

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Making a Difference

Newsletter 5, Term 3

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DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER

Fri 23	Stage 3 Touch Footy SCHOOL CLOSURES
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OCTOBER

Mon 10	SCHOOL RETURNS
Tue 11	St Paul's Orientation Year 6 Excursion 1
Wed 12	Yr 3 Mass Cerdon Orientation Year 6 Excursion 2
Thur 13	2RL Penance Year 6 Excursion 3
Tue 18	Year 6 Excursion 4
Wed 19	Year 4 Mass

WEEKLY VALUE

Being a trustworthy person



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

A very busy Term 3 finishes tomorrow and it is a great opportunity to thank the students for their continued commitment to their learning and living up to the St Patrick's Values. We had many different activities during the term, including the Infants Swimming Program; the Primary Dance Fever Lessons and Show Dance; Peer Support; Book Parade and Book Fair; Delany Cup; Father's Day Stall and the wonderful Olympathon.

Thank you parents for all your support. The money raised has been used to install the new artificial grass and handball courts near the hall.

My appreciation goes out to all the staff at St. Patrick's who constantly go above and beyond to ensure a quality Catholic education to all the students.

Among the Ten Commandments, one begins with the word "remember": ***Remember to keep holy the Sabbath Day*** It reminds us to recall something we already know. There are commandments of mercy written onto our very DNA. We already know them, but we need to remember them more explicitly. What are they?

1. Remember that mercy lies deepest in God's heart.
2. Remember that mercy is the essence of all true religion.
3. Remember that we all stand forever in need of mercy.
4. Remember that, having received mercy, we must show mercy to others
5. Remember that only the practice of mercy sets us free.
6. Remember that mercy is not opposed to justice, but is its fulfilment.
7. Remember that only the practice of mercy will make God's Kingdom come.
8. Remember that mercy needs too to be practiced collectively.
9. Remember that mercy calls us to do works both spiritual and physical.
10. Remember that our lives are a dialogue between God's mercy and our weaknesses.

Yours sincerely

Philip Mahony

PRINCIPALS GOLD AWARD MORNING TEA



FROM THE OFFICE

Parents, accounts for Term 3 school fees need to be finalised before the end of this week. Fees are payable in accordance with the Diocesan School Fees Policy which states “all fees are due and payable within 30 days of the date the school account statement is issued.” Outstanding accounts will be forwarded to Catholic Education Diocese, Parramatta, for actioning. If you wish to discuss any issues regarding the school fees, please contact me by phone on 96325468. School fees can be paid by Bpay, Postbillpay, cash, EPTPOS or cheque.
Catherine Hartsuyker
Finance Officer

Also let us know if your children are leaving St Patricks (Year K-5) at the end of 2016, you need to give the school 10 weeks notice. Please let the office know in writing. Have you had any change of address or phone number? Please email us with the new details.
stpatsguildford@parra.catholic.edu.au

ST PATRICK'S PLAYGROUP

The Playgroup will finish this Friday, 23rd for the School Holiday break. They will return on Friday 14th October.

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE

Sr Lucy has been appointed to the Vatican's Officer in Canberra for Term 4. This is a very important position which her Religious Order have asked her to undertake. We wish her all God's blessing as she takes on this important position.

Mrs Ashleah Walker will be teaching Year 5V for next Term.



SUMMER UNIFORM

Students are to wear their full summer uniform when they return for Term Four on Monday 10th October.



CLOTHING POOL

St Patrick's Clothing Pool will be open on the first Monday back, 10th October from 8.15am – 8.35am.



MISSPRINT IN LAST NEWSLETTER

The Olympathon event raised \$16,000 not \$1,867 which was quoted in the last newsletter.



*We thank you Lord, for this term.
For the challenges, the successes, and the mistakes from which we have learnt.
God of the ordinary be with us as we spend our time with family and friends.
Give us strength and courage to do what is right: to be witnesses of our faith.
Help us to be a practical Christian these holidays,
to appreciate what others do for us, to give time and effort to help others.
To be peacemakers in our family.
Keep us safe in our activities; give us good rest and good fun.
Bring us back refreshed and ready for a new term.
We thank you for our classmates, teachers, parents and a community that cares for us.
May we always be conscious of you in our lives.
Amen*

MASSES

Parents and Friends are welcome to attend Mass with the Parish and school next term:

Week 1

Wednesday 12th October
9am Year 3 Mass
Ordinary Time 28

Week 2

Wednesday 19th October
9am Year 4 Mass
Ordinary Time 29



FEAST DAYS

21st September - St Matthew
23rd September - St Pius of Pietrelcina
27th September - St Vincent de Paul
29th September - Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
30th September - St Jerome
1st October - St Therese of the Child Jesus
4th October - St Francis of Assisi
7th October - Our Lady of the Rosary
15th October - St Teresa of Jesus

Yours in Christ

Mrs Wardeh Khoury



Dance Fever
Interschool Challenge 2016
-AWARDS
 Interschool Challenge 2016
 Dance Fever

Cha Cha		Foxtrot	
Yr 3 3rd	Reyad Makdessi Elissa Langi	Yr 3 3rd	James Moujaes Isabella Ters
Yr 4 3rd	Taylor Saba Mark Antony Chehade	Yr 4 3rd	Vincent Masour Yenuli Peris
2nd	Rex Suesue Selima Younan		
Yr 5 3rd	Christian Camilleri Annabella Fatoula	Yr 5 1st	Nicholas Hashim Sandy Elias
Yr 6 2nd	Jo Danielle Fadoul Stephen Khalife	Yr 6 2nd	Daniel Khoury Shanice Younan
Year 6 Ballroom Trophy			

