

2018

Dates to Remember

Term 4

October

Week 2

Tuesday 23rd Footsteps Dance

Friday 26th World Teachers Day

Primary Assembly—Year 6

2.15pm—School Hall

Week 3

Tuesday 30th Footsteps Dance

Friday 2nd Nov Infants Assembly—Kindy

2.15pm—School Hall

November

Week 4

Tuesday 6th Footsteps Dance

2019 Kindy Orientation

Wednesday 7th 2019 Kindy Orientation

Thursday 8th 2019 Kindy Orientation

Friday 9th Primary Assembly—Year 3

2.15pm—School Hall

Week 5

Tuesday 13th Footsteps Dance

Wednesday 14th 2019 Kinder

Parent Information Night

Friday 16th Family Fun Night

(more details to come)

Week 6

Tuesday 20th Footsteps Dance

Thursday 22nd Year 6 Camp

Friday 23rd Year 6 Camp

Infants Assembly—Year 1

2.15pm—School Hall

Week 7

Friday 30th Swimming Carnival

Year 2-6

St Patrick's Primary School Newsletter

18th October 2018 Term 4 Week 1

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 4! I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break with the family and during that time was able to spend some time resting and playing with your children after such a busy Term 3.

On their return to school this term the children were treated to a new playground area and fresh new carpets. For those who have not seen the new grounds yet the playground closest to Villiers Street has been covered with artificial turf. The turf has been laid using 3 different types of turf; short pile for the areas where children play handball, long pile similar to that used in indoor soccer fields for running games such as soccer and plush turf for the COLA area where children sit. It was just wonderful standing and watching children during play times find new ways to play on this comfy new ground surface.

Can I formally thank the facilities team at Catholic Education, Diocese of Parramatta for the organisation and funding of these projects. A special note of appreciation is given to Mr Sean McIntosh for the amazing job he undertook in coordinating all the works at the school. He spent most of the holiday period at the school liaising with the various tradesmen and women at the school and ensured that all rooms were free of furniture to enable the job to be completed on time. Thank you is also extended to our wonderful staff who have been working very hard with all the packing and sorting necessary in preparation for the new carpets. Thank you!

In an article written by 'Families NSW' parents are reminded about the importance of play and how children having fun playing, forms their memories of childhood. The guide reminds parents that, "Children don't need expensive toys- you [parents] are their favourite toys". From my own childhood I believe this to be absolutely true. I clearly remember my sister and I playing with plasticine with our mother who set us little challenges such as, make a crocodile or a monkey, sitting and guiding us with this type of art medium. We used to spend hours with her learning how to knit and crochet, a craft which I still enjoy, and whilst we were doing this she would tell us stories about our grandparents back in Malta. Another memory was watching our father playing soccer with our younger brother and sister in the quarter acre block backyard we had in those days. I can only imagine how difficult it was for him to find the time - considering he had 2 jobs - one during the day and one at night, but he did.

People often underestimate the value of play which is critical in assisting children to learn about how to: communicate, negotiate and cooperate with others, to learn about their bodies and how it moves, gaining confidence and managing feelings. When they play they often get to try new things and to use their imagination. The article makes the point that for many children parents are their first playmates and this helps them to feel loved and secure.

Some other ideas about play can be found on the Bringing Up Great Kids website found at:

https://www.bringingupgreatkids.org/en/development/childs-play-is-a-parents-business

God bless you and your family

Bernadette Fabri

Principal

New afternoon procedure

Dear Parents

This term we will be trialling a change to the afternoon pick up for parents collecting children by walk. This is in response to feedback that the amphitheatre area is too congested after school. Guidelines are as follows:

- From Term 4 children waiting for parents who are picking up by walk will be seated under the COLA in their class lines. This is the same lining up position as for morning assembly.
- We ask all parents to try to **remain on the outside of the COLA** similar to morning assembly so that careful supervision can still take place. Children will walk to you.
- Year Six will stay in their classrooms.
- Supervision by a teacher on the gate or on the street will still be happening to ensure extra safety.
- Please note that the amphitheatre may still need to be used in wet weather

This is a trial so we shall see how it goes.

Prayer for HSC Students

God of Light and Truth, thank you for giving me a mind that can know and a heart that can love.

Let me be aware of your presence in all things and at all times.

Loving God be with me now, as I prepare for my exams. Thank you for the many talents and gifts you have given me and for the opportunity of education.

Calm my nerves and anxiety;
help me to remember all that I have studied,
to express it clearly and to answer the questions
the very best that I can.
Holy Spirit, sit with me in my exams - and always.
In Jesus' name Amen

Best wishes and assurance of our prayers to all our HSC students as they continue their final exams.



