

St Patrick's School Allora— Newsletter



Our Vision
An inclusive community committed to high levels of learning for all.

Our Mission
In the spirit of Saint Mary Mackillop, we strive for excellence with love, dignity, integrity and justice.

Dear Families,
2019 Quadrennial Review Report- In week 4 of term 2, our school community took part in a very important review process. Over a three day period, a panel of educators interviewed students, staff and families to investigate what it was that we were doing well in addition to what it is that St Patrick's could do better. The feedback from these interviews informed the production of the report that is now available.

This report will form the basis of a four year strategic plan focused on continual school improvement. As the needs our community and children change, so too should the practices we use to educate them. In this way, we can continue to strive for our Vision:
'An inclusive community committed to high levels of learning for all.'

Our school's 'Quadrennial School Review' report can be found on the 'Home page' of our school's website. Watch this space! - Our strategic plan will be published on our website in the near future.

Effective Learner Poster Competition Winners - Early this term, our students were invited to be a part of a poster competition. Successful students needed to design characters for our school that covered the following criteria:

- Evidence of thinking about what organisation, persistence, cooperation, confidence and resilience might look like;
- Evidence that the designer understands the 'Effective Learner' dispositions.
- The use of alliteration or other language features in naming their character to capture the audience's attention.



Effective Learner Competition Winners

Congratulations to Evie who was our overall winner. Well done to our class winners; Sarah, Alana, Maggie and Harriet; and to Ruby who received a highly commended certificate. These students will now work with a designer to finalise the characters that will feature prominently across our school to represent our 'Effective Learner Dispositions' of confidence, organisation, cooperation, persistence and resilience.

Hockey Success— Last week, year 6 student; Ella Hagenbach; captained the Darling Downs team to an overall 5th place in the Queensland School Hockey Championships. Ella was named as a 'shadow player' in the Queensland side. A remarkable achievement! Well done Ella!

Our School Student Protection Contacts are:
Miss Donnelly, Mr Maher and Karen

Reminders and To Do List

REPORTS— Reports have been issued today.

QUADRENNIAL SCHOOL REVIEW Report— this can be found on the 'Home Page' of the School's website

2020 Prep Enrolment Interviews— Please contact the office to organize a time in weeks 1 or 2 next term to arrange an interview if you are considering enrolling your child in Prep in 2020.

St. Patrick's School Fete Committee— The AGM is on the 15 July at 6pm. Anyone interested in being a part of the executive or simply wanting to offer suggestions to make this event even better should attend .

Professional Learning and Planning Day —School closed on Friday 28th June

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.

God Bless

Tyronne Maher
Principal

'Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning.'

Benjamin Franklin

Read more at: https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/benjamin_franklin_387287?src=t_improvement

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School News

Congratulations Patrick— Well done to Patrick Denny who last week qualified into the Darling Downs Athletics Team with a 1st in the 100m.

Report Cards issued today— Think Growth! - It is important to note that the learning taking place every day in your child's life is a journey. Your child can be quite hard on themselves when it comes to reports and so it is important for us as parents not to further compound this with our comments.

Conversations around improvement should be growth based and in this way we encourage the effort that they have invested and the belief that they can improve. This building of a self-belief that we can always improve will set them up positively for the learning to come in Semester 2 .

On the other hand, conversations that try to lesson the blow by taking the focus off the importance of effort creates a fixed and 'out of my hands' mind set. An example of this is telling your child that 'I was never good at that either'. This tells students that success is inherited and that my effort is a waste of time.

The positive effect of a parent's engagement on their child's learning journey has been well researched and documented. Engagement means being involved and interested in a child's learning. As a parent, you are the first educators of your children and therefore have a wealth of knowledge that can help teachers provide the best instruction. As always, please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions about your child's report and their efforts.

Communication- We occasionally have concerned families requesting times to meet to discuss behaviour concerns. Often, families tell us that 'time' does not allow them to report these.

As a parent or caregiver, a phone call or meeting with a teacher will ensure that concerns can be addressed immediately. There is now also a 'Make a Report' link on our school's website under '[Policies and Procedures](#)'. Once complete, an email notification will be sent to the school for immediate follow up. While the absence of negative student behaviors cannot be guaranteed, parent and student communication can assist in bringing about quick and positive resolutions. If teachers do not know about what is happening, they can't help.

FIXED MINDSET	GROWTH MINDSET
Believe that they are the way they are (however this doesn't mean they do not have the desire to become better)	Have a desire to learn and improve because they believe the brain is like a muscle, and intelligence can be developed
Avoid putting themselves in challenging situations and if they are in them, they do not embrace them	Takes on challenges and is more interested in learning and stretching themselves
Do not like criticism or being corrected at all	They see criticism as a form of learning and good feedback for their growth
Feel threatened by other's success	Are inspired by the success of others and seek to find lessons from it.
Do not like putting in effort. See it as fruitless or worse	See effort as a necessity to grow and master useful skills.



