



2018

Dates to Remember

Term 2

July

Week 10

Friday 6th LAST DAY OF TERM 2

Students will return to school for Term 3 on the Monday 23rd July.

Term 3

Week 1

Monday 23rd Students return to school

Tuesday 24th Life Education begins

Wednesday 25th Life Education

Thursday 26th Life Education

Friday 27th Life Education Parent Session—9.00am

Week 2

Monday 30th Life Education

August

Friday 3rd Grandparents Mass & Morning Tea (More details to come)

SRC/House Captains Semester 2 Whole School Assembly

Week 3

Monday 6th School Dentist to visit

Tuesday 7th Cumberland Zone Athletics Carnival

Friday 10th Kindy excursion— Calmsley Hill Farm

Primary Assembly— Year 6—2.15pm

St Patrick's Primary School Newsletter

5th July 2018 Term 2 Week 10

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we are soon to take a break from the school routine for a few weeks.

It has been such a productive term especially for students and staff who have been working hard developing their skills in: Geometric Reasoning, continuing their work in Multiplicative thinking, working with a teacher educator in the area of Literacy, in particular guided and shared reading and developing good critical learning skills. Children have demonstrated their good sportspersonship and skills at this terms gala days and athletics and sporting carnivals - local and representative. They have enjoyed the many writing opportunities available and entered a few competitions.

The Maker Centre has opened in the library and rosters are currently being developed to give as many children a go as possible. Children in our school have received the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time this term and the school gathered to celebrate Mother's Day through liturgy and celebration. Children in Years 3 and 5 participated in NAPLAN and school reports have been distributed and discussed with teachers. Some classes had the opportunity to go on excursions and to demonstrate their learning either at assembly or at the Celebrations of Learning in their classrooms. The focus on learning is strong and getting stronger, I believe. May I take this opportunity to thank all members of St Patrick's Parramatta for any way you have contributed to our community. Your generosity and support is very much appreciated. Thank you to Father Bob Bossini for regularly visiting the school to hear Reconciliation and to be a spiritual mentor to us and for his input in the professional development of staff.

Finally best wishes is extended to Mrs Benkovich as she takes leave for Term 3. Mrs Benkovich and her husband Laurie have decided to take a trip overseas and we look forward to hearing all about their adventures. In her absence some of our staff will be taking on higher duties. Congratulations to Mrs Standring who has again been appointed Acting Assistant Principal and Ms Azar, Acting Religious Education Coordinator. 1C executive release teacher will be Mrs Rayess on Thursday and Friday and 6W's executive release teacher will be announced when confirmed. Have fun Mrs Benkovich and safe travels!!!

Wishing you all a very safe and relaxing holiday break and I look forward to seeing you all back for another term on Monday 23rd July.

God Bless you and your families
Bernadette Fabri
Principal

St Patrick's Current Attendance Level = 90.1%			
K = 85.9%	2 = 87.5%	4 = 90.0%	6 = 86.7%
1 = 91.8%	3 = 91.9%	5 = 96.7%	

TODAY SHOW

Last Tuesday the crew from the Today Show came to the school to interview some children on the topic of what was important to them. I am sure you will agree that they gave some very good answers and as the commentators said when children are young they are socially aware and environmentally conscious. Well done to all!

<https://twitter.com/TheTodayShow/status/1013901232694427648>



The Today Show

This week our children had the amazing opportunity to be on the Today Show as **junior reporters** and celebrating the **\$130,000** cash call. We feel this was a great experience for the children seeming as they may not ever get this chance again.

Junior reporters

On Friday the 29th of June two children from each grade were chosen by their teachers to be filmed on the Today Show pretending to be reporting. At first they thought they were all in trouble. They were asked to answer questions about major issues in society and give a short answer along with it. I feel this was an astounding experience. They were on TV on Tuesday the 3rd of July and announced that there is a competition that you could be a junior reporter and you could have the chance to be on the Today Show.

Cash call

Earlier this morning the Today show came to our school and let us help them with the Cash call, which is when Karl and Georgie call a member of the public who have registered their number for the chance to win 130,000 dollars! But there was one catch, you had to say "I wake up with Today!" Unfortunately the person they rung did not say "I wake up with Today!" so they didn't win \$130,000! Some of the children even came to school at 5:00am in the morning so they could be on the T.V! There was Pinata, smash cake, lollies and some lucky children had the opportunity to go on the T.V and have important jobs.

Overall the students of St Patrick's had an enjoyable time and we can't wait for the Today Show to come back to our school!

