

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Making a Difference

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DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY

Fri 26	Last day of school
Mon 13	First day of Term 3
Tue 21	Netball Gala Day



WEEKLY VALUE

Principals Gold Awards

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

10 WAYS TO HELP YOUR CHILDREN SUCCEED

- 1) Talk with your children—talk early and often, provide them with information, feedback, a sympathetic ear, good advice based on family values, support rather than criticism. They will come to you throughout their lives for guidance if their early experiences are positive.
- 2) Set high but realistic expectations. No-one knows better than you your children's true abilities. Note their strengths and talents and gently encourage them. Identify where they need assistance and find help for them. Assist them in setting realistic self-expectations.
- 3) Build your children's sense of self-worth. As children grow and make choices they will make mistakes. Knowing they have your unconditional love and support whatever happens will help them pick themselves up and start again when things do go wrong.
- 4) Keep your children healthy. Children who do well at school come to class rested, well-fed and emotionally prepared. Children who are well-nourished in every respect have the foundation for success.
- 5) Support learning at home. Involvement in your child's learning starts at home. Create the conditions for good learning—books, computer, quiet study area, library membership, time set aside for homework, interest in progress and reports.
- 6) Communicate with school. Teachers who never hear from parents often assume they are not interested. Attend meetings. Read notices and newsletters. Offer help. Join the Parent Group. Send polite notes to your children's teachers.
- 7) Encourage a spirit of inquiry. Show your children what a wonderful place the world is. Visit parks, museums, art galleries. There's plenty of free entertainment and exploration available. Curiosity about the world around them is the first step to children's thirst for knowledge.
- 8) Build friendships. Children want to fit in and feel they belong. Welcome their friends to your home. Show your children how to be good friends. Teach them the difference between true friendship and popularity.
- 9) Keep your children safe. Identify risks and hazards and show your children how to avoid them. Children develop a sense of security when they are taught what to do if they are in danger.
- 10) Speak well of teachers and schools. Children learn their attitudes from you and will like and respect their teachers if they see you do the same.

Warm regards
Phil Mahoney

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN 2015

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.



From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students—including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

FROM THE SCHOOL LEADERS

We would like to say well done to all of the students, teachers and parent helpers for making it through another fun and educational school Term of 2015. We couldn't have done it without you. A lot has happened this term. We had Storyfest which the year 6 students have been working on all term. All our hard work paid off because all of the students had an amazing time watching the stories come to life! Also we hope all of you have a fantastic, fun and SAFE HOLIDAY.

Charlie-Rose El Riachi, Julian Barakat, Josephine Moujaes, Tony Ashkar, Madison Yagki, Teresa Akkarri, Mikayla Issa, Isaac Halloun and George Alam.

SCHOOL ZONES

A reminder to all our parents ahead of the break at the end of Term 2 that school zones remain in place for the safety of our children and families.

School zones operate on all gazetted school days, which are all days the school is open, even pupil free days.

NEWS FROM THE ART ROOM

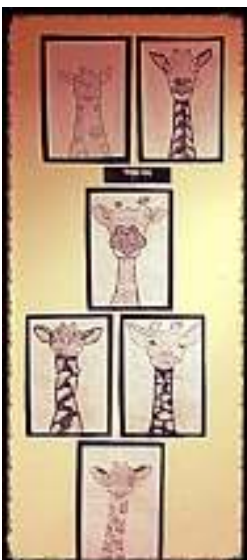
Visual Arts has come alive and a valued component of your child's learning, here at St Patrick's!

I have had the privilege of implementing the tasks and watching the students explore their own creativity. Our school hall or as the students call it, "Our Art Gallery" is filled with their masterpieces.

Have a wonderful holiday with your treasures and I look forward to continuing to refine their artistic abilities in Term 3.

"Creativity is allowing oneself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep." Scott Adams

Mrs C Hoyle.



FROM THE R/E COORDINATOR

FIRST PENANCE

Congratulations to all the children who have received the Sacrament of Penance for the first time this term. A big thank you to the teachers Mrs Bosen, Mrs Fernandes and Miss Younan for preparing them for this special sacrament.

MASSES

Parents and friends are welcome to join the students and parishioners to celebrate Mass next term.



Week 1 Wednesday
15th June

9am Year 5 Mass

St Bonaventure

Week 2 Wednesday 22nd July

9am Year 4 Mass

St Mary Magdalene

FEAST DAYS

27th June- St Cyril of Alexandria

29th June – Sts Peter and Paul

3rd July – St Thomas

4th July – St Elizabeth of Portugal

6th July – St Maria Goretti

7th July – Blessed Peter To Rot

9th July – St Augustine Zhao Rong

11th July – St Benedict

13th July – St Henry

14th July St Camillus de Lellis

16th July- Our Lady of Mount Carmel



RAINBOW DAY

Last Friday the school held a Rainbow Day in order to help support Caritas Australia's humanitarian response to the distress and devastation caused by the recent earthquake in Nepal. The Year 6 students did a wonderful job at organising the day with face painting, selling cupcakes and sweets. The disco was great fun. Thank you to all who contributed the cupcakes and everyone in the school for their generous donations. We raised a total of \$1454.75 on the day.

RAINBOW DAY



Yours in Christ

Wardeh Khoury

Lord in the holidays that lie ahead. Guide us all and grant that we may find true happiness with those around us.



RAINBOW DAY



CANTEEN ROSTER - JULY

Mon	Wed	Fri
13th Samantha Keirouz Joanne Elias	15th Lisa Antoun Maria Uno	17th Natalie Durbidge Maria Reynolds
20th Tae-Kyong Kim Samantha Keirouz	22nd Melissa Bourchdan Rosie Narse	24th Samantha Khattar

27th Samantha Keirouz	29th Charolette Tannous Lisa Antoun	31st Maria Scaltrito
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AUGUST

3rd Samantha Keirouz Tae-Kyong (Kim)	5th Sadie Ters Rania Antoun	7th
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10th Samantha Keirouz Joanne Elias (lunch)	12th Lisa Antoun Maria Uno	14th Natalie Durbidge Maria Reynolds
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24th Samatha Keirouz	26th Charolette Tannous	28th Maria Scaltrito
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31st Samatha Keirouz		
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**We won't be selling TNT or Kabiulies during winter. We do need more volunteers to help in our canteen on *Mondays and Fridays*. Without the help of parents, we wouldn't be able to keep the canteen operating. Please come and see me or contact the office.
Margaret Bakhos**

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