Sports Days for Term 4

Children will be required to wear their sports uniforms on the following days for Term 4:-

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



Happy Birthday to the following children who will celebrate their birthday in the coming week:

Baxter Gittany, Alani Grohs, Jake Buxton, Jacob Manago, Cynthia Daher, George Draybi,

Liza Navasardyan, Kaylani Elphinstone, Alexandriya Izmestyeva, Makayla Kalouch, Catherine Kwa, Mark Abraham

St Patrick's Current Attendance Level = 89.1%				
K = 87.7%	2 = 89.3%	4 = 86.7%	6 = 81.7%	
1 = 94.9%	3 = 88.7%	5 = 95.1%		



FOOTSTEPS DANCE CLASSES

This term the children will be participating in a dance program delivered by the company 'Footsteps'. Footsteps is run from Kindergarten to Year 6 and specialises in curriculum integrated dance programs that use dance as a vehicle to develop students' inter/intra personal skills and fitness levels. Every grade has a dance class once a week and from all accounts the children really look forward to these sessions. Our children really love dancing - it seems natural to them, so we look forward to an opportunity later in the term to present some of their 'groovy moves!'

<u>Children will wear their normal school uniform not sports uniform to participate in dance as students are required to wear leather soled shoes.</u>

2018 School Fees

Dear Parents

Thank you to our Families who have paid their 2018 school fees. CEDP will be sending out statements this Friday 19th October 2018 to all families with amounts still owing. Families who are on arrangements please continue payments as per arranged. If you are experiencing financial difficulties please contact Mrs Sharon Nutter ph 88324600.

Condolences



We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the Kalathil Family (Aiden 5C) on the passing of his Grandmother. Please keep the family in your prayers.

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



As of 2018 we will no longer accept cash/cheque for Book Club in the office. All orders will need to be processed through the LOOP platform. Please find instructions on the last page of this newsletter. If you require help completing your order please contact Mrs Jones in the office on 8832 4600.

Not Returning to St Patrick's in 2019

Thank you to the parents who have informed the office that their child will not be returning to St Patrick's in 2019. If your child is not returning to St Patrick's in 2019 please send a letter to Ms Fabri stating the last day of attendance at St Patrick's and which school they will be moving onto in 2019. This does not apply to year 6 students.



Spotlight on...Oisin Ryan, Mikayla Saleh, Jayda Tarabay and Sienna Volante

Oisin Ryan:

Where is your favourite place in the world?

My favourite place in the world is my home because I am lazy.

What is your favourite thing to do?

Be with my family because I love my family a lot.

What is your subject?

My favourite subject at school us history because I find it interesting.

What is your favourite sport?

My favourite sport is soccer because it is fun

What is your favourite movie?

My favourite movie is Fantastic Beast by J.K Rowley because it is very interesting and is a good movie.

Mikayla Saleh:

If you could be anything what do you want to be when your older?

I would want to be an Olympic swimmer or a barrister.

What superpower would you want to have?

I would want to have superspeed.

What are you looking forward to in high school next year?

I am looking to joining teams for sport in high school.

If you could invite 3 people in the whole world to spend a weekend with who would it be?

I would choose Cate Campbell, Bronte Campbell and Dawn Fraser.

Name 5 words describing you.

Active, weird, sporty, loving and funny.

<u>Jayda Tarabay:</u>

What is your favourite movie?

My favourite movie is The Greatest Showman and Star Wars: Last Jedi because they are adventurous and entertaining to watch.

If you could be any animal what would it be?

I would be a female praying mantis because after they mate they eat their husband.

If you could go anywhere in the world with your best friend where would you go?

I would go to all of America because I could meet so many youtubers, celebrities and I could visit my uncle.

What are you looking forward to most in high school?

I am looking forward to making new friends and learning new things. Also so I can spy on my brother.

Who is your biggest inspiration?

My biggest inspiration is Jonti Picking because he makes amazing music.

Sienna Volante:

If you had 1,000,000 dollars to spend what would you spend it on?

I would give some to charity, some to the Church, and some to my family. I would spend some on myself and the things I would get include clothes and jewellery etc.

What is your biggest fear?

My biggest fear is death.

What is your favourite subject?

My favourite subject at school is creative arts because it includes dancing and drama.

What is your favourite type of food?

My favourite type of food is Italian cuisine.

What are you looking forward to most about high school?

I am looking forward to all the new opportunities for learning and making new friends.

CONGRATULATIONS - TERM THREE 100% ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to the following boys and girls who were able to attain 100% attendance In Term 3, 2018.