~By Isla Giron and Sienna Volante

URGENT “Drive Through” Reminders

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- **No parking** in Ross St and Trott St before 3pm
- Start to line up in Trott St **from 3pm**
- If there is no space in Trott St please **DO NOT** stop in Grose St
- Circle the block until there is room to join the queue in Trott St
- Consider coming later - we offer the service until 3.30pm
- **NO lining up in Grose St at any time** as this street is a busy through road from Church St to O’Connell St. When we block Grose St cars have no alternative but to drive up the wrong side of the road.
- Please consider parking and walking if the weather permits.
- Please continue to follow the road rules.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

On Friday 3rd August the school will be celebrating the blessing that is known as Our Grandparents. The following activities have been organised to enjoy the company of these special important people to our families and to showcase the school:

- Grandparents Mass—St Patricks Cathedral
- Morning Tea—In the School Hall
- Followed by Open Classrooms

Light Up Cathedral Art Display

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all the students who entered the Light Up St Pats Competition. Your creativity and artistic skills are outstanding and you should all feel very proud of your beautiful pieces of work. Unfortunately the major sponsor for the Light Up feature has withdrawn and Father Bob has made the decision to cancel the event for this year.

Mrs Azar and Mrs Standing have decided to hold a special exhibition of the artwork in week 2 of next term. It will be available for viewing on Friday 3rd August, to coincide with the Grandparents’ Mass and open classrooms. The exhibition will be held in the hall and will allow students, parents and grandparents to visit and view the beautiful pieces of work.

Thank you once again for your efforts and we look forward to sharing the pieces with your community early next term.

Mrs Standing and Mrs Azar.



Its a Girl!!!

Congratulations to the Semaan Family (Jacob 3T, Daniel 1C & Patrick KM) on the birth of their baby girl, Victoria.



Happy Birthday to the following children who will celebrate their birthday in the coming week and over the school holiday break:

Mary Gilchrist, Eva Jakopovic, Jayda Tarabay, Mia Daher, Wren Chua, Joshua Lorenzo, Ethan Zaiter, Alexander Markovic, Jacinta Azizi, Joshua Day, Noah Younan, Isabella Cameron, Zoe Samar, Biaggio Volante, Brooklyn Munro, Matthew tocher, Sandra Moussa, John Bardetta, Olivia Takchi, Caitlin Maroun

Walkathon

The walkathon for 2018 was a great success. We would like to thank the many parents who volunteered on the day to help keep everything running smoothly. The children seemed to enjoy themselves walking, running and dancing around the course. (A few teachers were seen dancing as well.)

Sound Agents once again came to the party, loaning us some excellent equipment so that we could play music across the course. It was a great day.

Thank you to all the students who have returned their sponsorship money. So far we have raised \$10,500 which is a great effort. I wonder how much we can raise this year. Please return your money asap so we can add it to the total.



Athletics Trophies

A reminder that the trophies for age champions will be given to the students at Friday morning's assembly.

JNR G Champ = Elisa Daher	Runner up = Feima Koima
JNR B Champ = James Kerr	Runner up = Jacob Semaan & Biaggio Volante
11yrs G Champ = Arabella Gittany	Runner Up = Erica Jurisic
11yrs B Champ = Luke Takchi	Runner Up = Lorenzo DeGuzman
SNR G Champ = Caitlin Maroun	Runner Up = Jade Takchi & Jessica Wehbe
SNR B Champ = Jesse Sabat	Runner Up = Jim Rizk

Congratulations to the following children who will progress to the Diocesan Athletics Carnival in early Term 3.

Jake Buxton, Elisa Daher, Lorenzo De Guzman, Andre Elzahoul, Arabella Gittany, Baxter Gittany, Emily Hamilton, Erica Jurisic, Christiana Kalouche, James Kerr, Sienna Khattar, Maria Khoury, Feima Koima, Weyata Lamin, Alexander Markovic, Caitlin Maroun, Kyah Rahme, Jim Rizk, Charlie Romanos, Gabrielle Sabat, Jesse Sabat, Jacob Sayegh, Jubran Sayegh, Jacob Semaan, Jade Takchi, Luke Takchi, Biaggio Volante, Jessica Wehbe, Georgia Wright and Noah Younan.



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS! REGISTER NOW!

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Why Choose Us?

Next Level Sports Clinic will be running a clinic in the first week of the upcoming July school holidays. Join us for a week of fun with plenty of activities, games exercises & a free lunch on Friday!

DATES

Tuesday 10th – Friday 13th July.

Students are welcome to attend all week or selected days.

Act now, as spots are limited!

For more information (dates, location and other enquiries)

Contact David Younis at:

nextlevelsports@live.com.au

(Emails returned promptly)

Like us on Facebook! Search for "Next Level Sports Clinic"

School Dentist Forms

The forms for the school dentist are now due. The organisation running this program will collect the forms at the beginning of Term 3 (week 1) so they must be sent in to the school by the end of this week.

LIFE EDUCATION

Next term the children from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be participating in Life Education lessons. These lessons are especially designed for primary aged children (5-12 years of age) and are held in an airconditioned van on the playground.