More 'Sight Word' success—well done Couper, Max, Harriet, Katelyn, Jemimah and Liam on achieving their next level of sight words—Superb diligence!

Assembly Term 2 Friday 8.50am

Week 10: No Assembly
Pupil Free Day



Happy birthday to:

- James Ekerick
- Lachlan Ekerick
- Paige Cummins
- Harriet Barton
- Ziggy Gibson
- Mili Walker
- Archie Brown

Student of the Week Awards—Week 9

CUNNINGHAM —
Emilia Hoey for always challenging yourself to do your best and looking for ways to improve.

DALRYMPLE-
Ruby Wright for setting goals and achieving them one step at a time.

GLENGALLAN —
George Philp for being organised and ready for learning

Mary MacKillop Award Reverent

Cunningham—
Thomas Peters

DALRYMPLE—
Jenna Mutch

Glengallan—
Axil Mathie



Parish News

LITURGY TIMES

**1ST SUNDAY OF MONTH –
MASS 9AM**

**2ND, 3RD SUNDAY OF MONTH
– MASS 5.30pm**

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

FETE Friday 18th October



St Patrick's School Allora—Parent's and
Friends Association

'As many hands build a house, so many
hearts make a school'



Next P&F Meeting—7pm in the Library on 17th July 2019

BIG SCREEN SHOW TIME!

DON'T JUST WATCH MOVIES THESE HOLIDAYS...
...MAKE YOUR OWN!

JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

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FOR STUDENTS YEARS 1-12
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WARWICK – SCOTS PGC – JULY 8-9
HIGHFIELDS – SPORT & REC PARK – JULY 10-12

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School Attendance— Every Day Counts!

Student semester reports will be released today. In addition to providing you with an overview of your child's rate of achievement, each report indicates your child's 'Days Absent'. We know that being away from school impacts on a child's learning progress and, related to this, absenteeism also impacts your child socially and emotionally. While some absences are unavoidable, we know that some are and maximising attendance at school is very important.

SCHOOL BELL TIMES

- 8.40am** Start of School
- 10.45am Break start
- 11.25am Break finish
- 1.30pm Snack start
- 1.50pm Snack finish
- 2.50pm Pack up
- 2.55pm** End of School





What's Happening?

St Patrick's Parish Fete Committee —

Our Parish Fete has been running for many years. The success of this event is attributed to the contributions of many and measured by the way it brings our community together for an evening of affordable, family fun. Our next meeting is an 'Annual General Meeting'.

At this meeting our new committee will be nominated and formed. Anyone interested in being a part of the executive or those simply wanting to offer suggestions to make this event even better, should attend our next meeting on the 15th July at 6pm.

2020 Prep Enrolment Interviews—

Please contact the office for a time in weeks one and two of next term to arrange an interview time if you are considering 2020 Prep.

ALLORA 150 YEAR CELEBRATION "COME HOME TO ALLORA" 20TH AND 21ST JULY 2019

The town of Allora was proclaimed a municipality on 21st July 1869 by the Governor of Queensland. On the weekend of 20th and 21st July 2019, a celebration is planned to celebrate 150 years of Local Government.

All residents of the district, young and old are invited to participate. On Saturday 20th July a Grand Parade commencing from the Old Shire Hall will proceed down Warwick and Herbert Streets to the Dalrymple Park. We would like everyone to dress in costume to join the celebrations and be part of the parade. Period costume, fancy dress, fashion through the ages - just dress up and join the fun. Families are encouraged to decorate their bikes or prams or billy carts.

For more information of events check out Web: www.allora150org or Facebook Allora 150 Year Celebration; Email: adhssec@gmail.com
Ph. Wendy – 0488673778 or Lyn 0408753085

2019 ONLINE ANNUAL CALENDAR—LOCATED ON OUR SCHOOL'S WEBSITE

DATE CLAIMERS- 2019

Term 2

25 June	Semester 1 Reports Issued
27 June	Last Day of Term 2
28 June	Professional Learning Day - (Pupil Free Day)

Term 3

15 July	Term 3 begins
15 July	Parish Fete Meeting—6pm
17 July	7pm—P&F Meeting—Library
20-21 July	150 years of Allora Celebrations
26 July	Gala Day 1
28 July	Catholic Education Week
29 July	School Improvement Surveys sent to families
2nd	Aug Bishop's Inservice Day - Pupil Free
9 Aug	Gala Day 2
11 Aug	School Improvement Surveys —close
14 Aug	7pm—P&F Meeting—Library
1 Sept	Father's Day
11 Sept	P&F Meeting
19 Sept	Last Day of Term 3
20 Sept	Professional Learning Day - Pupil Free

'Like' us on Facebook— To engage more of our community in the wonderful work that staff and students are doing here at St Patrick's, we have branched out into the world of social media. Media consent forms were returned by families recently that sort parent permission in having their children pictured on the world wide web. Please let us know if you would prefer not to have images of your children on Facebook.

