



Newsletter- St Patrick's School Allora

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"Never see a need without doing something about it." - Mary MacKillop

Vision—We are an inclusive community committed to high levels of learning for all.

Our School Student Protection Contacts:

Miss Donnelly and Mr Maher



Reminders for this week:

Family Detail forms— Please sign and return to the office ASAP

Book Week— Storytelling is on tomorrow at 2:30pm. The pop-up-shop is open every morning at 8am this week.

St Patrick's School – A Nut Aware School. We are aware that children may have a severe anaphylactic reaction to **peanuts**. Parents are requested to be diligent with items packed in lunch boxes.



Dear Parents and Carers,

2019 School Renewal Improvement Process— Last week, Principals from the 32 schools of our diocese attended a week long 'Leadership Forum' in Roma. Held each term, these forums provide leaders with useful organization-wide information that is utilized by each school to ensure expert teaching in all of our classrooms. One of the many ongoing projects that was a focus of conversation was the **School Renewal Improvement Process**. In 2019, St Patrick's School, alongside several other schools, will be part of the of this process.

The School Renewal Improvement Process, or SRIP, is an important project that the Toowoomba Catholic Schools Office uses to monitor and support schools in the Diocese. The reviews are conducted every four years and are about providing schools with quality and independent feedback to help them continue to improve learning outcomes for all students.

The reviews are conducted over a three-day period by a panel consisting of leaders from the Toowoomba Catholic Schools Office .

This review includes:

- consultation with the school community through one-on-one or group interviews where two questions are asked: "What does the school do well?" and "What could the school do better?"
- consideration of school strategic and annual action plans.
- the school's teaching and learning plans.
- other data sources e.g. NAPLAN and school satisfaction surveys.

The external review provides a school with a comprehensive report that identifies findings and offers improvement strategies for consideration, reflection and action over the next four years. The report also informs the school's four-year strategic plan and subsequent annual action plans.

We look forward to the involvement of our families and the valuable information that this review will provide us with.

God Bless

Tyronne Maher
Principal



Book Week Parade Winners— Congratulations Zach, William, Seth and Molly on their outfits which were paraded this morning to the delight of many family and friends of our community

"Reading is a conversation. All books talk. But a good book listens as well.

Mark Haddon

Read more at: <https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes>



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School News

Assembly Roster Term 3 Friday 8.50am

- Week 6: Leaders
- Week 7: Talgai
- Week 8: Leaders
- Week 9: Leaders
- Week 10: Leaders

Week 6

Happy Birthday to:

- Angus McArthur
- Axil Mathie
- Alexander Kotsopoulos

Southern Downs Cricket— Last Wednesday, several of our students from year's 4 to 6 attended the Southern Downs Cricket Trials. We commend these students on their strong efforts and sportsmanship. Congratulations to Sarah and Archie Brown who were selected to play in the Southern Downs Team in the upcoming Darling Downs Carnival.

Prep interview Reflections— Interview for our new 2019 prep enrolments have begun this week. When asked why they thought that they needed to learn sight words, two of these youngsters reported that it was so that they could learn to read—very clever!

Student Protection—In addition to all staff being trained in student protection, we also have two staff members specially trained to assist with student protection concerns. These 'School Student Protection Contacts' (SSPCs) are displayed on posters around the school. Our SSPC's for 2018 are Miss Donnelly and Mr Maher. Students can speak to these teachers if they have any worries about their own safety or wellbeing, or that of a classmate.

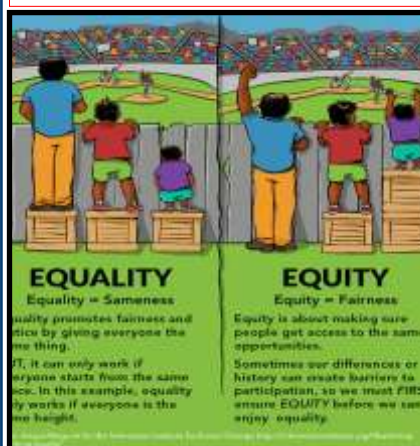


More Book Week Parade Fun: Highly Commended costumes (left) and Dalrmyple Students (right)



Learning Support News

By Debbie Groombridge
Learning Support Teacher



Around the Classrooms This term we, as teachers, have been on a huge learning journey, putting into practice the new expectations for personalised learning. We have been engaged in professional learning conversations to ensure that we are taking into account the learning needs and styles of each of our students by planning and implementing a range of learning experiences to maximize the learning potential of every student. If necessary, adjustments are made to the curriculum content, resources, teaching strategies or the learning environment. These adjustments are reviewed regularly to ensure they continue to be relevant and necessary or if further adjustments/modifications need to be introduced to ensure continued success. Planning for personalised learning requires a change in our thinking as we plan. It can be time consuming to begin with but I believe it will greatly benefit the learning of all of our students.

Helping your child

As has been mentioned in earlier newsletters, parent engagement is crucial for children's learning. You can help your child by having regular and meaningful conversations with them about what they are learning and doing at school. Encourage them to have a go, to make mistakes and to try again another way in order to succeed. It is important that your child sees the importance that you place on their learning and education. If modifications are required for your child you will be consulted, your collaboration and input are welcomed and valued. As with all aspects of your child's learning and education, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

What is Personalised Learning?