“Covering topics of food and nutrition, personal safety, physical activity, cyber safety, medicines, tobacco, alcohol, caffeine and more, Our specially trained educators ensure that all messages are age-appropriate, relevant and align with key learning objectives in Australian schools.

Students will not be told what decisions to make during these sessions – they will play an active role with their class to build the skills required to make safe and healthy decisions on their own.”

Life Education website

For parent resources please follow this link <https://www.lifeeducation.org.au/our-program/primary>



St Patrick's P&F invites you to the 2018

TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 18 August 2018
7pm for a 7.30pm start
St Patrick's Marist College Dundas
La Valla Centre, 151 Kirby St, Dundas

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

We are off to the movies!!
So grab your friends,
get your tickets and
dress up in a costume that would
win you an Oscar.

contact: pandstpatdsundas@gmail.com

Tickets \$15 per head ★ bookings via www.trybooking.com/WOVG

Doors open at 7:00pm to enable you to browse the auction items and find your team table ★ Don't forget to bring your cash including gold coins for all those additional games to play ★ BYO alcohol and food to share with your table ★ Tea and coffee will be provided ★ Remember to choose your Table Captain before you book (10 people max per table) ★ If you don't have a table together still book your tickets and we will organise a table for you ★ Please note this event is open to adults only.



Spotlight on Deo, Jethro and Julian

Deo:

What is your dream vacation?

A cruise to Hawaii and back or go to Japan.

Who is your idol (can be fictional)

I don't really have one other than my parents.

Who would you like to meet in real life?

1. Goku
2. Jollibee
3. One direction

Jollibee

Jethro:

What is your dream job?

Doctor, because it is a well paying job.

Who would you like to switch lives with?

1. Drake
2. Selena Gomez
3. Albert Einstein

Albert Einstein

What would you do with 100,000 dollars?

Give some to charity and save the rest for the future

Julian:

What is your favourite sport?

Ice hockey, because it is very cool and you get to go fast on the ice

What is your favourite food?

Rabbit stew and maltese sausage

What is your dream job?

Property developer, because you have to work a lot and in return you get lots of money

What is your favourite lolly out of the three?

1. Mars bar
2. Smarties
3. Milkyway

Mars bar



OUR LADY OF MERCY COLLEGE PARRAMATTA

College Open Morning Tour Wednesday July 25, 2018

expanding beyond what we know we can be

OLMC Parramatta Open Morning Tour

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you to attend our Open Morning Tour on Wednesday, July 25 2018.

Tour the College and discover how a Mercy Education empowers girls to expand beyond what they know they can be and enjoy a 'comfortable cup of tea' with the College Leadership Team.

The College is now enrolling for 2020.

Visit www.olmc.nsw.edu.au to reserve your place or contact the Registrar 8838 1222 to discuss how your daughter can become a Mercy Girl

Parish Youth Group Junior Credo: EDGE

- for children in Yrs 4-6

Fortnightly on Fridays - 5pm-6pm (school terms only) at

St Patrick's Cathedral Cloister Hall.

Email Mindy for more info: credo@stpatscathedral.com.au

Junior Credo Edge is a Parish based Ministry run by

St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

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. The online registration form can be found on St Patrick's Cathedral website under the *Sacraments* tab in the section titled *Confirmation*. Alternately, please contact the sacramental coordinator Meg Gale at sacrament@stpatscathedral.com.au

Please note that the calendar of sessions of preparation are as follows:

Confirmation 1: Tuesday 24th July, 7.30pm - Parent session

Confirmation 2: Tuesday 31st July, 7.30pm - Parent Session

Confirmation 3: Saturday 11th August 4.30pm - Parent and Children Session

Confirmation 4: Saturday 18th August 4pm - Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation followed by 6pm Vigil Mass



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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	6.30am, 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 Michael Gitau

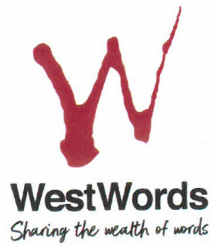
Rev Deacon Willy Limjap

Margaret Gale (Sacramental Coord)

Milli Lee (Parish Admin Asst)

Patricia Preca (Parish Secretary)

Donna Missio (Receptionist)



JACQUELINE HARVEY HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

Do you like to write? Do you dream of seeing a book with your name on the cover? Do you just want to write great stories that people will enjoy reading?

Jacqueline Harvey, the popular author of the Alice-Miranda and Clementine Rose series, and the new series Kensy and Max, is delivering a full-day workshop for kids aged 8-12 during the term 2 holidays!

The workshop will cover finding and developing ideas; creating believable characters; using place and setting to spark ideas; using dialogue effectively; and much more!

You can access more information at www.westwords.com.au. Please bring a packed lunch!

Cost:

\$50 full price
\$30 concession

Tuesday 10th July
10AM-4PM:

91B Grose St, North
Parramatta NSW 2151

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