First Name	Last Name	Class	First Name	Last Name	Class
Jayden	Blazek	KA	Tara	DiChio	3L
Ava	Boutros	KA	Zara	Diuco	3L
Mia	Golossian	KA	Noah	Reyes-Mangabat	3L
Sara	Jabbour	KA	Jacob	Wehbe	3L
Mariah	Jreij	KA	Rafaella	Bautista	3Т
Andrew	Khalil	KA	Lucia	El Hani	3Т
Logan	Munro	KA	Sophie	Gahdmar	3Т
Liza	Navasardyan	KA	Daniella	Gereige	3T
Patrick	Saab	KA	Lauren	Polintan	3T
Elaine	Xue	KA	Olivia	Saab	3T
Ethan	Zaiter	KA	Elie	Wehbe	3T
John	Bardetta	KM	Remon	Wehbe	3T
Nour	Kahwaji	KM	Jake	Buxton	4B
Isaiah	Maroon	KM	Brian	Chen	4B
Anastasia	Naudi	KM	Elisa	Daher	4B
Benjamin	Aitkins	1C	Sienna	Golossian	4B
Angelina	Bounassif	1C	Ashintha	Joseph	4B
Wren Matthew	Chua	1C	Tyler	Morson	4B
Erick	Granados-Gavito	1C	Sophia	Paguia	4B
Karabo	Khama	1C	Jerome	Santos	4B
Fleur	Perrett	1C	Josh	Blanquera Pangan	4G
Annabella	Remaili	1C	Cedric	Guino	4G
Panayioti	Yannakis	1C	Christine	Kahwaji	4G
Ray	Chen	1S	Talia	Lahoud	4G
Alessandra	De Guzman	1S	Lorenzo	De Guzman	5C
Hunter	Morson	1S	Crista-Nicole	Gahdmar	5C
Kenzie	Murphy	1S	Anthony	Ghostine Maaraoui	5C
Beth	Roumanus	1S	Kiara	Haddad	5C
Phillip	Ayoub	2M	Julian	Tanna	5C
Clare	Camenzuli	2M	John	Wehbe	5C
Aidan	Connolly	2M	Katerina	Yannakis	5C
Christian	Jreij	2M	Daniel	Pinto	5T
Joseph	Maroon	2M	Jessica	Bechara	6P
Jacinta	Azizi	2Y	Jethro	Cauan	6P
Phillip	Boutros	2Y	Matthew	Khreich	6P
Sebastian	El Hani	2Y	Stephanie	Saab	6P
Elio	Layoun	2Y	Gabrielle	Sabat	6P
Julia	Vytingco	2Y	Isabella	Younes	6P
			Christian	Golossian	6W
			Aaron	Neroy	6W

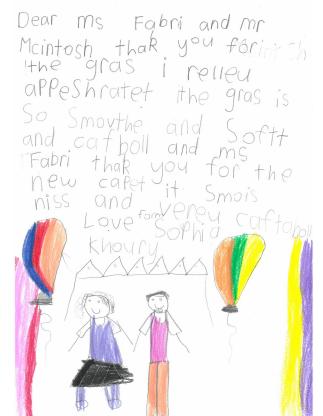
I like the new grass because.....

- you don't get as hurt as much with grazed knees—Finn Giron 4B
- It is easier to dance on—Tyler Morson 4B
- Its comfortable and soft—Aireen Kwa 3T
- When you fall on it, it doesn't hurt—Emily Hamilton 5T
- You can do gymnastics on it—Angelica Beame 2M
- You can play on it and it's fun—Mia Daher KM
- It's fluffy and smooth—Sophia Khoury KM,
- I was amazed at the sight of the new grass when I walked through the gates at the beginning of the term. I now feel really confident when running rather than having to be cautious of falling over on the concrete to avoid injuring ourselves really badly—Caitlin Maroun 6W
- My thoughts on the new grass is that I love that they put spray paint showing the soccer area and more. I love that we can't eat on it so it stays clean and it's a lot softer in case somebody falls over. I also like that there is also play area that doesn't have grass so you can still play games like basketball. I am very grateful to have teachers like Ms Fabri and other staff who spent time organising the grass and carpet for our school—Eliza El-Bayeh 6P



















SUMMER UNIFORM

All children are required to be in their Summer Uniform. Parents can you please note that as per school uniform guidelines, joggers for sport are to be mainly white.

Girls' Summer Uniform	Boys' Summer Uniform
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
Girls' Sports Uniform	Boys' Sports Uniform
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

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

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Our MISSION is to -

Live out the Gospel Values in a visibly Catholic tradition

Nurture students for Christian Leadership

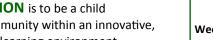
Create a range of learning experiences which allow children to progress at their own level

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



Weekend Masses

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

11.00am (Solemn), 6.00pm

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

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)



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