Congratulations to the Year 5 students, Nicholas, Diya, David, Jonathan, Georgina, Ashlee and Joseph who competed in the Delany Cup Debating competition this term. The students prepared three debates

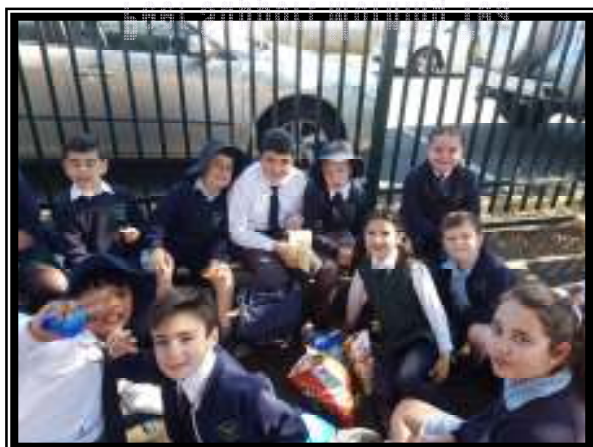
- That we care about the environment (affirmative)
- That mobile phones are a main priority (negative)
- That school holidays should be longer (negative)

David, Diya and Ashlee then represented St Patrick's in the Grand Final. The topic was "That Australia needs a new flag" we presented the negative case. Unfortunately we lost the grand final but all debaters performed extremely well and represented our school with pride.



Delany Cup - 2016
 Delany Cup - 2016

Peer Support Morning Tea



Book Week 2016

Our Book Week competition winners were as follows:

Infants

- 1st Place: Daniella 2F
- 2nd Place: Charlotte B 1T
- 3rd Place: Cara KKS

Year 3 and 4

- 1st Place: Alyssa Bodium 4B
- 2nd Place: Jae-Min 3M
- 3rd Place: James Baltasar 3M

Year 5 and 6

- 1st Place: Virginia Hechme 6I
- 2nd Place: Christen Baltasar 6R
- 3Rd Place: Cynthia Maka 5V

Picture Book of the Year Winner – Flight

Jamal 5B

Early Childhood Book of the Year Winner – Mr Huff

Isaac KM

Book Character Parade

Thank you to the parents for all the effort you put into making our parade so wonderful. The children looked amazing and the talk about books in the school was great to hear.

Congratulations to all these winners as well as all children who participated in our competitions- it was very difficult for the teachers to judge the winners!

Book trivia

Primary children enjoyed a Book Trivia competition after recess where they were placed in groups and asked a variety of questions about books and authors. It was a very close finish with Group 6 winning with a total of 63. There is certainly a lot of knowledge about books in our school! Well done to all on your knowledge but also on your outstanding behaviour on the day as well.



Book Fair Parade

BOOK FAIR PARADE

St. Patrick's Guildford - Term 4 – 2016 - At a Glance

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Sept/ Oct	26 th Sept	27 th	28 th	29 th	30 th	1 st /2 nd Oct
Oct	3 th Public Holi- day	4 th Feast of St Francis of Assisi	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th /9 th
Oct 1	10 th Students return	11 th St. Paul's Orienta- tion <i>Y6 Excursion 1</i>	12 th <i>Yr 3 Mass</i> Cerdon Orientation <i>Y6 Excursion 2</i>	13 th <i>2RL Penance</i> <i>Y6 Excursion 3</i>	14 th	15 th /16 th
Oct 2	17 th	18 th <i>Y6 Excursion 4</i>	19 th <i>Yr 4 Mass</i>	20 th <i>6R Penance</i>	21 st	22 nd /23 rd
Oct 3	24 th	25 th Parent Group Meeting Confirmation 7pm	26 th <i>Yr 1 Mass</i>	27 th <i>6I Penance</i>	28 th World Teachers Day	29 th /30 th
Nov 4	2 nd	1 st November <i>All Saints Day</i>	2 nd <i>All Souls Day</i> - Whole School Mass	3 rd <i>5W Penance</i>	4 th Staff Development Day	5 th /6 th
Nov 5	7 th	8 th Stage 3 Assembly	9 th <i>Yr 6 Mass</i>	10 th <i>5B Penance</i> Marist Orientation	11 th Remembrance Day	12 th /13 th
Nov 6	14 th	15 th Delany Orientation	16 th <i>Yr 5 Mass</i>	17 th <i>5V Penance</i>	18 th Kinder Orientation McCauley Orientation	19 th /20 th <i>Christ The King</i>
Nov 7	21 st	22 nd	23 rd <i>Yr 2 Mass</i> <i>Athletes Foot lessons</i>	24 th <i>4G Penance</i> OLMC Orientation <i>Athletes Foot lessons</i>	25 th	26 th /27 th 1 st Sun- day <i>Advent</i>
Nov/ Dec 8	28 th Nov ES1 + S1 Assembly	29 th Fairfield Pats Orientation	30 th <i>Kinder Mass</i>	1 st December <i>4B Penance</i>	2 nd Primary Swimming Carnival	3 rd /4 th <i>2nd Sunday Advent</i>
Dec 9	5 th	6 th	7 th <i>Yr 3 Mass</i> Christmas Concert	8 th <i>4C Penance</i> Gold Morning Tea	9 th Reports sent home	10 th /11 th <i>3rd Sunday Advent</i>
Dec 10	12 th	13 th Awards & Parent Helper Morning Tea Promotions	14 th <i>Thanksgiving Mass</i> Yr 6 Graduation	15 th Year 6 Guard of Honour	16 th SCHOOL CLOSES	17 th /18 th <i>4th Sunday Advent</i>
Dec 11	19 th SDD	20 th SDD	21 st	22 nd	23 rd	24 th /25 th Christmas Day

*** All dates subject to change ***