All students are unique in their aspirations, learning styles, interests, strengths and weaknesses. It is our responsibility as teachers to respond to every student and their distinctive characteristics, with high expectations for achievement. Planning for personalised learning and targeted support is one way that we can achieve this.



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Parish News

LITURGY TIMES

1ST SUNDAY OF MONTH –

MASS 9AM

2ND, 3RD SUNDAY OF

MONTH – MASS 5pm

From Sunday 13th May for

Winter

4TH, 5TH SUNDAY OF
MONTH – LITURGY OF
THE WORD – 9 AM

Fete

This year's Fete will be held on Friday 19 October.

The 2018 executive is Roy Nott, President;

Paul Morris and Paul Bradfield, Vice-Presidents; Lisa Hansford, Secretary and Kerry Haigh, Treasurer.

We welcome Lisa to the committee and thank her for being a School P & F representative.

New faces and ideas are welcome.

SCHOOL BELL TIMES

8.40am Start of School
10.50am Break start
11.30am Break finish
1.30pm Snack start
1.50pm Snack finish
2.50pm Pack up
2.55pm End of School

UNIFORM DAYS

Monday — Formal
Tuesday — Formal
Wednesday – Sports
Thursday – Formal
Friday – Sports



St Patrick's School
Parents & Friends Association

"... as many hands build a house, so many hearts make a school"



Next P & F Meeting Wednesday 19 September
7pm in the Library. All welcome.

Fete volunteers required! Assistance request form to be emailed next week.

Book Week—Shared Reading and our Book Fair.

Book week began with our school's Readers' Cup competition. Our teacher librarian, Mrs Watkins has reported that the children and teachers had prepared impeccably for the rigor of this annual quiz. Congratulations to all students who participated. Some great results were achieved and fun had by all.

The winners were:-

Talgai: Emilia Hoey, Cassie Ryan, Molly Williams, Esther Coker

Cunningham: Edison Barton, Piper Gilmour, Seth Donovan, Riley Burton

Dalrymple: Zara Sullivan, Evie Gilmour, Sarah Morris, Ivy Coker

Glengallan: Will Brasch, George Philp, Lewis May, Ziggy Gibson

These students will represent the school in round two of the Readers' Cup in term 4.

Celebrations continued with the running of the Book Fair in our library. Students were pleased with the bargains they were able to purchase with their hard earned pocket money. A thankyou to Mrs Flynn for coordinating the display and sale of the books

It was wonderful to see both staff and students take part in the Book Week character parade. The staff chose the winners based on creativity of costume and staying in character. The winners were as follows:-

Costume:-

Talgai—Molly Williams - Witch

Cuningham - Seth Donovan - Shark

Dalrymple - Will Peters – Ned Kelly

Glengallan - Zac Brasch – Astronaut

Staying in Character:-

Ella Hagenbach, Brett Shelton, Claudia Barton, Aliza Schelbach, Patrick Denny and Amy Morris.



More book week parade fun from yesterday. Well done to our Grannies!



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What's Happening?

More Book Week Fun! -

In the spirit of book week, a St Patrick's Storytelling session will be held on Wednesday 22nd August at 2:30. A shortlisted book will be chosen by each teacher, and students will nominate which stories they would like to hear, without knowing which teacher is reading each story.

We will also be hosting a Book Fair which will run from Monday 20th August until 11:30 Wednesday 22nd August. The library will be opened for the fair at 8:00am each morning and on Monday it will be open until 3:30pm for those who may like to come in the afternoon. If before or after school times don't suit, you may come in during school hours.

Remember that a percentage of every dollar you spend is then donated to the library by book supplier 'Carnival Book Fair'. On Tuesday 4th September at 9:00am we will be holding a culminating activity for Book Week in the form of a musical entitled "Treasure Hunt".



Harry, Patrick and Jason



Seth, Mia and Atticus



Harriet, Hailie and Makiah

PLEASE SEE OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR OUR 2018 ANNUAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE CLAIMERS- 2018

- 20 Aug Book Week—'Book Fair' book shop
Wednesday -Story telling—2:30—2:55pm
- 2 Sept Family Mass—Father's Day
- 3 Sept Student Protection Week
- 10 Sept Family Health Week
- 4 Sept Tuesday—Show—"Treasure Hunt"
- 7 Sept Confirmation—Clifton
- 21 Sept Term 3 Ends
- 8 Oct Term 4 Starts
- 19 Oct St Patrick's Parish and School Fete
- 22 Oct Staff PD day—Student Free Day
- 23 Oct School Standardised testing
- 30 Oct Prep transition morning
- 14 -16 Nov - Year 5/6 Camp—Tallebudgera
- 30 Nov School Swimming Carnival
- 4 Dec Christmas Liturgy and Music Presentations
- 7 Dec 10am—Graduation Ceremony
12pm—School Year Ends

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Golf Day & Dinner

Sunday 26 August 2018
Join us for BUSHkids Golf Day & Dinner

4 ball Ambrose
with a SHOTGUN START at 11.30am SHARP!
Members - \$15 Non Members - \$30
To register your team of 4, or as an individual,
phone Warwick Golf Club Pro Shop on 4661 3664