moses, Jubran Sayegh, Julian Camenzuli, Ashintha Joseph, Joanthony Tannous, Phillip Said



# ATTENTION ALL WRITERS!

## Last Day Tomorrow

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.

**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.

every learner  
every day ☒

## When is sick too sick for school




If I am sick please call the school or write me a note to let the school know why I am not at school.

**Send me to school if ...**

- ✓ I have the symptoms of a cold or hayfever
- ✓ I have a sprain, strain or pain and I can function (walk, talk and eat)
- ✓ If I have asthma, diabetes, epilepsy etc - school personnel are trained to manage my condition. Talk to the school about my health plan
- ✓ I haven't vomited or had diarrhoea for 24 hours

**Keep me home if ...**

- ✓ I have a temperature higher than 37 degrees
- ✓ I am vomiting or have diarrhoea
- ✓ My eyes are red, and crusty (conjunctivitis)
- ✓ I have influenza (flu) - combination fever, sore throat, cough, muscle aches and headaches
- ✓ I have the symptoms of an infectious disease. Go to NSW Health - A-Z of infectious diseases for more information



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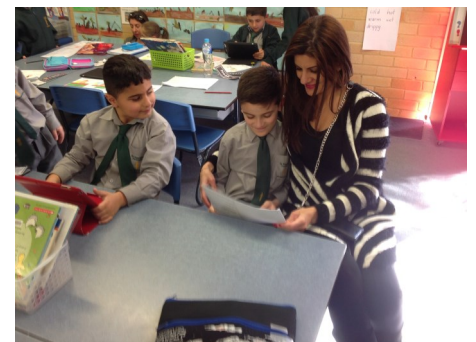


# 2017 Book Week

## Theme: "Escape to Everywhere"

### **BOOK WEEK/LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK**

Thank you to all the parents and visitors who were able to come to our Literacy/Numeracy/Book Week open classrooms. It was so good to have our class spaces filled with interested adults and the children really enjoyed showing you all their work and 'hard thinking'. The children especially enjoyed looking at all the door portal displays. Special thanks is extended to Mr Chris Stojanovski husband of Mrs Bernadette Stojanovski (nee Kashian 1C Class Teacher) for the donation of the door key shaped cut outs for our displays. They were so helpful for our displays.



## Students thoughts on Book Week.

Last Thursday we all got to invite our parents to our class and show them around our school. For book week we did something very different. This year we took a photo of us reading a book in a very interesting or creative place. You could take a photo in a tree or take a photo but on a different angle. We received many interesting and creative photos that represent books and we stuck all the photos on our windows and classroom doors. This was a fun and creative way to celebrate book week!! St Patrick's loves their Books!

We also got to go to the library and ask our parents to donate some books for our school library. I think that our library has some excellent new additions and, if your parents donated a book, you got to be the very first person to read it. Some of the parents even donated two, three, four or even five books for our library, and those lucky children who got to read them had a whopping 3 weeks to read them. I know that I would have loved that.

Written By Elise Sassen, Jonah Freifer and Alanah Issa,  
On behalf of the Year 6 Arts Committee

### WHAT IS THE MINIMUM LITERACY AND NUMERACY STANDARDS

Parents of Year 6 and high school students may be interested in the watching the video links below which clearly explains the Minimum Literacy and Numeracy Standards in Year 9.

<https://youtu.be/-vVgH9TsbJk>

<https://youtu.be/zec61nOzB34>

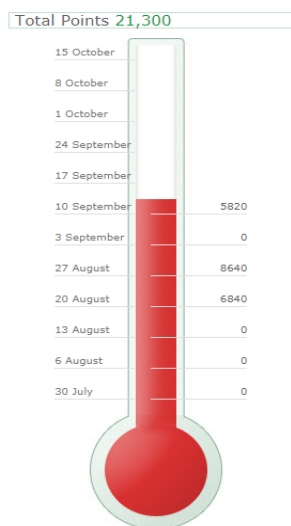
[www.educationstandards.nsw.edu.au](http://www.educationstandards.nsw.edu.au)

## Woolworths Earn & Learn 2017

This is the last week for stickers. Can I ask that you round up all of your odd stickers and bring them in so they can be added to our total.

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 21300.



### Next Level Sports School Holiday Program

REGISTER NOW FOR OUR 2017 SPRING CLINIC!

Location - ST Patrick's Primary School Parramatta  
[nextlevelsports@live.com.au](mailto:nextlevelsports@live.com.au)



Want to give your kids an active school holiday experience in a safe environment? With a focus on fun and challenging sport and activities for all levels and abilities, our school holiday clinic is suitable for students aged 5 – 13 years. We make sure your children have a fun week full of variety, activity & adventure.

**Spots are limited so book now to avoid disappointment.**

For enquiries, location information or to register...

Email Mr David Younis:

[nextlevelsports@live.com.au](mailto:nextlevelsports@live.com.au)

(Emails returned promptly)

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## SUMMER UNIFORM

The official change of uniform date is the 9th October ( Term 4, Week 1) however with the weather warming up the children can now wear their summer uniforms. Parents can you please note that as per school uniform guidelines, joggers for sport are to be mainly white.

<u>Girls' Summer Uniform</u>	<u>Boys' Summer Uniform</u>
Tartan School Dress	Grey Shorts
Short White above ankle Socks	Grey Short Sleeve Shirt
Black Shoes	Grey above ankle Socks
Green Hair Ribbon	Black Shoes
Green School Hat	Green School Hat
<u>Girls' Sports Uniform</u>	<u>Boys' Sports Uniform</u>
Green Shorts	Green Sports Shorts
Sport Shirt with School Emblem	Sports Shirt with School Emblem
White above ankle Socks	White above ankle Socks
White Sports Shoes	White Sports Shoes
Track Suit with School Emblem	Track Suit with School Emblem

- Full school uniform is to be worn at all times.
- Uniforms and shoes should be clean and neat.
- School hats are to be worn when outside buildings.
- Girls hair ribbons should be green.
- Girls long hair must be plaited or tied back.
- Boys are to have hair cut neatly, above the collar, and of an even and regular cut.
- The use of hair gel or hair dye is not permitted.
- No nail polish is to be worn.
- Jewellery is not permitted apart from a wristwatch, sleepers or small plain studs in pierced ears.

All School Uniform items available from

Oz Fashions

115-127 Parramatta Road Granville NSW 2142

Phone 9897 3121 [www.ozfashions.com.au](http://www.ozfashions.com.au)

Thanking you for your cooperation in ensuring that the school uniform code is upheld. Remember to label ALL clothing and NO HAT NO PLAY.

## Lost Property

There are approx. 8 boys grey jumpers in the lost property box with no names on them. Parents as uniforms can be quite costly, we ask that all articles of clothing be labelled with the children's name to enable us to return them. If your son has lost a jumper, please come and check in the lost property basket located in the office.

## 2017 School Calendar

### Week 9

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



*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)



### 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.